

# Auxiliary Notes

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## Highlights from the National Junior Angus Show

*"A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken."*

— *James Dent*

### NJAS in Milwaukee

I am sure we all have our own definition of what a perfect summer day is. And speaking of summer, where did it go? School and college are starting again, and we are all finally back on a regular schedule. Some of us are more excited about that fact than others. However you're feeling, I hope you had a fun-filled summer!

One of my summer highlights was the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Milwaukee, Wis. Just when you think the NJAS can't get any better or busier, it does.

Congratulations to the Wisconsin Junior Angus Association and Wisconsin Angus Association, as well as to co-chairs Leslie Mindemann and Keri Retallick and their families, on a fabulous job of orchestrating a successful NJAS!

If you missed "Under the Big Top," mark your calendar for July 11-16, 2003, for next year's NJAS. Here's why you'll want to:

### The Cook-Off

Anne Patton Schubert oversaw another successful Auxiliary-sponsored All-American *Certified Angus Beef*® Cook-Off. The 19th annual Cook-Off was filled with outrageous

costumes, awesome themes and a "table set for three" (for the judges) that would appeal to any restaurant-goer. See pages 238 and 240 for details on the winning entries.

Anne promises to celebrate the 20th annual Cook-Off. You don't want to miss it, and you won't since you already marked your calendar, right?

### Mentoring mixer

One of the new items on the agenda at this year's event was the NJAS mentoring program, which was kicked off with a mixer for mentors and protégés. What a great way for those new to the NJAS to meet people and to feel like they are a part of things even quicker.

Participants had the opportunity to learn about all the contests, such as showmanship, photography, creative writing, project of the year, public speaking, poster, graphic design, scrapbook, extemporaneous and prepared public speaking, team sales, and the annual Cook-Off. And to top off all those contests are great showing opportunities.

### Scholarship winners

One of the highlights of the Auxiliary year is announcing the results of the scholarship competition at the NJAS awards night. The *Angus Journal* is devoting a whole feature to these young men and ladies. Be sure to check out the article on page 72.

### Silver Pitcher awards

Auxiliary advisor, Jane Ebert, announced the winners of the Silver Pitcher awards. These awards are given to the boy and girl who accumulate the most cattle-show points during the NJAS. Callie Smith, Lebanon, Tenn., won the girl's award and Kyle Conley, Clarksdale, Mo., won the boy's award.

### Crystal awards

Points derived from poster, photography, team sales, Cook-Off, and prepared and extemporaneous public speaking competitions determined this year's winners. Chairman Cathy Watkins presented the Janet Castle Crystal Award to the 2002 winners, Garrett Lampe, Scott City, Kan., and Courtenay DeHoff, Tonganoxie, Kan. Congratulations on a prestigious honor.

### Silver Bowls

The Auxiliary also presented silver Revere bowls to the top five individuals in the 2002 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest. Brittnia Carlson, Cherokee, Iowa, won the event, claiming \$350 from the Hamilton James Memorial Fund, the Dean Hurlbut Award, and the Jake White Memorial trophy buckle.

Other top-five winners included Kara Claeys, Chalmers, Ind., second; Karl Holshouser, Gold Hill, N.C., third; Morgan Woodward, Gallipolis, Ohio, fourth; and

**History Note:**  
In 1967, a trophy was first presented for the junior showmanship contest.

## A u x i l i a r y F l a s h b a c k



This photo was taken at a meeting of the Indiana Angus Auxiliary executive board in July 1958.

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Dusty DeRycke, Prophetstown, Ill., fifth. (See pages 170 and 172 for more about the showmanship competition.)

### **Auxiliary midyear meeting**

The American Angus Auxiliary midyear meeting was held at the NJAS on Thursday, July 12, 2002, with more than 40 women in attendance. The meeting started with a buffet lunch. After lunch we learned about different types of Wisconsin cheese and even tasted them.

We had a short business meeting and then discussed some of the Auxiliary fund-raisers, such as Miss Liberty, our newest Harvey Rattey figure.

A new fund-raiser, the Nut Machine, donated by the Grote family for the purpose of perpetuating the Pat Grote memorial and scholarship fund, was also introduced. This fund-raiser will promote national junior Angus programs. Jane Ebert had mastered the machine (which roasts and coats nuts with a seasoning) and recipe and passed around samples. Jane will continue to work on this project and bring it to the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE).

Thank you to those who attended the meeting. Next year we will either try to have it earlier or closer to the showing, so mothers can come and go as their schedules allow.

### **Ways and Means**

Gigi Hunter, Fair Grove, Mo., did a great job with the Ways and Means booth and appreciated those who helped her. Gigi is always looking for new items and would love to hear from you as to any suggestions.

### **New life members**

I want to welcome the new life members of the American Angus Auxiliary who signed up at NJAS: Marlene Dukehart, Sykesville, Md.; Catherine Miller, Luckey, Ohio; Debra John, Schertz, Texas; and Gigi Hunter. Other life members who joined this year are Sharon Mitchell, Hiddenite, N.C.; Teresa Swisher, Statesville, N.C.; and Eunice Kelm, Brenham, Texas.

Anyone interested in joining should contact membership chairwoman Vickie Meiburg at 6469 Booth Rd., North Branch, MI 48461; phone: (810) 688-2222; or e-mail: meiburgangus@blinks.net. Dues are \$10 for an annual membership and \$100 for a lifetime membership.

### **Committees for 2003**

Soon we will be organizing committees for the next year. We welcome new members and those interested in providing leadership and lending your talents to this meaningful group by volunteering a small part of your time. Please let me know your preferences by

calling me at (740) 373-3270 or e-mailing me at sjscartersville@aol.com. We will finalize committees prior to the NAILE.

### **Next Auxiliary activity**

While you are marking your calendar for all these events, also mark Nov. 17-18 for the 2002 NAILE in Louisville, Ky. American Angus Auxiliary activities are as follows.

#### **Sun., Nov. 17, 2002**

9-10:30 a.m. Brunch  
11 a.m.-noon Annual Meeting

#### **Mon., Nov. 18, 2002**

Miss American Angus Crowning –  
Livestock Barn

My October *Angus Journal* article will highlight some of the items you can look forward to at Louisville in November, including Sweet Nuts, the Holiday Room and the 50th anniversary book.

By the way, did I tell you to mark your calendar?



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