

Foundation Heifer Package Sets Record

Falcon Seaboard Ranches placed the final bid of \$101,000 on the Angus Foundation Heifer Package featuring a pick of the 2000 heifer crop at Sitz Angus.

A standing-room-only crowd of Angus supporters and enthusiasts from across the country gathered Jan. 11 in Denver, Colo., for the opportunity to bid on the 2001 Angus Foundation Heifer Package. A new record was set as Duery Menzies, general manager of Falcon Seaboard Ranches, Fredericksburg, Texas, conferred via cell phone with David Dewhurst, Falcon Seaboard owner, and placed the top bid of \$101,000 for the heifer package. Kahn Cattle Co., Rydal, Ga., was contending bidder for the package.

Sitz Angus of Harrison and Dillon, Mont., donated the pick of their 2000 heifer calf crop to headline this year's Angus Foundation Heifer Package. Three generations of the Sitz family were on hand as the bidding took place.

In addition to the heifer, the package included

- 30 days of insurance provided by American Live Stock Insurance;
- Transportation by Lathrop Livestock Transportation;
- A flush and implantation of three embryos by Trans Ova Genetics;
- Ivomec® provided by Merial;
- ViraShield® 5 provided by Grand Laboratories;
- A 30-day banner advertisement provided by the Web Marketing Department of Angus Productions Inc. (API); and
- Angus Information Management Software (AIMS) provided by the American Angus Association.

The Angus Foundation Heifer Package was initiated in 1980 to raise funds to start the Angus Foundation. The package sells annually in conjunction with the Angus activities at the National Western Stock Show

(NWSS). The proceeds from the Angus Foundation Heifer Package support youth, education and research. Each year, the Angus Foundation provides numerous awards and scholarships to junior Angus members. Last year the Angus Foundation awarded more than \$25,000 in scholarships.

For more information about the Angus Foundation or the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA), contact James Fisher, director of junior activities, at (816) 383-5100.



Duery Menzies, general manager of Falcon Seaboard Ranches, Fredericksburg, Texas, conferred via cell phone with David Dewhurst, Falcon Seaboard owner, before placing the final bid of \$101,000 for the Angus Foundation Heifer Package.



The Angus Foundation received \$101,000 in donations from Falcon Seaboard Ranches, Fredericksburg, Texas, during the sale of the pick of the 2000 heifer calf crop from the Sitz Angus herd in Dillon and Harrison, Mont. Pictured following the sale are (front row, from left) Sy Olson, Angus Foundation director; Amber Sitz; Taylre Sitz; Menzi Spiller; Sonya Smith, National Junior Angus Association chairperson; (standing, from left) Arvin Arthun; Donna Sitz Arthun; Jim and Tammi Sitz; Bob and Jenny Sitz; Misti Menzies Spiller; LaWanda Menzies; Becky Tiedeman; Duery Menzies, vice president and general manager, Falcon Seaboard Ranches; and Bob Tiedeman.