

Auxiliary Notes

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2002 Auxiliary scholarship winners

There are no shortcuts to any place worth going. — Beverly Sills

August is such a busy month, with county fairs, state fairs, vacations, and getting ready to start school — maybe even going off to college. Thanks to the hard work of many in the American Angus Auxiliary, we are sending 10 young men and women off to college with scholarship money to be paid toward their tuition. It was very evident, when viewing the scholarship applications, that these are future leaders of the American Angus Association and our industry.

Criteria

These young men and women were judged on a point system in three categories, with 100 points maximum.

The first category is projects and activities. The first half of the category, with 19 points possible, includes state membership/years, national membership/years, junior Angus activities and honors, certificates, and bronze and silver awards. The second half (21 points) is honors and awards in activities that include school, 4-H, FFA, church, community and other.

The second category (29 points) evaluates cattle show records, showmanship, judging, Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) and sales at county, state, regional and national levels. This includes junior show records, bred-and-owned show records, open show records, showmanship, livestock judging, AHIR and sale consignments.

The final category encompasses stories, pictures and clippings (17 points); scholastic records (8 points); and references (6 points).

The scholarship application is very time-consuming, and there are no shortcuts to this process. I know a Dale Carnegie® instructor who always reminded class participants, "The problem with success is it comes disguised as hard work."

The American Angus Auxiliary is aware there are concerns about the application process and, therefore, we have formed a task force to review the process and make suggestions for improvement. Christy Crenshaw chairs this task force. I am sure Christy and the rest of the task force would be open to your comments and suggestions. You can e-mail Christy at christyc@kansas.net. As I was recently told, speak up now or forever hold your peace. You are our customers, and we need to hear from you.

Congratulations to all the applicants who won their state scholarship contest and made it from state to national competition and to the 10 Auxiliary scholarship winners. I know all these young men and women are aware there are no shortcuts to any place worth going!

First place — Emily McCurry, Burrton, Kan.; and Jason Schroeder, Clarence, Iowa;

Second place — Joanna Olson, Hereford, Texas; and Casey Rump, Galva, Kan.;

Third place — Hope Herd, Fair Grove, Mo.; and Eric King, Tiffin, Ohio;

Fourth place — Alicia Kramer, Farina, Ill.; and Robby Shofner, Bentonville, Ark.;

Fifth place — Kristi Wilson, Orleans, Ind.; and Jake Tiedeman III, North Platte, Neb.

Hats off to Cortney

Someone else who knows there are no shortcuts is 2002 Miss American Angus Cortney Hill-Dukehart, Sykesville, Md. Cortney has done an outstanding job traveling and representing our Association. She returned on June 17, 2002, from the



Central Regional Preview in Hutchinson, Kan. — 2,500 miles! She also co-chaired the Eastern Regional in Timonium, Md.

The Canadian Angus Association has asked Cortney to attend a Canadian show, which she will attend after the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS), Milwaukee, Wis., and the All-American Breeders' Futurity, Louisville, Ky. Cortney is on her way to setting a record for shows attended by Miss American Angus. Ann Bell, chairperson for Miss American Angus, reports that Cortney's e-mails keep her updated and are full of enthusiasm. Thank you, Cortney!

'Miss Liberty' introduced at NJAS

I know Cortney has seen many, many head of great Angus cattle, but I know one great heifer she hasn't seen and that is "Miss Liberty." Don't look too hard or too long in your recent show rosters, because you won't find her listed, even though she made her debut at the 2002 NJAS. "Miss Liberty" is pretty exciting and even was judged! I don't know her sire, but I do know Harvey Rattey created this detailed sculpture, which measures approximately 4½ inches (in.) high and 4½ in. wide, exclusively for the American Angus Auxiliary. This Angus show heifer will be produced as a limited edition of 975 in pewter and a very limited edition of 200 in bronze. Each casting will be finished with a black patina on the heifer and mounted on a hand-rubbed black walnut base with a nameplate.

Rattey is an internationally known Western and wildlife sculptor. A Native American of Chippewa descent, he grew up on a northern Montana ranch and spent his spare time roping calves in local rodeos. A full-time artist for the past 30 years, his work is purchased by the U.S. Pentagon for use as

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gifts to foreign dignitaries, as well as by celebrities such as basketball star Larry Bird. Rattey lives on a ranch in Glendive, Mont., with his sculptor wife, Pamela Harr, and their five adopted children. They have a small herd of registered Angus cows.

Scholarship funding

As we celebrate 50 years of service to the industry we look back on the many accomplishments that have benefited our youth. Each year thousands of dollars in scholarships are awarded to our industry's future leaders. Funding for these scholarships is made possible through American Angus Auxiliary programs and fund-raisers, such as sales of the Angus show heifer "Miss Liberty." We encourage your support and welcome your inquiries.

For additional information call Yvonne

Did you know ...

In 1960, the first Auxiliary Yearbook was printed. In more recent years, the yearbook has been printed in the *Angus Journal*.

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50th anniversary book available in Louisville

Just about ready to go to press is an exciting American Angus Auxiliary book titled *A Half Century of Service*. The binding looks like black leather. Many hours went into this special book and you can tell no

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