



Auxiliary Notes

► by **Jane Ebert**, president, American Angus Auxiliary

Help us celebrate roots, opportunities

In days gone by, two of our family's favorite shows were The Beverly Hillbillies and Sanford and Son. Why? Most likely because we could identify with them. Maybe they were more "family oriented" programs that could be viewed by the family.

If you could tune in to our home through this page, I believe you might see scenes similar to those of both programs played out in our home. Remember how both families were always carrying their household belongings hither and yon? But what did they always have stashed away? Memories. Moving this past month provided me with a trunk full of memories.

Time to head to Louisville

Memories are worthless unless they are shared. Within a month, the Auxiliary is going to begin celebrating roots, lives, opportunities and reflections. At the Annual Meeting in Louisville, Ky., the 50th anniversary celebration of the Auxiliary will be launched.

Within this organization's history, from 1952 to 2002, a myriad of accomplishments is capsulated. Today, the fruits of our predecessors' labors surround Angus families and programs. Come join the festivities, and you just might revisit a hidden memory of a place, person or event. The 50th anniversary committee and co-chairwomen Sandra McCurry and Linda Brost promise a weekend of treasured memories.

Gather your calendar and jot down this information, for there is a spot for you to celebrate! All of the Auxiliary activities will be at the Executive West Hotel. Whether you arrive on Friday or Saturday, be sure to purchase your meal ticket for the Sunday morning dutch brunch at the American Angus Association registration desk.

Saturday, Nov. 10

3-5 p.m. — Executive Board Meeting. A meeting of the Executive Committee, which is comprised of the officers, the 2001 national program committee chairwomen and co-chairwomen, past national presidents and all state presidents or state contacts. Each person listed here will have one vote in the decision-making process. The screening and interviewing process for

the 2002 Miss American Angus competition will begin in the late afternoon.

Sunday, Nov. 11

Rise and shine to Southern hospitality at its best! The North Carolina Angus Auxiliary members serve as brunch hostesses. On behalf of our North Carolina members, "Y'all will be glad that you came." I promise there will be no grits!

8:30-8:50 a.m. — Registration. **Advance tickets can be purchased for \$14 each. Contact Sandra McCurry, 11313 N. 279th W., Mount Hope, KS 67108; (316) 667-2418.** Tickets may be purchased at the registration table, if available.

9-10:30 a.m. — Brunch, Queen & Scotts Room

11-noon — Annual Meeting

2-4 p.m. — 50th Anniversary Reception, Queen & Scotts Room. All Angus families and friends are invited to the reception.

Monday, Nov. 12

Crowning of Miss American Angus 2002 at the livestock show arena. The crowning precedes the grand champion female announcement.

Highlights for the Auxiliary weekend will feature a new format and inventory for the Ways and Means Committee. The Ways and Means booth will be housed in the livestock barn near the Angus stalling area. This is a wonderful place and time to begin holiday shopping. New, featured items will be a knitted Angus blanket and an Angus steak platter.

The items were previewed and approved at our midyear meeting at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Denver, Colo. Purchases may conveniently be made using cash, credit card or check. Our vehicle, the Auxiliary, cannot run without gas (money), and funds generated by the Ways and Means Committee, plus specialized fund-raisers, support the educational programs sponsored by the Auxiliary.

On Sunday evening, Nov. 11, during the Association social, the Auxiliary will auction a select item or two for the scholarship fund, which awards college scholarships annually to junior Angus members. One of the auction items represents the true heritage of the Angus family.

Rachel Breck, Salisbury, Conn., has skillfully designed a crewelwork Angus art masterpiece that will be auctioned as one-of-a-kind!

Rachel has created the crewel art expressly for the 50th anniversary celebration, and she has requested that the proceeds from the sale go to the Angus scholarship fund. Anne

2001 AMERICAN ANGUS AUXILIARY OFFICERS



► Officers of the 2001 American Angus Auxiliary are (seated) Jane Ebert, Lexington, N.C., president; (standing, from left) Nancy Jo Sullivan, Parkersburg, W.Va., secretary-treasurer; Pat Grote, Bennington, Okla., vice president; and Yvonne Hinman, Malta, Mont., advisor.

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Patton Schubert, longtime friend of Rachel, is providing leadership for this activity and will be the contact person for any questions.

A gift-shopping room is being featured to support Auxiliary members who operate home-based businesses. Participants will give 15% of their sales to the Auxiliary treasury. Members Andra Campbell and Pam Silveira will be featuring their ladies' fashions. Other interested Auxiliary members — call me now! Another weekend Auxiliary goodie is a silent auction that will feature a few items of memorabilia.

There is going to be a lot of fun during

our weekend, but we definitely will have to attend to the business of the organization. The advisory on trust committee requested a by-law change. The request was read at the midyear meeting in Denver; approval was given to submit it to the membership for a vote in Louisville at the Annual Meeting.

The proposed amendment is published in this issue of the *Angus Journal*, 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting. The minutes are also printed in this issue. The proposed by-law change is Article VIII, Section 15.

It's always good to jog the memory! The Auxiliary does receive and recognize

memorials. Thanks to Leslie Roye, Arkansas president, the Arkansas Auxiliary donated \$50 to the Beef Education Committee's Auxiliary-sponsored All-American *Certified Angus Beef*® (CAB®) Cook-Off in memory of Thelma Snider, who was one of the founders of the Arkansas Auxiliary.

See you in Louisville on the 10th!

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Rachel Breck to contribute proceeds of crewel picture to scholarship fund

by *Anne Patton Schubert*

A talented, longtime Angus breeder has donated an original crewel picture to benefit the American Angus Auxiliary. The needlework will be auctioned Sunday evening, Nov. 11, at the Angus reception during the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) in Louisville, Ky. The reception will be at the Executive West Hotel.

Rachel Breck, Salisbury, Conn., former owner of Hedgerows Farm, has created "Fairfield Angus Overlooking Silver Lake." The piece, which took the 93-year-old needle artist three and a half months to create, depicts several Angus cattle in the pasture at Fairfield.

Breck had created a needlework to benefit the Auxiliary in the mid-'80s. She was delighted three people were still bidding for it at \$3,000 during an auction at the All-American Angus Breeders' Futurity. She wanted to do another piece for the Auxiliary in honor of its 50th anniversary.

"I've always loved the Angus business. It has given me such pleasure and joy. I did this to give something back to the Angus people," Breck says. The proceeds from the picture will be added to the Auxiliary scholarship fund. Those who want more information or want to place a bid on the picture may write to Anne Patton Schubert, 4040 Taylorsville Rd., Taylorsville, KY 40071 or call (502) 477-2663 before the auction.

The framed picture was embroidered using Appleton wool yarn from London. The Angus are done in fine mercerized thread and required more than 300 stitches per animal. "These are my own, original stitches," Breck says in describing her interest in the project.

"The needlework helped me recover quickly from pneumonia earlier this year. I couldn't take the project to the hospital, and I desperately wanted to finish it!" she laughs.

Last year Breck entered it in a juried art contest. "I never thought I could compete with professional artists. I was so thrilled," she explains.

Currently Breck is working on a needlework item as a wedding gift for a friend. Her love of Angus and the friends she has made in the Angus business make this project special, she says. "This gives me an upbeat reason for doing things."



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