

# Minnesota News ...

## In Memoriam



*Congratulations to the Senior Champion Quiz Bowl team from Minnesota - Amber and Anna Johnson and Regan Schatz.*

## MN Beef Expo

The 13<sup>th</sup> annual Minnesota Beef Expo will be held October 17-20, 2013 at the state fairgrounds in St. Paul. The Expo features something for everyone including a junior show, showmanship contest, knowledge bowl, and a judging contest. In addition, there is also a fitting competition, educational exhibits and seminars, a trade show, and the MN Youth Beef Experience Program (MYBE).

For further information about the Expo, check out their website at [www.mnbeefexpo.com](http://www.mnbeefexpo.com) for announcements, access to the handbook, registration forms and up-to-date news.

### Lura Limousin Donates Heifer

Mark and Sharilyn Willette along with Dustin and Lauren Mohrhauser of Lura Limousin, Delavan, MN have generously donated a heifer to the Minnesota Youth Beef Experience Program (MYBEP). The heifer will be awarded to a deserving young

person following the meal on Saturday evening, October 19, 2013 at the MN state fairgrounds in St. Paul.

The purpose of this program is to inspire youth interested in entering the beef cattle industry. They are awarded a beef heifer to raise and care for during the upcoming year. In addition, they also have to maintain records on the animal's care, communicate with donor and MYEP leaders with monthly progress reports, and return to the MN Beef Expo at the conclusion of the year to share the experience.

Applicants must be between the ages of 12-16 as of Sept. 2013, be a member of the 4-H, FFA or junior breed association, and live in MN, IA, ND, SD or WI. They must also demonstrate a commitment to agriculture, define future goals, show a financial need, and explain how they are going to raise the heifer.

The winner of the Limousin heifer and the photo will be printed in the November/December issue of the Heart Beat.



*Congratulations to the Minnesota Juniors who placed second in the State Poster contest at the NALJA show in Springfield.*



### Violet Wulf

Violet (Vi) Wulf of Morris, MN passed away May 12, 2013 due to complications from heart disease. Vi and her late husband, Leonard, were pioneers in the Limousin breed and the Minnesota Limousin Association.

She was born and grew up on a farm south of Morris, MN. Vi and Leonard were married in February, 1949 and they raised eleven children. She cherished her family and treasured the time she spent with them.

Not only did Vi raise a large family, but she also opened up her home to many foreign exchange students, college interns, hired men, travelers and others throughout the years. She enjoyed quilting, reading, and playing games. Family, church, community, business and travel allowed Vi and Leonard to form many friendships and lasting memories.

Vi is survived by her eleven children and their families, 51 grandchildren, 55 great-grandchildren, four siblings, and many other family members and friends.

Services were held May 16, 2013 at the Apostolic Christian Church in Morris.



### Patricia Anderson

Patricia Anderson of St. James, MN passed away June 5, 2013 following a five year battle with Pulmonary Hypertension. She was born and grew up in Washington, D.C. Pat worked for the CIA's Joint Chief of Staff at the Pentagon. She remained there until her marriage to Merle in 1970, when she traded in big city life for farm life in rural St. James.

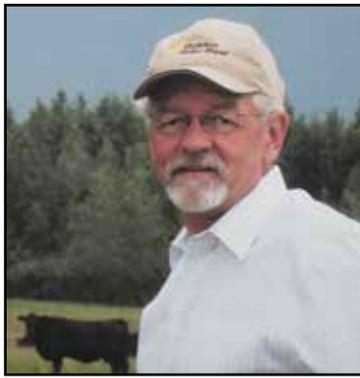
The family lived in St. James and St. Cloud. Pat enjoyed a variety of careers including working at a church, a bank, a pharmacy and a tax service. In 2008 Merle and Pat moved to a farm north of Odin, MN to be near family and friends.

Pat is survived by her husband, Merle, a Limousin breeder and member of the MN board of directors; son Chet of Maricopa, AZ and his family; daughter Cathy and her family of Mankato, MN; other family members and friends.

Services were held at the Sturm Funeral Home in St. James, MN June 10, 2013.



*Bret Begert, NALJA junior advisor, presented the 2013 "Leonard and Vi Wulf" scholarship to Thomas Duff of Hampton, MN at the banquet in Springfield. Congratulations!*



### Wayne Bollum

Wayne Bollum of Northfield, MN passed away May 15, 2013 following a battle with cancer. He was raised on a farm near Blue Earth, MN and attended the University of Minnesota. He received a bachelor's degree of Animal Science and a Master's Degree from the Carlson School of Business.

He worked for the Steele County Extension Service, the First Northwestern National Bank, International Multi Foods and in the mid 1980's he moved to Chicago where he began working in the publishing business for the Farm

Progress Company.

Wayne and his wife, Jean, moved to the farm in Northfield in 1999 and started Golden Oaks Beef. He also continued to work as an advertising representative for Farm Journal Publications.

He enjoyed raising Limousin cattle, golfing, and traveling. Wayne had visited nearly every state as well as several foreign countries. He was a member and past Noble Ruler of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, a member of the U of MN Ag Alumni Board, the Heartland Limousin Association, a director of the MN Livestock Breeders Association, the MN Limousin Association, the Dakota County Fair, and he was a longtime 4-H leader.

Wayne is survived by his children Haley, Will and Wendy, his father, brothers, a sister, and many other friends and family. He was preceded in death by his wife Jean.

Services were held on May 21 2013 at the Church of St. Dominic in Northfield.

## Witt Receives "Mark Aggen Memorial Award"



Dr. Lynn Aggen and his wife, Barbara presented the award to Megan Witt at the Fillmore County Fair.

Megan Witt of Mabel, MN received the "Mark Aggen Memorial Award" during the Fillmore County Fair in Preston, MN. Megan is the daughter of Danny and Vickie Witt.

This award began eleven years ago in memory of Mark who had a passion and dedication for showing cattle, especially in 4-H. He was the son of Dr. Lynn and Barbara Aggen of Harmony, MN. They chose one beef project 4-Her who was in their last year of 4-H, has shown dedication and expertise to the beef project throughout the

years, and has been an excellent role model to young 4-Hers.

In addition to this award, the Aggen family also gives the "Mark Aggen Memorial Showmanship Awards" at the Minnesota State Fair. The family was recognized by the University of Minnesota as a "2005 Farm Family", honoring them for their contributions to the agricultural industry, its community and the state. Farm families receiving this recognition have demonstrated a commitment to enhancing and supporting agriculture and agricultural production

## Fullblood Alliance Members Meet

Members of the Fullblood Limousin Alliance (FLA) met June 20, 2013 in Lamar, MO. A variety of items were discussed including scholarships, junior awards, the upcoming "Cattle Drive Sale", the donation heifers, and a report from the shows in Springfield, MO.

The "Cattle Drive Sale" is October 13, 2013 at the Laclede County Fairgrounds in Lebanon, MO. This is a great opportunity to sell or purchase quality Fullblood genetics. We want to thank Rod Carver, James Brown and Danny and Connie Crockett for donating three heifers to be auctioned off at the sale. The proceeds will go to help support the junior programs.

The next FLA meeting will be October 12 in conjunction with the "Cattle Drive Sale". The time and place TBA on the FLA website.

A report was given on FLA members who took part in the summer shows. Cash prizes of \$250 were awarded to seven juniors who exhibited cattle in the All-American Futurity (AALF) in July. Congratulations, juniors!

Certificates of appreciation

were presented to Terrill Britt for serving as the FLA Ambassador and Deloris Grimstad for being "gate keeper" at the FLA show.

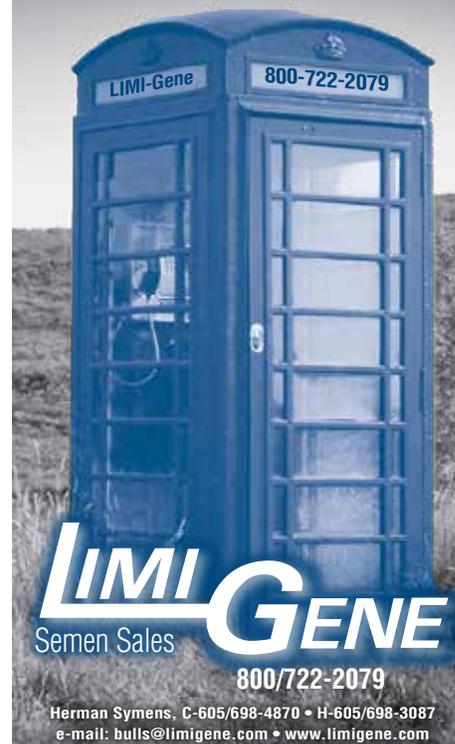
James Lucas has set up a scholarship in memory of his wife, Elaine. The 2013-14 winners are Carter Haynes and Sarah Delight. They will each receive \$500 for the four years that they are in college.

A blackberry and cherry pie were auctioned off along with FLA director's chairs, with the proceeds going for the junior fund. We want to thank Louise Hodde, Danny Crockett and Randy VanDolah for their winning bids on these items.

An incentive program for juniors, Future Limousin Breeders of America (FLBA), includes a \$1,000 cash award given toward the purchase of a Fullblood heifer to show. Last year two awards were given to FLA junior members. A new application must be made every year and it can be obtained on the website or from any FLA board member.

Thanks to Danny and Connie Crockett for serving as hosts for the June FLA meeting.

## CALLING ALL CATTLEMEN!



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