

# Delegates Elect Angus Board Members

American Angus Association® delegates elected five members to its Board of Directors Monday, Nov. 14 at the 128th Annual Convention of Delegates in Louisville, Ky.

Elected Board Directors include Chris Sankey, Council Grove, Kan.; Arlen Sawyer, Bassett, Neb.; Doug Schroeder, Clarence, Iowa; Darrell Silveira, Firebaugh, Calif.; and Jim Sitz, Dillon, Mont. Sankey will serve his first three-year term on the Board; while Sawyer, Schroeder, Silveira and Sitz will serve a second, three-year term.

Jarold Callahan, Edmond, Okla., was elected the American Angus Association president and chairman of the board. He succeeds Joe Hampton, Mount Ulla, N.C.

Phil Trowbridge, Ghent, N.Y., was chosen by delegates to serve as vice president and vice chairman of the board. Gordon Stucky, Kingman, Kan., will serve as treasurer for the year.

More than 300 elected delegates from 43 states, Canada and the District of Columbia represented American Angus Association members and conducted the business of the Association during the annual meeting and election. The meeting was at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center (KFEC) in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) Super-Point Roll of Victory (ROV) Angus Show.

Jarold Callahan, the Association's newly-elected president and chairman of the board, most recently served as vice president and vice chairman of the board. Callahan received his undergraduate degree from Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College and a master's degree in agriculture from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. He taught purebred beef production and livestock selection at Oklahoma State University and served as executive vice president of the Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association before joining Express Ranches in 1996.

As Association president, Callahan will serve as chairman of the Executive Committee and will work closely with all directors to lead the board during the next year.

Callahan succeeds Joe Hampton, who, with his wife, Robin, operates Back Creek, a cattle operation near Mount Ulla, N.C., focused on the production of Angus bulls for commercial cattlemen.

Phil Trowbridge, newly elected vice chairman and vice president, recently served as treasurer. Trowbridge received his animal science degree from Alfred State College prior to becoming herdsman at Gallagher's Angus Farm, where he continues to enhance Angus genetics with Trowbridge Angus. Trowbridge has served on numerous boards on the local and state level and organized the Columbia County Feeders 4-H Club.

Treasurer Gordon Stucky received his bachelor's degree from Kansas State University and established Stucky Ranch, a family-owned ranching operation near Kingman, Kan. Gordon has served the Kansas Angus Association as district director, board member and as president. He has also served numerous regional and state organizations, including the Extension Council, Farm Bureau and the Kansas Livestock Association.

Brief biographical sketches of recently elected Board Directors follow.

## Chris Sankey

Chris Sankey and his wife, Sharee own and operate Sankey's 6N Ranch located in the Flint Hills near Council Grove, Kan. The San-

keys have two children, Cody and Jeana, who were actively involved in the Kansas Junior Angus Association (KJAA) and the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA).

Following his graduation from Sterling High School, Chris attended Kansas State University and received his bachelor's degree in animal science and business in 1978. Chris has been active in the Kansas Angus Association (KAA), serving on the KAA board and as president of the association in 1990. He has served on two National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) committees, a regional show committee and various association committees. He currently serves on the 2012 National Angus Conference & Tour committee. He has been a KJAA advisor for two terms.

Chris is involved in the Kansas Livestock Association and is a past County Chairman and past Purebred Council Committee Chairman. He has also served his home community by being a 4-H leader and a member of the Morris County Extension Council and Farm Bureau Board.

## Arlen Sawyer

Arlen and his wife, Becky, are owners of A&B Cattle located south of Bassett in the north-central Sandhills of Nebraska and have two children, Jessica and Adam.

After graduating from South Dakota State University (SDSU), Arlen accepted the position of manager of the 700-head registered cow herd at K Plus Angus Ranch.

From 1984 to 1990, Arlen and Becky purchased ranchland in Rock County, Neb., and expanded their own cow herd. They established "A&B Cattle" in fall 1990.

Through the years, Arlen has judged numerous regional and national livestock events and is a member of the Nebraska Angus Association, Nebraska Cattlemen and the Sandhill Cattle Association. He is a past president of the Nebraska Angus Association and the Area II Region of the Nebraska Cattlemen. He has served on the Nebraska Cattlemen's Classic board of directors and on the Beef Advisory Council to the Black Hills Stock Show. He has served as advisor to the Nebraska Junior Angus Association.

Locally, he has served as a two-term president of the Bassett Country Club, was a board member of the district FmHA, and is an active member of the Holy Cross Catholic Church in Bassett, where he served as president of the Parish Council.

## Doug Schroeder

Doug grew up on a family farm near Clarence, Iowa, a small rural farming community. He received a degree in ag business from Kirkwood Community College.

Doug and his wife, Glenda, have three children — Jason, Drew and Lauren.

In 1989 they purchased the original Schroeder homestead. Today, the farm consists of 320 acres of owned and 500 acres of rented ground and 125 registered Angus cows.

Over the years, Doug has been active in associations such as Cedar County Cattlemen's Association; Cedar County Corn & Soybean Association; Cedar County Pork Producers; Eastern Iowa Angus Association, in which he was president for two years; and Iowa Angus Association, in which he was also president for two years.

Doug and Glenda have both been strong and active supporters

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