



Auxiliary Notes

► by *Mary Greiman, president, American Angus Auxiliary*

Change and growth

As I have mentioned in previous columns, change is inevitable. I have also mentioned that for organizations to grow and succeed, there will be change. At our Annual Meeting, we will be looking at some changes that are on our horizon. This will be a great opportunity for our organization. It could open new doors and give us better opportunities to connect with other Angus enthusiasts. Since change is the one thing that endures, let's make the changes that will allow our Auxiliary to endure.

Auxiliary activities

Our American Angus Auxiliary Annual Meeting weekend is coming up in November. It will be hosted in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) Nov. 10-13 in Louisville, Ky. There are many activities that will take place in Louisville, so be sure to look for the schedules and rooms as soon as you get there.

Auxiliary activities begin with our Executive and Annual meetings Saturday, Nov. 10, at the Executive West Hotel headquarters. Please check the lobby signs for room assignments. The Executive Board Meeting will be at 2 p.m., with the Annual Meeting beginning at 3 p.m. We will be voting on some bylaw changes (listed on page 43), and your votes are important. We hope you will take the opportunity to attend this meeting.

A "Feeling of Christmas" is what you'll experience at the Auxiliary Breakfast on Sunday morning at 8 a.m. The incredible

ladies of Iowa and Sandra McCurry and her fabulous committee members will get you in the spirit for fun, food and friends. The Christmas theme will help kick off the journey to next summer's National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) — "Christmas in July" in Iowa.

Your morning will start with a full breakfast, entertainment and the chance to visit with friends. The Iowa Angus Auxiliary ladies are looking forward to the morning's activities. States are welcome and encouraged to bring gifts for the door prizes. You may bring something that goes with the Christmas theme or something that highlights your state.

Our breakfast is open to all Angus enthusiasts. Advance reservations are requested. Please contact McCurry by cell phone at 316-304-5973, home phone at 316-667-2418, or e-mail at sandramccurry3@aol.com to make your reservations. Tickets

Nothing endures but change.

— Heraclitus (540 B.C.-480 B.C.)

for the breakfast are \$15 per person. The suggested attire is casual. Plan to attend; you won't be disappointed.

After you've had a great breakfast and watched some great Angus cattle, finish off your afternoon with some very impressive young women. Spectators are invited to

come back to the hotel and listen in on the speeches of the five young women competing for Miss American Angus.

These speeches will take place about 4:30 p.m. Again, check the signage in the lobby for the correct time and room. I know you will be impressed with their talents and abilities.

Chairwomen Mary and Emily McCurry and the Miss American Angus committee have spent an enormous amount of time and energy lining up sponsors and gifts for the contestants, as well as some nice opportunities for the judges to interact and see these young ladies in action. Be sure to watch as the new Miss American Angus is crowned during the bull show on Monday.

Don't miss out on our Holiday Room in the hotel. The Auxiliary will not be having a silent auction this year, so you can get your Christmas gifts from the wide selection of items in the Holiday Room. You will find our Angus Sale Barn and the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) with

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► American Angus Auxiliary officers include (from left) Sharee Sankey, Council Grove, Kan., advisor; Mary Greiman, Garner, Iowa, president; Nancy Thelen, Saline, Mich., president-elect; and Michelle Rieff, Bentonville, Ark., secretary-treasurer.

unique gifts and Angus collectibles to sell. It is a great place to do your Christmas shopping and save on shipping.

If you have some extra time while attending the NAILE, Cathy Miller, our Angus Sale Barn chairman, would like to invite you to help out in the Holiday Room during the three days we are open. You will get a discount on your purchases for helping. Holiday Room hours are detailed in the schedule.

Grote barbecue trailer

We will be drawing the winner of the awesome barbecue trailer that Glen Grote graciously donated to the Auxiliary to help raise funds for the Pat Grote Memorial. The drawing will take place at the Association's reception on Sunday evening. You do not need to be present to win. If you still haven't purchased your lucky ticket, call me or Nancy Sullivan. There are only a few left. Don't miss your chance.

Last chance

I want to remind all our Auxiliary members that time is running out for you to recruit new members. I mentioned in an earlier column that we will be awarding some really cool prizes for the person who brings in the most annual members and the person who recruits the most life members.

Midyear meeting

Thank you to all who attended our midyear meeting in Tulsa, Okla. We had a good turnout and even better discussion. Many ideas and suggestions were brought to the forefront. We were able to put these suggestions to work and are presenting the following bylaw amendments to be discussed and voted on at the Annual Meeting.

We have a lot of things ahead of us. I look forward to seeing everyone in Louisville.


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Proposed bylaw amendments for the Annual Meeting

Article IV Officers and Regional Directors

Section 4.1 The majority voting at the Annual Meeting shall elect the officers and regional directors.

Section 4.5 Regional Directors

Regional Directors will be elected from the following six regions:

Region 1 — Washington, Idaho, Oregon, California, Nevada, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Arizona, Hawaii and Alaska

Region 2 — Colorado, New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma

Region 3 — Kansas, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska

Region 4 — Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida

Region 5 — Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky

Region 6 — Delaware, Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Vermont, New York, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia and District of Columbia

Regional Directors shall serve a term of two years but no more than two consecutive terms. Terms shall be arranged so that no more than three directors' terms shall expire annually.

Regional Director responsibilities will include:

(a) Assist states without organized Auxiliaries in setting up an organized state auxiliary.

(b) Recruit members to the American Angus Auxiliary from their region.

(c) Improve communication between the American Angus Auxiliary and state and regional Angus auxiliaries.

(d) Keep contact lists up to date, i.e. state officer lists and scholarship contacts.

(e) Secure state contacts in all states without organized Auxiliaries.

(f) Attend Annual, Mid-year and Executive Committee meetings.

ARTICLE VI Executive Board

Section 6.1 Executive Committee. The Elected Officers, Regional Directors and the immediate Past President form the Executive Committee of the Executive Board to transact business requiring immediate attention between meetings.

Section 6.2 State or Regional ~~Directors~~ Auxiliary representatives. The President of each state/regional auxiliary is entitled to serve on the Executive Board, or an appointed ~~delegate representative~~ representative from that state/region if the President is unable to serve. ~~Delegate Representative~~ Representative is appointed by the President of state/region.

Section 6.3 Director at large. Each unorganized state shall have a representative appointed by the American Angus Auxiliary President.

~~Section 6.4 Delegate at large. The wife of the incumbent President of the American Angus Association.~~

ARTICLE VII Standing Committees

~~Section 7.11 Yearbook Committee~~

~~(a) Shall publish the book for the benefit of the members.~~

~~(b) The Yearbook shall contain an accurate list of State and Regional Auxiliary Officers and the Annual Report of each State and Region Auxiliary submitted by printing deadline.~~

ARTICLE VIII Nominations and Elections

Section 8.1 Nomination Committee.

(a) Shall consist of five members no two of whom shall be from the same state; two are elected by the active members at the Annual Meeting and two members elected by the Executive Committee of the Auxiliary before July 1. The Chairman shall be the Immediate Past President of the Auxiliary.

(b) Maintain a record during the year of the qualified persons for positions of leadership.

(c) The Nominating Committee will assist each of the six regions in selecting no more than two director candidates from its region.

~~(c)(d)~~ (d) Shall prepare a ticket of one (1) and not more than two (2) candidates for each office to be filled and secure prior consent of all candidates to have their names appear on the ballot.

~~(c)(e)~~ (e) At the appointed time the Chairman shall read the report of the Nominating Committee to the members. The President shall call for nominations from the floor (per *Robert's Rules of Order*).

~~(c)(f)~~ (f) The election shall be by ballot and a majority of all ballots cast shall be necessary to elect.

~~(f)(g)~~ (g) The President shall have appointed the Tellers before the meeting. They shall prepare the ballots and pass one to each member and count when all have voted.

~~(g)(h)~~ (h) If there should be but one candidate for each office, candidates shall be declared elected by a motion from the floor.

Note: Underline denotes proposed addition; stikethrough denotes proposed deletion.