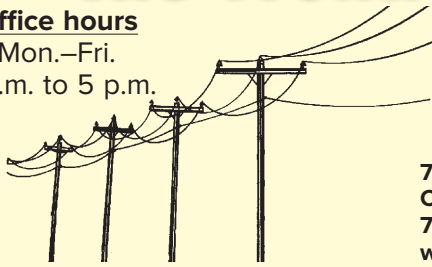


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Employee Spotlight

BY SHELLY THOMPSON

Haines Angus Farm and Show Cattle



Rick Haines
Propane Technician

family would be raising and showing

WHEN RICK HAINES was in high school, he showed steers at the Coshocton County Fair. He never imagined that three generations later, his

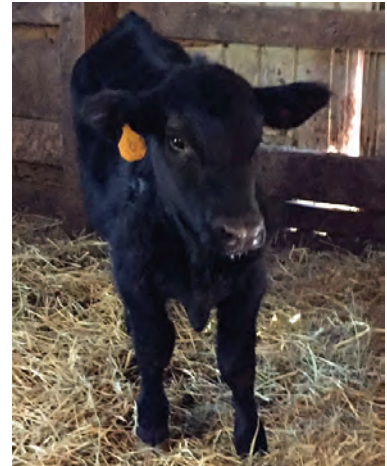
beef cattle throughout Ohio.

Upon reaching 4-H age, Rick's son, Andrew, wanted to show cattle at the county fair, and Rick's grandson, Aiden, is following in his grandfather's footsteps. Rick's wife, Billie Jo, and daughter, Ashley, are instrumental in their success as well.

Located above Warsaw, the Haines farm has 25 to 30 breeding cows, five bulls, and 15 heifers and feeder calves, totaling around 50 cattle. Rick hopes to increase production within the next few years by adding around 10 breeding cows to their herd. When breeding cattle, they use AI (artificial insemination) occasionally, but also turn to the bulls for traditional breeding. The Haines family have two main herd bulls that are registered Angus and a club calf bull they will later use for breeding.

The process of raising a show steer or heifer begins at 3 months of age by putting a halter on it. When the calf is weaned at 4-1/2 months, walking, washing, and rinsing are all part of its training. About 100 days before the first show of the season, the calves are rinsed and blow-dried every day. They are walked and taught to stand still after being set up with a show stick.

The whole family gets involved on show day, as there is a lot to do. In addition to getting washed and



blow-dried, the show cattle must be clipped and fitted before going into the ring. Typically, they only take two to three cattle to show when traveling out of town, but they will bring in 10 to 12 at the county fair. Most of the cattle on the "show team" are ready to sell, so they are fed a show feed, which is higher in protein and energy. Showing begins around 6 months of age for most of the cattle.

After selling a steer at the fair, the kids are able to buy heifers to add to the herd. The heifers raised are usually shown until they are approximately 2 years old and then added to the herd for breeding. Typically, a few registered Angus bulls, heifers, and show calves are sold each year to other breeders or showmen. Additional calves not kept for replacement stock are sold at auction.

The Ohio Cattlemen's shows that Rick and his family go to are youth-only shows that include showmanship classes. When showing at the county and state fairs, they show in both open and youth divisions.

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2016 highlights and happenings at



- Joe Wells retired in January with over 25 years of service, and Tom Barcroft retired in March with over 42 years of service.
- Scholarship winners were: First place — Sarah Holmes and Caleb Pendola, both from River View High School. Second place — Abigail Ambrose and Kyle Daugherty, both from River View High School.
- Continued supporting River View Jr. High School: Steve Nelson, Kelly Kendall, Melvin McVay, and Chad Miller served the students and staff a cook-out on the last day of school, and Kelly Kendall served as chaperone on the eighth-grade students' trip to Washington, D.C., in October.
- Hosted the 15th Annual Customer

Appreciation Day on May 6 on the Frontier Supply Co. lot; 950 people attended.

- Sponsored the 35th Annual Coshocton Hot Air Balloon Festival held in June with employees serving on the Balloon Committee, working the T-shirt booth, working on balloon crews, and delivering propane. This year marked Frontier Power's 10th year as the major sponsor for this free event.
- Bryer Cox, a graduate of River View High School, was hired as summer help at Frontier Power before heading to college at The Ohio State University.
- Hired new employees Matt Limburg and Lucas Landaker for the right-of-way department.
- Kelly Kendall volunteered at the annual Coshocton Jr. Fair Auction.
- About 900 members and guests attended the Annual Meeting held on July 29 at River View High School.
- Board members were elected by mail and announced at the Annual Meeting: Incumbents Ann Gano-McCleary, representing District B-II, Tuscarawas County, and Larry Blair, representing District D, Coshocton County, were re-elected.
- Steve Finton was re-elected to the Frontier Propane board representing District A — Coshocton, Licking, and

Muskingum counties — while David P. Mizer was re-elected to the Frontier Propane board representing District B — Holmes, Tuscarawas, Guernsey, and Knox counties.

- Steven K. Nelson, general manager, was re-elected as chairman of the Buckeye Power, Inc., Board of Trustees for his 21st term. Buckeye Power is Frontier Power's wholesale electricity provider.
- Returned approximately \$51,000 in credits on December electric bills for members who have a water heater control switch to help beat the peak.
- Returned about \$3,100 in credits on June, July, August, and September electric bills for members who participate in the Cool Returns program.
- Issued grants with funds generated from the Frontier Power Community Connections Fund, helping organizations and awarding a total of \$47,800.
- Set up a display and participated in an open house at the Coshocton County Career Center in February. Also set up displays at the Tuscarawas and Coshocton county fairs in the fall.
- Returned approximately \$200,660 in general retirement capital credits to current and former members, and \$215,338 was paid to estates.
- Refurbished Darling substation.



The Frontier Power Company



- Completed upgrades at all substations to receive new ACLARA meter technology.
- Continued changing out meters to the new ACLARA system on entire service area.
- Built a secure area with cover to house propane trucks.
- Began building an extension onto our main garage to house vehicles.
- Service progress included 98 new connections, 55 individual upgrades, 78 pole changes, and 20 new security

lights installed.

- Replaced and rebuilt about 12 miles of line.
- Purchased property connected to the north side of Frontier Power.
- Took delivery in July of two propane-powered vehicles.

These changes reflect the progress Frontier Power made this past year. The new ACLARA meter system is nearing completion and brings better service to our members. Keeping

equipment and vehicles upgraded allows employees to serve members safely and efficiently. New programs and rebates offer members more discounts and ways to save energy. Community involvement has expanded greatly in the last few years. Together with Ohio's Electric Cooperatives and Touchstone Energy®, we look forward to the progress we can make to better serve our members. ☺



Frontier Community Connection Fund

Board-Approved Distributions
November - December 2016

Name	Amount
Coshocton Wrestling Boosters Coshocton	\$500
Boardwalk Project, RTY, Inc. New Philadelphia	\$5,000
Tuscarawas County 4-H New Philadelphia	\$1,500
Sacred Heart School Coshocton	\$1,500
Rising Tide Aquatic Club Coshocton	\$679.62

SERVICE AND SAFETY AWARDS

For 2015-2016

On Dec. 16, 2016, employees met in the Frontier Power community room for our annual Christmas breakfast. Service and safety awards were presented to those who had milestone years of service and those who achieved high levels of safety. The event concluded with an update about employee benefit information by General Manager Steven K. Nelson.

YEARS OF SERVICE

Stephanie Blair	10
Josh Haumschild	10
Andrew Vickers	10
Michelle Fischer	15
Mike McCoy	15
Vickie Warnock	15
Mark Fabian	30



SAFETY POINTS TOTALS

Tim Keirns	130
Matthew Compton	140
Josh Haumschild	755
Andrew Vickers	755
Melvin McVay	1000
Bornwell Sianjina	1000
Shelly Thompson	1000
Bill Mizer	1070
Mike McCoy	1075
Rick Haines	1600
Steve Nelson	1810
Bob Haines	2605



Frontier Power and Frontier Propane will be closed on Monday, Feb. 20, in observance of Presidents Day. For emergency service, please call 740-622-6755 or 800-624-8050.

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FINAL DEADLINE NOTICE

Attention, high school students applying for Frontier Power scholarships and the Youth Tour trip to Washington, D.C — don't forget to turn in your application to our office by Monday, Feb. 6! Applications can be found online at www.frontier-power.com.

Haines Angus Farm (—continued from page 19)

Show season is during the winter months between November and April. Other than the state fair in August and the county fair in October, the summer is reserved for baling hay. The Haines family shows throughout Ohio but would like to attend a large show in Louisville within the next few years.

Some memorable wins they've experienced include Champion Angus and Shorthorn heifers at the county fair and Reserve Champion Shorthorn heifer at the Beef Expo in "The Best of Buckeye" show a few years ago. Although winnings for that one show were \$200, Rick says the most difficult part of the hobby is having the funds to attend all the shows on the circuit. Though it's an expensive hobby, he says it's worth it in the long run because it involves the entire family, and he gets to spend hours

with his son and grandson working in the barn delivering calves. "It is great family time and makes the kids learn to be responsible to feed and take care of their animals," Rick says. "You truly get out of it what you put into it, as hard work pays off."

Whether it's bottle feeding a calf rejected by its mother or filling out paperwork for a show, Rick, Billie Jo, Ashley, Andrew, and Aiden enjoy spending time together as a family and working with the cattle. For more information about Haines Angus Farm & Show Cattle, e-mail Rick at hainesfarm@yahoo.com.

Rick has been with Frontier Power for 23 years and is a propane technician. He also works with the Frontier Power spray crew in the summer.