



# Auxiliary Notes

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## Tradition

*Tradition is defined as the handing down of statements, beliefs, legends, customs and information from generation to generation, especially by word of mouth or by practice. We all celebrate many traditions in our lives — from the food we serve at holiday dinners to the events we attend and celebrate throughout the year. The Auxiliary annually celebrates many traditions, including, but not limited to, Miss American Angus, the All-American Certified Angus Beef® Cook-Off, the Janet Castle Crystal Award, the Richard “Dick” Spader Award, the Pat Grote Award and the Black Kettle Award.*

## Scholarships

One of the most honored traditions of the Auxiliary are the American Angus Auxiliary Scholarship Awards. More than \$388,000 has been awarded in scholarships to 430 Angus youth since the inception of the program in 1956. Every year the applicants impress the judging panel with their accomplishments, scholastic achievements, and knowledge of the beef industry and Angus breed.

National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) members who are high school seniors and who have received their Bronze and Silver awards through the National Junior Recognition Program are eligible to apply by the May 1, 2017, deadline. Complete details and application are available online at [www.americanangusauxiliary.com/](http://www.americanangusauxiliary.com/)

*scholarships.* Applications are submitted to the national chairman, Leslie Mindemann, from the state chairman/contact. If you need more details, a state contact list is available on the following page, the list is available online, and any of the Auxiliary officers or regional directors can answer your questions.

Five male applicants and five female applicants are awarded scholarships totaling more than \$15,000 at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS). The scholarship process also selects the candidates competing for the title of Miss American Angus at the annual Angus Convention.

## Celebrate

Help us to continue to celebrate the traditions of the Auxiliary by encouraging all

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eligible juniors to apply. It is a true honor to present scholarships to Angus youth, helping fund their college education and rewarding them for their years of dedication to the Angus breed.

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