

ANGUS
CONVENTION

Angus Elects New Officers, Directors

The American Angus Association welcomes breed leaders to serve its 25,000 members.

by **JENA McRELL**,
digital editor

Delegates to the American Angus Association's 133rd Annual Convention of Delegates elected new leadership Monday, Nov. 7, at the Angus Convention in Indianapolis, Ind. Elected to serve three-year terms as Board directors are: Richard Dyar, Crossville, Ala.; Dave Hinman, Malta, Mont.; Alan Miller, Gridley, Ill.; Jonathan Perry, Fayetteville, Tenn.; and Barry Pollard, Waukomis, Okla.

Charlie Boyd, May's Lick, Ky., was elected as Association president and chairman of the Board. He succeeds Jim Sitz, Dillon, Mont. Charlie, wife Paula, and sons Blake and Logan operate Boyd Beef Cattle.

Kevin Yon, Ridge Spring, S.C., was elected by delegates to serve as Association vice president and vice chairman of the Board. First-generation Angus breeders, Kevin and his wife, Lydia, established Yon Family Farms in 1996. They have three children: Sally, Drake and Corbin.

John Pfeiffer Jr., Mulhall, Okla., will serve as the 2016-2017 treasurer. He and his wife, Gaye, manage a diversified

farming operation where Angus cattle have grazed for more than 100 years. They have two sons, John Christopher and Andy.

A total of 312 delegates from 39 states and Washington, D.C., represented Association members during the Annual Convention of Delegates hosted during the 2016 Angus Convention.

Nearly 2,000 Angus breeders and commercial cattlemen attended the three-day event and enjoyed educational sessions, a packed trade show, networking and entertainment.

Read more about the American Angus Association's new leaders below.

Newly elected board members

Elected to his first three-year term, **Richard Dyar** has been a life member of the American Angus Association for 42 years. Richard and his family own and operate Dyar Angus Farm near Crossville, Ala., where they calve 60-70 registered Angus cows annually. Richard joined the American Angus Association staff Nov. 1, 1978, serving as regional manager for 35 years. He proudly served breeders in Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi.



PHOTO BY SHELBY WETTLEN

His daughter, Amy, lives on the farm. He has two stepsons, Nic and Tyler, and five grandchildren — Makala, Kohl, Garrett, Kate and Gavin.

Dave Hinman of Malta, Mont., was elected to his first term on the American Angus Association Board of Directors. Dave and his wife, Yvonne, purchased their first registered Angus heifers in 1973, starting Hinman Angus. Soon after, they leased a ranch in Willow Creek, Mont., where they raised two daughters, Jill and Heidi.

In 2000, Dave and Yvonne, along with daughter Heidi and son-in-law Billy Lulloff, began leasing to own an 8,000-acre ranch. Five years later, Hinman Angus was recognized with the *Certified Angus Beef*® (CAB®) Seedstock Commitment to Excellence Award.

Elected to his first term on the American Angus Association Board of Directors is **Alan Miller**, a third-generation Angus breeder who grew up on his family farm near Gridley, Ill. Thirty years ago, Alan's parents, Orlan and Carol Miller, revitalized the Angus herd as a junior project, naming the operation Prairie View Farms (PVF).

PVF is now a family operation

managed by Alan and his wife, Theresa, with brother-in-law and sister Brandon and Cathy Jones. Alan and Theresa have three children: Amelia, Adam and William, all active in the National Junior Angus Association.

Jonathan "JP" Perry, general manager of Deer Valley Farm, Fayetteville, Tenn., was elected to his first term on the American Angus Association Board of Directors. JP was raised on a farming and commercial cow-calf operation in Georgia, and he has spent much of his life working in the purebred business.

In 1998, Fred and Rinda Clark of Deer Valley Farm, Fayetteville, Tenn., offered him the opportunity to manage their premier purebred program. JP and his wife, Jackie, have two children: Zach and Alli, who both enjoy the cattle business and showing.

Elected to serve a first term on the American Angus Association Board of Directors, **Barry Pollard** of Waukomis, Okla., is a lifetime Angus member raised on a farming and ranching operation. Barry attended Oklahoma State University (OSU) and is a board-certified neurosurgeon who has performed more than 17,000 surgeries.

He currently farms and ranches more than 8,500 acres. Barry also oversees a herd of more than 340 Angus cows and a large recipient herd, raising more than 500 registered Angus calves annually. Barry's sons and granddaughter have also been involved in the cattle business.

For more news from the Angus Convention, visit www.angus.org to access the Nov. 21 episode of *The Angus Report*, featuring highlights of the event. Additional coverage will be available in the *Angus Journal* and online. Summaries, speaker presentations, photos, videos and much more can be found online at www.angus.media.



PHOTOS BY LEANN SCHLEICHER, ANGUS MEDIA

Above: Elected to serve as officers of the American Angus Association are (from left) **John Pfeiffer Jr.**, Mulhall, Okla., treasurer; **Charlie Boyd**, May's Lick, Ky., president and chairman of the Board; and **Kevin Yon**, Ridge Spring, S.C., vice president and vice chairman of the Board.

Right: Elected to serve three-year terms on the American Angus Association Board of Directors are (from left) **Alan Miller**, Gridley, Ill.; **Dave Hinman**, Malta, Mont.; **Richard Dyar**, Crossville, Ala.; **Jonathan "JP" Perry**, Fayetteville, Tenn.; and **Barry Pollard**, Waukomis, Okla.



