

# Angus Honors Long-term Employees

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►The American Angus Association recently honored several longtime employees for their years of service. Reaching the five-year milestone are (second from left) Milford Jenkins, Gayla Fuston, Sherry Ingram, Della Horstman and Sara Snider. Association CEO Bryce Schumann (left) presented the awards. Also earning the award (not pictured) were Kenny Miller, Vern Frey and Matt Printz.



►Reaching the 10-year milestone are (from left) CEO Bryce Schumann, Susan Arrow and LaVera Spire.



►Left: Reaching the 15-year milestone are (second from left) Janice Blair, Debi Wilson, Gina Weigart and Ginette Kurtz. Schumann (left) presented the award.



►Right: Lea Ann Maudlin (right) receives the 20-year award from Schumann.



►From left, Schumann awards Cheryl Oxley, Terry Cotton and Leota Wilson for 30 years of service.



►Karen White (right) is recognized for 35 years of service to the Association.



►Richard Wilson (right), Association CFO, receives a bull statue for 40 years with the Association.

## Apply for Beef Leaders Institute

The American Angus Association will host its third annual Beef Leaders Institute (BLI) June 2-4. Applications are now being accepted for the event and are due March 1.

Limited to 20 participants, BLI is designed for Association members 25-45 years old to provide insight into all beef industry segments while enhancing their knowledge of the Association and strengthening leadership skills.

BLI includes three days of tours, including a beef harvesting and packing facility, retailer, fabricator, feedlots and other industry segments, including the Association.

"Beef Leaders Institute started as an outlet for the Association and Angus Foundation to educate our younger members about all segments of the beef industry, and we have seen it become that, but it also has evolved into an awesome networking and leadership opportunity for many enthusiastic producers," says Shelia

Stannard, Association director of activities and events. "Many of the first two years' alumni are active in their state Angus associations and other agricultural organizations."

The Association will provide transportation, lodging, meals and materials during BLI. Attendees will be responsible for round-trip transportation between their home and either Kansas City or Saint Joseph, Mo.

Coordinated by the American Angus Association to strengthen leaders and enhance the educational opportunities for young cattle producers, BLI is funded through the Angus Foundation.

Applications are available online or by contacting the Activities Department. Questions can be directed to Stannard at [ssannard@angus.org](mailto:ssannard@angus.org) or by calling the Association at 816-383-5100.