



Auxiliary Notes

► by Nancy Jo Sullivan, president, American Angus Auxiliary

State fair season

August is here, but where did the summer go? How many of you attended the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Louisville, Ky.? And were my suggestions, such as packing those larger jeans because of the great food, helpful? Did you enjoy those sugarcoated nuts?

Besides eating, I hope you enjoyed the All-American Certified Angus Beef® (CAB®) Cook-Off contest. Didn't those juniors just amaze you with their knowledge and creativity? Whether you were amazed by the extemporaneous public speaking, the team sales competition, the quiz bowl, the juniors' scrapbooks and posters, the great showmanship contest, or the quality of Angus cattle, it was a fun and educational event.

We are truly blessed to have such high-quality youth who are preparing to lead this industry and nation in the coming years!

Opportunity remains

I hope many of you had a chance to stop by the American Angus Auxiliary booth and make those Angus purchases. If you didn't, don't fret. You can go to the Web site, www.angus.org/auxiliary, and purchase those items you missed. Thanks for your past and future patronage of our Angus items.

I can't believe we are on the last leg of summer. Yet, for many, August is one of the busiest and most exciting months for exhibiting. There are numerous state fairs scheduled during this month.

There is something so special about a state fair. The hustle and bustle of people

from all walks of life, the concerts, the local talent, the midway, the food, the competition, and the very important friendships — both old and new! I bet many of you already have special memories of your state fair, or you may have just begun making those memories.

For our family there are many memories. They include camping, water fights, champions and those that stood last in class, blind dates and great friends from all over the state of Iowa. I even met my husband of 32 years on a blind date at the Iowa State Fair. While I can't promise you will be as lucky as I was, you are in for a great time.

State contact information

In just three months we'll have the 52nd Annual Meeting and our annual breakfast in Louisville. In our annual report, we like to include state auxiliary information such as officers, activities and scholarship contact information. **We have a list of contact names for states, but not a list of current officers. Please e-mail me at sjscartersville@aol.com, or fax your list to (740) 373-3352. Thanks for your help.**

Thank you

I traveled to the American Angus Association office in Saint Joseph, Mo., in June to give the American Angus Auxiliary's annual report to the Association Board of Directors.

The Auxiliary is so fortunate to have support from John Crouch and his team. The Auxiliary receives monetary support for our Annual Meeting and brunch in Louisville and for Miss American Angus travel expenses accumulated during six major shows. The Association also supports our annual beef education event, the Cook-Off, at the NJAS.

The American Angus Auxiliary also

receives much help from the *Angus Journal*, which publishes our advertisements, a monthly article, a program for the Annual Meeting, a February tear-out with yearly updates, and our Web site. Cheryl Oxley is our contact and does a *great job!*

We also have a third great partner, Jim Riemann and his staff at Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB).

CAB is a major supporter of the Cook-Off and provides the meat, mailing and prizes for the contest. Last year, CAB helped host the Auxiliary's Saturday night event and treated all the guests to great CAB samples.

Talking about CAB just makes my mouth water. Remember, you can purchase CAB products on the Auxiliary's Web site, and a percentage of the profit is donated to the Auxiliary.

Thanks to all members who support our youth and Auxiliary! We couldn't offer our awards, scholarships or educational events without you.

Thank you.

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