

Angus Foundation Heifer Package Sells for \$25,000

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A crowd of Angus enthusiasts from across the country gathered Jan. 17 in Denver, Colo., as the 2002 Angus Foundation Heifer Package was sold. The Santini family of Shady Brook Angus Farm, Leoma, Tenn., donated a pick of their fall 2001 heifer calf crop to highlight the package. Kahn Cattle Co. LLC, Rydal, Ga., purchased the package for \$25,000.

In addition to the heifer, the package includes 30 days of insurance provided by American Live Stock Insurance; transportation provided by Lathrop Livestock Transportation; a flush and implantation of three embryos by Trans Ova Genetics; Ivomec® provided by Merial; and a semen package provided by Alta Genetics. Other goods and services in the offering are a FastCow software package, including a Palm-brand personal digital assistant (PDA), from FastCow Technologies; an Angus Information Management Software (AIMS) package from the American Angus Association and a copy of the Ranch Hand software. In addition, a free banner ad is provided by the Angus Productions Inc. Web Marketing Department.

"We are pleased with the response to this year's package," says James Fisher, director of activities and junior activities for the American Angus Association. "We appreciate the support of the Santini and Kahn families, along with the other donors, to enhance the growth of the Angus Foundation."

The Angus Foundation heifer package was initiated in 1980 to raise funds to start the Angus Foundation, which supports youth, education and research.

More than 11,000 youth throughout the United States are members of the National Junior Angus Association. For more information about the Angus Foundation, log on to www.angusfoundation.com or contact James Fisher at the Association at (816) 383-5100.



► Christy Walther, NJAA Angus Foundation director, previews the Angus Foundation Heifer Package and thanks the crowd for attending.



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► It was standing room only as the crowd gathered for the sale of the 2002 Angus Foundation Heifer Package.

► Left: The NJAA Board watches the crowd as bids are taken.



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► Kahn Cattle Co. LLC, Rydal, Ga., purchased the 2002 Angus Foundation Heifer Package. Pictured are (from left) NJAA Directors Lana Myers, Heath Johnson and Jessica Sawyer; Michael Graveman and Amy and Vincent Santini of Shady Brook Angus Farm; Elyn and Roger Kahn and Ray Apple of Kahn Cattle Co. LLC; and NJAA Directors Christy Walther, Brian Howell, and Brandon Walker.