

Michigan Angus News

A Time of Challenges & Opportunities

The calendar says early May, but it doesn't seem like it. I guess that is spring in Michigan! We should be thankful for moisture and rain, considering the wildfires and drought conditions out west.

We have had very successful sales of Angus cattle in the MCA Bull Test Sale and the Beef Expo. And from discussions with fellow Angus breeders, the market for bulls has been brisk as well.

Our annual banquet in March was great fun! A trivia challenge quiz and Angus memorabilia show focused our attention on the history of the Michigan Angus Association as a kick-off of the year long celebration of the centennial of the Michigan Angus Association. Board members donated an amazing array of "birthday gifts" for raffle prizes and we raised over \$700 along with a lot of fun and laughter...at least for the winners of the great prizes. Thanks to all who contributed to make this event happen!

We want to thank the following board members for their previous service: Julie McMahan French, Clifford Simmons, Tammy Frankovich, and Chuck Preston. Welcome to our new directors: Jimmy Redmond, Evan Boehmer and Nancy Thelen and Chuck Preston, who agreed to take on another term.

Grace Boehmer has stepped up to be our new association secretary, so please welcome her as she assumes this new position. We are grateful that Nancy Thelen will work with her closely over the next year to ensure a smooth transition.

While on the subject of thanking people for their support of Michigan Angus Association, I wish to express our deepest appreciation to Fred and Judy Good who made a generous contribution to Michigan Angus, Michigan Angus Auxiliary and the Michigan Junior Association. Our members continue to amaze me with their contributions of time, talents and the various avenues they find to support our association!

I look forward to seeing you at the Michigan Beef Showcase and Angus Preview Show in June and at our Michigan Angus Field Day in August. Your association board also hopes you will be able to join other breeders in traveling to the Certified Angus Beef headquarters in Wooster, Ohio in October.

2014 will continue to bring challenges and opportunities for cattle breeders. Let's focus on the opportunities, and look for more ways to provide Angus cattle and all of the benefits associated with the breed to the rest of the cattle industry.

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angus calendar

May 23	ENTRIES DUE for Michigan Angus Preview Show at Michigan Beef Showcase (For info and entry link: www.michiganangus.org)
June 6 – 8	2014 Michigan Angus Preview Show, Michigan Beef Showcase, MSU Pavilion, East Lansing
June 14	ENTRIES DUE for Michigan Angus "Black Bonus" Fall Sale (See page 3)
June 27 – 28	Michigan Cattlemen's Association Summer Round-Up, Headquarters: McGuire's Resort, Cadillac Program: MSU Lake City Research Center (For more info: www.micattlemen.org)
July 6 – 12	National Junior Angus Show, Indianapolis, IN (For more info: www.njas.info)
July 18 – 20	Michigan Livestock Expo, MSU Pavilion, East Lansing (For more info: www.milivestock.com)
August 23	Michigan Angus Association Field Day, hosted by Monte & Robin Bordner & Family, Sturgis (See page 2)
Aug 29 – Sept 1	The Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair, Suburban Collection, Novi (See page 7) (For more info: www.michiganstatefairllc.com)
September 2	NOMINATIONS DUE for MCA/MSU Bull Evaluation Program (For more info: www.micattlemen.org)
October 2 – 3	Michigan Angus "Centennial Trip" to CAB Headquarters, Wooster, OH (See page 5)
October 25	Michigan Angus "Black Bonus" Fall Sale, Single Tree Farms, Charlotte (See page 3)

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you're invited!

Join us for a late summer celebration of the Michigan Angus Association Centennial and the 50th Anniversary of Angus Cattle on the Bordner Farm!

2014 MICHIGAN ANGUS FIELD DAY Saturday, August 23

Hosted by Monte & Robin Bordner Family at their farm near Sturgis

1:00 pm – Tour Great Lakes Sire Service at nearby Bronson

- The Midwest's top bull stud owned and operated by Earl and Melissa Souva

2:30 pm – Gather at the Bordners for the Field Day Program and Fun

- Kevin Gould MSU Extension – Livestock Trailer and Hauling Safety
- Jeff Leininger, Merck Animal Health – Vaccination Programs: What Makes Sense
- Visit with old Angus friends and make new ones!
- View Robin's collection of antique cast iron – Griswold, Wagner and more!

6:00 pm – Pitchfork Fondue Steak Dinner sponsored by Merck Animal Health

- Come watch Drew "Backwoods" Bordner and his crew cook 4 Strip Steaks at a time on a pitchfork in a cast iron pot filled with hot oil!
- Stay for dessert! "Bull Stud" Ice Cream frozen by Earl Souva...with liquid nitrogen!

michigan angus fall sale

**NEW DATE AND
NEW LOCATION!**

"BLACK BONUS" FALL SALE

October 25 at 2 pm Single Tree Farms, Charlotte

AUCTIONEER: Bill Sheridan SALE CHAIRMAN: Evan Boehmer 517-652-3065

HEALTH & GENETIC REQUIREMENTS

- Cattle must be tested BVD negative (ear notch test).
- All cattle must follow the State of Michigan TB regulations.
- Michigan Angus Assn. policy requires breeding cattle consignments that are potential carriers of any known lethal genetic defect (for which there is a commercial test) to be TESTED FREE of the defect in order to be cataloged.

ENTRY RULES & NEW SALE CATEGORIES

- Entry fee \$100/lot (applied to final sale expense) + Michigan Angus Assn. dues \$25 if not previously paid
- Sale Lotting List will limited to 40 – 48 animals
- Show Heifer Prospects – 6 Head maximum. Final selection will be made by Selection Committee prior to catalog publishing.
- Bred Heifers – 12 Head (approx.). Calving due date must be between January 1 and May 31, 2015.
- Spring-calving Cows or Pairs – 12 Cows (approx./maximum 24 head).
Calving due date must be between January 1 and May 31, 2015. Pairs MUST sell calf at side.
- Fall-calving Cows or Pairs – 6 Cows (approx.)
Calving due date must be between September 1 and December 31 2014. Pairs MUST sell calf at side.
- BONUS ATTRACTION: Angus Steer Calves – 6 head maximum. Entries are first come–first served. Steers will be offered by private treaty after the sale. \$100 entry if cataloged, \$25 if not cataloged.

SALE PREPARATION CALENDAR

- June 15 – Entries due
- July 10 – Show Heifer Prospects selected by Selection Committee
- August 1 to 15 – Photos at Single Tree
- September 1 – Selected Show Heifers may arrive at Single Tree
- October 1 – Catalogs mailed
- October 18 – All cattle may arrive at Single Tree

MAIL:

- Consignment Form
- Copy of Reg. Certificate
- Entry Fee/Dues Check

E-MAIL:

- Footnotes and Photos

ENTRIES DUE JUNE 15!	MAIL: Evan Boehmer, Single Tree Farms 6125 Matthews Rd. ,Olivet MI 49076 E-MAIL: singletreefarms1@gmail.com
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CONSIGNOR NAME

FARM NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

ZIP

PHONE NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER

SETTLEMENT CHECK payable to: **Consignor Name** **Farm Name**

ANIMAL NAME

AAA REG.

SEX

CALVING DATE

SIRE REG.#

DAM REG.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Fill-in consignor info at top of form.
Copy forms for each animal you will enter.
Fill-in entry info at bottom for each animal.

DATE BRED

SERVICE SIRE NAME

SERVICE SIRE REG.

annual meeting report

Michigan Angus Association Annual Meeting

March 9 • Jackson

Eighty-five Michigan Angus members, juniors and guests attended the 2014 annual meeting and banquet held March 9 in Jackson. Many thanks to Evan and Grace Boehmer for assisting with the reservations. The Michigan Angus Association, Michigan Angus Auxiliary and the Michigan Jr. Angus Association all held meetings in the morning.

The theme for the day was the celebration of the 100th birthday of the Michigan Angus Association. Following a delicious CAB dinner, the association kicked off its yearlong celebration. Attendees participated in "Michigan Angus Centennial Trivia" narrated by Nancy Thelen and shared Angus memorabilia that many different past and present breeders had brought along to display at the banquet. A fun centennial celebration raffle was enjoyed by all and many thanks to Julie French for coordinating this and to the directors and auxiliary officers who brought items for the raffle. Together, we raised over \$700 to help fund the centennial bus trip to CAB Headquarters. The Michigan Junior Angus Association had a silent auction of desserts, many with the 100th birthday theme. Many thanks to everyone who donated items for the association, the auxiliary and the juniors and to all who so generously purchased raffle tickets and bid on auction items.

Scott Foster, AAA director, recognized Sterling Reichenbach for receiving the national Bronze and Silver Awards. Association president, Merle Boehmer, presented the 2014 Michigan Angus Association Heritage Award to Dave and Joan Lutchka from Lutchka Angus near Grass Lake. The Heritage Award is presented to breeders in recognition of their long-time involvement, leadership and support of the association and the Angus breed. Other award winners are listed in the Junior and Auxiliary articles in this newsletter. Congratulations to all of them.

futurity show & sale report

56th Annual Michigan Angus Futurity Show & Sale

April 4 – 5 • 2014 Michigan Beef Expo, MSU Pavilion in East Lansing

A standing room only crowd was on hand for the 56th Annual Michigan Angus Futurity Sale on April 5 at the MSU Pavilion in East Lansing. Consignors from Michigan, Indiana, and Pennsylvania sold 24 lots for an average of \$3,270. Eleven bulls averaged \$3,650 and thirteen females averaged \$2,946.

The high-selling bull was Grand River Bismarck 1053, a January, 2013 son of SAV Bismarck 5682. He was consigned by Grand River Angus Farm of Grand Rapids, MI and purchased by Fitzner Farms of Wolverine, MI for \$7,000; this entry was selected as the Reserve Grand Champion Bull in the show. The Grand Champion Angus Bull was consigned by Single Tree Farms of Charlotte, MI. STF High Road 311 is a March, 2013 son of LSCC Jipsey Earl Phez 036. Lot 104 sold for \$3,750 to Apple Hill Angus Farm of Harrisville, MI.

The Grand Champion and high-selling female was consigned by Vaassen Angus Farm of Ann Arbor, MI. VAF Classy Bardot 103 is a February, 2013 daughter of EXAR Classen 1422B. Omega Farms of Williamston, MI paid \$7,000 for this female. The Reserve Grand Champion Female was BCCC Gidget A320, consigned by Barker Creek Cattle Co. of Bath, MI. This daughter of PVF Genius 1131 was purchased by Behrenwald Farms of Clarksville, MI for \$3,200.

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CATTLEMEN'S BLACK BOOK FROM AAA

Orders are now being accepted for 2015 BRS/AngusSource® Genetic calving books

The American Angus Association® offers the pocket-sized Beef Record Service (BRS)/AngusSource® Genetic black books as a hassle-free, record keeping option for producers. "The black books are always a popular item with our cattle producers," says Ginette Kurtz, AngusSource Genetic quality manager. "They have space for all the pertinent management records and calving dates for your herd."

The 2015 books are available in any quantity for \$3 each and can be customized – free of charge – with purchases of 100 or more. Customized orders may include the operation's logo and contact information foil-stamped onto the back cover, while standard orders feature the Association's logo. Books will be shipped by Oct. 15 – just in time to distribute to customers during the fall marketing and holiday seasons. To place orders, contact the AngusSource department at 816-383-5100 or blackbooks@angus.org.

REMEMBRANCE OF AN ANGUS FRIEND

Carl Staser, a life member of the Michigan Angus Association, passed away on April 30, 2014. Carl and his father operated Winding Lane Farm near Laingsburg for many years. Our condolences to his family and close friends.

michigan angus centennial

CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES PLANNED THROUGHOUT 2014

The year-long observance started at the 2014 Annual Meeting in March and continued at the Michigan Angus Futurity held in April at the Beef Expo. A poster recognizing association members who are long-time Angus breeders was on display in the Angus alley and trivia quizzes were also available. At the start of the Futurity Sale, State Representative Joel Johnson from the 97th District presented Michigan House Resolution #330 declaring March 31 to April 6, 2014 "ANGUS WEEK IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN."

Upcoming Centennial Activities

- "Angus Days" at Local Stockyards - We plan to sponsor outreach events across the state throughout the year. Help us arrange a specific day at the stockyards in your area. We'll need volunteers to set up a display to distribute Angus literature and breeders on site to tell the Angus story. These events could tie-in well with feeder calf sales or other special sales. To volunteer, contact Bob Zellmer, bob@highbanksangus.com or (269) 945-7796.
- Centennial Membership Trip - Travel with Michigan Angus to Wooster, Ohio to tour Certified Angus Beef headquarters. The trip is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, October 2 and 3. Reservations must be made by August 1. Details and a reservation form are below.
- History of the Michigan Angus Association - Our history was first published in the 60's and updated in 1976. It will be updated again, starting this year, as a longer term project in recognition of our 100 years.
- The Centennial will also be celebrated at the Preview Show in June and the Field Day in August.

CENTENNIAL TRIP TO CAB HEADQUARTERS October 2 & 3 Bus Trip to Wooster, Ohio

Members and interested cattle producers are invited for a fun and educational two-day trip via chartered bus!

Trip Schedule

Thursday, October 2	12 Noon	Pick-up participants in the Lansing area (location TBD)	
		12:45 p.m.	Pick up participants in the Jackson area (location TBD)
	<i>Pick-up times are approximate!</i>	1:45 p.m.	Pick up participants in the Ann Arbor area (location TBD)
		5:30 p.m.	Dinner as a group at a restaurant in Wooster, or perhaps in Amish Country
		7:30 p.m.	Check-in at Hampton Inn in Wooster, Ohio (across the street from CAB HQ)
Friday, October 3	7:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast at the hotel	
	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Program and tour of Certified Angus Beef Headquarters	
		Learn CAB history, branding, marketing, and a breeder's connection to CAB	
		Lunch, snacks and beverages will be provided by CAB	
		3:30 p.m.	Depart CAB and stop for dinner along the way back to Michigan
	<i>Return times are approximate!</i>	7:30 p.m.	Return to Ann Arbor area
	8:15 p.m.	Return to Jackson area	
	9:00 p.m.	Return to Lansing area	

Travel Info Michigan Angus Association will sponsor the bus transportation. Participants will be responsible for dinners on Thursday and Friday evenings. Hotel rooms will cost approx. \$114 per room for single king and double queen rooms. Michigan Angus will make the hotel reservations collectively via a rooming list (do not make reservations directly).

RSVP by August 1 Please contact Nancy Thelen with your reservation promptly to help us plan for the proper size bus, provide a rooming list to the hotel and make arrangements with CAB staff for the program and lunch!

- Send an E-mail: hillsideacres01@aol.com Phone: 734-944-6262
- Mail the reservation form: Nancy Thelen, 7821 Weber Road, Saline, MI 48176

Name(s) _____

Address _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Pick-up/Return Location: Lansing _____ Jackson _____ Ann Arbor _____

Room Preference: Single King _____ Double Queen _____ (based on availability)

If applicable, sharing a room with: _____

junior association news

2013-14 Michigan Junior Angus Association

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JUNIORS SAY THANKS TO AUCTION DONORS AND BUYERS

The juniors auctioned off homemade baked goods at the annual banquet. Sincere thanks to: Missy Reichenbach, Merle Boehmer, Jaycie Brown, Bill and Terri Reid, Becky Zellmer, Elaine Foster, Robin Bordner, Lori Pillars, Katrena Klopfenstein, Michelle Kosal, Julie French, Lois Foster, and Katie and Maggie Reid for purchasing these tasty treats! Also thank you to the Foster family for purchasing the CJ Brown print that was donated by the Reid Family.

RECOGNITION AWARDS PRESENTED AT ANNUAL BANQUET

Premier Exhibitor: Dylan Kennedy, Nashville	Premier Breeder: Sterling Reichenbach, Bath
Outstanding Junior Member: Amanda Kosal, Deckerville	Outstanding Senior Member: Dylan Kennedy, Nashville
Adult Appreciation Award: Dr. John MacMaster, Harrisville	

MJAA ANNUAL MEETING – SATURDAY, JUNE 7 at MSU PAVILION

The MJAA annual meeting will be held Saturday afternoon June 7 at 3:00 pm in a classroom at the Pavilion at Michigan State University. All juniors and their families are invited to join us for snacks and a business meeting. Officers and directors for the coming year will be elected and we will finalize plans for the National Jr. Angus Show. A group photo of all Michigan Juniors will be taken. Juniors who are interested in running for an association director or officer position should contact junior advisor Rob Reid at (517) 663-4266

STATE PREVIEW SHOW JUNE 6–8 in conjunction with MICHIGAN BEEF SHOWCASE

Info & Entry Form: http://www.ans.msu.edu/youth_extension_programs/youth_events

Entries must be POSTMARKED by May 23 (Late entries are accepted but at a significantly higher fee.)

For more info: Carla McLachlan, 517-432-5402, e-mail MCLACHL2@msu.edu

The Michigan Beef Showcase on June 6–8 at the MSU Pavilion in East Lansing is the site of the Michigan Angus Junior and Open Preview Show. Classes include heifers, cow-calf pairs, bulls and steers, as well as showmanship. A link to entry info is also accessible at www.michiganangus.org, click on Current News.

Early bird cattle arrival begins from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Friday, June 6. However, cattle exhibitors may wait to arrive until Saturday. All cattle must be checked in between 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 7. 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. Angus will be the last breed to show.

Michigan Delegates to NJAA Showmanship Contest

Members of Michigan Junior Angus Association ages 16 to 21 can compete for the honor of representing our state at the NJAA Showmanship Contest in Indianapolis this summer. Those who wish to compete must contact Nancy Thelen by May 23 to verify membership in the American Angus Assn. or National Junior Angus Assn., as well as the MJAA. For more information, contact Nancy at 734-944-6262.

Youth Educational Contests

Beef skills educational contests for youth will again be held this year, including: Posters, Photography, Speeches, Team Sales, Team Fitting and Beef Advocacy. The Beef Advocacy workshop/contest will begin at 11:30 a.m. and lunch will be served to the participants. All other contests will be held on Saturday afternoon. The contests are designed to help the junior exhibitors prepare for the educational contests at their respective breed's National Junior Show, and help them learn new skills in various areas. Compete details are in the entry packet. Be sure to check these out and encourage your juniors to consider participating in one or more of these opportunities.

NATIONAL JUNIOR ANGUS SHOW JULY 7–11, INDIANAPOLIS

Information on the National Junior Angus Show and contests, as well as the LEAD conference was mailed out to all national junior Angus members who meet the age eligibility to participate in the activities sponsored by the American Angus Association. If you do not have your copy, you can obtain the information on-line at www.njaa.info.

Michigan will have a large delegation going to the National Junior Angus Show which is July 7-11 in Indianapolis, IN. It is a great event to attend, even if you are not showing. All juniors who will be participating at the NJAS will be meeting at the Michigan Jr. Preview Show. NJAS exhibitors are requested to send a copy of their animal's registration paper to Kendra Merriman, 5214 Bancroft Ave. Lowell, MI 49331 by June 13. A copy of your papers can also be given to Kendra at the Preview Show.

auxiliary news

2014 Michigan Angus Auxiliary Officers

President	Kris Boehmer	Co-Historians	Elaine Foster & Lori Pillars
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Awards Chair	Nancy Thelen	Past President	Sharon Vaassen

ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

The Michigan Angus Auxiliary held its annual meeting on March 9 in Jackson. The officers listed above were elected to serve during the coming year. During the program following the annual banquet, Sterling Reichenbach thanked the association for the opportunity to serve as Miss Michigan Angus 2013. We extend our appreciation to Sterling for serving as a wonderful Angus representative during the past year. There were no candidates of age who submitted an application, therefore, the Auxiliary agreed to lower the age requirement and several very qualified candidates stepped forward.

2014 QUEEN, AMBASSADORS AND ACHIEVERS

This year our Queen coronation was held during the Michigan Beef Expo. Chair Ricka Boehmer crowned Katrena Klopfenstein as Miss Michigan Angus for 2014. Amanda Kosal and Kavina Johnson will serve as Michigan Angus Ambassadors.

Thirteen junior members received the American Angus Auxiliary Certificate of Achievement for outstanding accomplishments during 2013. Recipients of this recognition included Jaycie Brown, Kavina Johnson, Kollin Johnson, Dylan Kennedy, Katrena Klopfenstein, Kendra Merriman, Austin Pillars, Sterling Reichenbach, Jack Reid, Katie Reid, Rachel Reid, Chelsea Ruggles, and Justin Ruggles.

THANKS TO DONORS & VOLUNTEERS

The purpose of the Auxiliary is to support junior Angus programs, as well as our state Association activities. We wish to extend our warmest appreciation to Fred and Judy Good for their generous donation which will be used to support junior scholarships. Thanks also to those who donated and purchased items in our silent auction.

The Michigan Angus Association extends its gratitude to the Auxiliary for organizing and staffing the Angus hospitality booth at the recent Beef Expo. A special thanks to Janel Horrocks-Boehmer for chairing this project and to all the women who provided the treats. Exhibitors, buyers and guests really appreciated the coffee, hot chocolate, donuts, cookies and reception goodies. Thank you for your assistance.

NEW PROGRAM FOR EXHIBITORS OF CHAMPION ANGUS HEIFERS

In 2014 the Michigan Angus Auxiliary would like to collect the names of each youth who exhibits the Champion Angus Heifer at a county fair, state fair or district or statewide preview show. The names of each winner will go into a drawing to be held at the Michigan Winter Beef Classic at the MSU Pavilion in December, 2014. The lucky recipient will receive a show halter from the Auxiliary. Information that is needed includes name of exhibitor, age, address, email address, phone, name of the fair or show where the champion award was received, and the contact information for someone from that show or fair. The above information should be sent by November 1st to Nancy Thelen at 7821 Weber Road, Saline, MI 48176 or emailed to hillsideacres01@aol.com.

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary welcomes new members! If you are interested in becoming involved in our activities, contact Kris Boehmer 517-712-0421 or Sharon Vaassen 734-663-8071. A membership form is posted on the web site, and printed in the Michigan Angus Directory.

state fair



AUGUST 29 through SEPTEMBER 1, NOVI

www.suburbancollectionshowplace.com

Contact: Rob Reid, Steering Committee, robreid1932@hotmail.com

This year, the Fifth Third Michigan State Fair will be held August 29 through September 1 at the Suburban Collection Showcase in Novi, Michigan. We have been very busy working to improve and expand the Fair experience for both exhibitors and attendees. Steve Masters has joined the Fair and will serve as Executive Director. Steve worked above the bridge as Executive Director of the Bays de Noc Convention and Visitors' Bureau and helped manage the UP State Fair.

We recently released our new website (www.michiganstatefairllc.com) and our Face Book page (www.facebook.com/MichiganStateFair). Please visit these sites for up-to-date information on the Fair. Be sure to 'Like' us while you are there! We have just completed our Fair Premium Book and will make it available via these sites in the next couple of days. If you have any issues finding it, please let me know. The Junior Beef Show will be Friday afternoon and the Open Beef Show will be Saturday morning.

Scholarship money has increased to \$15,000 for youth exhibiting at the Fair. New this year is our own version of the "Little International." Youth showmanship winners of each species will compete to claim the title of Michigan's Best Showperson. This should be a lot of fun!

We are also looking for opportunities to promote Michigan's agriculture industry through product demonstrations. It was amazing to see how the sheep shearing demonstration last year generated such a huge crowd! Fair attendees are genuinely interested to learn where their food comes from. If you have any ideas to promote the diversity of our industry please let me know as soon as possible!

Michigan Angus Association Membership Application

BY MAIL

Make check payable to: Michigan Angus Assn.
Mail application and form to: Lisa Bohlen
20 Fairwood Blvd., Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069

ANNUAL DUES

\$25.00

ONLINE @ www.michiganangus.org

Submit (or update) your farm contact information using the online form.
Complete your payment through PayPal.

Farm Name: _____ **Owner's Name:** _____

County: _____ **Farm Manager (if applicable):** _____

Junior Members (under age 21): _____

Address: _____ **City, State, Zip:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Farm Phone:** _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

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Directions to farm: _____

• Michigan Angus News: Electronically _____ U.S. Mail _____ • Freezer Beef Sales Listing: Yes _____ No _____

• Check all committees that interest you:

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