



Newsmakers

► Personal **achievements** and **losses** in our Angus family

The American Angus Association has recognized **Miller Bar 3W Angus Farm**, King City, Mo., as a Historic Angus Herd based on the farm's continuous production of Angus cattle for the past 50 years.

The operation started as Walter Miller and Sons in 1951 and continued under that name until 1971, when Walter and one of his sons began crossbreeding a commercial herd. William B. Miller, another son of Walter, took 25 of the registered Angus cows from the original herd and continued breeding registered Angus under the Miller Bar 3W Angus Farm name.

Over the years, additional foundation cows were purchased from area Angus breeders and consignment sales. The herd grew to 50 head, and William kept his best heifers every year and bred them to outstanding bulls. Some of the bulls were purchased from breeders in Massachusetts and Indiana. William reduced his herd to 25 cows in 2000.

A certificate recognizing the achievement has been sent to William B. Miller to honor his farm for its longevity in breeding registered Angus cattle.

Bridgewater, Iowa, cattleman **Dave Nichols** has been named to the board of directors of Walter & Associates Inc., Ames, Iowa. Nichols joins fellow board members Darren Dies of W&G Marketing Co. Inc. and Mark Henry, Craig Hays and Marvin

Walter of Walter & Associates.

Walter & Associates operates the National Centralized Ultrasound Processing (CUP) Laboratory & Technology Center.

With 13 Pathfinder certificates to her credit, **WLS Dixie Belle 81** was put to sleep on July 11 at the age of 20 years due to complications caused from congestive heart and liver failure and arthritis. She was owned by William Sprake, Faucett, Mo.

The daughter of Early Sunset Emulus 60E served a public relations role for the Angus breed. Her photographs were used in Association brochures. In conjunction with the 1993 World Angus Forum, she and one of her calves were placed on display at the East Hills Shopping Center in Saint Joseph, Mo.

► ANGUS ARRIVALS

Dan and Janelle Palmer of Sunvold-Palmer Angus, Fairfax, Minn., wish to announce the May 20 birth of their third son, **Nathan James**. He weighed 9 lb., 11 oz. and measured 21 in. long. Nathan was welcomed home by his older brothers, Jacob and Matthew.

Grandparents are James and Ettie Palmer, Fairfax, Minn., and Roger and Marjorie Sunvold of Shady Ash Angus, Sacred Heart, Minn.

Garth and Amanda Gardiner of Gardiner Angus Ranch, Ashland, Kan., wish to announce the July 9 birth of their son, **Greysen Maxwell**. He weighed 8 lb., 8 oz.

► IN PASSING

Lawrence Marr, 81, of Hamilton Township, Ohio, died Nov. 26, 2000, in Blue Ash, Ohio. He was married to Kathryn Marr.

Marr was born on Dec. 10, 1918, in Dayton, Ohio. He was a farmer and a U.S. Army veteran who served with the 147th Infantry in World War II.

He was past president of the Miami Valley Angus Association, a 50-year member of the American Angus Association and a past president of the Warren County Chapter of the Federal Land Bank Association. He was a member of Saint Philip the Apostle Catholic Church and a winter member of Saint Thomas Indian Mission, Winterhaven, Calif.

Henry Withers, 80, of Lavaca, Ark., passed away June 26 at home.

Withers was born June 11, 1921, in Lavaca. He was the son of William and Henryetta (Patterson) Withers and the husband of Beatrice Withers.

He was a retired rural mail carrier and a beef farmer. He was a member of the Lavaca First Baptist Church and the American Angus Association, and he was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He was also a member and former secretary and president of the Arkansas Angus Association and a member of the Sebastian County Cattlemen's Association. He was a former board member of the Farmers Coop, Lavaca School, River Valley Bank and Arkansas Oklahoma Fair.

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► Alabama Angus Ass'n Field Day, Ellis Angus Farms, Centre



► The Richburg family was selected as 2001 Family of the Year. Pictured are (from left) **James Shropshire**, Alabama Angus Ass'n president, and **George, Mary** and **Mahlon Richburg**, all of Auburn.



► **Mike McGuire** (right), Waverly, was honored as the 2001 Progressive Breeder of the Year. James Shropshire presents the award.

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INDUSTRY EXTRAS

Mark Wise began work July 2 as head of the New Mexico State University (NMSU) animal and range sciences department. He will oversee the NMSU Corona Research Center, Clayton Livestock Research Center and Chihuahuan Desert Rangeland Research Center north of Las Cruces.

Robert Harmon has been named chairman of the University of Kentucky (UK) animal science department. He had served as interim chairman since November. Prior to that, he was a UK researcher and faculty member specializing in mastitis control and lactation physiology.

Arkansas Angus Ass'n Field Day, JAC's Ranch, Bentonville



► **The Lawson Hembree family**, Sugar Hill Farms Inc., Roseville, was recognized for their support of and dedication to the Arkansas Junior Angus Ass'n.

BIF honors industry leaders

The Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) recognized several outstanding individuals in the beef industry, research and Extension at its 33rd annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas, July 11-14.

Seven of the 11 nominees for Seedstock Producer of the Year raise registered Angus, and all five nominees for Commercial Producer of the Year use Angus genetics in their herds.



► **Eddie Sydenstricker** (center) and **Ben Eggers** (right), Sydenstricker Genetics, Mexico, Mo., receive the 2001 BIF Seedstock Producer of the Year Award from Galen Fink, 2000 BIF president.



► **Henry** (center) and **Hank Maxey** (right), Maxey Farms, Chatham, Va., receive the 2001 BIF Commercial Producer of the Year Award from Galen Fink.



► **Larry Benyshek** (right) receives the 2001 BIF Pioneer Award from Galen Fink.



► **Tom Cartwright** (right) receives the 2001 BIF Pioneer Award from Galen Fink.



► **Minnie Lou** (center) and **Mary Lou Bradley** (right) receive Minnie Lou's 2001 BIF Pioneer Award from Galen Fink.



► **Don Boggs** (right) receives the 2001 BIF Continuing Service Award from Galen Fink.



► **Mr. and Mrs. Willie Altenburg** (right) receive Willie's 2001 BIF Continuing Service Award from Galen Fink. 