



Auxiliary Notes

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Winning is an attitude

The 2011 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) is already a memory, but I would be remiss if I didn't take this opportunity to thank all the Pennsylvania Angus breeders and families who worked tirelessly to make the first NJAS hosted in Pennsylvania a huge success. The northeastern hospitality was truly appreciated by those in attendance. Thank you to all the Pennsylvania volunteers and association staff who assisted with the world's greatest junior beef show. Kudos to all!

Auxiliary awards presented

The Auxiliary was excited to participate in several of the NJAS activities and hand out several awards and scholarships. Photos of the following award winners are included in this issue of the *Angus Journal*.

Our annual Auxiliary-sponsored All-American Certified Angus Beef® (CAB®) Cook-Off had a total of 24 teams with 116 contestants, and the Chef's Challenge featured seven entries with 11 participants. Thanks to Beef Education co-chairs Anne Patton Schubert, Taylorsville, Ky., and Anne Lampe, Scott City, Kan., along with all judges and sponsors for another great Cook-Off. As always, there was great talent and tasty recipes.

Congratulations to the senior steak team from Louisiana for winning this year's prestigious Black Kettle Award. Winning team members included Taylor Arnoville, Daniel McFarland, Jarred Yantis, and Samantha Yantis.

In honor of Pat Grote, the Auxiliary presented Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) scholarships to pay conference registration fees for the team winning the CAB® Cook-Off intermediate steak division. Congratulations to Jacob Chicola, Katelyn Corsentino, Garvin Oldham

and Joshua Scott of Louisiana for winning this honor.

The Auxiliary presented Harvey Rattey pewter sculptures to the winners of the senior and both intermediate divisions of the Extemporaneous Speaking Contest. Megan Webb, Burlington, W.Va., received the senior award presented in honor of Richard "Dick" Spader. Will Pohlman, Prairie Grove, Ark., and Esther McCabe, Elk City, Kan., were presented the intermediate division awards in honor of Pat Grote.

The competitions for the Janet Castle Crystal awards and Silver Pitcher awards were down to the wire on the points for our winners. Hannah McCabe, Will Pohlman (tie) and Chris Kahlenbeck (tie), Union, Mo., won the Crystal awards, recognizing outstanding achievement in the educational contests at the NJAS. Katy Satee, Montague, Texas, and Kade Patton, Frankfort, Ind., won the Silver Pitcher awards, recognizing outstanding achievement in the showing.

As always, the competition in the showmanship contest this year was extremely

tough. The Auxiliary was excited to present silver Revere bowls to the top five showmanship winners. Congratulations to JanLee Rowlett, Hurricane Mills, Tenn., for placing first and receiving the Dean Hurlbut

Award. Other winners include Ty Bayer, Ringle, Wis., second; Jacy Alsup, Gravette, Ark., third; Lauren Adcock, Moweaqua, Ill., fourth; and Sarah Wogan, Hebron, Ohio, fifth.

The Auxiliary presented \$12,000 in scholarships during Friday night's awards ceremony at the NJAS.

Winners in the boys' division include Daniel McFarland, Keithville, La., first; Austin Thummel, Sheridan, Mo., second; Judson Hoffschneider, Arlington, Neb., third; Miles

Pearson, Scott City, Kan., fourth; and Cole Greiman, Garner, Iowa, fifth.

Winners in the girls' division include Lindsay Upperman, Chambersburg, Pa., first; Brooke Harward, Richfield, N.C., second; Maggie Jasper, Versailles, Ky., third; Katelyn Wilson, Orleans, Ind., fourth; and Jessica Radcliffe, Weston, Wis., fifth. These five young ladies will also compete in the Miss American Angus contest during the annual meeting of the American Angus Association in Louisville in November. Good luck to these young ladies.

Midyear meeting recap

The annual midyear meeting was July 13. During the pre-meeting social, members and guests visited with old friends and met new

"Winning is a sometimes thing, but being a winner is an attitude that makes the best of good, bad and ugly through the journey of daily existence for a lifetime."

— **Bill Farley**

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►Above: Melanie St. Blanc Kiani, Mississippi Auxiliary president, decorated the hats that were given to each lady as a favor at the Southern Garden Party Auxiliary social and membership recruitment activity held during the Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show, West Monroe, La. The event was co-sponsored by the Mississippi and American Angus auxiliaries.

ones while enjoying refreshments and purchasing a ticket or various lengths of tickets during the Chinese Auction. Thanks to those who “took a chance” and helped us raise \$515 to support our Angus youth activities.

Meeting business included regional director activity reports and committee reports from the Angus Gift Barn, Beef Education/Cook-off, Awards, Nominating, Program and Hospitality, and Scholarship. Kathi Creamer, Nomination Committee chair, reminded members that regional



►Above: Auxiliary members meet at the Atlantic National Auxiliary Meeting and Royalty Reception during Atlantic National Regional Preview Junior Angus Show, Timonium, Md.

►Below: Sysco’s Chef Malcom discussed the attributes of the *Certified Angus Beef*® brand and new food trends at the “Meat Chef Malcom” session Thursday afternoon.



Angus Gift Barn news

Some new, unique Angus items made their debut in the Angus Gift Barn during NJAS. These items include baby bibs and onesies that feature the calf and butterfly design, etched-glass blocks, Angus flip-flops, Angus coffee mugs, and luggage tags featuring an Angus bull. Check out all the Angus Gift Barn items at www.angusauxiliary.com, and click on Angus Gift Barn. Additional new items will be coming out this fall in time for purchase during the annual meeting in Louisville. Watch for them.



director and secretary-treasurer nomination forms were available. Members also heard reports about Auxiliary activities at the Atlantic National and Eastern Regional shows and about the scholarship heifer auction at the Breeders’ Futurity.

Announcements included the membership and recruitment activity, “Meat Chef Malcolm” of Sysco foods, scheduled for Thursday at 2 p.m., featuring CAB information along with free samples and refreshments, the Crowne Plaza Louisville room drawing, and the Auxiliary activities associated with the annual meeting in Louisville in November (watch for more information in the October “Auxiliary Notes” column).

Win a three-night free stay in Louisville

The Auxiliary is offering chances for a free, three-night stay at the Crowne Plaza in Louisville (the headquarters hotel of the American Angus Association and Auxiliary annual meetings). Tickets are available for a donation of \$5 per ticket, and the drawing will take place at the Auxiliary Breakfast in November. The free, three-night stay expires July 30, 2012, so it may be used for the annual meeting, the Breeders’ Futurity or the 2012 NJAS. For tickets, please contact Barbara Ettredge at 940-686-2958 or circlefarms@aol.com, or any Auxiliary officer or regional director. All proceeds will go to support programs and activities for Angus youth.

Scholarship Heifer sells for \$6,000

After a 15-year absence, we are excited about the \$6,000 raised through the auction of O’Neills Eraline 259 June 19 during the All-American Angus Breeders’ Futurity in Louisville, Ky. The success of the heifer

project is attributed to the dedication and hard work of everyone who had a hand in organizing, promoting, and bringing the project to fruition.

The American Angus Auxiliary wishes to thank all who were involved in this year’s heifer project, especially Jim and Ardyce O’Neill, O’Neill Angus, Logan, Iowa, for donating the heifer and Greg Buie, Copan, Okla., for purchasing the heifer, along with all who worked on coordinating, marketing and making the project a success. The proceeds will be deposited into the Auxiliary’s scholarship fund managed by the Angus Foundation.

NJAS — there’s nothing better!

For the past 12 years, my husband and I rushed around at NJAS to keep up with our girls and their contests. However, this year was much different — no wash rack duty, no scooping manure, no hauling boxes of materials for various contests — just a few Auxiliary files and the excitement to watch some of the greatest kids and cattle in the Angus industry. For those of us who have made the NJAS an annual “vacation,” there is no better way to spend a week in July than to watch young Angus enthusiasts display their best talents and cattle and spend time with our Angus friends and families — a week filled with cattle, contests, opportunities, food, fun and fellowship.

The NJAS participants are all winners by making the journey and competing; any award won is “icing on the cake.” It just doesn’t get any better than that!

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