Auxiliary Action

by Yvonne Hinman, president, American Angus Auxiliary

Let's celebrate the Angus family

It's time to mark your calendars and to make plans to attend the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) July 10-15 in Des Moines, Iowa, at the Iowa State Fairgrounds.

The NJAS is the largest single-breed cattle show in the world; more than 1,500 entries are expected this year. Iowa's Angus enthusiasts have been preparing for the "Track the Millennium" show for most of the year, and it promises to be an event you won't want to miss.

The NJAS is one of the busiest times of the year for our Ways & Means booth. Marjorie Perkins [(830) 236-5897] will need assistance at the booth, and I urge you to contact her and to offer to work a two-hour shift. Please remember that this is the "means" that allows us to operate the "way" we do. The profit from our sales goes directly into the funds that support our Auxiliary and its scholarship program.

The Auxiliary-sponsored *Certified Angus Beef*™ Cook-Off during the NJAS will introduce a new division this year that features precooked *Certified Angus Beef* entrées. Meat loaf, tri-tip roast, pot roast and Bourbon Street top sirloin are the varieties available for contestants to showcase in their skits. Each year the Auxiliary coordinates the ever-popular Cook-Off, which will be Tuesday, July 11, starting at 1 p.m.

Thirty teams entered the contest last year. To accommodate more participants this year, each team may have two to six contestants. There are four age divisions: 9-13. 14-17. 18-21 and adults.

The team with the most points will be given the Black Kettle Award, presented in memory of Paul St. Blanc, who was an Angus breeder and Cook-Off participant. He died soon after the 1999 NJAS and always will be remembered for creating his

special Cajun recipes in his big, black cooking pot.

Anne Patton Schubert is chairperson of our Beef & Leather Committee, and she and her committee do a super job of organizing all the different facets of the event, pulling them together so all the cooking and skits are presented on time. It is truly one of the highlights of the NJAS, and if you never have watched these cooks in action, you are missing a real treat.

For those of you at the Auxiliary Brunch in Louisville, Ky., who saw the Michigan Bag Ladies, we discovered this terrifically funny group of gals at the Cook-Off. Rumor is, they will be back in Des Moines with an equally amusing skit centered on *Certified Angus Beef* product. Entries for the Cook-Off are due June 1. Contact Schubert at (502) 477-2663 for more information.

What else is cooking?

There will be plenty of excitement as awards are announced at the NJAS, including the Auxiliary's 10 scholarship winners. The Auxiliary also will be awarding silver Revere bowls to the five top showmen, and the coveted Silver Pitcher awards will be presented to one boy and one girl for the most points accumulated in the showring.

Drawing a great deal of interest in 1999 was the new Janet Castle Crystal Award. These trophies will be presented to the one boy and one girl who earn the most points in contests outside the showring.

Our Auxiliary is proud to participate in the NJAS and to present these awards, as well as assisting with many of the events.

Names and faces

I went to the American Angus Association's headquarters in Saint Joseph,



Mo., in February to present the Auxiliary's annual report. While there, I had an opportunity to visit with members of the Association Board and with staff of the Association, the Certified Angus Beef LLC and the *Angus Journal*. My thanks to each of these groups for taking the time to talk with me about our Auxiliary work.

If you never have been to our breed's headquarters, I urge you to go. They conduct tours, and you can meet the people with whom you talk when you are calling about papers, seeking computer assistance or purchasing an ad. A contact who was once only a voice suddenly becomes a friendly face that you remember the next time you call.

The personnel at the Association and the *Angus Journal* have some of the best technology available to assist them in their commitment to providing us with the superior service we receive. Once you visit them, I am sure you will feel an even greater sense of pride in our Association and a closer connection with the people who work there.

For the moms

I looked through books of prose and poetry for a quotation to impart on you moms, grandmothers, godmothers, aunts and all the special ladies we may be remembering on Mother's Day. I thought this one by Helen Keller was an appropriate way to say "happy Mother's Day": The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart.

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Youth earn Auxiliary Achievement Certificates

In 1999 the American Angus Auxiliary awarded 400 Achievement Certificates to youth from 31 states for their accomplishments with Angus projects in district, state or national shows. Following is a list of the qualifying Angus enthusiasts

For information about this program for 2000, contact Renee Driscoll, Achievement Awards coordinator, 2558 N Ave., Williamsburg, IA 52361; (319) 668-2082; walridge@avalon.net.

■ ALABAMA

Casey Barrentine Leslie-Ann Davis Matthew Davis Michael Graveman Kindra Wood Amanda Young

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Josiah Paulsrud Nichole Price Rachel Rash Troy Schermer Anne Schmalenberger Drew Schroeder Jason Schroeder Lauren Schroeder Deah Schulte Matthew Schultz Brittany Sievers Lisa Stream Sarah Stream Kevin Strohbehn Carrie Sullivan Austin Sweeney James Sweeney Tyler Swenson Tara Wellman Amanda Wical Justin Wilkins

■ KANSAS

Lakin Dreiling Logan Dreiling Megan Dreiling Heather Hopper Brady Huck Adam Jones Clayton Lampe Garrett Lampe **Emily McCurry** John McCurry

Brandon New Jackie Polk Abby Rayl Casey Rump Cody Sankey Jeana Sankéy Bailey Shaw Ben Winsor

■ KENTUCKY

Andy Allen Kyle Ayres Andrew Bell Kelly Clark Addie Hawkins Ben Hayden Evan Hayden Robert Johnson Stacy Isaacs Stephanie Isaacs Rachel Ann Kloentrup Sarah Kloentrup Kris Lynn Lauren Moss Kacie Pennington Melissa Pickrell Rebecca Rassenfoss Nicole Rechtin Mary Rechtin Oakes Routt Jordan Snedegar Colleen Stoeppel Katrina Womack Wesley Womack

■ LOUISIANA

Christopher Bertrand Carroll Boudreaux Jr. Collin Brimer Chelsea Crum Blaine Esneault Jennifer Grappe Brandon Gravios Codi Greer

Ashley Gremillion Brandon Jones Zachary Kieffer Kyla Little Mathew Mazoch Denise McFarland Dustin Moreau Hunter Mouch Lana Myers Kayla Nortman Kristen Oaks Jennifer Ourso Michael Dustin Perry Brittany Rambin William Streete Judd Talbot Joseph Tate Eric Thiels Julie Thiels Brandi Tiffee Hart Tiffee Tom Tiffee Alyssa Wall Samantha Womack

■ MARYLAND

Jennifer Biser Michael Considine Samantha Feeser Michael Harrison Cortney Hill-Dukehart Amy L. Wolfrey Jacob A. Wolfrey

■ MICHIGAN

Brit Boehmer Erika Boehmer Evan Boehmer Ricka Boehmer Drew Bordner Kristina Conley Ryan Conley Andrew Foster

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Katrina Dubs
Joe Flesch
Alex Wheatcroft Hooker
Beth Hooker
Rebecca Jacobs
Janna Kay Le Mond

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■ NEBRASKA

Jennifer Albert Jace Grabouski Justin Grabouski Levi Gray Naomi Gray

Kirk Hain Kyle Hain Tyler Hartwell Kellen Jorgensen Kami Krebs Emily Mitchell Kenť Nelson Trisha Neumeister Emily Pohlman Jaime Rief Adam Sawyer Jessica Sawyer Martin Schram Ryan Sellman Brad Smith Jake Tiedeman David Uhrig

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Jennifer Beck
Callie Birdsell

Megan Birdsell Betsy Ebert Karl Luther Holshouser Billy Ray Lewis Miriam Louise Lewis Redden Lewis Julie Scarlett

■ NORTH DAKOTA

Jason Frey Dallas Hoffmann

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Krystin Bachman Jennifer Bauer Justin Brosey Trish Cunningham Logan Deitrick Jenna Gilbert Matt Henwood Hailey Hinson Trevor Jones

Troy Jones Jeremy Kinder Eric King Jamie King Michael Majors Stephanie Mallett Morgann McNichols Pearlann McNichols Andrew Miller Angela Miller Jordan Moore Stephanie Mullet Amy Orndorff Tina Seedorf Kyle Seeley Megan Weisel Tyler Weisel Morgan Woodward

■ OKLAHOMA

Celeste Diacon

Rebecca Nida Rhonda Nida Rebecca Penner

■ SOUTH CAROLINA

Elizabeth Hawkins Katie Patrick Matthew Patrick Lindsay Wilson

■ SOUTH DAKOTA Michelle Gunderson Justin Mogck

■TENNESSEE Michael Banner Lake Elliott

■TEXAS Kade Deviller Keeton Ehrig

James Foshea Mark Gleason Ashley Grote Jordan Hammons Shatona Hicks Tashena Hicks Jaci Lynn Jaggers Creighton John Jaster Mary Dawn Kendrick Jessica Maxwell Sy Olson Joy Tinsley Becky Stuckey Lisa Michelle Warren Zach Wells

■ VIRGINIA

D.B. Alfaro Amanda Asal Jonathan Barnes Jamie Beamer

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Tammy Lynne Shiflett Patrick Smith Kattie Stockton Justin Updike Katie Updike Christy M. Walther William Walther Chelsea Wieben Clayton Wieben Jason Zambanini

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Burke Holvey

Devin Johnston Jodi Loudin Toni Martin Teresa Mealey Whitney Simmons Jon Wright

■ WISCONSIN

Deanna Hartzell **Emily Hartzell** Jennifer Kilpatrick Benjamin Kohl Adam May Dana May Dawn Schwingle

■ WYOMING

Connie Hetzel Vance Simonsen

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