AUXILIARY NOTES

by Deanna L. Hofing, president, American Angus Auxiliary

My Most Valuable Players

As Queen Elizabeth II is laid to rest, it is hard not to be in awe of her reign by not only leading Great Britain and its commonwealth for 70 years, but also taking on that position when she was in her mid-twenties as a woman.

This amazing woman, wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother led with strength and earned the respect of her peers and her foes. She was the definition of a valuable asset.

While Queen Elizabeth II served 70 years, the American Angus Auxiliary too is celebrating its 70th year. The culmination of our year is the Full Circle Online Auction Nov. 10, graciously hosted by *AngusLive.com*.

There are 33 amazing items that our team has assembled. This is a perfect platform to find those unique Christmas presents. To access a list of items with pictures, please visit www. anguslive.com or

www.angusauxiliary.com.

As my year as the American Angus Auxiliary president rapidly comes to a close, I have started to look back upon the key people who helped make my time as a leader more effective. My most valuable asset is my family. My Auxiliary family, my family of friends and my immediate family. This job would not have been possible without them. Being successful in this role truly is a team sport, and my families were the most valuable players.

The Auxiliary family has provided years of history and knowledge. There have been numerous past presidents I have leaned on throughout my year of

leadership for direction and assistance with various projects. When looking closer to home, my family of friends supported me endlessly along the way. They have helped me keep my sanity, bring me back to center and have been the shoulder I needed to lean on.

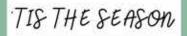
My husband (Josh), kids (Bryce and Zayda) and parents (Don and Carol), are the epitome of an asset. I can say this year would not have been possible without their undying support. They were my judgment-free zone and provided an environment to convey and refine my ideas and to vent freely.

It has been an honor and privilege to have served as the president in the Auxiliary's 70th year. I hope when you look back at my time in this leadership position, you can see the contributions made by myself and my team, little changes and improvements such as adding our involvement in the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) tailgate to gain exposure, or in bigger ways, such as expanding the Miss American Angus platform to contain additional advocacy opportunities.

Cheers to 70 more years!

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