

Sydenstricker Genetics to Donate 2012 Angus Foundation Heifer

Proceeds from the sale of the heifer at the NWSS will benefit education, youth and research.

by *Katie Allen*

The Angus Foundation has announced that Eddie and Connie Sydenstricker, owners of Sydenstricker Genetics, Mexico, Mo., will donate the 2012 Angus Foundation Heifer, set to sell in January 2012 at the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, Colo.

SydGen Forever Lady 9525 is the special heifer chosen from the 78 fall-bred replacement heifers at Sydenstricker Genetics. She is a September 2009 daughter of SydGen 928 Destination 5420, who was co-owned with Spring Cove Ranch of Bliss, Idaho. The female herself recorded the No. 1 weaning weight expected progeny difference (EPD), the No. 2 yearling weight EPD and the No. 1 \$B index among the fall 2009 SydGen heifers at the time of selection. She also posted the highest adjusted intramuscular fat (IMF) scan of the entire heifer calf crop, with a ratio of 143.

Expected to calve in September 2011, this heifer is bred to SydGen Dealer 9883, a son of SydGen Sure BET and maternal brother to SydGen Trust 6228 (the second-high-selling fall bull in Sydenstricker's 2010 production sale).

"Eddie and Connie Sydenstricker have been longtime supporters of the Angus Foundation, and it's truly an honor for our organization to further merit their confidence, endorsement and support through their donation of this outstanding Angus female," says Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president. "Sydenstricker Genetics needs no introduction to Angus breeders, as its program has a well-proven and enviable track record of producing breed-leading seedstock genetics."

Eddie was the first president of the first state junior Angus association ever formed, and he's never forgotten his start — a start that's encouraged him to give back to the breed.

"The Angus breed has been very good to Connie and me, and our daughters Kim and Lee Ann, and giving back through the Angus Foundation ensures that strong tradition of outstanding youth and education programs," Sydenstricker says. "2012 will mark our 60th year breeding Angus cattle, so this donation is a fitting way to kick off our diamond anniversary."

Ben Eggers, manager of Sydenstricker Genetics, says this elite heifer reflects the production goals of the operation and offers a balanced package to auction in 2012.

"This female exemplifies our mission statement, combining soundness and fertility with growth, productivity and superior carcass traits," Eggers says. "To add to her value, she will be the very first Foundation Heifer to sell with a calf already at side."

The sale of the Angus Foundation Heifer Package, an annual fundraising tradition initiated in 1980, supports the Angus Foundation, the not-for-profit affiliate of the American Angus Association that funds and supports programs involving education, youth and research in the Angus breed and agricultural industry.

For more information on the Angus Foundation Heifer Package, contact Angus Foundation President Milford Jenkins at 816-383-5100 or Sydenstricker Genetics at 573-581-1225.



► "This outstanding phenotypic and genotypic female was selected from the heart of the Sydenstricker's powerful fall 2009 replacement females," says Angus Foundation President Milford Jenkins of SydGen Forever Lady 9525, the September 2009 daughter of SydGen 928 Destination 5420 that will headline the Angus Foundation Heifer Package offering at the 2012 National Western Stock Show in January.

B/R Destination 727-928 [AMF-CAF-NHF]
 SydGen 928 Destination 5420 [AMF-CAF-NHF]
 Shady Brook Entense 76D 29H

SydGen Forever Lady 9525 Reg: +16490311
 Birth: 09/11/2009

S A F Focus 9095 [AMF-CAF-NHF]
 SydGen Forever Lady 6007
 S A F Forever Lady 260 [AMF-NHF]

Production								Maternal			
CED	BW	WW	YW	RADG	YH	SC	DOC	HP	CEM	Milk	\$EN
+7	+1.0	+68	+115	+1.17	+1.0	+1.80	+11	+9.3	+10	+25	-12.03
.22	.35	.25	.25	.05	.34	.05	.28	.13	.10	.13	

Carcass				\$Values					
CW	Marb	RE	Fat	\$W	\$F	\$G	\$QG	\$YG	\$B
+42	+.72	+.40	-.012	+33.09	+47.79	+34.31	+29.97	+4.34	+73.53
.12	.16	.21	.16						



► Eddie Sydenstricker with his 1956 Missouri State Fair Show Grand Champion Female, Viola K.

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