

Setting an Example

Angus Foundation inducts three into Honorary Angus Foundation.

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In 1985, the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) initiated the Honorary Angus Foundation to recognize and appreciate those who have shown extraordinary interest and support for young members of the American Angus Association. In 1985, the National Junior Angus Board (NJAB) honored seven Angus breeders as the first inductees of the Honorary Angus Foundation. I.

Any member of the American Angus Association is eligible to nominate individuals or organizations for the Honorary Angus Foundation. Application forms for nominations to the Honorary Angus Foundation are available from the Junior Activities Department and are due March 1 of each year.

At the 2014 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Indianapolis, Ind., the NJAA inducted Charles and Judy Herbster, Murl and Lucian Richardson, and Bill and Betty Werner into the Honorary Angus Foundation.

Charles and Judy Herbster

Charles and Judy Herbster of Herbster Angus Farms, Falls City, Neb., have generously supported Angus youth by purchasing the Angus Foundation Heifer Package in Denver, Colo., for two



consecutive years, 2013 and 2014. Thanks to their investment in the future, the Angus Foundation has been better equipped to fund scholarships and other leadership programs for Angus youth.

“The Herbsters’ enthusiasm has helped pave the way into the future for the next generation,” says Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president. “This is what makes them worthy inductees for this year’s Honorary Angus Foundation.”

The Herbster Family has been in agriculture for more than 160 years. When Charles was 11 years old, his grandmother bought him 65 Angus cows, which began what is known today as Herbster Angus Farms. Besides the cattle, Charles and Judy own the Conklin Co., a national manufacturer and distributor of animal and agricultural products.

In 2013, the Herbsters were recognized at the Lifetime Angus Builder level at the Angus Foundation Supporter Recognition Event in Louisville, Ky.

“It is an honor to be an example for the Angus youth,” said Herbster, after purchasing the 2014 Angus Foundation

Heifer Package. “It is a privilege for us to pass this on to the next generation.”

Murl and Lucian Richardson

Murl and Lucian Richardson of Richardson McClung Ranch, Fort Worth, Texas, have been supporters of Angus youth for many years through the Angus Foundation and their home state of Texas. Through their generous contributions to the



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Texas Challenge and major gifts each year, the Richardsons have been role models for other Angus breeders in Texas and across the nation with their charitable giving.

“Recognized this past

November for achieving the Lifetime Angus Patron giving level, Murl and Lucian’s unrestricted giving to the Angus Foundation has played a crucial role in our ability to award general undergraduate and graduate scholarships each year,” says Jenkins.

Murl became involved in the Angus breed when he and Lucian started dating more than 60 years ago. He learned the business through Lucian’s father at the McClung Ranch, which operated at the time in southern Oklahoma and central Texas. The ranch, just west of Fort Worth in Rising Star, Texas, is currently home to 400 Angus cows.

“Murl and Lucian are, without a doubt, two of the nicest, most genuine people I’ve had the privilege of getting to know,” says Radale Tiner, American Angus Association regional manager for Texas, New Mexico and Louisiana. “Since becoming the regional manager, I’ve had the opportunity to get to know them better. After meeting them, you soon realize they are passionate about family, friends and Angus cattle.”



► Charles and Judy Herbster, Herbster Angus Farms, Falls City, Neb., were inducted into the Honorary Angus Foundation. Pictured are (from left) Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president; Lucas Nord, NJAB Foundation chairman; Brittany Barker-Hostetler, Herbster Angus Farms executive vice president, receiving the award on behalf of the Herbsters; Jacy Alsup, NJAB chairman; and Scott Foster, Angus Foundation chairman.

Bill and Betty Werner

Bill and Betty Werner of Werner Angus, Cordova, Ill., are known for a positive legacy of gift-giving to Angus youth. Most recently, the couple donated \$50,000 to the Angus Foundation to establish a permanent endowment fund that will provide a \$2,500 scholarship to the recipient of the NJAA Outstanding Leadership Award in memory of Jim Baldrige.

The Werners' dedication to Angus youth and the Angus Foundation is displayed year after year through multiple contributions, including general donations, golf tournament sponsorships and silent auction contributions. Their support of the NJAA Outstanding Leadership Award will impact Angus youth for generations to come, as the award is given to a deserving NJAA member each year at the NJAS.

The recognition will now be known as the Jim Baldrige Outstanding Leadership Award. Becky Tiedeman, Baldrige's daughter, says the family is proud, pleased and humbled by the Werners' donation.

"Bill and Betty's passion for helping Angus youth is unparalleled," says Jenkins. "Through their encouraging words and financial support, the Werners are deserving of this recognition for all they have done for



► **Bill and Betty Werner**, Werner Angus, Cordova, Ill., were inducted into the Honorary Angus Foundation. Pictured are (from left) Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president; Lucas Nord, NJAB Foundation chairman; Betty Werner; Jacy Alsup, NJAB chairman; and Scott Foster, Angus Foundation chairman.

the Angus breed and youth over the years."

Bill was raised in northeast Iowa where he started showing cattle and hogs at the age of 10. When looking to expand his herd, Werner looked for cattle with the traits he wanted and Angus were the answer. He became a lifetime member of the American Angus Association in 1975 and has raised Angus cattle ever since.

The Angus Foundation was established in

1980 as a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization to support Angus education, youth and research. To learn more about the Angus Foundation and the programs it supports, call the Angus Foundation at 816-383-5100 or go to www.angusfoundation.org.



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Honorary Angus Foundation members

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| 1985 — Lyle Haring, Iowa; Robert Hicks*, Kentucky; George Becker, North Dakota; Robert Snyder, Arkansas; Ed Stout*, Missouri; Frank Richards*, Missouri; and Percy & Margaret Upton, Nebraska | 2001 — Patrick Goggins, Montana; Don Good, Kansas; Glen & Pat Grote, Oklahoma |
| 1986 — Bob Herriott, Illinois; Haley Jamison, Tennessee; Robert Miller, Minnesota | 2002 — Jim Bessler, Illinois; Ronald Meyer, Nebraska; Steve & Sandy Trosper, Missouri |
| 1987 — Dave McMahon, Arkansas; Paul & Vicki St. Blanc, Louisiana; Dean Hurlbut, Missouri | 2003 — Andy & Mary McCurry, Kansas; William Powell, Maryland; Whitestone Farm, Virginia |
| 1988 — Granada Corp., Texas; Harding & Harding Insurance, Illinois | 2004 — Bob Laflin*, Kansas; Chuck Grove, Virginia; James Fisher, Missouri |
| 1989 — Floyd Dievert*, Kentucky; Evelyn Edmunds, South Carolina | 2005 — Dick & Diane Beck, Montana; George & June Crenshaw, Kansas; Fred & Betty Johnson, Ohio |
| 1990 — Billy Yarbrough, California; Rachel Breck, Connecticut | 2006 — Bob & Nedra Funk, Oklahoma; Frank Murphy, Illinois; Bill & Barbara Rishel, Nebraska |
| 1991 — Goshen Angus, Kentucky; Waymon & Stella Ashley, Texas | 2007 — Henry & Nan Gardiner, Kansas; Julie McMahon French, Michigan; Bob Norton, Missouri |
| 1992 — Bloom Angus, Indiana (Don & Carol Bloom); Tumble T Bar Ranch, South Carolina (Ted & Windy Bartee) | 2008 — Tammy Wallace, Missouri; Stan Thomas, Georgia; Shelia Stannard, Missouri; C.J. Brown, Illinois |
| 1993 — Maurice Armstrong, Tennessee | 2009 — John & Judy Crouch, New Mexico; Ron & Myki Simek, Wyoming |
| 1994 — John Barton, Missouri; Randy Lathrop, Illinois | 2010 — Greenacres Foundation, Ohio; Brad & Mindy Schnoor, California |
| 1995 — Price Harrison, Tennessee | 2011 — Bob & Margaret Duprey, Pennsylvania; Camron Cooper, Montana; Curtis & Ann Long, Missouri |
| 1996 — Cecil & Sandra McCurry, Kansas; Joe B. & Sandra Davis, Kentucky; Philip Reid, Virginia | 2012 — Jim & Sue Coleman, California; Howard & JoAnne Hillman, South Dakota; Blanford & Joan Pierce, Illinois |
| 1997 — Wayne "Doc" Smith, Missouri; Bob & Gloria Thomas, Oregon; Myron Fuerst, New York | 2013 — Tom & Lois Ames, Colorado; Col. Ray* & Melva Sims, Missouri; Eddie & Connie Sydenstricker, Missouri |
| 1998 — Bob & Virginia Weaver, Illinois; J.V. & Helen Heyser, Texas; Nettie Eitel*, Missouri | |
| 1999 — Charles "Bud" & Pam Smith, Kentucky; Anne Patton Schubert, Kentucky; Vance & Connie Uden, Nebraska | |
| 2000 — Richard Spader, Missouri; Jim Baldrige*, Nebraska; Leon & Cynthia Heron, Tennessee | |

* Indicates posthumously inducted.