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## **Kansas Member Honored as Gelbvieh Member of the Year**

Brian Beying of Leavenworth, Kan., was honored as the 2009 American Gelbvieh Association (AGA) Member of the Year during the AGA National Convention in Denver, Colo. The Kansas Gelbvieh Association nominated Beying for this national honor. The AGA Member of the Year award honors an individual for going above and beyond in promoting and supporting the Gelbvieh breed.

Beying is the editor for the Kansas Gelbvieh Association *Gold Reporter*. This quarterly publication promotes Gelbvieh in the state of Kansas and across the nation to an extended mailing list. As a one-man shop, Beying continues the high standard of excellence on the *Gold Reporter*.

Beying is also a district sales representative for ABS Global and stays busy during the breeding season. He works with his family's Gelbvieh operation and volunteers as a beef project leader with the Leavenworth County 4-H program.

Beying's Dawson Creek Gelbvieh located at Easton, Kan., includes Brian's parents, Bob and Karla Beying, along with his brother, Tim. The family's operation has always focused on building a quality product with the smaller number of cows they can run. With urban sprawl and limited pasture renting opportunities, the Beying family builds quality genetic packages. A National Champion Gelbvieh Bull and a National Champion Gelbvieh Female have both resulted from the Beying's breeding program.

Brian and his wife, Julie, have two sons, Seth and Cooper. Brian is always good to volunteer his time to help with youth activities. Beying has also helped with the Kansas Gelbvieh Association state sales and numerous other events.

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### ***Photo Caption:***

*Brian Beying  
Leavenworth, Kan.  
2009 Gelbvieh Member of the Year*