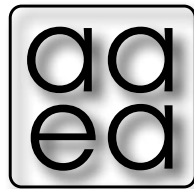


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2009 AWARDS

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AAEA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Two years ago, the American Agricultural Editors' Association re-instated the Lifetime Achievement Award, which had been given for the first and only time in 1990 to Wheeler McMillen. AAEA presented five Lifetime Achievement awards in 2007, to Wilson Carnes, Bob Rupp, Charlie Scruggs, Jim Thomson and Cordell Tindall. Claude Gifford and Larry Harper were honored in 2008. Three deserving recipients have been selected by the AAEA Service Awards Committee to receive Lifetime Achievement Awards in 2009. The awards are sponsored by CHS Inc.

BETTY LOU DENTON

In a career spanning more than 30 years, editor Betty Lou Denton enhanced the lives of farm and ranch families and devoted years of service and leadership to AAEA.

For 26 years, Denton gave her *Kansas Farmer* readers a thorough look at the lives of fellow Kansans through words and photos. Recognizing that farm women were multitaskers before that became a word, Denton covered economics and rural health, faith and nutrition. A professional home economist, Denton would kitchen-test winning recipes to make sure the directions she published were clear and precise. "You know," she would say, "our readers are good cooks, but sometimes they take a step or two for granted."

When Denton retired from *Kansas Farmer* in 1990, *American Small Farm Magazine* sought out her talents, as did Kansas 4-H, for whom Denton and Merle Eyestone wrote the book: "The Kansas History of Head, Heart, Hands and Health."

Denton received alumni awards from both the Kansas and National 4-H. To us, Denton will always be remembered as the first woman president of AAEA, serving in that trail-blazing role in 1981-82.

At Denton's passing in October 1994 at age 69, former *Kansas Farmer* editor Hank Ernst wrote: "No one was more of a stickler for details than Betty Lou. Her typewriter, then computer, never was still until she was confident that her words correctly conveyed the idea and intent of those she had interviewed. Not until the presses rolled would she readily relinquish her copy."

BILL FLEMING

For more than 40 years, Bill Fleming provided listeners and readers with reporting of the highest quality. A graduate of Iowa State University with a B.S. in agricultural journalism, Fleming brought his talents of outstanding writing and trademark photography to the pork and beef industries.

During his 28-year tenure with the former Webb Publishing and Intertec Publishing companies, Fleming won numerous writing and

agricultural photography awards from AAEA and the Livestock Publications Council, including the National Farm Magazine Writing Award, 1971; AAEA Writer of the Year, 1976; and AAEA Photographer of the Year in 1973, 1974, 1977 and 1978.

Fleming enhanced the quality of photography in *National Hog Farmer* and *BEEF* magazines and inspired many other agricultural journalists to improve their photography skills. His desire to increase not only his skills but the skills of others led him to help launch and serve as a faculty member of five agricultural photo workshops hosted by the University of Missouri.

AAEA elected Fleming as president for the 1980-81 term, and LPC did the same in 1991-92. He is the first person to serve as leader of both these groups. Retiring in 1994, Fleming and his wife, Joan, live in Eagan, Minn. They have two daughters and enjoy spending time with their grandchildren.

JIM LILLY

Jim Lilly wanted to be remembered as standing up for the rights of farmer subscribers. He is remembered for that and far more.

Lilly's career spanned 35 years with *Prairie Farmer*, the last 11 years as editor. Lilly started his career there in 1954 after graduating from Purdue University, serving as Indiana editor, farm science editor, managing editor and then editor.

Mike Wilson, eulogizing Lilly upon his death at age 65 in the summer of 1991, wrote:

"(Lilly) always put *Prairie Farmer* readers first and responded to their letters, whether they were complaints or compliments. And he stood up for staff members who wrote honest, hard-hitting articles." When some farmers faced financial disaster, Lilly once wrote to his readers, "All you have to do is write, and we'll see what we can do for you." He later said that while he may not have helped too many people, the ones he did help made it all worthwhile.

Lilly's well-known economic outlook column, "This Business of Farming," appeared in *Prairie Farmer* and *Indiana Prairie Farmer* for 31 years. Throughout much of the 1970s, Lilly served as secretary-treasurer of AAEA, and then became AAEA president in 1979-80. He was also proud of his association with Illinois Master Farmers.

At his retirement in early 1989, Lilly and his wife, Willie, moved from Decatur, Ill., to St. Simons Island, Ga., where the couple had honeymooned in 1953. The Lillys have three daughters: Cheryl, Kim and Sydney.

AAEA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

DR. MAX ROTHSCHILD

C.F. Curtiss Distinguished Professor in Agriculture and Life Sciences
Director, Center for Integrated Animal Genomics, Iowa State University

Max Rothschild is one of the most recognized and productive swine genetics researchers in the world. He is the U.S. Pig Genome Coordinator for the USDA and holds the M. E. Ensminger International Chair at Iowa State.

Rothschild's early efforts concentrated on classic quantitative genetics studies. He was one of the first swine geneticists to realize the potential of molecular genetics and marker assisted selection. He quickly transformed his research program to take advantage of this new science and to make it a tool for improving swine genetics. He has served as the coordinator of the USDA-CSREES Swine Genome Project since its inception in 1993 and continues to lead the coordination of the mapping of swine genes, maintenance of the database and setting research priorities. AAEA recognizes his contributions to science as well as his availability to journalists as a trusted source of information.

AAEA has named a Distinguished Service Award recipient each year since 1947. This award is sponsored by Archer Daniels Midland.

ANDY MARKWART HORIZON AWARD

The Andy Markwart Horizon Award, presented by the AAEA Professional Improvement Foundation (PIF) and John Deere in a matching grant partnership, is an annual award given to an AAEA member who embodies the youthful vigor, energy, passion, dedication and creativity shown by Andy in his volunteer work for AAEA for many years. Andy, editor of *The Furrow*, died in 2006 from heart problems.

Each year, the award's winner receives a \$2,500 stipend, which can be used for attending the International Federation of Agricultural Journalists (IFAJ) annual meeting, the AMS meeting or a professional development class, seminar or workshop.

JOY CARTER

Director of Communications, Georgia Peanut Commission

This year's winner matches Andy's editorial motivation and passion. Joy is committed to serving others and giving back to organizations that have helped her grow. She gives back to FFA through her volunteer work with the FFA Alumni, and serves as president of the Georgia FFA Alumni Association. She plans to run for president of the National FFA Alumni Association this fall. Joy recently completed her master's degree in Agricultural Leadership with the University of Georgia. Joy currently serves as co-chair of the Affiliate Advisory Committee for AAEA.

At the last Agricultural Media Summit he attended in 2005 in Milwaukee, Andy discussed the importance of keeping up with changing technology. Our winner certainly exhibits this key trait. Joy has helped lead the Georgia Peanut Commission into the social media age by using blogs, Facebook, YouTube and Twitter.

AAEA/ACT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The AAEA/ACT Scholarship Program is a joint effort of AAEA and the Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow. One of these scholarships is now designated as the Memorial Scholarship, to which AAEA members can donate in memory of someone who was significant in their life and career.

AAEA/ACT SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS, 2009-2010

Gretchen Ettredge, Tarleton State University

Jeralyn Stephens, Tarleton State University

Julie White, Kansas State University

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Rachel Duff, University of Missouri

This scholarship is given in memory of the following individuals:

KEN GARDNER

Dad could bring a smile to the face of nearly anyone with whom he came into contact. Thankfully he gave me his sense of humor, passion for everything that's green and the belief that I could accomplish anything if I worked smart and kept my nose clean. He loved farming for all the right reasons: love of the outdoors, working as an independent businessman, enjoying the solitude of a walk with his sons around the farmstead and a belief that small town America was where the "real" people made a difference in the lives of others. He was the best!

(Donation by Den Gardner)

JAN JOHNSTON

Jan had no connection to agriculture or journalism when she met me. A life-long city girl, she had grown up to be an elementary school teacher in St. Paul, Minn. But through our 37-and-a-half years of marriage, paralleled by my career, she came to greatly appreciate both sides of this profession. She dearly loved family life on our small farm and the doors it opened for our children Kevin, Jill and Wes. And she was very proud that I had a job that fed and housed us while also making a real difference in the world. Many of our best family vacations, the ones we still talk about, were in conjunction with AAEA events to places like Washington, D.C.; San Francisco; Nashville and West Des Moines. She enjoyed numerous friendships in our community of agricultural communicators, and she is sorely missed.

(Donation by Gene Johnston)

2009 AEA WRITING AWARDS PROGRAM WINNERS

BREAKING NEWS

- 1st – Greg Horstmeier, DTN
“Officials Warn of Tainted Fertilizer”
2nd – Dan Miller, The Progressive Farmer
“Out of Business”
3rd – Greg Vincent, Top Producer
“ASA Will Turn Away Some Delegates”

ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

- 1st – Urban Lehner, The Progressive Farmer
“Rocky Mountain High”
2nd – Lorne McClinton, The Furrow
“China Rising”
3rd – Bryce Knorr, Farm Futures
“The New Normal”

EDITORIAL OPINION

- 1st – Fran O’Leary, Wisconsin Agriculturist
“We’re Being Milked by Retail Dairy Prices”
2nd – Dean Houghton, The Furrow
“Why Family Farms Matter”
3rd – Greg Henderson, Drovers
“Let’s Help Define Decency”

HUMAN INTEREST

- 1st – Crystal Albers, Angus Journal
“Scars of Strength”
2nd – Joe Link, Farm Life
“Farm Kids”
3rd – Susanne Stahl, DTN
“And Here There Is No Hurt”

HUMOROUS ARTICLE

- 1st – Steve Thompson, The Progressive Farmer
“Learn the Lessons of Close Calls”
2nd – John Phipps, Farm Journal
“Photo Flop”
3rd – Holly Spangler, Prairie Farmer
“The Next Generation Inherits Dirty Jobs”

ISSUES

- 1st – Frank Lessiter, American Farriers Journal
“Soring”
2nd – Dan Miller, The Progressive Farmer
“Busting the CRP”
3rd – Crystal Albers, Angus Journal
“Plum Island”

ON-FARM PRODUCTION

- 1st – Jim Patrico, The Progressive Farmer
“Night Moves”
2nd – Marlys Miller, Pork magazine
“Euthanasia: It’s About Animal Care”
3rd – Jeanne Bernick, Farm Journal
“Cobs for Cash”

PERSONALITY PROFILE

- 1st – Steve Werblow, American Farmland
“Produce Pioneer”
2nd – Gil Gullickson, Successful Farming
“No Ivory Tower Here”
3rd – Elaine Shein, DTN
“FFA Profiles: Growing Corn Crops Earn
National Agri-Entrepreneur Award”

REGULAR COLUMN

- 1st – Fran O’Leary, Wisconsin Agriculturist
“Become a Rural Activist”
2nd – Marcia Zarley Taylor, The Progressive
Farmer
“A Farm Renter’s Heroine”
3rd – Dale Miller, National Hog Farmer
“Real vs. Ideal”

TECHNICAL FEATURE

- 1st – Dan Anderson, Farm Journal
“From the Inside Out”
2nd – Dave Mowitz, Successful Farming
“Secret Life of Lubricants”
3rd – Des Keller, The Progressive Farmer
“Find Your Profit Per Field”

TEAM STORY

- 1st – Chris Clayton, Gregg Hillyer, Urban
Lehner
DTN: “Crumbling Away”
2nd – Bryce Knorr, John Otte, Mike Wilson
Farm Futures: “Curing the Cost Crisis”
3rd – Jeanne Bernick, Charles Johnson,
Linda H. Smith, Greg Vincent
Top Producer: “25 Top Influencers”

STORY OF THE YEAR

- “Scars of Strength” Crystal Albers, Angus
Journal

WRITER OF THE YEAR

- Urban Lehner, DTN/The Progressive Farmer

2009 MASTER WRITERS

LEVEL ONE

- Karen Acevedo, Hobby Farms
Bill Barksdale, Barksdale Agri-
Communications (Freelance)
Mike Deering, U.S. Grains Council
Ron Lyseng, The Western Producer

LEVEL TWO

- Jennifer Bremer, High Plains Journal
Marri Carrow, U.S. Grains Council
Brian Cross, The Western Producer
Anthony Greder, DTN/The Progressive
Farmer
Patricia Hill, DTN/The Progressive Farmer
Rick Jordahl, Pork magazine
Lorne McClinton, The Furrow (Freelance)
Martha Ostendorf, Corral Creek
Communications (Freelance)
Steve Thompson, Freelance
Claire Vath, DTN/The Progressive Farmer
Mindy Ward, Missouri Farmer Today

LEVEL THREE

- Holly Foster, Drovers
Kurt Lawton, Stellar Content (Freelance)
Elaine Shein, DTN/The Progressive Farmer

LEVEL FOUR

- Jamie Cole, Red Barn Publishing
Margy Fischer, Farm Journal
Pam Golden, Southern Farmer
Laurie Potter, Successful Farming
Susanne Stahl, DTN/The Progressive Farmer

MASTER WRITERS

- Crystal Albers, Angus Journal
Sherry Collins, Swirlwind Media
Susan Davis, Davis Communications
Urban Lehner, DTN/The Progressive Farmer
Greg Vincent, Top Producer

2009 AAEA WRITING JUDGES

BREAKING NEWS

Beth Stuever, communications manager
Michigan State ANR

ECONOMICS & MANAGEMENT

Scott Hollister, editor
Golf Course Management

Mary Lou Peter, news writer and editor
Kansas State Research & Extension

EDITORIAL OPINION

Steve Weinberg, author, freelance writer,
faculty member
Missouri School of Journalism

HUMAN INTEREST

Larry Aylward, editor
Golfdom magazine

HUMOROUS ARTICLE

Beth Stuever, communications manager
Michigan State ANR

ISSUES

Michael Danna, director of public relations
Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation

Susan Thompson, communication specialist
Iowa State College of Ag & Life Sciences

ON-FARM PRODUCTION

Julie Douglas, Ag Answers Editor & Writer
Purdue University

Candace Pollock, media relations coordinator
& technical editor
The Ohio State University

PERSONALITY PROFILE

Jesse Bogan, reporter
Forbes Southwest Bureau

REGULAR COLUMN

Chuck Offenburger, columnist, author
Offenburger.com

TEAM STORY

Neal Fandek, chief editor
Columbia College

TECHNICAL FEATURE

Tom Jirik, Communications coordinator
Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute,
North Dakota State University

Jessica Stewart, marketing coordinator
4-H Youth Development, Oklahoma State
University

2009 AAEA DESIGN AWARDS PROGRAM WINNERS

COVER PAGE DESIGN - COMMERCIAL

- 1st - Jamie Cole & Donovan Harris, The Progressive Farmer, Dec. 2008
- 2nd - Douglas Kraus, Hobby Farms, March/April 2009
- 3rd TIE - Lynn Varpness, Farm Industry News, Sept. 2008
- 3rd TIE - Jamie Cole & Donovan Harris, The Progressive Farmer, Mid-Dec. 2008

COVER PAGE DESIGN - CUSTOM

- 1st - Tom Sizemore, The Furrow, Feb. 2009
- 2nd - Joe Link, AGCO Advantage, Spring 2009
- 3rd - Tom Sizemore, Homestead, Summer 2008

SINGLE-PAGE EDITORIAL DESIGN - COMMERCIAL

- 1st - Donovan Harris, The Progressive Farmer
- 2nd TIE - Al Casciato, Rural Life
- 2nd TIE - Donovan Harris, The Progressive Farmer

SINGLE-PAGE EDITORIAL DESIGN - CUSTOM

- 1st - Tom Sizemore, Homestead
- 2nd - LuAnn Smith, Merial SureHealth

OPENING PAGE OR SPREAD DESIGN - COMMERCIAL

- 1st - Donovan Harris, The Progressive Farmer
- 2nd TIE - Jamie Cole, The Progressive Farmer
- 2nd TIE - Mark Leiknes, Corn & Soybean Digest
- 2nd TIE - Mark Leiknes, Corn & Soybean Digest

OPENING PAGE OR SPREAD DESIGN - CUSTOM

- 1st - Tom Sizemore, Homestead
- 2nd - Tom Sizemore, Homestead
- 3rd - Tom Sizemore, The Furrow

TWO-PLUS PAGE DESIGN - COMMERCIAL

- 1st TIE - Jamie Cole, The Progressive Farmer
- 1st TIE - Jamie Cole, The Progressive Farmer
- 3rd TIE - Donovan Harris, The Progressive Farmer
- 3rd TIE - Douglas Kraus, Hobby Farm Home

TWO-PLUS PAGE DESIGN - CUSTOM

- 1st - Tom Sizemore, The Furrow
- 2nd TIE - Tom Sizemore, Homestead
- 2nd TIE - Tom Sizemore, Homestead

OVERALL MAGAZINE DESIGN - COMMERCIAL

- 1st - Douglas Kraus, Hobby Farm Home, Jan./Feb. 2009
- 2nd - Douglas Kraus, Hobby Farm Home, March/April 2009
- 3rd - Jamie Cole, Donovan Harris, Charles Long & LuAnn Smith, The Progressive Farmer, Feb. 2009

OVERALL MAGAZINE DESIGN - CUSTOM

- 1st - Tom Sizemore, The Furrow, Dec. 2008
- 2nd - Tom Sizemore, Homestead, Winter 2008
- 3rd - Alexa Stanco, AFIA Journal, Spring 2009

OVERALL MAGAZINE DESIGN - SPECIAL ISSUE - COMMERCIAL/CUSTOM

- 1st TIE - Tom Sizemore, The Furrow, "Why Family Farms Matter"
- 1st TIE - Jamie Cole, Donovan Harris, Charles Long & LuAnn Smith, The Progressive Farmer, "Managing Risk"

WEB DESIGN - COMMERCIAL

- 1st - Laura Menconi, DTN/The Progressive Farmer e-newsletter
- 2nd - Laura Menconi, Shaun Opp, DTN/The Progressive Farmer, www.dtnprogressivefarmer.com
- 3rd - Justin Davey, Living the Country Life, www.livingthecountrylife.com

WEB DESIGN - CUSTOM

- 1st - Craig Simmons, Angus Beef Bulletin Extra

SPECIAL PUBLICATION DESIGN - ANNUAL REPORTS, ETC. - COMMERCIAL/CUSTOM

- 1st TIE - Mary Black, "I Am Angus" 2008 American Angus Association Annual Report
- 1st TIE - Gary Usovsky, Iowa Soybean Association Disease and Pest Management Field Guide
- 3rd - Gary Usovsky, Iowa Soybean Association, Soybean Cyst Nematode Management Field Guide

BEST USE OF TYPOGRAPHY - COMMERCIAL/CUSTOM

- 1st - Jamie Cole, The Progressive Farmer
- 2nd TIE - Jamie Cole, The Progressive Farmer
- 2nd TIE - Donovan Harris, The Progressive Farmer
- 2nd TIE - Mark Leiknes, Corn & Soybean Digest

2009 AAEA MARCOMM AWARDS PROGRAM WINNERS

BEST USE OF CHART AND GRAPH MATERIAL - COMMERCIAL/CUSTOM

- 1st - Charles Long, The Progressive Farmer
2nd - Tom Sizemore, Homestead
3rd - Donovan Harris & Charles Long, The
Progressive Farmer

2009 DESIGN JUDGES

Dr. Dennis Jones, journalism and design
professor
Samford University

Kristen Leefers, creative director
BCS Communications

Leo Nieter, director
Skytone Studio

Kenner Patton, managing editor
Southern Living Magazine

NEWS RELEASE

- 1st – Karen Simon, Iowa Soybean Association
– “Start Scouting for Aphids”
2nd – Harvest PR & Marketing Inc.
Cotton Inc. – “Sharply Reduced Cotton
Plantings will Shrink Cottonseed Supply”
3rd – Martin Williams Advertising
Pfizer Animal Health – “Protect Your
Calves with the Highest Level of BVD PI
Protection Available”

ADVERTORIAL

- 1st – Martin Williams Advertising
Pfizer Animal Health – “Desperation Drives
Success at Eastwood Land Cattle”
2nd – Charleston Orwig
Chemtura Corp. – “Dimilin: A Smart Choice
that’s Safe for Bees”

MEDIA/SPECIAL EVENT

- 1st – Broadhead + Co
AGCO Corp. – “AGCO is Breaking New
Ground” tractor launch event
2nd – Martin Williams Advertising
Pfizer Animal Health – “Pfizer Animal
Health NCBA Media Breakfast”
3rd – Charleston/Orwig
Westchester Group – “Global Agriculture:
2008 and Beyond” Webinar

PUBLIC RELATIONS WEB CONTENT

- 1st – Karen Simon, Iowa Soybean Association
– “China Travel Blog”
2nd – U.S. Grains Council – “U.S. Grains
Council Web Site”
3rd – Joy Carter, Georgia Peanut Commission
– “Georgia Peanut Tour Blog”

NEWSLETTER – PRINT OR ELECTRONIC

- 1st – American Farmland Trust, American
Farmland – “Farms Grow Green”
2nd – Bader Rutter & Associates
Dow AgroSciences – “Range & Pasture
Steward”
3rd – Charleston/Orwig
Pfizer Animal Genetics – “DNAge September
2008 Newsletter”

2009 MARCOMM JUDGES

Debbie Clayton
Clayton Communications

McGavock Edwards
The Catevo Group

Felicia Gillham
Gillham & Associates Marketing
Communications

Tom Mentzer
Mentzer PR Group

2009 PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS PROGRAM WINNERS

PORTRAIT/PERSONALITY

- 1st – Harlen Persinger, freelancer, Wisconsin
Agriculturist
2nd – Joe Link, Massey Ferguson Farm Life
3rd – John Vogel, American Agriculturist
Hon. Mention – Dean Houghton, The Furrow
Hon. Mention – Steve Werblow, The Furrow

PICTORIAL

- 1st – Jim Patrico, DTN/The Progressive
Farmer
2nd – Mike Raine, The Western Producer
3rd – David Lundquist, C Magazine, CHS
Inc.
Hon. Mention – Mark Moore, Moore
Communications, Corn & Soybean Digest
Hon. Mention – Mark Moore, Moore
Communications, Farm Industry News

FEATURE

- 1st – Jim Patrico, DTN/The Progressive
Farmer
2nd – David Lundquist, C Magazine, CHS
Inc.
3rd – Charles Johnson, Farm Journal
Hon. Mention – Harlen Persinger, freelancer,
Wisconsin Agriculturist
Hon. Mention – Mike Raine, The Western
Producer

NUTS & BOLTS - LIVESTOCK

- 1st – David Lundquist, CHS
2nd – Dean Houghton, The Furrow
3rd – Harlen Persinger, freelancer, Wisconsin
Agriculturist
Hon. Mention – Harlen Persinger, freelancer
Hon. Mention – Steve Richter, CHS

NUTS & BOLTS - CROPS

- 1st – Jim Patrico, DTN/The Progressive
Farmer
2nd – Jim Patrico, DTN/The Progressive
Farmer
3rd – Harlen Persinger, freelancer, Corn &
Soybean Digest
Hon. Mention – Susan Davis, Davis
Communications
Hon. Mention – Harlen Persinger, freelancer,
Successful Farming

PICTURE STORY, PHOTO SEQUENCE OR PHOTO ESSAY

- 1st – Harlen Persinger, freelancer, American
Agriculturist
2nd – Joe Link, Massey Ferguson Farm Life
3rd – Jim Patrico, DTN/The Progressive
Farmer
Hon. Mention – Ryan Ebert, Hoard's
Dairyman
Hon. Mention – Dean Houghton, The Furrow

FARM MAGAZINE COVER PHOTO OF THE YEAR

- 1st – AGCO Advantage, Spring 2009
2nd – Farm Journal, Summer 2008
3rd – C Magazine, CHS Inc., Jan./Feb. 2009
Hon. Mention – Corn & Soybean Digest,
September 2008
Hon. Mention – Homestead, Summer 2008

BEST USE OF PHOTOS

- 1st – Homestead, Summer, Fall & Winter
2008
2nd – The Furrow, Spring, Summer & Fall
2008
3rd – Massey Ferguson Farm Life, Fall &
Winter 2008, Spring 2009
Hon. Mention – AGCO Advantage, Fall &
Winter 2008, Spring 2009
Hon. Mention – C Magazine, CHS Inc.,
Nov./Dec. 2008, Jan./Feb. 2009, March/
April 2009

UNPUBLISHED PHOTOS

- 1st – Martha Ostendorf, Corral Creek
Communications
2nd – Ryan Ebert, Hoard's Dairyman
3rd – Jim Patrico, DTN/The Progressive
Farmer
Hon. Mention – Harlen Persinger, freelancer
Hon. Mention – Mike Raine, The Western
Producer

PICTURE OF THE YEAR:

Jim Patrico, DTN/The Progressive Farmer

PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR HONORABLE MENTION

Joe Link, Red Barn

PHOTOGRAPHER OF YEAR

Jim Patrico, DTN/The Progressive Farmer

MASTER PHOTOGRAPHER

Greg Lamp, Corn & Soybean Digest

2009 PHOTO JUDGES

Mary Schulte, photo editor, Kansas City Star

Jim Grace, farmer and commercial
photographer, Albany, Mo.

Greg Peters, commercial photographer, Kansas
City

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