## **Diamond and Sterling Charolais dams recognized**

HOUSTON, Tex. - Nine more purebred Charolais cows have been recognized by the American-International Charolais Association for their outstanding maternal ability.

Joe C. Paschal, Director of Breed Improvement of AICA, recently notified the dam's owners their cows had been selected for the Dam of Distinction Award.

One of the dams was recognized as a Diamond Dam of Distinction, the fourth in the history of the program which dates back to 1975 and the other seven were awarded Sterling Dam of Distinction certificates.

The new Diamond Dam is Miss Oro Blanco 747, F33327, owned by Arthur Schaefer of Keene, California.

Miss Oro Blanco 747 was born on March 12, 1967, had her first calf on November 23, 1969 and had her tenth calf on April 3, 1979 for an average calving interval of 378 days. Her ten calves averaged 583 pounds, and indexed an average of 5 percent better than their 152 herd contemporaries.

Miss Oro Blanco is out of Miss Oro Blanco 22, F12699, by Oak Bar 245, M1913. She was also the 33rd Sterung Dam of Distinction having received that award on March 16, 1978.

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Distinction Awards were presented to Miss Bold Ruler 108, Rf421308, SC Miss Uranium 369, F201686, Miss Uranium 167, F126860, SC Miss Uranium 360, F201704 and SC Miss Uranium 367, F201682, all owned by Ernest J. Schaefer of Keene, California.

Miss Bold Ruler 108 was stred by Bold Ruler, M39267 out of Orinoco Princess 426, RF92089. The Uranium dams 369, 167, 360 and 367 were stred by Uranium I 1448-67, M26760. The dams 167 and 367 were out of Leshe Ann 875, RF164152 and Miss Oro Blanco 739. RF153383 SC Miss Uranium 369 and 360 were both out of Miss Midas 951, F76450

Harmonie BM, FFC2733 and PCF Danielle, FC9277 owned by Patton Charolaus Farms of Shelburne, Ontario, Canada were also awarded Sterling honors. Harmonie BM is by Flambeau, HBC 0370119503 out of Bobine, HBC 58193 BO1 and PCF Danielle is by Flirt, FMC588 out of Paris Charm PCF, FC1839. These dams are Pattons Charolais Farms first and second Sterling Dam of Distinction. The eighth Sterling dam is

a first for Heiss Charolaus Ranch of Jerome, Idaho. Miss Buffaloe Sage 257, RF532965, is out of Jeroma Sage II 230, RF65461, and by Buffaloe BO2, M32609.

These nine awards bring the total of AICA Diamond Dams of Distinction and Sterling Dams of Distinction to fifty-six.

In order to qualify for the Sterling or Diamond Dam of Distinction Award, a cow must have calved either 5 calves at 7 years of age or 10 calves at 12 years of age, each calf having a 205 day adjusted weaning weight ratio of 101 or greater

In addition, the dam must have a regular calving cycle that averages one live calf every year Twin calves are counted as one calving and no ovum transplants are allowed

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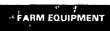


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