

Auxiliary Action

by Mary McCurry, president, American Angus Auxiliary



Show season is here

Many of you are gearing up for the summer rush of state and regional shows and, of course, the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Tulsa, Okla., July 8-12. We look forward to seeing many of you in Tulsa.

Attending the NJAS is a great way to renew old friendships, create new ones, develop lasting memories and showcase your Angus projects, as well as other talents. You don't have to exhibit an animal to be busy there. There's something for everyone!

I encourage those of you who have never attended an NJAS to try to make it to this year's event. You won't be disappointed — it's unlike any show you've ever attended.

The Auxiliary will be sponsoring the *Certified Angus Beef*™ Cook-Off, as well as assisting in numerous other competitions. The winners of the Auxiliary scholarships will be announced during the awards ceremony.

While in Tulsa you can check out the Ways and Means booth — lots of Angus items you must have. The always-popular T-shirts featuring the names of all the NJAS exhibitors will be back this year. Get yours early!

If you are planning to attend the NJAS, please let one of the officers know. We could use your assistance during the show.

■ Welcome to a new member

Christy Crenshaw, Manhattan, Kan., has recently joined the Auxiliary as a lifetime member. She serves on the Auxiliary's Advisory on Trust Committee

and is scholarship chairwoman of the Kansas Angus Auxiliary this year. Welcome, Christy!

Anyone wishing to join our organization can send \$100 lifetime or \$10 annual dues to Sharon Sommers, 9414 S. 200 W., Silver Lake, IN 46982.

■ In sympathy

A legacy in the Angus Auxiliary, Orabelle "Willie" Carter Volkmann recently passed away (see "Newsmakers," page 175). Willie was a charter member and the first president of the American Angus Auxiliary. Her vision was instrumental in establishing this organization and was reflected in the many charitable and youth organizations to which she devoted her time and talents.

■ Items to note

The Auxiliary's annual meeting will be Sunday, Nov. 14, at 10 a.m. in Louisville, Ky. Note the new time and format. The meeting will follow brunch.

Look for publication of bylaw changes in an upcoming issue of the *Journal*. These will be voted on in Louisville during this meeting. My thanks to Linda Brost and Susan Quam for their untiring efforts in updating the guidelines and bylaws.

Thanks to the Scholarship Committee for their efforts. The results will be announced at the NJAS!

We will kick off the start of the new millennium and the Auxiliary's 50th anniversary with a commemorative Angus print being developed for the

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Dad turns out all right — in time

- 4 years:** My daddy can do anything.
- 7 years:** My dad knows a lot, a whole lot.
- 8 years:** Dad doesn't know quite everything.
- 12 years:** Oh well, naturally Father doesn't understand.
- 14 years:** Father? Hopelessly old-fashioned!
- 21 years:** Oh, that man is out-of-date; what would you expect?
- 25 years:** He comes up with a good idea now and then.
- 30 years:** Must find out what Dad thinks about it.
- 35 years:** A little patience; let's get Dad's input first.
- 50 years:** What would Dad have thought about it?
- 60 years:** I wish I could talk it over with Dad once more.

— Author unknown

Auxiliary by the well-known Angus artist, Frank Murphy. More details will come in future "Auxiliary Action" columns.

■ Ways and Means

When you are searching for the "perfect" gift for Angus enthusiasts, worry no more!

The Auxiliary Ways and Means is your place to shop for Angus gift items. You can use MasterCard or Visa to purchase those special items. For more information, contact Marjorie Perkins, HCR 1, Box 22, Smiley, TX 78159; phone: (830) 236-5897, fax: (830) 236-5896; or e-mail: rmckp@gvtc.com. Or check out the gift list on the Auxiliary's Web site, www.angus.org/auxiliary.

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