Auxiliary Action

by Yvonne Hinman, president, American Angus Auxiliary

It's time for Louisville

One of our most exciting times of the year is just around the corner as we prepare to attend the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) and American Angus Association Annual Meeting next month. Angus breeders from across the nation will gather in Louisville, Ky., to discuss issues, vote on bylaws and select people to lead our organizations in the new year. The American Angus Auxiliary's schedule is as follows:

Saturday, Nov. 11 2:30 p.m. American Angus Auxiliary Executive Board meeting	
Sunday, Nov. 12	9 a.m.
Angus breakfast hos	ted by the Auxiliary
Sunday, Nov. 12	11:30 a.m.
Auxiliary Ani	nual Meeting
Monday, Nov. 13	8-8:30 a.m.
Auxiliary committee c	hairwomen's meeting
Monday, Nov. 13	8:30-9:30 a.m.

Auxiliary committee meetings

Voting members of the Executive Board include officers and past presidents of the American Angus Auxiliary, national committee chairwomen, all state auxiliary presidents or an appointed representative from each state, and the wife of the incumbent president of the American Angus Association. I encourage each of you to attend and to take part in the Board meeting Saturday afternoon.

We welcome all Angus enthusiasts to the Sunday breakfast. Our program will include honored guest Dean Hurlbut and his wife, Gloria, plus special entertainment planned for us by our Program Committee chairwoman, Sandra McCurry. Advance tickets may be ordered before Nov. 1 by mailing \$12.50/ticket to Sandra McCurry, PO Box 416, Mount Hope, KS 67108. Advance tickets will not be mailed, but they will be available in Louisville at the registration desk and the breakfast. Tickets for the breakfast also will be available at the registration desk and at the door Sunday morning, providing we are not sold out prior to that time.

The Auxiliary Annual Meeting will follow the brunch and is open to all members and guests. The agenda will include committee reports, a vote on a bylaw amendment and election of officers. We would appreciate each state's bringing a gift to be used as a door prize.

Something new this year will be committee meetings on Monday morning. If you have been on a committee this year or are newly appointed for 2001, please attend this session. Meetings will be short, so everyone may go to the show that morning.

Bylaw amendment

The Legislation Committee presents the following bylaw amendment for consideration:

- Article VIII–Standing Committees Section 15–Advisory on Trust
 - a. Shall consist of a chairperson or cochairpersons and five members, the majority of whom are past presidents.
 - b. Shall oversee the Scholarship Trust



Fund to ensure that the fund is invested profitability.

- c. Trust Fund shall be in a bank in Saint Joseph, Missouri.
- d. Bank Trust Department shall manage the funds in accordance with Auxiliary guidelines.
- e. Advisory on Trust Committee and Auxiliary officers shall receive periodical reports from the bank.
- f. Only earnings from the Trust Fund principal shall be used for scholarships.

This proposal will be voted upon at the Annual Meeting and will require a twothirds vote to pass. The bylaw amendment would change the Advisory on Trust Committee to permanent standingcommittee status.

Purchase a piece of Angus history

Angus artist Frank Murphy has created a beautiful and colorful montage of Angus history that will be auctioned at the NAILE as a "kick off" of the Auxiliary's 50th anniversary celebration.

This portrait includes nearly five decades of Auxiliary activities. The original painting soon will be hanging in the American Angus Association headquarters. The Auxiliary is pleased to bring to the auction select prints for your choosing.

Come to the Angus social Sunday evening and join in the auction to own a piece of Angus history while supporting the Auxiliary in their service to the Angus industry, specifically Angus juniors. Your generosity will be appreciated.

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Miss American Angus

One of the highlights of the NAILE will be the Miss American Angus competition and the selection of the 2001 Miss American Angus. The young ladies competing for this title are the top five girls winning the American Angus Auxiliary Scholarship. These winners were announced in July at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Des Moines, Iowa. Vying for the 2001 crown will be Lacey Robinson, Missouri; Gina McCurry, Kansas; Mercedes Danekas, California; Naomi Gray, Nebraska; and Ashley Grote, Texas.

Ann Bell and Christy (Bell) Page are serving their third year as chairwomen of this committee. The committee works hard to put together a high-quality contest from which Miss American Angus is selected. At the same time, the committee strives to make the contest a fun and memorable experience for each participant. The speech phase of the competition will be Sunday and is open to the public.

Final touches are currently being made on plans for the upcoming competition. Gifts are presented to each contestant and to the newly crowned Miss American Angus. Sponsors are needed for these gifts. If you would be interested, please contact Ann Bell at (770) 207-7004. Let us all join in wishing each of these contestants our best.

There is no doubt that Louisville in 2000 will be a special event. I hope you are able to attend and to enjoy this time with some of the best people from across America ... your Angus friends!

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