

by Barbara Ettredge, president, American Angus Auxiliary

Summer Auxiliary involvement

Summer is a time for all Auxiliary members to be involved. Many of you may be asked to serve in some capacity at local, regional, state or national events. Regardless of the task you perform, these are excellent opportunities to show support of our Angus vouth while promoting the Angus breed.

Auxiliary in action at NJAS

One of the largest gatherings of Auxiliary members this summer will be at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Harrisburg, Pa., in July. During this weeklong event, the Auxiliary will have a very visible presence.

The competition gets cooking with the American Angus Auxiliary-sponsored 28th All-American Certified Angus Beef® (CAB®)

Cook-Off scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, beginning at 1 p.m., on the second floor of the Main Hall. We look forward to many entertaining skits and delicious CAB recipes.

Anne Patton Schubert (502 - 477 - 2663),Taylorsville, Ky., and Anne Lampe (620-872-3391), Scott City, Kan., serve as co-chairwomen for this popular contest. If you would like to assist with the Cook-Off, please contact

"Confidence doesn't come out of nowhere. It's a result of something ... hours and days and weeks and years of constant work and dedication." - Roger Staubach

one of these ladies. Thanks to these ladies and their committee for putting together another fine event.

Additional thanks go to Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) and staff for their assistance and support of this annual event. Chef Michael Ollier will be presenting, "Kitchen

Confidential - Tips & Tricks," for Cook-Off contestants, parents and guests during Monday's Cook-Off information meeting.

Midyear meeting

All American Angus Auxiliary members and their guests are invited to our midyear meeting Wednesday, July 13, at the VIP Lounge on the second floor of the Main Hall.

Join us beginning at 4:30 p.m. for refreshments and networking. The business meeting will start at 5 p.m. The Auxiliary is putting the finishing touches on our social event for Thursday, July 14; watch for signs and announcements directing you to the fun "get-awayfrom-the-chores" activities.

Scholarships and awards

The NJAS is a special time for the Auxiliary

to highlight and support the efforts of National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) members. On Friday evening at the awards program, the Auxiliary will present \$12,000 in college scholarships, the Pat Grote and the Richard L. "Dick" Spader Awards for extemporaneous speaking, and the CAB

Cook-Off prizes, including the Black Kettle Award and the Pat Grote LEAD award.

On Saturday morning, silver Revere bowls will be awarded to the top five showmanship contestants, silver pitchers to the male and female with the most achievement in the showring at the NJAS, and the Janet Castle Crystal Award will be presented to the overall high-point male and female based on placings in the educational contests.

Shopping opportunities

The Angus Gift Barn will be on site and open for shopping opportunities all week during the NJAS. Carol Wojciechowski looks forward to meeting many of you and can always enjoy a visit and some volunteer help during the week. Stop by to check out the new items that will be introduced at the show.

And, if you can't come to Pennsylvania, shop the Angus Gift Barn online at www.angusauxiliary.com, or call Carol at 540-292-8777; she'll be happy to help you with your purchases for Father's Day, weddings, graduations or other summer celebrations. Gift certificates are also available to make your gift giving easier. As always, the income from Angus Gift Barn sales goes toward Auxiliary awards and scholarships for Angus youth.

Heifer to sell at Breeders' Futurity

"The Historic Tradition Returns" June 19, with the sale of O'Neill's Eraline 259 during the All-American Angus Breeders' Futurity. Ardyce and Jim O'Neill have donated this outstanding female in memory of their daughter, Debra Ellen O'Neill. Proceeds from the sale of this heifer will go toward the Auxiliary Scholarship Fund.

Auxiliary members are encouraged to join me in Louisville for this important event, as we show our appreciation to the O'Neills and the new owner of Eraline 259 for their support of the Auxiliary scholarship program.

Enjoy beef outdoors this summer

Summer is a great time for barbecues

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and outdoor gatherings that feature Angus beef. Why not try something delicious from the Auxiliary's "Gifts That Sizzle" project? Scavuzzo's and S&S Meat Co. in Kansas City have partnered with the Auxiliary to offer CAB gift box selections that include beef patties, filet mignon, top sirloin steak and ribeye steak. Check the Auxiliary's website, www.angusauxiliary.com, for web specials for spring and summer. By entering the code AAA at checkout, Scavuzzo's and S&S Meat Co. will give 10% toward the educational outreach and scholarship programs sponsored by the American Angus Auxiliary.

Questions about the CAB gift project program should be directed to Jane Ebert at 336-372-7451 or eberlee1@skybest.com.

The Auxiliary is calling you!

American Angus Auxiliary members interested in becoming more involved with our organization and having the opportunity to work with a great group of officers, directors and committee chairs are invited to complete an officer/director nomination form. Nominations are currently being solicited for Region 4 regional director, Region 5 regional director, Region 6 regional director, and secretary-treasurer, whose office is a four-year term moving to president-elect, president and then to advisor.

Nominations will close Aug. 1, 2011. You may nominate someone or nominate yourself. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Kathi Creamer, Nominating Committee chair, at 970-240-2798, 970-596-0045 or kathi@ lazyjb.com.

It was in the mail

Did you receive your spring edition of The Auxiliary Post newsletter? If you did not, please contact Anne Lampe, alampe@ wbsnet.org, with your name and current address; she'll check to see why your newsletter did not make it to your mailbox. Thanks to Anne for compiling and coordinating the printing/mailing of the spring newsletter; the color was fabulous!

This year's NJAS will be different for me

For many of you, June is the fast-paced month of preparation for the highlight of the junior Angus year - the NJAS. For 12 years, the weeklong NJAS was our family vacation (yes, I know that your definition of vacation may differ); however, year 13 brings a much different scenario. For the first time since 1999, we will be traveling to the NJAS, not only without cattle, but also without our daughters (Tammy's last year was in 2005 and Gretchen's last year was in 2010; both ended their NJAA careers at NJAS in Denver).

Although they would love to be in Pennsylvania, both are gainfully employed and unable to travel with us. So, it will be Mike and I heading off to the northeast without kids and without cattle, but with Auxiliary materials in tow. So, if you see us in the barn looking a little lost, you'll understand why; and if you need help taking your herd to the tie outs, just give us a call, we "may" take an inkling to help out.

I am sure of one thing — you won't find me in the wash rack at 4:30 a.m. on show day — I'll leave my spot vacant for anyone needing it. However, I will be there to clap and encourage your junior members as they confidently parade their Angus cattle in the showring or participate in the educational contests. Believe me, there is no better way to spend a week during the month of July than to watch young Angus enthusiasts display their best talents and cattle and spend time with our Angus friends and families!

Hope to visit with many of you during this summer's Angus activities.

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