

Angus Storm Louisville's NAILE



Judge Dick Hubman, Central Point, Ore., discusses a class of heifers during the ROV Angus female show Monday afternoon.

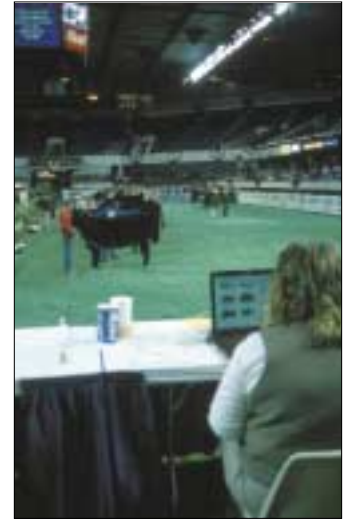
Depending on your viewpoint, it's either the beginning of a new year of Angus activities or the culmination of the past one. Any way you look at it, Angus activities at the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) in Louisville, Ky., rank as a main event.

Tying together a super-point Roll of Victory (ROV) show, a junior show, the American Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, American Angus Auxiliary activities, an Association Board meeting, and educational seminars, the NAILE was expected to draw Angus breeders from 44 states and Canada Nov. 12-14.

Judge Terry Burks, Caneyville, Ky., evaluated the 174 entries in the Angus junior heifer show Sunday, Nov. 12. See page 47 for the results.

The Auxiliary played host to more than 250 people at its Annual Breakfast Sunday morning before conducting business at its Annual Meeting. The Miss American Angus competition was conducted Sunday afternoon. Lacey Robinson, Montgomery City, Mo., was crowned the 2001 Miss American Angus during the ROV heifer show Monday afternoon. See "Auxiliary Action" on page 70 for more Auxiliary news from Louisville.

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Angie Stump Denton, *Angus Journal* Web marketing director, provides real-time coverage of Angus shows and activities at the NAILE, posting results to the Internet as they happen. Visit the coverage on the World Wide Web at www.angusjournal.com/louisville/.



The Angus paparazzi are always in action.



Judge Hubman evaluates a class of bulls Tuesday afternoon.



Miss American Angus candidate Naomi Gray, Harrison, Neb., helps 2000 Miss American Angus Whitney Trosper, Hamilton, Mo., hand out ribbons during the female show Monday.



Mark Mayfield, the "corporate comedian," urges attendees of the American Angus Association Annual Banquet Monday evening to take a light-hearted view of everyday occurrences.

Sunday afternoon, the Commercial Relations Department and the Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) Supply Development Branch conducted a seminar focusing on services available to producers. The seminar was followed by the introduction of candidates for the Association Board of Directors. Angus enthusiasts regrouped at the Executive West Hotel for the Angus reception Sunday evening.

Dick Hubman, Central Point, Ore., evaluated 258 females in the NAILE Super ROV female show Monday, Nov. 13, and 79 bulls in the bull show Tuesday, Nov. 14. See page 42 for the results.

More than 300 delegates gathered in the Kentucky Fair & Exposition Center (KFEC) Monday to conduct the Association's official business at the Annual Meeting. Howard Hillman was elected president of the Association. Hillman and his wife, JoAnne, operated Bon-View Farms near Canova, S.D., until the herd was dispersed in 1998. They now live in Sioux Falls, S.D. Even though Hillman is no longer directly involved in the production of Angus cattle, he is still active in the Angus business and is a strong promoter of the breed.

Hillman succeeds Charles "Bud" Smith Jr., Russell Springs, Ky., as president.

Leroy Baldwin, Ocala, Fla., was chosen by the delegates as vice president of the Association. Steve Brooks, Bowman, N.D., will serve as treasurer of the Association for the coming year.

Five individuals were elected to the Association Board of Directors. Paul Hill, Bidwell, Ohio; and David Smith, Greensburg, Ind., were elected to serve their first three-year terms on the Board. Re-elected to second three-year terms were Keith Arntzen, Hilger, Mont.; Minnie Lou Bradley, Memphis, Texas; and Abbie Nelson, Wilton, Calif.

At the Annual Banquet Monday evening, featured entertainer Mark Mayfield encouraged producers to find humor in everyday life. The event provided an opportunity to recognize outstanding accomplishments throughout the year, including recipients of the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) Outstanding Leadership Award, the *Angus Journal* Land Stewardship Award, ROV winners and Angus Heritage Foundation award winners (see page 48).



"Paulette" Hill (left) is one of the many former pageant winners at the American Angus Auxiliary breakfast Sunday morning to honor Dean Hurlbut for his service to the American Angus Association and for his pageant-judging ability.



Elected to lead the American Angus Auxiliary in 2001 are (seated) Jane Ebert, Lexington, N.C., president; (standing, from left) Nancy Jo Sullivan, Cartersville, Ga., secretary-treasurer; Pat Grote, Bennington, Okla., vice president; and Yvonne Hinman, Malta, Mont., advisor.



Auxiliary girls' scholarship winners vying for the title of Miss American Angus during the NAILE are (from left) Gina McCurry, Sedgwick, Kan.; Mercedes Danekas, Wilton, Calif.; Lacey Robinson, Montgomery City, Mo.; and Naomi Gray, Harrison, Neb.



Whitney Trosper, 2000 Miss American Angus, presents Lacey Robinson, 2001 Miss American Angus, with the official pin.



State chairmen officially register their respective state's delegate attendance during the American Angus Association Annual Meeting Monday, Nov. 13.



Newly elected president of the American Angus Association, Howard Hillman of Sioux Falls, S.D., receives an official escort to the podium during the Annual Meeting.



Charles "Bud" Smith of Russell Springs, Ky., promotes the Team Angus concept as he ends his tenure as the Association's president.



In a rapidly changing beef industry, the Association bears a responsibility to the entire beef industry because of its leadership position, President Howard Hillman tells attendees of the Association Annual Meeting Monday afternoon. Survivors, he says, will be those who can think outside the box.

Fund-raisers headline Angus reception

Angus enthusiasts got reacquainted with friends, new and old, at the Angus reception Sunday evening, Nov. 12. Highlighting this year's reception was a benefit auction cried by Jerry Lehmann, Platte City, Mo.

Several items, presented by co-chairwomen Carla Malson and Tari Hoagland, were auctioned to raise funds for the 2001 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS).

A print by Amanda Raitzel, Falls City, Neb., sold for \$800 to Lehmann.

Five Star Land & Livestock, Wilton, Calif., purchased the No. 1 limited-edition 2001 NJAS cap for \$200. Owners Abbie and Mark Nelson presented the hat to Dave McMahon, Belle Point Ranch, Fort Smith, Ark., to recognize his contributions to the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) and to the Angus Foundation.

To commemorate its 50th anniversary, the American Angus Auxiliary commissioned an original artwork by Frank Murphy depicting the organization's first 50 years. The original painting and the No. 1 signed print were auctioned at the reception.

The original artwork was purchased for \$10,000 by Five Star Land & Livestock, Wilton, Calif.; Champion Hill, Bidwell, Ohio; Pollard Farms, Waukomis, Okla.; and Belle Point Ranch, Forth Smith, Ark. During the Annual Banquet, the purchasers donated the painting to the American Angus Association to be hung in its headquarters.

Twenty-one Montana Angus breeders pooled their money to purchase the No. 1 print for \$2,100. It will hang at Genex Hawkeye West in Billings, Mont.

Proceeds of both the original and the print will be used to enhance the Auxiliary's scholarship and awards programs. Additional signed prints are available through the Auxiliary.



Association President Howard Hillman (left) and Executive Vice President Richard Spader accept the original Frank Murphy painting depicting the first 50 years of the American Angus Auxiliary. Auxiliary members (from left) Nancy Jo Sullivan, Yvonne Hinman, Mary McCurry, Pat Grote and Jane Ebert present the painting on behalf of Five Star Land & Livestock, Champion Hill, Pollard Farms and Belle Point Ranch.