



Newsmakers

► Items of interest **about** and **for members** of our Angus family

IN THE NEWS

Thomas Nichols, Tracy, Iowa, has been presented the Historic Herd Award by the American Angus Association, an award given to Angus herds that have been in continuous production of registered Angus cattle by the same family for 50 years or more. Nichols, who joined the Association in 1954, currently maintains a herd of about 70 cows. He and his wife, Swaney, continue to market about 20 bulls a year. In 1995 he was also honored by the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) as advisor of the year.

Otis Miller & Son, near Mercer, Mo., was also presented the Historic Herd Award. Otis Miller established the herd in 1945. Twenty years later, Otis E. Miller inherited the herd of about 40 cows. Since that time, he and his wife, Carole, have built the operation to include approximately 225 cows. The Gene Miller Family Farm, where the Angus cattle have been managed for multiple decades, was also recognized in 2004 as a Century Farm for more than 100 years of operation.

Beaver Dam Farm, owned by Gordon Keys, Middleburg, Va., has been presented with the Historic Herd Award. Keys began his involvement with the Angus breed in 1955 and today maintains a herd of about 50 cows. He served two terms as president of the Maryland Angus Association and has served as a director of the Northern Virginia Angus Association.

Robert "Bob" Funk, owner of Express Ranches, Yukon, Okla., along with **Elsa Murano**, Texas A&M Vice Chancellor, has been inducted into the International Stockmen's Educational Foundation (ISEF) Hall of Fame. Both Funk and Murano received the honor March 3 during the 2005 International Livestock Congress in Houston, Texas. The two inductees join 39 previous recipients of the honor, which is meant to recognize outstanding stockmen, breeders, businessmen and associated industry representatives whose contributions have significantly advanced animal agriculture.

John Crouch, American Angus Association executive vice president, was inducted into the Livestock Marketeers Hall of Fame during the organization's annual



► The Livestock Marketeers honors American Angus Association Executive Vice President **John Crouch** (left) and Jerry Gay (right) of Harding & Harding and the American Live Stock Insurance Co. Jim Bessler, American Live Stock Insurance Co., presents the awards.

banquet Jan. 14 in conjunction with the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, Colo. The group, which consists of livestock fieldmen, auctioneers, sale managers and related livestock business leaders, also honored Jerry Gay of Harding & Harding and the American Live Stock Insurance Co., Memphis, Tenn.

Brandon Douglas, Douglas Livestock, Gentry, Ark., has been promoted to Sergeant in the Marine Corps. Douglas, a former NJAA director, is currently serving overseas (see "From Angus to Honor," page 237 in the February *Angus Journal*).

Elizabeth Harsh, Radnor, Ohio, was awarded the 2005 Beef Industry Service Award during the Ohio Cattlemen's Association (OCA) annual awards banquet Jan. 22 in Wilmington. The executive director of the Ohio Beef Council and OCA since 1992, Harsh raises a small Angus herd with her husband, Tim, and two children.

Robert Pontious, Lancaster, Ohio, received the Commercial Producer of the Year Award at the 2005 OCA awards banquet. Pontious, who is retired, worked as an artificial insemination (AI) technician for 42 years while raising Angus cattle. He and his wife, Bonnie, now farm with their sons, Dan and Steve, marketing between 300 and 350 head each year.

► Kansas Angus Ass'n Annual Banquet, Hutchinson, Jan. 21



► **Tom Perrier**, Eureka, is named an honorary member of the Kansas Angus Ass'n. Pictured are (from left) Tom and Carolyn Perrier being presented the award by Mary McCurry and Randy McCabe.



► Elected to serve on the 2005 Kansas Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Joel Bunker**, Sharon Springs; **Debbie Lyons-Blythe**, White City; **Richard Poland**, Isabel, vice president; **Michael Mollitor**, Zenda, president; **Todd Kohart**, Meade, past president; (standing, from left) **Timothy Benton**, Garnett; **Anne Lampe**, Scott City, secretary; **Dennis Huck**, Larned; **Jerry Gilliam**, Greenleaf; **Joe Hite**, Valley Center; **Gerald Theis**, Leavenworth; **Gene Barrett**, Grantville; and **Virgil Huseman**, Ellsworth.

Little Apple Brewing Co. restaurant, Manhattan, Kan., co-owned by Galen and Lori Fink, also of Manhattan, was voted "Best Steak" category winner in the 2005 *Manhattan Mercury* Readers' Choice Awards, announced Feb. 20. This is the fourth consecutive year that the restaurant, which serves *Certified Angus Beef*® (CAB®), has won the award.

Accelerated Genetics has hired **Stephani Omtvedt** as herd analyst for southeastern Wisconsin; **Tim Marsolek** as an AI technician for the Bangor, Wis., area; **Erin Bradford** as the new regional marketing coordinator for south central Wisconsin; and **Tom Westrum** as an independent sales representative for central Minnesota.

At press time, **Lucky 7 Angus**, Riverton, Wyo., had announced that it would donate 10% of proceeds to the Ranchers-Cattlemen Action Legal Fund United Stockgrowers of America (R-CALF USA) from 10 bulls at the operation's annual bull sale, scheduled for March 5.

IN PASSING

Mike Baldwin, 46, Kendrick, Fla., died March 8 at Ocala Regional Medical Center.

Mike, a lifelong resident of the region, worked on his family's Baldwin Angus Ranch near Ocala until the time of his death. He was a member of Wyomina Park

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Washington Angus Ass'n Board Meeting, Pasco, Jan. 5



► Elected to serve on the 2005 Washington Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Greg Rathbun**, Moses Lake, president; **Jan Dimke**, Clarkston, secretary-treasurer; **Vance Burck**, Soap Lake, vice president; (standing, from left) **Robert Schoessler**, Ritzville; **Daniel Lewis**, Ephrata, junior advisor; **Rhoderick McIntosh**, Pullman; and **Daniel Coonrad**, Pullman.

Ohio Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Plain City, Feb. 5



► Elected to serve on the 2005 Ohio Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Tom Woodward III**, Gallipolis, chairman; **Brent English**, Elida, treasurer; **John King**, Tiffin, president; **Doug Majors**, Lancaster, vice president; **Fred Penick**, Hebron; **Sandra Wallace**, Kansas; (standing, from left) **Wayne Baird**, Washington Court House; **David Felumlee**, Newark; **John Grimes**, Hillsboro; **Paul Hill**, Bidwell; **Vernon Hall**, Greenville; **Richard Reimer**, Smithville; **James Winter**, Ashville; **Bob Deitrick**, Zanesville; **James Rentz**, Coldwater; and **Jay Clutter**, Wapakoneta.

Pennsylvania Angus Ass'n Annual Banquet, Harrisburg, Jan. 9



► Elected to serve on the Pennsylvania Angus Ass'n board of directors for 2005 are (seated, from left) **Barbara Weaver**, New Holland, secretary; **Dale Rains**, Mercer, president; **Bradford Bishard**, York, treasurer; (standing, from left) **Harry Bachman**, Annville, past president; **Erskine Cash**, Centre Hall; **Roberta McMullen**, Peach Bottom; **Fritz Frey**, Quarryville; **Ned Hower**, Bethlehem; **Samuel Long**, Airville; **John Hausner**, Dover; and **Gary Seefeldt**, Port Allegany.



► The **Grim family**, East Berlin, is named family of the year. Pictured are (from left) Jennifer, Linda, Jamie and Ned Hower, all of Bethlehem, presenting the award, while Greg, Hannah, Denton, Sarah and Kyle Grim accept the honor.



► The **Dale Rains family**, Mercer, is named breeder of the year. Pictured are (from left) Austin Rains; Harry Bachman, presenting the award; and Brenda and Dale Rains.

Baptist Church, the American Angus Association, Marion County Cattlemen's Association and the Florida Cattlemen's Association. Mike was the son of past Association President Leroy Baldwin.

He is survived by his father and stepmother, Leroy and Sharon; his mother, Jane; daughter, Diana; sister, Joy; brothers, Alan and Tony; and one grandchild.

Charles "Chuck" Chamberlain, 85, Maryville, Tenn., died Feb. 19 at Blount Memorial Hospital.

A retired Air Force lieutenant colonel and a World War II veteran, Chuck received his doctorate from Iowa State University and served as a member of the faculty of the Animal Science Department at the University of Tennessee for 33 years, teaching animal nutrition and advising numerous undergraduate and graduate students during his tenure. He also initiated and taught a horse production course.

Chuck served as secretary and treasurer of the East Tennessee Angus Association for more than 30 years. He passed away during the same time as the association's 2005 annual sale — the only sale he had not attended in decades.

He is survived by his wife, Penny.

Annabelle Walker Aderhold, 64, Woodstock, Ga., died Feb. 8 after battling Parkinson's disease.

Annabelle grew up in Hapeville, Ga., and attended Georgia State College. She and her husband, Erwin, moved to Cherokee County in 1976 and started Arrowmont Angus Farm in the Macedonia community. After dispersing their cattle herd, they purchased and managed Blossom and Bloom nursery until 1999. In addition to raising four boys and playing competitive tennis, she was a partner in Match Point LTD and Renta Yenta. Annabelle volunteered to participate in experimental research for Parkinson's.

She is survived by Erwin; four sons, Taz, Chad, Bill and Walker; and seven grandchildren.

Jeannette Zetrouer Chitty, 79, Micanopy, Fla., died Feb. 20.

She was born in Shiloh and was a lifelong resident of Micanopy, where she and her husband, Henry, opened Stardust Ranch in 1945. Jeannette was a graduate of the Florida State College for Women, now known as Florida State University. She received an animal science degree from the University of Florida, where she also

received a master's degree and taught agriculture.

She served as a director to the Florida Angus Association and Florida Beef Cattle Improvement Association. In 1996, she was inducted into the Angus Heritage Foundation; the Stardust Ranch herd received the Historic Herd Award in 1997. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Gainesville.

She is survived by a daughter, Jeanne; a son, Henry; and two grandchildren.

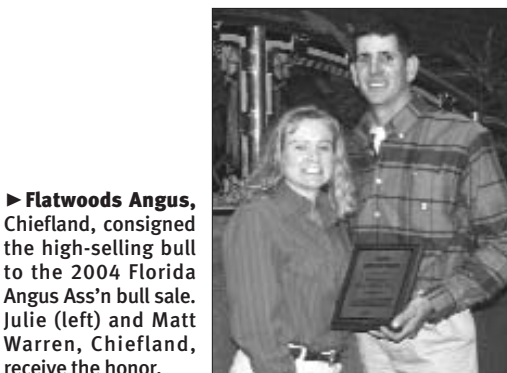
INDUSTRY EXTRAS

Robert Whitson, associate vice chancellor and associate dean at Texas A&M University, has been selected as director and dean of Oklahoma State University's Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, which includes the Oklahoma Agricultural Experiment Station and the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service. Whitson's new appointment will become effective June 1.

James Moseley has resigned as Deputy Secretary of Agriculture, effective March 4. In a release announcing the resignation, Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns

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Florida Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Tallahassee, Jan. 22



► **Flatwoods Angus**, Chiefland, consigned the high-selling bull to the 2004 Florida Angus Ass'n bull sale. Julie (left) and Matt Warren, Chiefland, receive the honor.



► Officers of the Florida Angus Auxiliary include (from left) **Wendy Petteway**, Zolfo Springs, president; **Chontelle Brown**, Fort White, vice president; and **Julie Warren**, Chiefland, secretary-treasurer.



► The **Roy Petteway family**, Zolfo Springs, is named 2004 family of the year. Pictured are (from left) R. Roy, Wendy and Roy Petteway.



► **Rainbow Angus Farms**, Ashford, Ala., is named 2004 breeder of the year. Pictured are Timothy Hopkins (left) and Craig Guffey, both of Ashford.



► Elected to serve on the 2005 Florida Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Patti Peacock**, Marianna, secretary-treasurer; **Lois Duncan**, Whigham, Ga.; **Chontelle Brown**, Fort White; (standing, from left) **Roland Starnes**, Marianna; **Jeffrey Cone**, Greenville; **Matt Warren**, Chiefland; and **Roy Petteway**, Zolfo Springs, president.

commented on Moseley's dedication to rebuilding the Afghan agricultural infrastructure. Johanns said Moseley will remain at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) through June 1 as a special advisor in this effort.

Terri Teuber has been selected as the USDA director of communications. Previously communications director for then-governor Johanns, Teuber was scheduled to begin her new position March 21.

Randy Hill, Smithfield, Utah, has been named general manager of Cache Valley/Select Sires. In his new position, Hill will oversee the organization's eight-state sales area and manage more than 30 employees. He succeeds former general manager Ferron Perkes, who retired after 26 years in the position.

U.S. Meat Animal Research Center (MARC) animal physiologist **Mohammad**

Koohmaraie and food technologists **Steven Shackelford** and **Tommy Wheeler** were honored for "Superior Efforts in Technology Transfer" during the USDA Agricultural Research Service (ARS) annual national awards ceremony Feb. 9. The scientists were recognized for their work in helping meatpackers at Tyson Foods Inc. of Dakota Dunes, S.D., use the center's leading-edge system for objectively analyzing beef carcass leanness.

Neal Patterson was elected 2005 chairman of the American Royal board of directors during its annual meeting. Patterson is the CEO, chairman of the board and co-founder of Cerner Corp., a leading clinical healthcare information technology company.

Robert Verdugo has been named Merial's executive director of marketing for Large Animal Group Ent., North America. In his new role, Verdugo will be responsible for strategic planning and marketing for all

pharmaceutical and biological products and services.

Jay Truitt has been named the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) vice president of government affairs in the organization's Washington, D.C., office. Truitt has served as NCBA's executive director of legislative affairs since March 2001.

David Fitzpatrick, Winchester, Ky., was named grand champion of NCBA's Top Hand member-recruitment program for recruiting 87 new members. **Dale Lueck**, Aitkin, Minn., with 85 new members, was runner-up in the organization's closest race in the program's 22-year history.

ContiBeef LLC, a subsidiary of ContiGroup Co. Inc., and **MF Cattle Feeding Inc.**, a subsidiary of Smithfield Foods Inc., have agreed to form a joint venture cattle-feeding business. The new

Wisconsin Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Madison, Jan. 29



► The Wisconsin Angus Auxiliary board of directors includes (seated, from left) **Phyllis Tomaw**, Barneveld, president; **Kathy Miller**, Bristol, secretary-treasurer; (standing, from left) **Christine Konkol**, Menomonee Falls, membership director; and **Mary Kohl**, Waterloo, Ambassador chairperson.



► Elected to serve on the 2005 Wisconsin Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Jim Ward**, Palmyra, president; **Kevin Retallick**, Glen Haven, vice president; **Ardel Quam**, Lodi, secretary-treasurer; **Phyllis Tomaw**, Barneveld, Auxiliary president; (standing, middle row, from left) **Kathy Burns**, Almond; **Anthony Weber**, Dousman; **Leslie Mindemann**, Sullivan; **Daniel Downing**, Waukesha; (standing, back row, from left) **David Horstmeyer**, Marshall; **Tom Tomaw**, Barneveld; **Roger Ferries**, Sparta; **Jeff Kind**, Jefferson; **Steve Wagemester**, Viroqua; and **Roger Kreul**, Fennimore.



► **Gregory May** of Fernvale Farms, Mineral Point, is presented the Show Cow-Calf of the Year Award. May also receives the Show Heifer of the Year Award on behalf of his daughter, Dana May.



► **Lakeland Farms**, Palmyra, is awarded Breeder and Exhibitor of the Year honors. Blaine Behselich (left) and Jim Ward, both of Palmyra, receive the honors.



► **Lone Willow Angus**, Fennimore, won the Show Bull of the Year Award. Casey (left) and Courtney Jentz, both of Fennimore, accept the award.



► **Mary Kohl** (right), Waterloo, receives the Advisor of the Year Award from Keela Retallick, Wisconsin Junior Angus Ass'n immediate past president.

entity will include all six feedyards currently owned by ContiBeef and four feedyards owned by Smithfield since October 2004. The venture, which is expected to formally commence operations April 30, will be a stand-alone company independent of both ContiGroup and Smithfield. **Mike Thoren** will be named president and CEO of the joint venture, which was yet to be named at press time.

Creekstone Farms, Arkansas City, Kan., announced early March that its majority financial owner has sold its interest to an affiliate of Sun Capital Partners Inc., a private investment firm. According to <http://cattlenetwork.com>, further terms were not disclosed.

Bruce Johnson, animal production nutritionist and technical marketing director, has launched **BioIngenuity LLC**, an animal nutrition and health products management and consulting business designed to assist companies in the areas of research management, product development and strategic planning.

R-CALF has announced a number of fund-raisers benefiting the organization:

Hill City Livestock Commission, Hill City, Kan., hosted its first-ever fund-raiser to benefit both R-CALF and the Kansas Cattlemen's Association (KCA) Feb. 18. Donors raised \$5,400, to be split between the two organizations. Calves sold during the auction were donated by Brandyberry Farms, D&T Cattle Co., and Minium & Minium.



► The R-CALF fund-raiser at Central Livestock Auction, Madras, Ore., yielded \$13,000. Pictured are (from left) **Trent Stewart**, Central Livestock Auction; **Natasha Bentz**, R-CALF field coordinator; **Tom O'Leary**, heifer donor; **Mike Smith**, high bidder and Oregon Livestock Producer Ass'n chairman; and **Richard Eiguren**, R-CALF member.

Burke Livestock Auction, Burke, S.D., hosted a fund-raiser Feb. 12, netting \$8,600 for R-CALF. **Herris and Mary Lambley**, auction company owners, donated the crossbred heifer that sold multiple times during the event.

Watertown Livestock Auction Market, Watertown, S.D., was the site of a fund-raising auction Feb. 22, which generated a crowd of more than 300 people and \$13,000. **Dallas and Deb Laube** donated a heifer.

Hub City Livestock, Aberdeen, S.D., hosted an \$11,000 fund-raiser on Feb. 16, where 70 donors participated. **Tiny and Betty Hoyle** donated the auctioned calf.

Central Livestock Auction, Madras, Ore., hosted an R-CALF fund-raiser Feb. 20, raising \$13,000. **Tom O'Leary**, Silver Lake, Ore., donated the heifer calf sold during the rollover auction.

At press time, R-CALF also had announced a tentative schedule for two similar auctions. **Gallagher Livestock Inc.**, Fallon, Nev., and the **Nevada Live Stock**

Association (NLSA) were to host a fund-raiser March 9. **Dan Berg**, Smokey Valley, Nev., and **Ben Colvin**, Goldfield, Nev., were to donate the calves for auction.

Lewiston Livestock Auction, Idaho, also had scheduled an R-CALF fund-raiser, set for March 9. Two calves were to be auctioned.

The Cattlemen's Beef Promotion and Research Board (CBB) elected the following new board members and officers to its 2005 Executive Committee and Beef Promotion Operating Committee during its annual meeting Feb. 1-5. New members include: **Austin Brown**, Texas; **Virginia Coelho**, California; **Bob Combs**, Virginia; **O.D. Cope**, Missouri; **Jeff Dahl**, North Dakota; **Virginia Davis**, Indiana; **Terry Detrick**, Oklahoma; **Glenn Eberly**, Pennsylvania; **Robert Fountain**, Southeast unit; **Dave Fugate**, Tennessee; **Glenda Fuller**, Kansas; **Ross Garwood**, Nebraska; **Donald Gray**, New York; **Dana Hauck**, Kansas; **Richard Hodge**, Texas; **Merrill Karlen**, South

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► Georgia Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Athens, Feb. 5



► Elected to serve on the Georgia Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Brent Chitty**, Moultrie, president; **Carolyn Gazda**, Athens, vice president; **Christy Page**, Winder, secretary-treasurer; **Traci Britt**, Loganville, past president; (standing, from left) **David Echols**, Hull; **John Jarrell**, Butler; **Alan Bridges**, Lexington; **Harvey Lemmon**, Woodbury; **Chris Throne**, West Point; **Charles Idone**, Macon; and **Chuck Jinright**, Omega.



► **Jarrell Angus**, Butler, is named member of the year. **Nina** (left) and **John Jarrell** accept the honor.

Dakota; **Neil Kayser**, Northwest unit; **Louis Larson**, Florida; **Al Pedigo**, Kentucky; **Daniel Petersen**, Iowa; **Frank Phelps**, Ohio; **Doris Rush**, Nebraska; **Sharon Spenrath**, Texas; **Donald Stewart**, an importer; and **Al Wright**, Arkansas.

Reappointments include: **Dave Albers**, California; **Dave Bateman**, Illinois; **Peggy Biaggi**, Oregon; **Loretta Broderick**, Missouri; **Mike Brooks**, Oklahoma; **Bill Carroll**, Iowa; **Carl Crabtree**, Idaho; **Doug Dickmann**, Minnesota; **Bill Erhke**, Wisconsin; **Carol Mosher**, Montana; **Jay O'Brien**, Texas; **Dick Sherron**, Texas; **Wayne Thames**, Alabama; and **Mike Thoren**, Colorado.

At its annual meeting, the board elected **Al Svajgr**, Cozad, Neb., to serve as its 2005 chairman; **O'Brien**, Amarillo, Texas, to serve as its vice chairman; and **Ken Stielow**, Paradise, Kan., to serve as secretary/treasurer.

The 15 newly appointed members of the Beef Industry Long Range Planning Group, announced Feb 1-5, include: Chairman **Dee Lacey**, California; **Paul Avery**, Florida.; **Donnell Brown**, Texas; **Brad Graham**, North Carolina; **John Hayes**, Illinois; **Jack Hunt**, Texas; **Steve Hunt**, Missouri; **Troy Marshall**, Colorado; **Jackie Moore**, Missouri; **Bill O'Brien**, Texas; **Robert Rebholtz**, Idaho; **Bill Rupp**,

Kansas; **Mike Thoren**, Colorado; **Richard Waybright**, Pennsylvania; and **Roger West**, Florida.

Marlene Strickland, Sarasota, Fla., was installed as the 54th president of the American National CattleWomen (ANCW) during the 2005 Cattle Industry Annual Convention & Trade Show, Feb. 2-5 in San Antonio, Texas. Other ANCW leaders elected to the 2005 executive committee include: **Nancy Stirling-Neuhauser**, South Dakota, president-elect; **Wendy Pettz**, Arkansas, vice president; **Kim Strickland**, Florida, secretary; **Trudy Carey**, Florida,

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Virginia Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Staunton, Feb. 4



► **Louis Inzeo** (left), Pamplin, receives the Promoter of the Year Award from Paul Bennett.



► **Ike Eller** (right), Blacksburg, is inducted into the Hall of Merit. James Bennett presents the honor.



► **Jay Fulk** (right), Broadway, is awarded the Distinguished Service Award by Ken Brubaker.



► **Ken Brubaker** (right), Harrisonburg, is presented with the Distinguished Service Award by Robert Grove.



► **Joseph Moore** (right), Raphine, receives the Manager of the Year Award from Tom McCall.



► **Michael Bazzle** (right), Broadway, receives the Sale Manager of the Year Award from Ken Brubaker.



► **Echo Ridge Farm**, Atkins, is awarded the Bartenslager Award. Pictured are (from left) C.W. Pratt and Jason Pratt, both of Atkins; and Dennis Pearson, presenting the award.



► **Tim Sulphin** is named commercial producer of the year. Pictured are (from left) Kathy and Tim Sulphin, Dublin; and Norman Bincel, presenting the award.



► **Willie Morris** (right), Buchanan, receives the Herdsman of the Year Award from Katherine Meadows.



► **Dwight Houff** (right), Mount Sidney, receives the Cattleman of the Year Award from Michael McDowell.



► **Bob Anderson**, Woodville, is inducted into the Hall of Merit. Pictured are (from left) Bob and Roberta Anderson and Ike Eller, presenting the honor.



► Elected to serve on the 2005 Virginia Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Jay Fulk**, Broadway, treasurer; **Jeffrey Powers**, Moneta, president-elect; **Bruce Warner**, Lebanon, president; **Robert Grove**, Somerville, retiring president; (standing, from left) **Louis Inzeo**, Pamplin; **John Alexander**, Fork Union; **Dennis Eastin**, Gretna; **Ken Barnhart**, Purcellville; **Tom McCall**, Greenville; **Timothy Douglas**, Berryville; **Michael Bazzle**, Broadway; and **Dave Leonard**, Lebanon.



► **Daltons on the Sycamore**, Gretna, is awarded the Seedstock Producer of the Year Award. Pictured are (front row, from left) Dale and Callie Eastin, (back row, from left) Jess Herbers, Wynn Dalton Herbers, and Dennis and Kathy Eastin, with Bert Jones, presenting the award.

parliamentarian; **Karen Andrie**, Florida, historian; **Bonnie Bargstedt**, New York, Region I director; **Doris Teeter**, North Carolina, Region II director; **Leslee Lohrenz**, Wisconsin, Region III director; **Rosemary Brizendine**, Texas, Region IV director; **Leslie Hendry**, Wyoming, Region V director; **Joan Hemsted**, California, Region VI director; and **Nanci Agnew**, North Dakota, Region VII director.

Frances Raulerson, formerly of New Smyrna Beach, Fla., was honored posthumously as the Outstanding CattleWoman of the Year for 2004.

