

# **Silent Auction Excels**

## Angus supporters continue the success of the Angus Foundation's annual event.

Story & photos by Kelli Armbruster

Angus supporters of all ages came together at the 2008 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Des Moines, Iowa, to support the 2008 Angus Foundation



► Even the youngest of NJAA members get in the spirit of bidding on Silent Auction items to support the Angus Foundation's education, youth and research activities.

Silent Auction July 14-19, which grossed a record \$14,206 in proceeds benefiting the Foundation's education, youth and research activities. Individual donors and state Angus associations contributed 75 items to the 13th 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."

Dick and Diane Beck of Senoia, Ga., purchased the top-selling item — a black leather and cow hide chair and ottoman, donated by Tahoe Seating Co., Carrollton, Texas — for \$2,400.

An embryo package donated by Clinton Laflin, Olsburg, Kan., featuring the mating of Laflin's Savannah Gal 5256 and EXT, was the second-highest-selling item at \$1,500. The package was purchased by Coupé Ranches of Wheatland, Calif., and Fraser Ranch of Burns, Ore.

The third-highest-selling item was a framed 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 U.S. The print was purchased by Dick and Diane Beck for \$1,000. The Becks were the volume buyers at this year's auction, donating \$3,900 to support the activities of the Angus Foundation.

A getaway on the coast of Maine was the highest-selling item donated by a junior Angus association. The Maine Junior Angus Association sponsored a weeklong cottage stay on the coast of Maine, complete with a sailboat outing and lobster bake on the



▶ Not only did NJAS exhibitors and guests have the chance to bid on unique and original Silent Auction items, they also could purchase their favorite Angus merchandise from the Angus Exchange store.

beach. Kathy Burke Bray, Kansas City, Mo., purchased the getaway for \$960.

Dean and Gloria Hurlbut of Saint Joseph, Mo., donated many items in addition to the third-top-selling item. With a combined total service of more than 70 years as past employees of the American Angus Association, the Hurlbuts again continued their dedication to the Angus breed with

annual donations to the Angus Foundation Silent Auction.

Individual Angus supporters and state Angus associations also generously donated other items to the Silent Auction, including original jewelry made by members of the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA), assorted gift baskets, sports memorabilia 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 Raising the Bar officer training sessions, Cattlemen's Boot Camps, bovine feed efficiency research, and undergraduate and graduate scholarships.

### 2008 Angus Foundation Silent Auction buyers, donors

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#### **Buyers**

- Adam Leeper, Argos, Ind. Andy and Tanya Holloway, ASH Angus LLC, Stamford, Texas Beecher and Gina Hope, Dry Creek Farm, Berryville, Va. Brad Fahrmeier, Lexington, Mo.
- Brandee Painter, Painter Farms, Hebron, Ohio
- Brian Fitzgerald, Kearney, Neb.

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Angus, Berryville, Va. Clarence and Anita Frey, Frey Angus, Mulhall, Okla.

Coupé Ranches, Wheatland, Calif.

- Curt and Stephanie Houk, Houks Angus, Blakesburg, Iowa
- David and Kim Johnson, Beaver, Okla.
- David and Susan Levisay, Levisay Family, Creston, Calif.
- Dick and Diane Beck, Senoia, Ga.
- Duane and Barbara Jackson, Cabin Creek Angus, Daleville, Ind.

Fraser Ranch, Burns, Ore.

- Gary and Retha Eichhorn, Hickory Knoll Angus Farms, Tipton, Iowa
- Glen and Judy Swanson, Swanson Angus Farms, Durant, Iowa

Gordon and Anne Schubert, Taylorsville, Ky. Jake and Kami Scott, Scott Cattle Co.,

- Gordon, Neb.
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- John and Mary Lou King, Kingsway Angus, Tiffin, Ohio

Kathy Burke Bray, Kansas City, Mo.

- Kellen and Klaire Jorgensen, Jorgensen Farms, Exeter, Neb.
- Kelly Bosworth, Chillicothe, Mo.
- Kelvin and Jackie Egner, Egner Farms
- Angus, Shelby, Ohio
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Leslie and Yolanda Craft, Les Craft Angus, La Porte, Ind. Logan Johnson, Esmond, Ill. Mark and Anne Lampe, Triple 3 Bar S Angus, Scott City, Kan. Quintin and Vicki Smith, Lebanon, Tenn. Richard and Terri Houk, Houks Angus, Blakesburg, Iowa Robert and Marillyn Schlutz, Da-Es-Ro Angus Farms, Columbus Junction, Iowa Robin Layton, Slocomb, Ala. Russ Cook, Mechanicsville, Iowa Shawn Howell, Shelby, Ohio Steve and Julie French, Little Cedar Cattle Co., Beaverton, Mich. Steve and Kris Sticken, Bolckow, Mo. Susan Langweth, Des Moines, Iowa Ted and Mary Greiman, Greiman Family Angus, Garner, Iowa Teddy and Jane Morelock, Fayetteville, Ark. Todd and Shauna Hermel, Saint Joseph, Mo. Tom Burke, Smithville, Mo. Tom Shuman, Hayward, Wis. Wesley Untied, Highland Farms Ltd., Granville, Ohio

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