

## Spruce Mountain Ranch hosts Jan. 14 event to support the Angus Foundation and 2015 National Junior Angus Show.

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pruce Mountain Ranch, Larkspur, Colo., and the Angus Foundation will once again partner to host Angus Night on the Mountain Jan. 14 during the National Western Stock Show (NWSS).

Angus Night on the Mountain, hosted and underwritten by Tom and Lois Ames, is an entertaining evening in a stunning location just a short drive south of Denver, Colo. Now in its fourth year, the event is an NWSS highlight that boasts fundraising activities that greatly benefit the future of the Angus breed, including the 2015 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) and its host state Oklahoma.

"The Angus Foundation would like to extend a thank you to Tom and Lois for complete financial underwriting of this fundraiser," says Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president. "Likewise, we are very appreciative of the Angus breeders and industry partners who have donated experiences and packages for the auction. It's



going to be a tremendous event."

Free and open to the public, Spruce Mountain Ranch will provide bus transportation to and from the ranch. Buses will pick up attendees on a first-come, first-served basis in two locations — at the NWSS following the Angus Bull Sale and the Marriott City Center NWSS Angus headquarters hotel — beginning at 5:30 p.m. Following dinner, the 2015 NJAS and Angus Foundation will auction a limited number of packages to benefit Angus youth, education and research programs.

Packages available for auction are:

- Advanced reproductive technology package by Trans Ova Genetics and its cloning division, ViaGen, Sioux Center, Iowa;
- ► Angus Foundation Golf Tournament Sponsorship at the 2015 NJAS in Tulsa, Okla., by the Angus Foundation;
- South Africa seven-day safari hunt by www.angusbreeder.net;
- ➤ Weekend package at The Greenbrier Hotel and Resort in White Sulphur Springs, W.Va., by The Greenbrier Hotel and Resort;
- ► Cruise for two on Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines by the Angus Foundation and Cotter Travel Associates;

- ► Vacation experience in Mexico, by Mirapaso Angus;
- ► Big-game hunting package, by National Oilwell Varco;
- ► One-day ranch photo shoot, by Legacy Livestock Imaging; and
- ► Week of beach relaxation in California by Teixeira Cattle Co.

Packages and descriptions can be found online at www.angusfoundation.org. In addition, Spruce Mountain Ranch will offer several featured lots of their Angus genetics. One lucky participant will win a raffle drawing for a CD collection of cowboy poems donated by Baxter Black, nationally known comedian and entertainer.

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

"Angus Night on the Mountain is a unique and delightful event where we get to work with the Angus Foundation to raise funds for their efforts and the 2015 NJAS, along with auctioning elite lots from Spruce Mountain Ranch," Cotton says.

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