

Association Highlights

- **Get set for the National Western Stock Show**
- **Juniors offer a new set of Murphy prints as Foundation fund-raiser**
- **Charge on with the Angus MasterCard**

It's National Western time!

Next month thousands of livestock breeders will make their way to Denver, Colo., for the 2000 National Western Stock Show (NWSS). If you haven't made your travel arrangements, the time is now. Angus breeders from all parts of the United States will exhibit hundreds of entries at the event. A full schedule of events follows:

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 12

8:00 a.m. Angus Junior Heifer Show, Stadium followed by Angus Female Show

THURSDAY, JAN. 13

8:00 a.m. Judging Angus Sale Cattle, Stadium
2:00 p.m. Angus Bull Sale, Beef Palace Auction Arena
6:30 p.m. Angus Reception, Denver Marriott City Center

FRIDAY, JAN. 14

8:00 a.m. Angus Bull Show, Stadium
3:00 p.m. Foundation Female Sale, Livestock Center Auction Arena

SATURDAY, JAN. 15

9:00 a.m. Pen & Carload Show, Livestock Center Auction Arena

The Association has secured a special discount agreement with United Airlines for the National Western. A 5% discount off the lowest applicable fare will be offered only when you or your travel agent calls United's toll-free number (1-800-521-4041) and refers to meeting number 579UP. Discounts apply on United, Shuttle by United and United Express.

The Denver Marriott City Center will be Angus headquarters for the NWSS. A special Angus room rate of \$78 plus tax, which includes up to two people per room, has been negotiated. Additional people per room are \$10 each. Contact the hotel directly to make reservations at (303) 297-1300, but be sure to request the American Angus room block to get the special rate.

Foundation Heifer sells Jan. 13

At the NWSS in Denver next month, Angus breeders will have the opportunity to purchase an outstanding female to add to their herd while, at the same time, supporting the future of the Angus breed.

The Foundation Heifer Package will be offered at public auction as the kickoff to the National Western Angus Bull Sale, set for Thursday, Jan. 13, at 2 p.m. in the Beef Palace Auction Arena.

This year's package is headlined by Davis Polly 8506, a Jan. '98 daughter of DHD Traveler 6807. Her dam, VDAR Polly 3039, is sired by VDAR New Trend 315. The Foundation Heifer is bred to Sitz SLS Rainmaker 7596, with a projected calving date of March 8, 2000.

This top-quality bred female has been donated by Davis on the Highlands, which is owned by Joe, Sandra, Ashley and Anne Nicole Davis, Springfield, Ky.

In addition to the female, the buyer receives 30 days of insurance from the date of sale from American Livestock Insurance Co., Geneva, Ill.; transportation to the buyer's ranch or farm, provided by Lathrop Livestock Transportation, Dundee, Ill.; a flush and three embryo transplants into the buyer's recipients from Trans Ova Genetics, Sioux Center, Iowa; and Ivomec® provided by Merial.

The sale of the Foundation Heifer Package generates the largest donation to the Angus Foundation granted each year. The Foundation supports youth, education and research for the Angus breed.

For more information on the Foundation Heifer Package, contact James Fisher, director of junior activities, at the Association or any regional manager.

Maple Croft Farm earns Historic Herd Award

Maple Croft Farm recently earned the Association's Historic Angus Herd Award, which recognizes herds that have been in the continuous production of Angus cattle by the same family for 50 years or more. A certificate, signed by the president of the Association, has been presented for this achievement.

David and Ruth Davis and their family operate Maple Croft Farm, which is located near Elk Garden, W.Va. The herd was established in 1898 by J.G. Hanlin and was transferred to Clyde and Cora Davis, his

daughter and son-in-law, in 1952. In 1976 ownership was then handed to their son and daughter-in-law, David and Ruth.

The first seedstock were purchased from breeders in Ohio and West Virginia. Those original cow families are still represented in the herd, which includes 30 mature females. The farm enrolled in Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) in the early 1960s and has made genetic progress through the program for many years.

The Maple Croft herd also was recognized as a Centennial Angus Herd by the Association in 1983.

Golden Dawn Farms named Historic Angus Herd

Golden Dawn Farms, Carthage, Ind., has been presented the Historic Angus Herd Award by the American Angus Association. The operation is owned by Donald and Sharon Stoten Jr. and their son and daughter-in-law, Brent and Joann Stoten.

The herd was established by Donald Stoten Sr. in 1938 and operated under the name Herkless & Stoten, which was changed to Golden Dawn Farms in the early 1940s. The herd's early seedstock included a heifer named Esther Enchantress that was purchased from Larkin Farms, Shoals, Ind., and served as Donald Jr.'s first 4-H project. They continued to build the herd, mostly by retaining females that were raised. An early herd sire was Miller's Eileenmere 2nd, son of the 1935 International grand champion, Eileenmere 85th, who sired five International champions.

Through the years Golden Dawn has been active in shows and activities and has grown as a family business producing sound, functional cattle that are strong in maternal and fertility traits, volume, and thickness, bred with the commercial market in mind.

A certificate recognizing this achievement has been presented to the Stoten family.

Charge on with the Angus MasterCard

The holiday season is upon us, and with it comes shopping for gifts. This year, as you make purchases for friends and family, you can also donate to the Angus Foundation. Simply use your MBNA Angus MasterCard.

Each time you use your card, a percentage of the total purchase goes back to the Angus Foundation, which supports junior programs and the future of the Angus breed. The Angus Foundation collected nearly \$20,000 in royalties last year from purchases made with Angus MasterCards.

If you don't have an Angus MasterCard but would like to apply for one, call the Junior Activities or Finance departments at

the Association to request an application. The Angus Foundation needs your support!

New Profitmaker prints available

The National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) has selected four grease-pencil drawings from a series of works by Frank Murphy to be offered as the "Profitmaker prints" collection. These four images were used in the Association's advertising campaign from 1966-70. These prints have been released just in time for the holidays and will make the perfect gift for the Angus enthusiast, as well as any beef cattle producer.

The set of four prints, perfect for the home or office, is available for a \$100 donation, which goes to the Angus Foundation for support of youth, education and research. Each 11-by-14-inch print will fit into a standard-size frame.

For more information, call the Junior Activities Department.

Last-minute holiday gift ideas

If your elves haven't been working fast enough this year and you find yourself in need of last-minute gifts, here are a few ideas that will please the Angus fans on your list.

There are still a few prints of Frank Murphy's original oil painting *The Mists of Autumn*. This limited-edition piece makes an impressive gift for an individual, group or family. Only 500 prints were signed and numbered by the artist and are available for a \$100 donation to the Angus Foundation. To place an order, call the Junior Activities Department at the Association. Check, Visa and MasterCard are accepted.

The NJAA also has a variety of caps and shirts available. The selection of caps includes the "ANGUS - The Business Breed" style and NJAA caps, both in a variety of colors. All caps are priced at \$15.

Three styles of shirts, including short-sleeved T-shirts, long-sleeved T-shirts and long-sleeved button-down-collar shirts, are available. Prices range from \$12 to \$35, and colors and sizes vary. For available colors and sizes, contact the Junior Activities Department or find the listing on the Internet at www.angus.org.

The Certified Angus Beef (CAB) Program has available a variety of items sporting the Program logo. These selections include jackets, shirts, ties, steak knives and golf balls, plus much more. To place an order or to request a list of available items and prices, call the Shipping Department at the CAB Program office in Wooster, Ohio, at 1-800-725-0070. Visa and MasterCard are accepted. Call early because some orders take longer to process than others.



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CURRENT FEES

Following are the correct fees for various American Angus Association services. The major cause of work being delayed is many members do not send the correct amount of money with their work.

REGISTRATIONS

Applications for animals from birth to 4 months of age	\$7
Applications for animals from 4 to 10 months of age	\$9
Applications for animals 10 to 12 months of age	\$14
Applications for animals over 12 months of age	\$27

TRANSFERS

Applications received within 30 days from sale date	\$5
Applications received 30 to 60 days from sale date	\$7
Applications received after 60 days from sale date	\$12

MISCELLANEOUS

AHIR fee per weaning weight	\$3
AI Service Certificate	\$10
Regular Membership (subject to \$40 annual renewal dues)	\$50
Junior Membership (under 21 years of age)	\$20
Convert Junior to Regular Membership	\$45
Embryo Calves	regular registration fee plus \$10 per calf

Rules of the American Angus Association are included in the *Breeder's Reference Guide*. Copies are available free from the American Angus Association.