

**BEEFMASTER BREEDERS UNITED
OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS
2010/2011**



SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS – During the 50th Beefmaster Breeders United's Anniversary Convention in Las Vegas, Nev. on Oct. 28-30, new officers and board of directors were elected. This 'Golden Opportunity' Anniversary was held at the South Point Hotel, Casino and Spa.

Officers elected to lead BBU in 2010-2011 include:

President – Mike Collier, Brenham, Texas
Vice President – Steve Emmons, Fairfield, Texas
Secretary – Steve Carpenter, Tecumseh, Okla.
Treasurer – Dan A. Gattis, Hutto, Texas
Ex-Officio – Lorenzo Lasater, San Angelo, Texas

Board of Directors include: Dwight Bertrand, Elton, La.; Jim Dunkin, Paige, Texas; John Pierson, Vacaville, Calif.; Rick Stonecipher, Jackson, Tenn.; Gary Frenzel, Temple, Texas; Dave Loftin, Nixa, Mo.; Lawrence Lyssy, San Antonio, Texas; M. Doyle Sanders, New Ulm, Texas; Paul Hill, Commerce, Ga.; Larry Meacham, Houston, Texas; Kito Saenz, San Isidro, Texas; and David Staggs, Searcy, Ark.

Mike Collier, a third generation cattle rancher, and his wife, Rhonda, own and operate Collier Farms Beefmasters. The ranch includes purebred Beefmasters, an embryo division and raises and markets E6 replacement females. Collier is also owner and president of Collier Construction, Inc., a general contracting and construction management firm.

Steve Emmons and his wife, Cindy, own Emmons Ranch Beefmasters. The Emmons have been in the registered cattle business since 1975 and currently market purebred and recipient cattle to Beefmaster breeders and commercial buyers. They are joined in their business by sons Bodie, Corey, Clay and their families.

Steve Carpenter and his wife, Lana, own and operate Dance Creek Beefmasters, which has been in the family for six generations. Steve retired as a high school principal in June 2007 after 31 years of service at Bethel Public Schools. Since retiring, Steve spends his time with his cattle operation, working part-time at the Tecumseh Veterinary Clinic where his son Colby is a partner, playing golf, and enjoying every minute with his grandchildren.

Dan A. Gattis is fifth generation rancher who has also worked as a vocational agriculture teacher, education administrator, Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, and Williamson County Judge. Dan and his wife, Karen, have two sons, Dan M. and Brent W. that are also partners in their ranching operation, Gattis Cattle Company L.L.C.