



# Auxiliary Notes

► by *Cortney Hill-Dukehart Cates, American Angus Auxiliary*

## A change in the air

*In ancient Rome, Februarius was the “Month of Purification” and great festivities were dedicated to re-establishing the empire’s focus on righteous living. To me, this idea of devoting a month to the process of purification is invigorating. The hustle-bustle of the holidays is left behind. February finally sees many of us getting our first breath of fresh air. Additionally, by this time of year, the pressure of New Year’s resolutions has either incorporated itself into healthy habits or dropped by the wayside.*

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### Feeling the transition

February is a transitional month; there is change in the air. We feel the forward momentum of the seasonal procession that offers a reminder that spring is not far. Furthermore, we can see this manifested in certain festivals and holidays celebrated in this month.

When I met my husband five years ago and our first Valentine’s Day together was approaching, he shared with me the fact that he did not celebrate this holiday. Coming from a family that celebrates every holiday, I believe my response went a little something like ... “Well, I guess you are going to have to learn!”

My grandfather always said a holiday is the one thing that working people have to look forward to celebrating as a family, and my family has lived by that motto. Holidays have a way of bringing friends and families closer together, and as I get older I have realized how unexpected and short life can be; therefore, take the time to tell the people in your life how truly special they are to you!

### Angus gift giving made easy

While candies, flowers and chocolates are popular this month, consider giving your Angus loved ones a great gift from the Angus Gift Barn. Now under the management of Christy Perdue, the Gift Barn features many new and unique items. Visit [www.angusauxiliary.com/index.html](http://www.angusauxiliary.com/index.html) to browse through the many offerings.

If you are looking to cook up something special or to give as a gift for this holiday or the next, consider the great taste of Angus beef. “Gifts that Sizzle” feature *Certified Angus Beef*® (CAB®) patties, filet mignon, strip steaks and gift boxes. With every purchase,

## Annual Meeting Notes

by *Cortney Holshouser, secretary-treasurer*

President Anne Lampe called the 61st Annual Meeting of the American Angus Auxiliary to order at 3:09 p.m. Anne welcomed everyone and proceeded with introductions of the executive officers, committee chairmen, state Auxiliary presidents, Distinguished Women, (no charter members present), past Auxiliary presidents, and guests: Kasey Miller from the *Angus Journal*, Robin Ruff with the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA), and Miss American Angus Brooke Harward.

Cortney Holshouser announced that the minutes from the 2011 American Angus Auxiliary Annual Meeting were printed and distributed for review. Susan Quam moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept them as presented. Melanie Kiani seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Anne read aloud correspondence from Minnie Lou Bradley recalling her memories of the Auxiliary in 1952 and wishing the Auxiliary the best on its 60th Anniversary. Cortney Holshouser deferred to Leslie Mindemann for the financial report. The financial report, including a profit-and-loss statement for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, was printed and distributed. Leslie explained that our total assets are \$47,740.66. Total income for the year came to \$90,825.33. Total expenses were \$88,166.25, with a net ordinary income of

\$2,659.08. There were no questions after Leslie’s presentation. Nancy Thelen presented the 2013 budget. The budget was presented and approved in the Executive Board meeting earlier, but the general membership was provided a copy.

There were no questions about the budget. Christy Perdue was introduced as the new Angus Gift Barn manager. Christy explained the hours she will be open this weekend and all of the new products available. Anne explained that we are researching new websites to help the Angus Gift Barn reach its full potential.

### Committee reports

Committee chairs submitted full written reports that were included in the handout at the meeting. The following committees submitted reports.

**Gifts that Sizzle.** Mary Greiman reported that the committee is working on reaching new demographics. There will be an ad in the December issue of the *Angus Journal*. Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) has created a holiday gift package that will include four steaks, four baked potatoes, and a brownie pie. The committee has great members who are working hard to promote the program. If you know of a large corporation that would like to give CAB

## Auxiliary Gift Barn items



Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) donates a percentage of the sale to the Auxiliary educational outreach and scholarship programs for Angus youth.

Consider giving the gift of membership in the Auxiliary to your child, grandchild, relative or friend. The annual membership fee is \$10, the lifetime is \$100, and every penny

goes toward Auxiliary activities supporting the youth of the Angus breed.

### Auxiliary scholarship

The prominent factor that led to my own personal involvement in the Auxiliary stems from the opportunities I gained through the Auxiliary scholarship program. We all

share a common bond for the love of Angus cattle and the future of the breed, our youth. Ten scholarships will be awarded to the top five boys and girls during the 2013 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Kansas City, Mo.

Applicants must be graduating high school seniors and must first qualify on the state level before they are eligible at the national level. For those juniors who do not have a state chairperson (see page 64), please contact Auxiliary Scholarship Chairperson Cortney Holshouser at [kncholson@aol.com](mailto:kncholson@aol.com) or 919-796-2346.

The updated application, directions and state scholarship chairpersons are available online at [www.angusauxiliary.com/scholarships/index.html](http://www.angusauxiliary.com/scholarships/index.html). Check with your state contact person for individual state deadline dates. The Auxiliary deadline is May 1.

### Part of welcoming spring

When you are sloshing around in the newly thawing ground and anticipating the arrival of spring, remember that you are only doing what has been a long part of human history. The Anglo-Saxons used the name 'Solmoneth' for February — meaning mud month.

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packages to VIP customers, please consider Gifts that Sizzle.

**Hospitality.** Michelle Rieff reported that the Annual Breakfast will be tomorrow morning, Sunday, Nov. 11, at 8 a.m.

**Public Relations.** Kathi Creamer reported that the new schedule for website updates has really improved our public relations. The advertisements in the *Angus Journal* have been great and have gained positive feedback.

**Historian.** Emma Collins reported that she has completed this year's scrapbook. It is available to look through, so please check it out. She had a great time compiling it and seeing what each state's Auxiliary has done this year.

**Silver pitcher.** Annie Ruyle-Chaffin reported that there is no change with this committee.

**Beef Education.** Anne Patton Schubert reported that the 30th Annual Cook Off will take place at the 2013 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Kansas City, Mo. She mentioned that the committee is always looking for help during the event. They especially need videographers in each room.

**Distinguished Women.** Barbara Ettredge reported that we will be honoring someone at the breakfast tomorrow morning.

**Scholarship.** Cortney Hill-Dukehart Cates reported that the scholarship application will change slightly, with the rotating open-ended question. There are also new and updated guidelines for the scholarship committee.

Anne presented retiring committee chairs with a small thank-you gift for all of their hard work and dedication. Retiring committee chairs included Sharee Sankey with the Liaison Committee, Jane Ebert with Gifts that Sizzle, Sandra McCurry and Linda Brost with the Audit Committee, and Ronda McCurry with the Membership Committee. Anne also presented all committee chairs with a small appreciation gift and thanked them for all of their hard work, as well.

### Regional Director reports

Detailed reports were provided in the handout. The following regional directors presented reports.

**Region 1.** Mary K. Vejraska explained that her goal when becoming a regional director was to create a new circle of Angus friends and increase membership. She would like to thank everyone for all of the support and she values the friendships she has made.

**Region 2.** Cindy Ahearn reported that Texas has the only organized Auxiliary in her region. She is working on forming others in the remaining states or getting them involved in a neighboring state's Auxiliary.

**Region 3.** Lynne Hinrichsen thanked the states in her region for all of their participation and highlighted some of the scholarships awarded in those states.

**Region 4.** Martha Holshouser reported that one of the big

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highlights of the year was Louisiana reorganizing their Auxiliary. Georgia started an Auxiliary and they are on their third year of existence. They have recently had a fundraiser selling cookbooks.

**Region 5.** Leslie Mindemann reported that all of the states in this region have long-standing and active Auxiliaries. They remain active and very supportive of junior programs.

**Region 6.** Marlene Dukehart is working on forming new state Auxiliaries, especially in Virginia.

Anne Lampe presented retiring Regional Directors Mary K. Vejraska and Lynne Hinrichsen with a thank-you gift from the Auxiliary for their service and dedication.

**State reports**

Some states submitted written reports that were included in the handout. The following states submitted reports.

**Kentucky.** Celisa Cunningham reported that Kentucky has a small group but they are working on getting more involvement.

**Georgia.** Carolyn Gazda reported that the Georgia auxiliary hosts a reception at their Southern Nationals every year. They are also selling a cookbook and bags. They have several fundraisers in the works.

**Western States.** Carla Malson reported that the auxiliary, along with some junior members, is planning a queen's preparatory workshop for the future.

**Iowa.** Renee Driscoll reported that the Iowa auxiliary will be changing its timeline to follow the American Angus Auxiliary's year.

**Maryland.** Pam Velisek reported that Maryland has a small auxiliary that focuses on two scholarships each year. All of their fundraiser proceeds go to support their juniors. Maryland hosted this year's Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show, and the auxiliary was involved with planning and hosting.

**Montana.** The state's auxiliary has been active for 52 years and is very organized. They have recently created a continuing education scholarship with the Angus Foundation. The auxiliary has a Country Store as their ways and means. It also supports a very active junior program.

**North Carolina.** Jane Ebert reported North Carolina's membership has increased substantially this year. In 2014, North Carolina will host the Annual Breakfast and the Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show.

**Michigan.** Nancy Thelen reported that Michigan hosts a records workshop to help with filling out Bronze and Silver awards, scholarship applications, etc., each year.

**South Dakota.** Shally Rogen reported South Dakota's auxiliary will be moving its annual meeting to the same time as their Angus association's annual meeting to try to increase membership and involvement. They have also changed the eligible age of their scholarship to 18-21.

**Mississippi.** Melanie Kiani reported the Mississippi auxiliary continues to host a breakfast before Dixie Nationals; their membership has declined, but they are trying to increase involvement.

**Kansas.** Varee McCabe reported the Kansas auxiliary is very supportive and encouraging to each other and the juniors.

**Pennsylvania.** Nancy Frey reported the auxiliary provides scholarships, hosts an auction at their Breeders' Show, and they give money to support NJAS showmanship contestants.

Miss American Angus Brooke Harward thanked the Auxiliary for all of the support and encouragement during her year as Miss American Angus. She thanked Anne Lampe for her support and Mary Greiman for being a judge last year. Brooke also thanked all of the Auxiliary members for their encouragement.

## 2013 Auxiliary Committees

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The 2013 Miss American Angus contestants were introduced. They are Kayla Widerman from Illinois, Emily Velisek from Maryland, Tylee Jo Williams from Texas, Esther McCabe from Kansas and Kendra Merriman from Michigan. Whitney Renfro recognized all of the sponsors for the Miss American Angus contest. She also recognized judges Susan Rhode, Bud Smith and Heather Schultz. She invited everyone to come listen to the contestant speeches tomorrow afternoon. We have five great contestants.

### Old business

There was no old business.

### New business

The Angus Women Connected conference will take place every other year pending Angus Foundation budget approval. This is a great conference to bring women together from across the country with common passions and goals. It is also a great way to bring awareness to the Auxiliary. Anne Lampe announced a new committee to help with the future planning of this conference. Members will include Cortney Holshouser, Lynne Hinrichsen, Carla Malson, Rachel Frost, Danyal Coon, Emily Tennant, Myrna Sharpe and Sam McDonnell.

Shally Rogen and Anne Patton Schubert were assigned to the Nominating Committee. For the 2013 committee, two nominations are needed from the floor. Glenda Schroeder and Mary McCurry were nominated. The nominees were approved. Paula Boyd and Kathi Creamer will serve as election tellers and count ballots if needed. Barbara Ettredge, Nomination Committee chair, presented the Nomination Committee's slate of officers for 2013.

Two candidates applied for the position of secretary-treasurer, but one withdrew from consideration because her child would be a

graduating senior during her executive officer tenure and therefore be ineligible to apply for the American Angus Auxiliary scholarship. Lynne Hinrichsen was nominated for the office of secretary-treasurer. Lois Foster moved to accept the nomination of secretary-treasurer by acclamation. The motion was seconded by Joan Lutchka and passed.

The results of the Regional Director mail-in ballots were reported. Regional Directors are for Region 1, Kathy Votaw Dubs; for Region 2, Cindy Ahearn; and for Region 3, Shally Rogen.

Anne Lampe made closing remarks and highlighted some events throughout her presidency and the Auxiliary's 60th Anniversary year, such as the first Angus Women Connected conference, the success of the Endowment Heifer, the expansion of our social media, our new partnership with CAB, and many more exciting programs.

Anne passed the pin and gavel to Cortney Hill-Dukehart Cates. Hill-Dukehart Cates expressed how honored she is to be in this position and how she is looking forward to serving the Auxiliary as president. She is ready for an exciting and progressive year. She wants to get more young women aging out of the NJAA involved in the Auxiliary.

Door prizes were drawn and given out.

Announcements were made to please visit the Angus Gift Barn and shop for lots of our great new items and please pick up your breakfast tickets and visit with us tomorrow afternoon before the Miss American Angus contestant speeches at the 60th Anniversary Reception. Remember to visit the Silent Auction, also located in the Holiday room, and bid on lots of unique items. Mary McCurry reminded everyone that she has Angus platters for sale for the Kansas Angus Auxiliary.

Jane Ebert moved to adjourn the meeting, with the motion seconded by Emma Collins. The motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m.



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►President Anne Lampe reads the correspondence from Minnie Lou Bradley during the Annual Meeting of the American Angus Auxiliary. She is joined at the head of the table by the officer team and regional directors.

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