Silent Auction Success

Angus Foundation Silent Auction has something for everyone.

by Kelli Armbruster

Angus Show (NJAS) in Perry, Ga., to support the 2009 Angus Foundation Silent Auction July 20-25. The silent auction grossed more than \$9,600 in proceeds to benefit the Foundation's education, youth and research activities. Individual donors and state Angus associations contributed 71 items to the 14th annual auction.

"Generous support from Angus breeders, Angus youth and friends from allied industry enabled the Angus Foundation to enjoy a very productive and prosperous week at the NJAS," Angus Foundation President Milford Jenkins says. "The silent auction fundraiser is always a popular activity for NJAS attendees, young and old alike, as hundreds of bids were placed on the various items."

Bob and Jeannie Smith of Elysian Fields, Texas, purchased for \$1,100 the top-selling item, a wooden carving of an Angus steer, originally sold at auction to benefit the exhibitor of the 1985 Grand Champion Overall Angus steers both, live and carcass, at the (North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) in Louisville, Ky. Donated and exquisitely carved by Loren Schlipf of Illinois on behalf of the Angus Steer Boosters, the carving was purchased by Premier Beef of Howell, Mich., and then donated back to be resold to B&L Ranch of Shawnee, Okla.; Windy Acres Angus of Harrison, Neb.; and Belle Point Ranch of Lavaca, Ark., with proceeds benefiting the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA).

A semen package donated by Hannah McCabe of Elk City, Kan., featuring five units of EXAR Lutton 1831, was the second-high-selling item at \$800. This package was also the highest-selling item donated

by a junior Angus member. The package was purchased by Bob and Jeannie Smith. The Smiths were the volume buyers at this year's auction, donating \$2,400 to support the activities of the Angus Foundation.

The third-highest-selling item was a framed and signed print of Frank Champion Murphy's pastel sketch "The Angus Breed is Launched in the United States of America." Also included was a first-class 8¢ postage stamp issued in 1973 that commemorated the same artwork and the 100th anniversary of the importation of Angus cattle into the United States. The print was purchased by John and Joan Grimes, Maplecrest Farms of Hillsboro, Ohio, for \$650. The print was donated by Dean and Gloria Hurlbut of Saint Joseph, Mo.

Individual Angus supporters and state Angus associations also generously donated other items to the silent auction, including original items made by youth members of the NJAA, assorted gift baskets, memorabilia, jewelry and various Angus collectibles.

From its inception in 1995, the silent auction has grown annually as a fundraiser that generates unrestricted financial support for various activities sponsored by the Angus Foundation, such as the Raising the Bar Conferences, Cattlemen's Boot Camps, bovine marbling research, and undergraduate and graduate scholarships.

The Angus Foundation was established in 1980 as a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization to support Angus education, youth and research. To learn more about the Angus Foundation and the programs it supports, call the Angus Foundation at 816-383-5100 or go to www.angusfoundation.org.

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