## A Night on the Mountain

Fundraising event planned for the Angus Foundation and 2012 National Junior Angus Show.

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he Angus Foundation, 2012 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) host states and Spruce Mountain Ranch invite you to attend "Angus Night on the Mountain" at the ranch Jan. 11, 2012. Tom and Lois Ames will host the social and fundraising event at their beautiful Spruce Mountain Ranch, Larkspur, Colo., during the National Western Stock Show (NWSS).

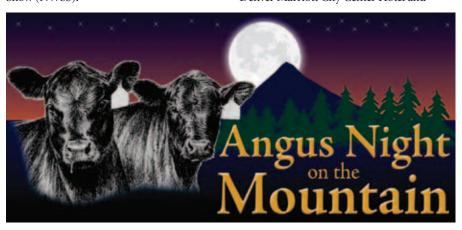
"Having fellow Angus breeders and friends come to Spruce Mountain Ranch and participate in such a worthy event is humbling, and we are honored to be a part of it," says Tom Ames.

The event is free and open to anyone, with transportation provided by Spruce Mountain Ranch. Buses will pick up attendees at the Denver Marriott City Center Hotel and

NWSS starting at 5:30 p.m. and following the NWSS Angus Bull Sale. The ranch will be open beginning at 3 p.m. for those who would like to drive out early and see the facility and cattle before dinner begins at 7 p.m.

Following dinner, the Angus Foundation will offer at auction a limited number of items. Examples of confirmed packages include a scenic getaway trip for two to Arkansas; a west Tennessee outdoor experience for two Angus couples; a weeklong stay in beautiful Anthem, Ariz.; an antelope hunt in New Mexico; and an advanced reproductive technology package.

"It's always humbling when Angus breeders offer to help the Angus Foundation raise money by their financially underwriting an event on our behalf," says Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president. "You will want to join us for 'Angus Night on the Mountain' and help us show our appreciation to our wonderful Angus friends Tom and Lois Ames. Their support and that of the donors



of our unique packages to be offered at live auction promise another fun and enjoyable social to help raise money for the Angus Foundation."

In addition to the packages offered at auction to benefit the Angus Foundation's education, youth and research programs, the 2012 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) committee will be offering at auction a heifer pregnancy from Gardiner Angus Ranch, Ashland, Kan., to help raise funds for the show. The auction also will feature an elite 12 lots of Spruce Mountain Ranch's finest Angus genetics.

"The females offered in this event are a young cross-section of the Spruce Mountain Program, as well as a genetic look to the future of our goals in the Angus breed,"

says Mitch Rohr, general manager. "We feel strongly that each female has the potential to build a herd around and offer a balanced combination of genetic traits in a very complete, eye-appealing package."

Assisting the Angus Foundation in event management is Larry Cotton and his team at Cotton & Associates.

"'Angus Night on the Mountain' will be an exciting time for all who attend and will also serve to assist the Angus Foundation and the 2012 National Junior Angus Show in their support of education and research for Angus breeders nationwide," Cotton says. "There are a number of 'fun-filled' and interesting experiences offered along with a select number of Angus females presented by Spruce Mountain Ranch. The heifers offered

will work in any Angus program and have been selected from top donors such as Basin Lucy 178E, GAR 044 Traveler 2328, Lady Jaye 4009 and others."

The event will conclude with socializing and entertainment provided by Spruce Mountain Ranch. Those who wish to attend the event can look for signs at the NWSS that will detail bus information.

Log on to www.angusfoundation.org for more information

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## Angus Foundation package descriptions

The following packages will be offered at auction at the "Angus Night on the Mountain" fundraising event Jan. 11, 2012, at Spruce Mountain Ranch, Larkspur, Colo. Longer versions of the descriptions are available in the API Virtual Library Calendar of Upcoming Events, available at http://bit.ly/ta7h9j or by using the QR code embedded here.



No. 1: Getaway to Scenic Arkansas. You and a guest can enjoy three days and three nights in the heart of beautiful Arkansas with Angus friends and hosts Sen. Percy and Donna Malone of Malone Supreme Angus Ranch, Arkadelphia, Ark. You will stay at the "Captain Henderson House Bed and Breakfast," a venue in Arkadelphia in the National Register of Historic Places. The extended description includes sightseeing options, Angus cattle, shopping, bass fishing, horseracing, Southern cuisine and more - all of which is flexible. Choose a spring or a fall trip. Round-trip airfare and other transportation for two will be arranged and provided during your stay.

No. 2: Advanced Reproductive Technology Package. Perfect for any farm or ranch operation looking to advance the herd, this advanced reproductive technology package, donated by Trans Ova Genetics and Bovance, includes a genetic preservation and one IVF cycle with reverse-sorted semen (sex-sorted semen from a frozen

No. 3: West Tennessee Outdoors Experience. Two Angus couples, traveling at the same time, will enjoy spending two nights in the woods and lakes of beautiful west Tennessee at Lone Oaks Farm, Middleton, Tenn., located about an hour's drive east of Memphis. This package is donated by Kathy and Scott Ledbetter and Linda and Frank Smith. Enjoy the solitude of a 100-year-old cottage in the woods with miles of hiking trails just outside your door. Outdoor activities abound, including bass, bream, catfish and crappie fishing on 15 ponds and lakes; and hiking, biking and horseback riding on more than 20 miles of trails. Accommodations for the two nights at Lone Oaks Farm are included in this package, but transportation to and from the farm will be up to the winning bidder.

No. 4: New Mexico Antelope Hunt. This three-day antelope hunt at the Express UU Bar Ranch LLC, located in northeastern New Mexico, will be a great adventure. The ranch is a privately owned, working cattle ranch south of Cimarron, N.M. The UU Bar adds to Express Ranches a production unit of commercial cows and calves

plus 3,000-5,000 yearlings each year. Included in this package are room and board, a guide, four-wheel-drive transportation, field dressing of the animal, transportation to local processor, license and tax. The package must be redeemed by December 2012. Transportation to and from the ranch will be the obligation of the winning bidder.

No. 5: Golf Tournament Event Sponsorship. The Angus Foundation's annual golf tournament is presented concurrently with the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS). This package provides the opportunity to be the 2012 Angus Foundation Golf Tournament Event Sponsor. As the elite sponsor, you will have your logo displayed on the banner at the event, the event marketing brochure, the Angus Foundation's website and a full-page advertisement in the NJAS event program. You will also be recognized in coverage of the event and have the opportunity to take part through four free rounds of golf. The 2012 Angus Foundation Golf Tournament will be July 17, 2012, in Louisville, Ky., at the Quail Chase Golf Club.

No. 6: Breathtaking Arizona Getaway. Located in the foothills of north Phoenix and only an hour's drive from Sedona, Anthem, Ariz., is a community unlike any other. Enjoy sweeping vistas, a sense of seclusion and a peaceful setting provided by package donors, Bob and Lisa Norton of Biozyme Inc., Saint Joseph, Mo. Included within the Anthem development are two world-class golf courses with clubhouses, fitness facilities, tennis courts, swimming pools, saunas and restaurants. Stay Sunday through Saturday at a beautiful four-bedroom vacation home, with dates agreed upon with owners. Transportation to and from the residence will be the responsibility of the winning bidder. This is a great option for a family or two to three couples during 2012.

No. 7: Cruise for Two on Carnival Cruise Lines. During this "premium" seven- to eight-day "Cruise for Two" on Carnival Cruise Lines, you will stay in a luxurious stateroom with an ocean view. Choose from cruises to the Caribbean, Bahamas, Bermuda, Mexico or Panama Canal, or enjoy the breathtaking views of the New England and Canada coastlines. The "premium" certificate will be valid for 16 months with blackouts only during the last two weeks of December. This certificate includes all government taxes, fees and shipboard gratuities. (Note: Certificate excludes cruises to Europe, Alaska, Hawaii, Pacific Islands and New Zealand. Travel to and from U.S. port of departure will be the responsibility of the buyer.) This cruise package is donated by Cotter Travel Associates and the Angus Foundation of Saint Joseph, Mo.