Former NCA President To Address Simmental Convention

BOZEMAN, Mont. – Jo Ann Smith, Micanopy, Florida, the immediate past president of the National Cattlemen's Association, will headline the Cattleman's Forum during the 19th Annual Meeting and Convention of the American Simmental Association. ASA's Convention will convene in Nashville, Tennessee Feb. 19-21.

Smith served as NCA President during 1985, and currently serves as chairperson of the 113-member Cattlemen's Beef Promotion and Research Board. This group has the responsibility for administering the industry's national check-off and promotion program. She also is a member of President Reagan's Advisory Committee on Trade Negotiations. Her presentation is entitled "In-



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fluencing Demand for Beef."

The Cattleman's Forum also includes a panel of producers who are involved in cattle feeding and packing. Moderated by Roy Wallace of Select Sires, Plain City, Ohio, the panel will discuss "Producing for the New Beef Industry." Members of the panel are Dr. Dean Danilson, coordinator of the American Light Beef Association, Auburn, Alabama; Max Deets, general manager of Solomon Valley Feedlot, Beloit, Kansas; and Leon Miller, president of Alta Verde Industries, Eagle Press, Texas.

Headquartered at the famed Opryland Hotel in Nashville, the Convention schedule offers a number of recreational events in addition to formal Convention activities.

Chiangus Classic Will Feature Black Steer Show

OZARK, Ark. – The 1987 Chiangus Classic, scheduled for Nov. 7 and 8, 1987 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, will introduce a black steer show. All steers in the show must be black, no baldies, brocklefaced cattle or reds. The steer show is designed essentially the same as the breeding cattle show with sponsors who are primarily working in the production, marketing and promotion of the highest quality show steers.

Another feature of the Chiangus Classic Black Steer Show will be that all prize money will be paid in cash as each winning exhibitor leaves the show ring.

The three men judging each year's Chiangus Classic breeding

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show will also judge the Black Steer Show. Judges for the 1987 Chiangus Classic will be Dr. Harlan Ritchie, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan; James C. Linthicum, JCL Cattle Company, Welch, Oklahoma; and Dr. John Edwards, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

RPM Holds Winter Hog Sale

BEAVERTOWN – On Jan. 16, RPM Farms, Beavertown, held their annual winter sale, with receipts totaling \$67,600 for the 195 head. The 104 head of purebred boars and gilts averaged \$453.

The top-selling animal was Lot 105, selling for \$1075, purchased by Daily Strickland, Nichols, SC. The hog was a Yorkshire boar, RTB6 Paramount 97-3.

The top-selling Yorkshire bredgilt was Lot 33, purchased by Florence Confer, State College, for \$550. The top-selling Landrace bred-gilt was Lot 55, purchased by Daily Strickland. SC. for \$575. The

top-selling Landrace boar was Lot 114, purchased by Heber Cox Washington, NC. for \$500.

Sale averages were as follows: • 31 Yorkshire bred gilts \$449.

- 43 Yorkshire Boars \$464.
- 74 Yorkshires \$458.
- 25 Landrace Bred Gilts \$464.
- 5 Landrace Boars \$342.
- 30 Landrace \$442.

• 91 Commercial Open Gilts \$226. The auctioneer was Mike Jones, West Point, Ga. This sale offering sold into 11 different states. RPM Farms' spring sale is scheduled for Apr. 10.

Charolais Assoc. Names New Leader

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Willard Walker of Walker Charolais Ranch at Springdale, Ark., assumed the leadership role of the American-International Charolais Association at the recent annual membership meeting in Denver, succeeding Tim Reich of Belle Fourche, S.D. The AICA represents approximately 3,300 Charolais and Charbray breeders from throughout the United States and several other countries.

Headquarters for the 1987 Chiangus Classic and Black Steer Show will be the Doubletree Hotel, 6100 South Yale, Tulsa, Oklahoma. For more information call Jack Phillips at (501) 667-4876 or write: Chiangus Classic, Inc., POB 658, Ozark, Arkansas 72949. Walker, an AICA member since 1968 and active in Charolais affairs, was first elected to the AICA Board in 1980. He served as the treasurer in 1983 and 1984 and was re-elected as Area 10 director and vice president in 1986. In addition, Walker has been a member of the Rules and Ethics Committee for many years and served on the relocation committee when the AICA office was moved from Houston to Kansas City.

Willard and his wife, Pat, have been extremely supportive of the American-International Junior Charolais Association. To assure that some of these young breeders can further their educations, the Walkers recently made a generous donation of \$50,000 to the AIJCA scholarship fund.



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