



# Auxiliary Notes

► by **Anne Lampe**, president, American Angus Auxiliary

## Solid foundations

*2012 marks the 60th anniversary of the American Angus Auxiliary, chartered in 1952. Its purpose and mission was for women Angus breeders and wives of Angus breeders to get better acquainted, to aid in promoting the breed and to present awards to deserving youth showing Aberdeen-Angus projects. While the way the words are stated in our current mission may differ to reflect current times, the basic mission and goals are the same. The Auxiliary is a group of women dedicated to the present and future of the Angus breed, Angus breeders and juniors involved in the industry.*

### Meetings

The members of the Auxiliary gathered in Louisville, Ky., this past November to host their annual meeting and to plan for the future. During the annual meeting we welcomed Cortney Holshouser, Castalia, N.C., to the officer team as secretary-treasurer. Cortney and her husband, Carl, manage an Angus herd and operate a custom embryo collection facility. Cortney serves on the board of directors for the North Carolina Angus Association and as an advisor for the state's junior association.

The Auxiliary announced plans for a conference for female Angus breeders, Auxiliary members and those involved in the industry. The conference will be hosted in Saint Joseph, Mo., in spring 2012, and will be co-sponsored by the Angus Foundation. Look for more information in upcoming articles and at [www.angusauxiliary.com](http://www.angusauxiliary.com).

### My Angus path

As I reflect on my path to becoming president of the Auxiliary and as our organization celebrates its heritage and plans for the future, I am reminded of a quote by Adlai Stevenson, "We can chart our future clearly and wisely only when we know the path which has led to the present."

I am humbled and excited to serve as the president of the American Angus Auxiliary during this 60th anniversary year. I have long admired the women who have served before me and consider many of them my mentors and friends.

I am very fortunate to have grown up in the Angus industry and to live the "Angus way of life" every day. My grandfather, my dad and his brothers started in the Angus business in 1953.

I grew up on a small registered Angus farm in southern Louisiana and was active in

the state and national junior Angus programs. The highlight of my junior Angus career was attending every National Junior Angus Heifer Show, beginning in 1974 and continuing through the end of my junior Angus membership, and making lifelong friendships in the Angus industry.

I served as Louisiana Junior Angus Association president, Louisiana Angus Queen, was a voting delegate during the formation of the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) Board of Directors and was an American Angus Auxiliary scholarship recipient. I became a life member of the American Angus Auxiliary in 1983.

After graduating from high school, I chose to attend college

in Kansas after receiving a livestock judging scholarship, and that is where I met my husband, Mark. In the early 1990s Mark and I, along with our sons, Garrett and Clayton, started our own herd of Angus cattle with a few of the cows from my family's herd in Louisiana and with others purchased from Kansas breeders.

As our sons grew up they became very involved in the operation of the herd and embraced the junior Angus program and all it has to offer. It was also in the early 1990s that I became more involved in the Kansas Angus Auxiliary and American Angus Auxiliary.

I have served as president of the Kansas



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► Elected to serve as American Angus Auxiliary officers and regional directors are (front row, from left) Barbara Ettredge, Pilot Point, Texas, advisor; Anne Lampe, Scott City, Kan., president; Cortney Hill-Dukehart Cates, Modoc, Ind., president-elect; Cortney Holshouser, Castalia, N.C., secretary-treasurer; (back row, from left) Marlene Dukehart, Sykesville, Md.; Leslie Mindemann, Sullivan, Wis.; Martha Holshouser, Gold Hill, N.C.; Lynne Hinrichsen, Westmoreland, Kan.; Julie Murnin, Abilene, Texas; and Mary K. Vejraska, Omak, Wash.

organization and currently chair the Miss Kansas Angus and Ambassador program. On the national level, I serve as co-chairman of the Beef Education Committee that coordinates the popular All-American Certified Angus Beef® Cook-Off at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS).

The NJAA recognized me as the Advisor of the Year in 2007 and in 2010. I was honored to be a co-chairman of the NJAS, having the opportunity to give back to the program that played such a huge part in my

life and the lives of my children. Along with managing our cow-calf herd, I am the secretary-manager of the Kansas Angus Association, and Mark is the assistant manager of a large commercial feedyard.

Our oldest son, Garrett, is the manager of Top Line Angus Farm in Tremont, Ill. Clayton and his wife, Erin, and children, Carter and Claire, live in Bowling Green, Ohio. Both Erin and Clayton work in the agriculture industry for The Andersons Co.

### Looking to the future

I look forward to my year as president of the Auxiliary and embracing all of the challenges, opportunities and friendships it will bring. However, I am most excited about serving the Angus breed and the people who make the breed and industry what it is.

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►Louisiana's cookoff team that won the Black Kettle Award at the 2011 National Junior Angus Show performed their patriotic skit Sunday morning at the American Angus Auxiliary Annual Breakfast. Team members (center picture, from left) Jarred Yantis, Taylor Arnoville, Samantha Yantis and Daniel McFarland delivered an amazing performance that informed the audience of the attributes of the Certified Angus Beef® brand.



►The American Angus Auxiliary conducted its annual meeting Saturday, Nov. 12, during Angus events at the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, Ky.



►Ron Hinrichsen, Westmoreland, Kan., called for bids on an art piece "Proud Past, Bright Future," which was donated to the Auxiliary by artist C.J. Brown. The original painting was purchased by Cathy Watkins. A limited number of prints and 60 limited-edition artist proofs are available through the Angus Gift Barn ([www.angusauxiliary.com](http://www.angusauxiliary.com)). Funds support the Auxiliary's mission to support the Angus breed and junior members.



►Left: Paige Wallace, Stotts City, Mo., shared highlights of her year as Miss American Angus at the Auxiliary Annual Breakfast.



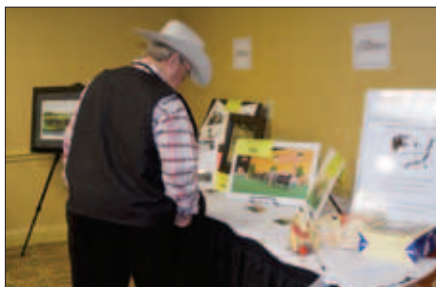
►Right: Barbara Ettredge, 2011 Auxiliary president, shared comments in her retiring address.



►Brown describes elements in the painting that commemorate the Auxiliary's 60th anniversary to Ernie Bingman, buyer Cathy Watkins and Auxiliary President Anne Lampe.



►Fairgoers could visit The Holiday Room and purchase items from the Auxiliary's Ways and Means Committee throughout the week.



►The Holiday Room also featured a silent auction.

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►Past presidents in attendance at this year's Auxiliary breakfast included (front row, from left) Jane Ebert, Sparta, N.C.; Renee Driscoll, Williamsburg, Iowa; Linda Brost, Harrodsburg, Ky.; June Hagenbuch, Lawrence, Kan.; Barbara Ettredge, Pilot Point, Texas; (back row, from left) Anne Patton Schubert, Taylorsville, Ky.; Carol Bloom, Westville, Ind.; Michelle Rieff, Bentonville, Ark.; Ardyce O'Neill, Logan, Iowa; Sharee Sankey, Council Grove, Kan.; Mary McCurry, Burrton, Kan.; and Kathi Creamer, Montrose, Colo.

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