

# AUXILIARY NOTES

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## We are in Good Hands

*Is “barn lag” a thing? You know, like “jet lag?” If not, there should be. After all, “barn crud” is real. The National Junior Angus Show is a week of whirlwind excitement.*

It’s accompanied by high emotion, smiles, reward, stress and physical exhaustion. All those months of preparation pay off during this week. The energy demonstrated by more than 800 exhibitors indicate we are in good hands.

### Beginning

The Auxiliary started the week with an enjoyable Queen’s luncheon at Volare. Opening ceremonies had a unique sound with Kentucky Derby Bugler Steve Buttleman playing a “Call To Post” for the arrival of each state.

The 36th All-American *Certified Angus Beef*® Cook-Off judged 41 teams. The new blue-colored Cook-Off shirts provided by Prairie View Farms were a hit. Thank you, Alan Miller and family.

The second-annual scholarship workshop stressed starting early is paramount. Jessica Whitehead, manager of the Kentucky Derby Museum, provided a historical review of Derby fashion. While sipping on mint juleps, members set a record of \$916 during the Chinese auction. Thank you to everyone!

### End

During closing ceremonies, the coveted Auxiliary scholarships,

totaling \$18,000, were given to five young women and five young men.

Five Silver Bowls were awarded to the top five showmanship winners. The Silver Pitcher award is given to one young woman and one young man based off the highest points collected in the show ring.

As you can see, the week is a blur of activity. No wonder we speak of “barn lag.” All week long we saw youth supporting each other, building each other up and making new lifelong friends. The Auxiliary works hard all year preparing for our part in the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS). Our tradition of supporting awards is deep and proud.

Our mission is simple: join members interested in promoting and educating others about the Angus breed and elevate, promote and reward our Angus youth. Thank you to all our committee chairs and volunteers who make this possible.

Look for the Angus Gift Barn in Reno, Nev., at Angus Convention.

In everything, set them an example by doing what is good. Titus 2:7

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*Congratulations  
to all NJAS  
participants!*



**THANK YOU**  
to all of the  
volunteers that  
assisted with and  
coordinated the  
Auxiliary  
sponsored  
programs!

*Proud of the  
participation in  
Auxiliary sponsored  
events that further  
our mission of breed  
promotion, beef  
education and youth  
development.*