

# Auxiliary Action

by Jane Ebert, president, American Angus Auxiliary



## May brings preview of summer activities

Where does time go? It seems as if only yesterday we had March winds and April showers, and yet today we have May flowers! Yes, we are entering one of the most beautiful months of the year, when the earth arises with a bounty of new life. May also celebrates the dearest people in our lives — our mothers. Celebrate Mother's Day with a call or visit to Mom. This day only occurs once a year!

Our first and one-of-a-kind celebration is taking place this month. The "Excellence, No Exception" conference is May 4-5 at the American Angus Association headquarters. Angus women representing all sections of the United States are gathering in Saint Joseph, Mo., to design goals and strategies for the Auxiliary's future. I will include an overview of the conference in my June article.

### Lacey is on the move

Our own Miss American Angus, Lacey Robinson, is an outstanding representative of the Angus industry and youth. Lacey is busy with her duties as Miss American Angus. She represented the industry at the Western National in Reno, Nev., in late April. This month she will attend the Atlantic National in Timonium, Md.

Speaking of the Atlantic National, here's an important event to mark on your calendar. The organizational meeting to establish an Atlantic National Angus Auxiliary will be at 2 p.m. Friday, May 25, at the Maryland State Fairgrounds. If you want more information or would be willing to help, please give me a call at (336) 731-4974 or contact Annie Viator at (337) 276-7451.

### NJAS activities

Auxiliary committee chairwomen and their committees are looking forward to working with junior Angus members at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Denver, Colo. The Auxiliary sponsors many of the activities conducted at the NJAS.

If you or your state junior Angus advisors have not received the 2001 guidelines for the following Auxiliary-sponsored activities, please request information from the appropriate contact person:

American Angus Auxiliary/*Certified Angus Beef*® All-American Cook-Off, Anne Patton Schubert, (502) 477-2663;

Silver Pitcher Award, Sherrie Grappe, (870) 694-2126; and

Crystal Award, Cathy Watkins, (765) 779-4007.

Other awards sponsored by the Auxiliary at the NJAS are the showmanship and scholarship awards.

### Funding our activities

At the NJAS, seek out the Ways and Means booth. It's a treasure chest to our organization. The booth is important in funding the operation of the Auxiliary and the projects it sponsors. Shop at the Auxiliary Ways and Means booth and find Angus merchandise that makes you a happy consumer and that benefits the educational endeavors of the Auxiliary.

Marjorie Perkins, Ways and Means chairwoman, needs volunteers to help staff the booth during the week. Please contact Marjorie at (830) 236-5897 or rbarmmlp@aol.com to sign up to volunteer at the booth.

### Father's Day treat

Treat your father in June with a special *Certified Angus Beef* (CAB®) gift box. RMH Foods is offering to the Auxiliary a special Father's Day beef gift package that features six 10-oz. top sirloins and six ½-lb. Bubba Burger™ hamburgers for a limited time and price of \$49.95. Your purchase not only celebrates Father's Day but also supports the Auxiliary with a 10% donation. For more information, visit the Auxiliary Web site ([www.angus.org/auxiliary](http://www.angus.org/auxiliary)) or contact any of the Auxiliary leadership team members.

I leave you with this thought: "You are the pilot of your own jet plane with complicated buttons and switches on the dashboard. The most important button you must keep your finger on at all times is marked ... NOW!"

Celebrate the newness of the season.

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### History note of the month

In 1958 the Annual Meeting of the American Angus Auxiliary convened at the Stockyards Inn, the first directory was printed, and *Baby Black* — a book written by Mary Holbert's daughter-in-law — was printed.

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