

AUXILIARY NOTES

by Pam Velisek, President, American Angus Auxiliary

Dashing into the New Year

Thanks to the Angus family, the American Angus

Auxiliary overcame challenges in 2020.

The American Angus Auxiliary, like other organizations, has faced many challenges in 2020. Most were financial. Among the most significant was not being able to take the Angus Gift Barn to the annual Angus Convention due to changes forced by COVID-19.

This left a rather large hole in the budget; but, no fear, Shally Rogen rallied the troops. She and her team put on a Full Circle Online Auction that far exceeded its budget

It is this “nothing is going to stop us” attitude we know will propel the Auxiliary into 2021.


First of all, we congratulate Ellie Kidwell on becoming the 2021 Miss American Angus. She surely will represent the Association at the highest level.

As I sat listening in on the contestant speeches, I was in awe of all of the girls’ ability to present themselves and their ideas to an audience. Watching these ladies proves how good of an investment our scholarships are. A big thanks goes out to our Miss American Angus Committee chairs, Cortney Hill-Dukehart Cates and Paige Wallace Arnold, on a job well done.

I would like to thank all my committee members and chairs on

their willingness to be involved and help for the betterment of our group, our breed and our youth. They bring the term “Angus family” to life.

We also encourage your Angus family to get involved with the Auxiliary. It is rewarding, and the kinship is priceless. Introduce yourself to our leadership, and support our fundraising efforts. Your involvement and investment in the scholarships can change a young Angus enthusiast’s life.

I cannot be any more optimistic moving into 2021 with this group of innovative and determined women at my side. The past year we dealt with challenges, navigating everything from health issues to working with students getting their scholarship information from disrupted school systems, Zoom meetings and the trials and tribulations of voting virtually. With these experiences behind us, we are dashing into 2021 in full stride. 



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**It's not too
early to get
started**

Graduating high school seniors can apply now for the American Angus Auxiliary Scholarship. Qualifying girl applicants will also compete for Miss American Angus by applying.

Annually the Auxiliary awards more than \$15,000 in scholarship.

For complete details and to apply, visit angusauxiliary.com

Contact your state scholarship contact or a member of the Auxiliary leadership team for more information.

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*Applications due
May 1*