

Heifer Supports Vision



Baldrige Bros. donate Z38 x 616 heifer to headline the 2008 Angus Foundation Package.

Jud Baldrige and Jeff Baldrige, owners of Baldrige Bros., North Platte, Neb., will donate the 2008 Angus Foundation Heifer, set to sell at 2 p.m., Jan. 17, 2008, during the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, Colo.

Baldrige Blackcap S813 is a daughter of VT 1407 New Design Z38, selected by Murcielago Farms in Virginia as the \$210,000 top-selling female of the Baldrige Bros. 2006 record-setting sale. S813's sire, Rito 112 of 2536 Rito 616, is a son of GAR Precision 2536 that ranks in the top 1% among current sires for weaning weight (WW) and yearling weight (YW) expected progeny differences (EPDs), and feedlot value (\$F) and beef value (\$B) indexes.

The sale of the Angus Foundation Heifer Package, an annual fundraising tradition initiated in 1980, supports the Angus Foundation, the 501(c)(3) not-for-profit affiliate of the American Angus Association that funds education, youth and research activities in the Angus breed and agricultural industry. The sale of the package will precede the National Western Angus Bull Sale, scheduled to take place in the Beef Palace Auction Arena.

In addition to the heifer, the buyer will

receive 30 days of free insurance from American Live Stock Insurance Co., Geneva, Ill.; free transportation to the buyer's farm or ranch provided by Lathrop Livestock Transportation, Dundee, Ill.; and an Advanced Reproductive Technology Package from Trans Ova Genetics, Sioux Center, Iowa, that includes genetic preservation and one session of *in vitro* fertilization with sex-sorted semen from a bull of the buyer's choice.

"Baldrige Blackcap S813 hails from one of the most exceptional Angus herds in the country," Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president, says. "We are excited to offer a heifer that combines an outstanding pedigree with superior phenotype. An added feature of this heifer is her planned mating to a popular Angus sire this fall."

Jenkins adds that S813 was carefully selected by Jud and Jeff Baldrige for the specific purpose of the Angus Foundation Heifer fundraiser in Denver.

Supporting the Angus Foundation Heifer Package is a tradition for the Baldrige family. Jud and Jeff's father, Jim Baldrige, purchased the first two Angus Foundation heifers in 1980 and 1981.

Baldrige Blackcap S813

Reg. No. +15706319	Calved 8/8/2006
#Rito 616 of 4B20 6807	#DHD Traveler 6807
+Rito 112 of 2536 Rito 616	+Rita 4B20 of 0FB1 Bando
GAR Precision 2536	#GAR Precision 1680
	+GAR Ext 2104
#Bon View New Design 1407	#B/R New Design 036
+VT 1407 New Design Z38	Bon View Pride 664
+GAR Plowman G240	#Plowman 1627 of Millbrae SAR
	GAR Precision 2536
Sire	
BW WW YW MILK IMF RE Fat \$W \$F \$G \$B	
+2.3 +65 +112 +27 +.56 -.02 +.007 +33.50 +46.88 +22.69 +53.26	
Dam	
BW WW YW MILK IMF RE Fat \$W \$F \$G \$B	
+2.8 +53 +100 +28 +.91 +.38 +.031 +27.08 +39.03 +30.88 +58.61	

Today, Baldrige Bros. still prides itself on providing customers with progressive genetics. On their web site, www.baldrige.net, the brothers explain that the goal of their Angus program is to provide "genetics that excel in the economically important traits of efficient beef production. To us that means growth, fertility, calving ease, and maternal and carcass traits. And, these traits should come in a functional, sound, easy-fleshing and gentle package."

For more information about the Angus Foundation Heifer Package, contact the Angus Foundation at 816-383-5100 or visit with any regional manager. To learn more about the Angus Foundation, visit www.angusfoundation.org.

