



# Michigan Angus News

## Greetings Michigan Angus Association members and friends!

### Angus Marketing Opportunities Abound

The 60th Michigan Angus Futurity at the annual Michigan Beef Expo was once again an excellent event. Angus cattle commanded the high-selling averages over all breeds. Congratulations to Hutchings-Kenyon Angus for exhibiting the Champion Angus Bull and KB Angus who bred the Champion Angus Heifer, who was also high-seller of the breed and the Expo. Hy-View Farms offered the high-selling Angus bull, and Fitzner Farms brought the second high-selling female of the breed.

The Futurity Show and Sale is a team effort and a huge thank you goes out to so many people: Michigan Angus Auxiliary, Ken Geuns, Lisa Bohlen, Steve Thelen, Merle Boehmer and Janelle Horrocks-Boehmer and the many others who assisted in all kinds of ways. We especially appreciate the dedication of Evan and Grace Boehmer! Evan is doing a great job as Chairman of the Futurity. He has provided many new ideas for improving both the Futurity and Beef Expo, and we are seeing his work and leadership come to fruition.

The 2018 Michigan Angus Association Field Day will be hosted by KB Angus of Merritt, MI and promises to be a great opportunity to connect with cattle producers from throughout the state. Mark your calendar for Saturday, August 18 and join us for a very enjoyable summer day. Please refer to page 2 for more detailed information. You can be assured that Kevin, Carol and their family will serve as great hosts! We also welcome contributions for sponsoring the event. Please contact Kevin Beckington or me if you are interested in contributing.

At this time, I am very pleased to announce the Michigan Angus Association plans to host the 2018 Great Lakes Region Angus Female Sale on October 27 in Shipshewana, IN. Note the new name, new venue, and new management – three indications that the updates of the annual Fall Sale have been strategically planned by our very dedicated and able sale committee. Please join me in thanking our sale committee members for their efforts, especially: Chris Pranger, Paul Dawson, Kevin Beckington, and Lisa Lutchka. Details on the sale and the entry form are on pages 4 and 5. The reason this info is in the MAY newsletter is that it is NOW time to select and begin developing your potential sale lots! Entries are due September 1.

The Michigan Angus Board of Directors has elected many new members over recent years, and they have been a great addition to our long term dedicated board in providing fresh and innovative thoughts and ideas. This transition is very important for the long term sustainability and the progression of our association. The group is very diverse, knowledgeable, helpful and committed. If you are a member of Michigan Angus and would like to get more involved, do not hesitate to contact any one of them with questions or if you are in need of assistance.

As you review this newsletter, please note the many opportunities to connect with your Angus cattle colleagues and friends. We look forward to seeing you soon!

**Bob Zellmer, President**  
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## 5 Questions:



Photo by Ali Luety, American Angus Association

*Kendra (Merriman) Diekevers represented Michigan at the 2018 Angus Women Connected Conference. She joined a progressive and enthusiastic group of 30 women from 19 states, who came together in Excelsior Springs, Missouri to share their ideas, knowledge and passion for raising Angus cattle.*

### **What is the Angus Women Connected Conference?**

*The American Angus Auxiliary offers learning, brainstorming and camaraderie for women at three-day annual retreat.*

### **What did you learn?**

*Kelli Retallick of AGI spoke about DNA, EPDs, and what each producer can do to improve their herd through genetic evaluation. She compared Angus EPDs to other breeds as far as birth weight, weaning weight, marbling, and milk. She also spoke about GeneSeek technologies and traits they are studying to include in future EPDs: foot structure, tenderness and cow longevity, to name a few.*

### **What new connections did you make?**

*I had the pleasure of sitting at dinner with Ashley Grant, Chief Marketing Officer of Ranch House Designs. She was informative on the current successful marketing avenues and what the constant changes in technology mean to us as producers. I was also in a small group discussion with the American Angus Auxiliary President, Leslie Mindemann, and Region 5 Director, Deanna Hofing from Indiana. We talked about the goals of the American Angus Auxiliary and each of us shared our goals in relation to the Angus breed.*

### **Did you have some fun?**

*Yes! We listened to the hilarious parodies of "Cara Bout Ag," did a "chalk and chat" painting, and had free time to sample Missouri wines.*

### **What did you enjoy most about this experience?**

*It was very refreshing to meet other women who also know the everyday struggle of taking care of a family, working, running a farm, and balancing all of it....without having a complete breakdown! I met so many new people and made lifelong connections. I encourage all Michigan Angus women to apply the next time this opportunity is available.*

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# KB ANGUS

Performance Angus Genetics



**MSU Lake City Research Center, Lake City, MI - 9:30-11:30am**  
Jason Rowntree, Pasture Management and Monitoring Research Overview

**KB ANGUS, Merritt, MI - Lunch, Guest Speakers & Activities**

**Wes Hornback, Great Lakes Region Cattle Specialist, Purina Animal Nutrition**  
Weaning Strategies, Heifer Development, and Body Condition Scoring

**Ben Bartlett**

How to be smarter than a cow-low stress handling

**Cattle Viewing and Judging Contest**

Lunch will be provided at KB Angus - Catered by Ebel's Catering

Join Us  
**Saturday,  
August 18th**  
**Michigan Angus  
Field Day**  
hosted by:



REGISTERED ANGUS CATTLE

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# 60th Annual Michigan Angus Futurity

The 2018 Show & Sale was held April 6-7th in conjunction with the Michigan Beef Expo at the MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

12 Bulls averaged \$2,858 • 12 Females averaged \$2,621

*Congratulations*

\* HIGH SELLING FEMALE OF THE BREED & EXPO!

## Grand Champion Bull



Lot 117 – \$4,000, Consigned by Hutchings-Kenyon Angus, Bellevue Purchased by Nevill Farms, LLC, Clare, MI

## Grand Champion Female



Lot 112 – \$7,300 Consigned by KB Angus, Merritt Purchased by Double C Angus, Marion, MI

\* 2nd HIGH SELLING FEMALE OF THE BREED

## Reserve Grand Champion Bull



Lot XX – \$1,500  
Consigned by Maggie Reid, Eaton Rapids  
Purchased by Renee Florian, Mt. Pleasant, MI

## Reserve Grand Champion Female



Lot 108 – \$5,100  
Consigned by Fitzner Farms, Wolverine  
Purchased by Mike Burzynski, Gaylord, MI

Scott & Catherine Collins, Cedar  
Rod Taylor, Britton  
Rosy Cattle Co., Metamora  
George Ruzick, Mattawan  
Meadowmint Angus, Milford  
Mike Burzynski, Gaylord  
Zach Holbrook, Hastings  
Scarlett Brehm, Fayette, OH  
Double C Angus, Marion  
Country View Farm, Manistee

*Thank You*  
to the buyers and bidders,  
and everyone who participated  
as a consignor or spectator!

Kaa Dee Farm, North Branch  
Bob Stowe, Hersey  
Nevill Farms, LLC, Clare  
Tim Howell, Fairgrove  
Triple Z Simmental Farms, Alto  
Joe Zeitz, Gladwin  
John Deyo, Battle Creek  
Charles Beeching, Lawrence  
Renee Florian, Mt. Pleasant



# Great Lakes Region ANGUS FEMALE SALE

**Saturday  
October 27  
2018**

## Sale Info

**SALE LOCATION:** Shipshewana Livestock Auction

[www.shipshewanatradingplace.com](http://www.shipshewanatradingplace.com)

**SALE MANAGER:** Rance Long Marketing

Contact: Rance Long, 918-510-3464, [rlong@rancelong.com](mailto:rlong@rancelong.com)

**SALE COORDINATOR:** Michigan Angus Association

Contact: Chris Pranger, 260-760-9512, [chris@prangerent.com](mailto:chris@prangerent.com)

**Entry due September 1**

**Mail:** Rance Long

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## Entry Info

### ENTRY FEE

- Entry fee of \$100/lot will be applied to final expense.  
Check payable to: Rance Long Marketing
- Current Michigan Angus Association Membership  
*If dues are not current as of 9/1/18 \$25 will be deducted from settlement.*

### HEALTH & GENETIC REQUIREMENTS

- Cattle must be tested BVD negative (ear notch test)
- Cattle that are potential carriers of any know lethal genetic defect must be tested free of the defect
- Cattle must have GE-EPDs (Genomic Enhanced Expected Progeny Differences). This test will enhance the predictability of current selection tools and increases EPD accuracy on young animals.

### SALE CATEGORIES

- Bred Female – Cow must be 6 years or younger and be AI sired or carrying an AI sired calf
- Cow/Heifer Calf Pair – Cow must be 6 years or younger and be AI sired or carrying an AI sired calf
- Bred Heifers – AI-sired or carrying an AI-sired calf
- Open Heifers – AI-sired
- Genetic Lot – Embryo Package offered with guarantee of one pregnancy

### BREEDING INFO, PHOTOS & VIDEOS

- Breeding Info due Sept. 1 – Send complete breeding information: AI or service dates, pregnancy status, AI or Service Sire name and registration number.  
*The sale manager prefers to write the footnotes for the sale lots. If you want to provide information on your lots, or write your own footnotes, please submit the text with the entry form by Sept. 1.*
- Photos due Sept. 15 – Send quality, high resolution digital files in JPG format for the catalog.  
*E-mail or upload photos to website.*
- Videos due Oct. 15 – Send quality, edited videos to be broadcast on DVAuction during the sale.  
*E-mail or upload videos to website.*

### 2 Easy Ways to submit entry info:

- Printed Form
- Digital PDF Form

## Sale Manager Message

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*It is indeed a pleasure to be working with the Michigan Angus Association in their sponsorship and coordination of the 2018 Great Lakes Region Angus Female Sale on Saturday afternoon, October 27 at Shipshewana Livestock Auction in Shipshewana, Indiana.*

*This event will be the highlight of the Great Lakes Region Angus activities for the upcoming fall. The entry requirements and guidelines are listed above. As you begin selecting cattle for this event I strongly urge you to dig deep into your program to bring the best representation of your operation. We will do everything possible to promote this event throughout the Angus business and showcase your high quality genetics!*

*If you have any questions or would like to visit with me personally about your potential sale lots, feel free to give me a call at (918) 510-3464.*

**SALE SPONSORED & COORDINATED BY MICHIGAN ANGUS ASSOCIATION • [www.michiganangus.org](http://www.michiganangus.org)**

# 2018 GREAT LAKES REGION ANGUS FEMALE SALE ENTRY FORM

## INSTRUCTIONS:

Fill-in consignor info at top of form and copy this sheet for each Sale Lot you enter.  
Complete the entry form for each Female or Embryo Package you wish to consign.  
Write breeding info for each lot on another page and send with entry forms.  
Send high resolution photos to sale manager; ID photo files with registered name.

**Entry due September 1**  
**Photos due September 15**  
**Videos due October 15**

<b>CONSIGNOR NAME</b>		<b>FARM NAME</b>	
_____		_____	
<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>CITY</b>	<b>ZIP</b>	
_____	_____	_____	
<b>PHONE NUMBER</b>	<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>		
_____	_____		
<b>HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER</b>			
_____		<b>SETTLEMENT CHECK payable to: Consignor Name Farm Name</b>	

Copy this sheet for each lot you enter.

<b>FEMALE REGISTERED NAME</b>	<b>AAA REG. #</b>	<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>
_____	_____	_____
<b>FEMALE CATEGORY</b>	<b>SIRE REG.#</b>	<b>DAM REG. #</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Bred Cow	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Cow/Calf Pair	<b>DATE BRED</b>	<b>SERVICE SIRE NAME</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Bred Heifer	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Open Heifer	<b>SEX OF CALF AT SIDE</b>	<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>
	_____	<b>REG. #</b>
	<b>SIRE OF CALF</b>	<b>SIRE REG.#</b>
	_____	_____

Copy this sheet for each lot you enter.

<b>EMBRYO LOT</b>	<b>EMBRYO – SIRE REG.#</b>	<b>EMBRYO – DAM REG.#</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Package # _____ Embryos	_____	_____

## FOOTNOTE INFO INCLUDED ON SEPARATE PAGE

- ☐ Breeding  
☐ Production & Performance

## PHOTOGRAPHS IN CATALOG

- ☐ ID \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ ID \_\_\_\_\_

## ENTRY FEE

- ☐ \$100 per lot payable to: Rance Long Marketing

## 2 Easy Ways to submit entry info:

- Printed Form – Mail form & E-mail photos
- Digital PDF Form & Photos – E-mail
- Mail:

Rance Long, PO Box 2, Adair, OK 74330

## E-mail:

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# state preview show junior & open

**2018 Michigan Angus State Preview Show at Michigan Beef Showcase, June 8 – 10, MSU Pavilion, East Lansing**

**INFO & ENTRY FORM:** [www.michiganangus.org/event/michigan-angus-preview-show-2018/](http://www.michiganangus.org/event/michigan-angus-preview-show-2018/)

**ENTRY DEADLINE:** Postmarked May 25 (Late entries are accepted at a significantly higher fee.)

**EXHIBITOR AGE:** Junior Show - birthdate between Jan. 1, 1997 – Dec. 31, 2009; Open Show - 8th birthday by Jan. 1, 2018

**CLASSES:** Heifers, Cow-Calf Pairs, Bulls, Steers, Youth Showmanship

**Adult Angus breeders are encouraged to enter cattle in the Open Preview Show.**

**Open and Junior entries will show at the same time.**

**Arrive on June 8 or 9** • Early bird arrival from 6 to 9 p.m. on Friday, June 8. All cattle must be checked in between 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 9.

**Show Schedule on June 9 & 10** • Showmanship for all youth exhibitors will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, followed by crossbred steer and market heifer classes. All breed shows are on Sunday, June 10. Angus is the first breed to show, beginning at 9 a.m.

**Youth Educational Beef Skills Contests on June 9** • Poster, Photography, Team Sales, and Team Fitting Contests are designed to help junior exhibitors learn new skills and prepare for the educational contests at their breed's national shows. Details are in the entry packet. Michigan Angus Association may also offer cash awards to all Michigan Junior Angus members who participate in educational contests. Encourage your juniors to participate in these opportunities.

**Selection of Michigan Delegates to NJAA Showmanship Contest on June 10** • MJAA members ages 16 to 20 as of January 1, 2018 can compete for the honor of representing our state at the NJAA Showmanship Contest in Madison, WI. Potential competitors must verify their membership in AAA, NJAA and MJAA by May 25 by contacting Nancy Thelen: 734-216-3617 (cell and text).

## junior association news

### 2017-18 Michigan Junior Angus Association OFFICERS

President	Austin Pillars, clayknollfarm@att.net
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### Hello from the Michigan Junior Angus Association!

Yippee spring has finally sprung! Baby calves have been arriving for a while now, and maybe some members are done with calving. As I look back at last year's newsletter I read that my dad was done with first cutting hay and corn was planted. Granted this issue is a month earlier than last year's, but no corn is in the ground or hay made. Wishing each of you a wonderful spring and summer as the weather starts to warm up.

At the annual banquet in March the junior members started with a meeting to plan for the upcoming summer events at Summer Showcase Preview Show, and the Eastern Regional Angus Show, the National Junior Angus Show, and finally the LEAD Conference. At the Eastern Regional we will be helping our fellow Ohio Angus Juniors serve lunch on Friday. June, July and August will be busy, but fun! The banquet allowed junior members to share with others how well they did during the show season based on points earned. Congratulations shout out goes to the following members for their year end awards: Premier Breeder and Exhibitor Awards: 1. Austin Pillars, 2. Blake Pillars 3. Kavina Johnson. Outstanding Senior Member: Austin Pillars. Outstanding Junior Member Blake Pillars. Adult Appreciation Award: Mrs. Janel Horrocks-Boehmer.

Thank you to our Angus enthusiasts for your colossal support of the live and silent auctions held during the banquet. Funds raised will go towards the National Junior Angus Show in Madison, WI and the LEAD Conference in Billings, MT.

### Results of the 2018 MSU Block & Bridle Junior Show – April 8, MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

Eighteen Angus heifers and four Angus steers were exhibited at the 2018 MSU Block and Bridle Club Beef Expo Junior Show held on April 8 following the Michigan Beef Expo. The Champion Angus Steer and Champion Michigan Owned Angus Steer was exhibited by Justin Stoll from Portland, MI. Austin Pillars from Martin, MI owned the Reserve Champion Angus Steer and Reserve Champion Michigan Owned Angus Steer. The Champion Angus Female was exhibited by Kathy Lehman from Shelby, OH and the Reserve Champion by Austin Nowatzke from Michigan City, IN. The Michigan Owned Champion Angus Heifer was exhibited by Drew George from Niles, MI and the Michigan Owned Reserve Champion Angus Heifer by Jason Zeilke from Coloma, MI.

## auxiliary news

### 2018-19 Michigan Angus Auxiliary Officers

President	Rachael Vaassen	Awards Chair	Nancy Thelen
Vice President	Julie Thelen Conover	Miss Michigan Angus Chair	Ricka Boehmer
Secretary-Treasurer	Sharon Vaassen	Scholarship Chair	Janel Horrocks-Boehmer
Historian	Lori Pillars	Past President (Advisor)	Julie Thelen Conover

### Annual Meeting & Crowning of Miss Michigan Angus

Our annual meeting agenda included the election of officers and planning for the future. A huge thank you to everyone who brought silent auction items to the banquet, as well as all the buyers and supporters in the silent and live auctions. We proudly crowned our 2018 Miss Michigan Angus during the annual banquet program. Congratulations to our new breed representative, Jaycie Brown, daughter of Jay and Susie Harwood-Brown from Pinckney.

### Futurity Show & Sale Hospitality

Coffee, donuts and delicious baked goods donated by our Auxiliary members were provided for the Angus Futurity. Thank you to all who helped!

### RSVP for Auxiliary's ART Activity at Field Day

Join us at the Michigan Angus Field Day on Saturday, August 18, at KB Farms in Merritt. We want to extend a special invitation to join in a special Auxiliary art activity – painting on wood – sponsored by Vaassen Angus Farm. The art activity is open to everyone at no cost. Reply by July 15 to be a part of this fun art activity. Contact President Rachael Vaassen: (phone or text) 734-645-2304 or (e-mail) rachaellynn223@gmail.com



# 2018 Awards Banquet

## Michigan Angus Breeders and Juniors honored on March 3 at St. Johns



### Michigan Angus Association Board of Directors

Seated L to R: Ken Geuns, Bath, chairman of the board; Lisa Bohlen, Pleasant Ridge, treasurer; Grace Boehmer, Olivet, secretary; Dan Vaassen, Ann Arbor, vice president; Bob Zellmer, Nashville, president.

Standing L to R: Directors Paul Dawson, Hanover; Chris Pranger, Corunna, IN; Jeremy Kosal, Deckerville; Kevin Beckington, Merritt; Monte Bordner, Sturgis; Nancy Thelen, Saline; Melissa Hutchings Kenyon, Bellevue; Steve Thelen, Saline; Evan Boehmer, Olivet; Paige Tuggle, Ithaca; Kent Nickolaus, Addison. Not pictured is Aaron Phelps, Cedar Springs.



### Michigan Angus Auxiliary Officers & Committee Chairs

Seated L to R: Sharon Vaassen, Ann Arbor, secretary-treasurer; Rachael Vaassen, Dexter, president; Lori Pillars, Martin, historian.

Standing L to R Janel Horrocks-Boehmer, Williamston, Scholarship Chair; Ricka Boehmer, Niles, Miss Michigan Angus Chair; Nancy Thelen, Saline, Awards Chair. Not pictured is Julie Thelen Conover, vice president and immediate past president.



### Michigan Angus Association Heritage Award

Bill Sheridan, Mason, presented by Merle Boehmer and Janel Horrocks-Boehmer at the Michigan Angus Futurity Sale during the 2018 Michigan Beef Expo.



### MJAA Adult Appreciation Award

Janel Horrocks-Boehmer, Hy-View Farm, Williamston, presented by MJAA President Austin Pillars.



### Michigan Angus Royalty

Kavina Johnson, Quincy, 2017 Miss Michigan Angus and Jaycie Brown, Pinckney, 2018 Miss Michigan Angus.



### MJAA Premier Breeders & Premier Exhibitors

Kavina Johnson, Quincy, third overall; Blake Pillars, Martin, second overall; and Austin Pillars, Martin, first place Premier Breeder and Premier Exhibitor.

Blake Pillars was named MJAA Outstanding Junior Member and Austin Pillars earned Outstanding Senior Member.



### American Angus Auxiliary Certificates of Achievement

Kavina Johnson, Quincy; Austin Pillars, Martin; Amanda Kosal, Deckerville; Jaycie Brown, Pinckney; Blake Pillars, Martin; and Kristopher Kosal, Deckerville.

Not pictured: Kylie Bates, Sebawaing; Hunter Brown, Kingston; Mike Brown, Midleville; Matthew MacMaster, Harrisville; Lindsey Mogg, Sumner; Sterling Reichenbach, Bath; Jack Reid, Eaton Rapids; Maggie Reid, Eaton Rapids; Braydon Zellmer, Paige Zellmer and Thea Zellmer, Nashville.

May 25	<b>ENTRIES DUE: State Preview Show</b> <a href="#">See page 6 for details</a>
June 8 – 10	State Preview Show, Michigan Beef Showcase, East Lansing
June 14 – 16	NJAA Eastern Regional Preview Show, Lima, OH
June 22 – 23	Michigan Cattlemen's Assn. Summer Round-up, Escanaba
July 7 – 13	National Junior Angus Show, Madison, WI
July 12 – 15	Michigan Livestock Expo, East Lansing
August 2 – 5	NJAA LEAD Conference, Billings, MT
August 18	<b>Michigan Angus Field Day</b> <a href="#">See page 2 for details</a> 9:30 to 11:30 am – Program at MSU Lake City Research Center, Lake City 12 Noon – Lunch, Speakers & Activities at KB Angus, Merritt
Aug. 30 – Sept. 3	Michigan State Fair - Labor Day Weekend, Suburban Collection Showplace, Novi
September 1	<b>ENTRIES DUE: Great Lakes Region Angus Female Sale</b> <a href="#">See pages 4 &amp; 5 for details</a>
October 27	Great Lakes Region Angus Female Sale, Shipshewana, IN

**2018 ANGUS CONVENTION  
COLUMBUS, OHIO  
NOVEMBER 3 – 5**

[www.angusconvention.com](http://www.angusconvention.com)

From outstanding educational seminars to nationally known entertainment, the 2018 Angus Convention is an event you won't want to miss. More than 2,500 cattlemen participated in the 2017 Angus Convention in Fort Worth. And, as plans take shape for the 2018 Angus Convention in Columbus, Ohio, there's even more in store for Angus producers and their partners. Registration and hotel blocks will open July 1.