

2017 Candidate Profiles for the South Central Area

John Griswold, Stillwater, Oklahoma



Griswold Cattle runs registered Simmental, Angus, and Maintainer cows. They hold two annual sales, selling 400 females in December, and 200 bulls and several females each April. They market semen on their herd sires and genetics across. Depending on the cattle market, Griswold Cattle feeds steers. John has been involved in many aspects of the business, which shapes his decisions as a seedstock producer. John recently completed a three-year term on the American Maine-Anjou Association Board. John grew up in Wisconsin on a third generation cattle operation. His family sold their farm and came to Oklahoma when John was 17. John graduated from Oklahoma State University, while there he started acquiring cattle that he knew he could make a base out of. He loved Stillwater and decided to stay. He started out buying 30 acres. He slowly built his cow herd and ranch. In 2001, John and his brother Greg purchased 1,300 head from Birkland's of Dupree, South Dakota. They spent 11 years in Dupree before dispersing those cattle to focus more on the cattle that resided in Oklahoma. He and his wife, Jeannie, have three children: Maggie, Garrett, and Jack.

Chuck Miller, Olean, Missouri



Miller Cattle Company has been running Simmental cattle for 25 years, and today, breeds SimAngus™ cattle, in addition to Red Angus. The goal of the operation is to raise the best SimAngus cattle possible, utilizing the latest in AI and ET technology. They have worked with various university faculty and staff to bolster the herd's fertility, and currently, are in a three-year study with the University of Missouri focused on hair shedding, as it relates to grazing toxic fescue. Miller Cattle Company has been a Performance Advocate for many years. All bulls are marketed through the RA Brown Ranch program and females are sold private treaty off the farm. Miller has been involved in various ASA events and programs, including involvement in the initial implementation of the current Herdbook program, judging two AJSA National Classics, Fall Focus, and through his children's involvement in the Steer Profitability Competition. In addition to running cattle, Miller was an FFA advisor for 27 and a half years. In his local community, he has been a 4-H project leader, involved with his church and president of the Boone County Cattlemen's Association. He and his wife, Christi, have two children: Abby and Ethan.

Fred Schuetze, Granbury, Texas



Buzzard Hollow Ranch runs 800 Full Fleckvieh Simmental, Simbrah, and SimAngus™ cattle, all with a Fleckvieh base. Females are sold through an annual production sale each May, and bulls are sold through an annual production sale each January. Cattle are sold private treaty year-round, and embryos and semen are sold domestically and internationally. Schuetze served on the ASA Board of Trustees from 1999-2006, and during that time, served as Chairman, Treasurer and on the Executive Committee. He was re-elected in 2014, and currently serves on the Executive Committee and as Treasurer of the Board. Since 2000, Schuetze has served as an ASA representative for the World Simmental Fleckvieh Federation, and currently serves as president. He has been a speaker at Simmental and agricultural events around the world, as well as within the US. He and his wife Judy have two children: Freddie (Bud), and JoAnna Keel

Jeff White, Cherokee, Oklahoma



Jeff White, along with his wife, Dawn Ann, owns and operates White Farms, which has been in the Simmental business for 40 years. The operation consists of 300 registered and commercial Simmental females, heavily utilizing ET and AI throughout the program. White Farms markets their purebred and percentage bulls every spring through a private treaty bull sale, with replacement females and show heifers being available year-round. White runs his operation on the firm belief that the Simmental breed is in the driver's seat to compliment the millions of British-based cows in the US today. He currently serves as president of the Oklahoma Simmental-Simbrah Association. In 2016 he helped coordinate the AJSA South Central Regional held in Stillwater. Within the community, he has served on the board of Cherokee Public Schools for 10 years, and is extremely active in his local church. Jeff and Dawn Ann are the parents of J.D. and Jace, both attorneys at law.