

NEWSMAKERS

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Within this "Newsmakers" column we share important news and accomplishments of our members, including state association activities, birth and marriage announcements, and news of Angus members' passing.

In Recognition Pierce Angus Farms recognized as a historic Angus herd

Pierce Angus Farms was recognized in May as a historic Angus herd.

Roger Pierce established the farm in 1965 in Hancock, Iowa. He purchased his first Angus heifer for \$160 at the Botna Valley Calf Sale.

During the operation's early years, Pierce learned from experienced

breeders about how to identify and avoid genetic problems, lessons that shaped the way he selected cattle. No new female has been purchased since 1983.

Since entering the Angus industry, Pierce has won many awards and served on several Iowa associations. The farm has hosted breeders from Mexico, Ukraine, Scotland and Canada.

"One of the things I'm most proud

of are the new herds that bought their first registered Angus cattle from us," Pierce says. "At one time I knew of 25 breeders that started with a purchase from me, and many of those are still in business."

Pierce Angus Farms cow herd was sold last year. Pierce still manages the bulls and fat cattle that are left, but plans to sell those soon and enjoy retirement in his new home on Lake Panorama with his wife, Connie.

Alabama Angus Ass'n, April 14, Cullman



Elected to serve on the Alabama Angus Ass'n board of directors (seated from left) are Scott Haynes, Blountsville, treasurer; Randy Crowell, Elrod, second vice president; Chuck Madaris, Hope Hull, vice president; Jay Howard, Oxford, president; Mike McGuire, Waverly, executive secretary; Philip Paramore (standing from left), Notasulga; Rusty Graydon, Montgomery; Daniel Adams, Union Springs; Tillman Dudley, Opelika; Mickey Allen, Lexington; Dave Mann, New Hope; Brett Thrower, Arab; and Scott McElfresh, Fayette.



Craig Bryson (left), Titus, received the outgoing president award. Pictured presenting is Jay Howard, 2023 Alabama Angus Ass'n president.

Alabama Angus Ass'n Junior Preview Show and Field Day, June 2-3, Opelika



Craig and Leah Bryson and family, Double C Farms, Titus, received the Family of the Year award. Pictured (from left) are Leah, Coleman, Kylie and Craig Bryson.



Frank Turner and Sons Farms, Hayneville, was named Breeder of the Year. Pictured (from left) are Ryan and Barri Michael Turner; David Innes; Frank Turner; and Jordan Primm.

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