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**American Angus Auxiliary Mid-Year Meeting**  
**Wednesday, July 5, 2023 • 4:15 pm**  
*Grand Island, NE*

**Call to order**

Julie Conover, President

**Welcome and Introduction of Guests**

Executive Board  
Committee Chairs  
Distinguished Women  
Past Auxiliary Presidents  
State Presidents  
American Angus Association Staff

**Minutes** Mid-Year Meeting Minutes

Tonya Theis, Secretary

**Treasurer's/Financial Report**

Tonya Theis, Treasurer

**Committee Reports**

- Beef Education
- Finance
- Full Circle Online Auction
- Gifts that Sizzle
- Nominating
- Scholarship
- Any Other Committees

Anne Patton Schubert, Co-Chair  
Nancy Thelen, Chair  
Cortney Holshouser, Chair  
Deanna Hofing, Chair  
Deanna Hofing, Chair  
Karla Knapp, Chair

**Old Business**

- 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fundraiser Updates Deanna Hofing
- Miss American Angus Empowerment Verbiage Deanna Hofing

**New Business**

- Angus Gift Barn Manager Update

**Announcements**

- 2023 Fall Auxiliary Council Meeting: Sunday, October 15 via Zoom at 5 pm
- 2023 Angus Convention, November 4-6, Orlando, FL
  - Saturday, November 4:2-3:15 pm: Annual Meeting
  - Sunday, November 5:
    - 7:30-8:30 am: Auxiliary Breakfast – Ticketed event
    - 9-11:30 am: Miss American Angus Candidate Speeches
    - 6-9 pm: Awards Reception and Dinner – Ticketed event
- Full Circle Online Auction, November 9, 2023 – AngusLive
- Brown Bag Fundraiser Winning Ticket Drawing

**Adjournment**

## American Angus Auxiliary Mid-Year Meeting July 6, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 4:17pm CST on Wednesday, July 6, 2022 by President Deanna Hofing at the American Royal Complex, Kansas City, MO.

There were 81 members present that included 10 new members. 17 members also joined the meeting via Zoom for a total of 98 members in attendance.

President Deanna Hofing introduced her Executive Board Members: Pam Velisek, Julie Conover, Karla Knapp, Cindy Worthington, Christy Perdue, Rebecca Knott, Valerie Trowbridge, Stacy Erdmann and Amy Griffin. Deanna also welcomed and thanked the Committee Chairs, Charter Members, Distinguished Women, Past Auxiliary Presidents, State Presidents, and the American Angus Association staff.

Miss American Angus Mary Wood gave us an update on her year so far and her new role in conjunction with Certified Angus Beef. Mary has been able to attend outings in North Carolina at the Piggly Wiggly and at Lowe's Foods advocating for the Angus Auxiliary and the beef industry as a whole.

Anne Lampe moved to accept and dispense with the reading of the Mid-Year minutes. Barb Ettredge seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Karla Knapp presented the Treasurer's report. As of May 31, 2022, the total assets were \$71,067.89. We are officially out of the BMO bank and everything but the 5-year CD has been transferred to the Commerce Bank. As of May 31<sup>st</sup> our accounting position has transferred from Julie Angelo to Amy Griffin. Nancy Thelen and Amy Griffin have been working very hard and the transition has been very smooth. The Statement of Financials has us up from last year about \$8,000. This is mainly due to the 70<sup>th</sup> year Anniversary kick off and the \$70 letter drive campaign. Another highlight was that our membership is up about \$1130.

### **Committee Reports**

Angus Gift Barn: Lauren Patteson is our new AGB manager from Virginia, she introduced herself and invited us all to stop by and see her new items.

Beef Education: Anne Patton Schubert reported on a very successful cook-off with 33 teams participating.

By-Laws Committee: Carol Wojciechowski proposed changes to the by-laws. These changes will be printed in The Post and put to a vote at the Annual meeting in November.

- **Section 4.2.4-Appoint Special Committees as authorized by the Auxiliary Council.**  
Change "Auxiliary Council" to "Executive Board". The committee agrees with this change.

- **Section 4.2.7-Appoint members to fill vacancies in the officer and regional director positions with the approval of the Auxiliary Council.** Change “Auxiliary Council” to “Executive Board”. This committee agrees with the change.
- **Section 7.1- There shall be the following standing committees in addition such other committees as deemed necessary to carry on the work of the Auxiliary. The committees will report their activities and any recommended actions related to their committee to the Auxiliary Council.** Change “Auxiliary Council” to “membership” as the reports are posted on the website after each meeting. This committee agrees with the change.

Full Circle Online Auction: Cortney Holshouser thanked her committee and have 20 consignments on a printed flyer that went out in every exhibitor packet this week. Since the printing she has secured 6 more consignments and will be taking consignments until August 1<sup>st</sup>. The Auction will be held November 10, 2022 with Angus Live.

Miss American Angus: Cortney Hill-Dukehart Cates and Paige Arnold and her committee are securing sponsorships for the upcoming MAA contest to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah this November.

Membership Committee: Jamie Rutledge updated us that our membership is up to close to 900 members. Our annual membership has increased to \$20. She requested any updates to be emailed out to her.

Nominating Committee: Pam Velisek announced that nominations are now open for Regions 1, 2 and 3 along with Secretary/Treasurer position until August 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications are to be filled out and returned to her by then. Anyone that has any suggestions for Distinguished Woman to please let her know also.

Scholarship Committee: Julie Conover reported that she had 19 applicants for Scholarship this year. 13 girls and 6 boys. We will be awarding \$20,000 to the top 5 boys and 5 girls on Friday. The committee went over the challenges that Mac users have with the application and what might be done to alleviate this issue. They also went over the change to the one question that happens annually on the application. The updated form will be available in December. Brooke Harward is our liaison for any Scholarship questions, and she will be available to any advisor, parent or applicant.

PR Committee: Megan Green updated us that her and Kalie Rumbold have taken over the committee since November with the mentoring of Julie Murnin. Since then, they have been working on increasing our social media presence.

### **Old Business**

Julie Angelo, our accountant has resigned from her position effective May 31<sup>st</sup>. Amy Griffin has graciously stepped up and taken over as our new accountant. The transition has been very smooth due to all of Amy’s experience with her family’s business.

Lynne Hinrichsen reported that the Achievement Awards are on a fillable form that is available online to make it much easier to fill out and send in. Erica Styles and Lynne will be receiving those October 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **New Business**

Drawing for the Saddle Blanket Bag fundraiser took place with the winner being Ashley Murray from Texas being our winner.

Susan Quam, Chairman gave her report of the Special MAA and Scholarship Committee. The report was sent out to membership via constant contact and was posted online as well. Susan is a past President of the Auxiliary in 1997 and a former Miss American Angus in 1985. She introduced and thanked her committee for all of their hard work and frank discussions. The committee was asked to look at the gender and bias issues so that they would be able to best protect the Auxiliary from any legal issues that may arise because of these and how best to protect our programs now and in the future and to maintain their relevancy. The committee met 4 separate times for about an hour and a half to two hours trying to cover every point of view possible. Early on in the discussions, the MAA program was something that was determined by the committee that they wanted to preserve and to have only naturally born females be eligible for MAA and the scholarship be the vehicle for which she is selected. This led to several discussions about the scholarship program and their recommendations that the committee then put forth. The recommendations of the committee are:

- Each state can send two candidates of any gender to the American Angus Auxiliary scholarship competition. Each state will decide if they want to keep sending one of each gender or if they wish to change. In addition, scholarships will be awarded to the top 10 applicants, regardless of gender. This passed via motion by 3-2 margin with one committee member unable to attend the meeting.
- On the scholarship application, remove the check boxed for gender, with the state chair fills out. Replace it with a fill in the blank, completed by the applicant. This passed via motion 5-0.
- On the letter of intent for potential Miss American Angus contestants, add a check box: "I am a female assigned at birth and am eligible to serve as Miss American Angus". This passed 5-0.

Discussion and questions from the floor or via zoom were then held. April Bowman, Pamela Bramhall, Renee Radcliff, Anne Lampe, Rachel Frost, Mary McCurry, Linda Alexander, Kate Decker, Sheila Grobosky, Cortney Hill Dukehart Cates, Nancy Thelen, Brooke Harward all raised questions.

Susan Quam then made a motion: That on the letter of intent for potential Miss American Angus contestants that we add a checkbox that states, I am a female assigned at birth and am eligible to serve as Miss American Angus. In addition, she would like to have the language

checked by legal council to make sure that it is the appropriate language to ensure that intent to keep the Miss American Angus competition to biological females only is preserved.

Discussion ensued.

Susan then withdrew her motion.

Deanna clarified that the committee served recommendations only and did not make any motions. Motions will need to be made from the floor and then voted on.

Cortney Hill Dukehart Cates made a motion: That we keep the scholarship “as is” with 5 boys and 5 girls. Cindy Ahearn seconded the motion. The motion was then amended by Cortney Hill Dukehart Cates to: We keep the scholarship with 5 boys and 5 girls and each state being allowed to submit 1 girl and 1 boy applicant. Cindy Ahearn again seconded the motion. Some discussion took place. A vote was taken. Motion passed.

Carolyn Gazda made a motion to word the letter of intent for Miss American Angus the same as what the special committee recommendation was.

Discussion was had to recommend that legal counsel be included to make the wording appropriate.

Carolyn Gazda then modified her motion to leave the wording the same as the committee’s recommendation, to add a checkbox that states “I am a female assigned at birth and am eligible to serve as Miss American Angus” but have legal counsel through the Angus Association approve the wording to make sure that we are covered.

Betsy Michael seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued. A vote was called. Motion passed.

Pam Velisek made a motion that the Auxiliary allots up to \$2000 from the general fund for legal advice from the American Angus Association legal for the wording of the letter of intent.

Gretchen Clark seconded. A call for a vote was made. Motion passed by majority vote.

Carol Wojciechowski made a motion to add a check box to have the applicant identify themselves as boy or girl instead of the state chair doing it.

Discussion was had.

Carol then amended her motion to: On the scholarship application, the applicant themselves selects either a male or female checkbox.

Becky Henderson seconded.

Vote was called for. Motion passed by a majority vote.

This being our 70<sup>th</sup> year, the Auxiliary has commissioned CJ Brown to do a painting of the Matriarchs of the Angus Breed. The painting honors 29 major cow families of the breed and includes our 68 past Presidents. The original painting will be auctioned off at the Auxiliary Breakfast during the Angus Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah. We will also be offering 5 Artist Proofs up for auction at that time also. 1 Artist Proof will be available on the Full Circle Online Auction on November 10<sup>th</sup> on Angus Live. Prints of the Painting will be available sometime after Louisville and ready to be shipped out before Christmas. Pre-orders will begin after the meeting and are available for \$100 plus \$30 for shipping.

Cortney Holshouser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Michelle Reiff seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Knapp

Secretary/Treasurer

**AMERICAN ANGUS AUXILIARY**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS OF May 31, 2023**

**ASSETS**

BB&T Checking - AGB	\$10,336.78
Commerce Operating Account	\$19,367.63
Commerce Savings Account	\$16,009.20
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>\$45,713.61</b>

5-Year Certificate of Deposit XX4145	\$-
<b>TOTAL LONG-TERM ASSETS</b>	<b>\$-</b>

12-23 Month CD (Commerce Bank)	\$25,000.00
<b>TOTAL LONG-TERM ASSETS</b>	<b>\$25,000.00</b>

Property & Equipment - Trailer	\$6,552.00
Accumulated Depreciation	\$6,552.00
<b>TOTAL FIXED ASSETS</b>	<b>\$-</b>

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$70,713.61</b>
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**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$-</b>

**EQUITY**

Unrestricted Net Assets	\$70,713.61
Net Income	\$-
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>\$70,713.61</b>

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>\$70,713.61</b>
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American Angus Auxiliary  
Statement of Financials & Activities  
AS OF May 31, 2023

	YTD	BUDGET	+ / - BUDGET
<b>REVENUE</b>			
<b>Annual, Spring &amp; Mid-Year Meeting Revenue</b>	\$30.00	<b>\$3,000.00</b>	\$2,970.00
<i>Other Annual, Spring &amp; Mid-Year Meeting Revenue</i>			
<b>Awards Revenue</b>	\$-	<b>\$1,810.00</b>	\$1,810.00
<i>Other Awards Revenue</i>			
<b>Beef Education Revenue</b>	\$500.00	<b>\$6,000.00</b>	\$5,500.00
<i>Beef Education Revenue</i>			
<i>Friends of the Cook-Off Revenue</i>			
<b>Featured Fundraiser Revenue</b>	\$8,660.00	<b>\$7,000.00</b>	<b>(\$1,660.00)</b>
<i>Full Circle Online Auction Revenue</i>		\$7,000.00	
<i>Featured Raffle or Other Revenue</i>		\$-	
<b>Interest Revenue</b>	<b>(\$195.23)</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	\$295.23
<i>Interest Revenue</i>			
<b>Miss American Angus Revenue</b>	\$2,375.00	<b>\$15,000.00</b>	\$12,625.00
<i>MAA Program - Contributions</i>			
<i>MAA Program - Travel Contributions</i>			
<b>Membership Revenue</b>	\$925.38	<b>\$4,320.00</b>	\$3,394.62
<i>Membership Contributions Revenue</i>			
<i>Membership Annual Revenue</i>			
<i>Membership Lifetime Revenue</i>			
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	\$19,130.76	<b>\$17,500.00</b>	<b>(\$1,630.76)</b>
<i>70th Anniversary CI Brown Painting Sales</i>		\$17,000.00	
<i>Other 70th Anniversary Revenue</i>			
<i>NIAS Royalty Reception Revenue</i>			
<i>Other Revenue</i>		\$500.00	
<b>Special Event - WCC Revenue</b>	\$-	<b>\$-</b>	\$-
<i>Women's Connected Conference Revenue</i>			
<b>Ways &amp; Means Revenue</b>	\$9,851.72	<b>\$37,240.00</b>	\$27,388.28
<i>Angus Gift Barn</i>		\$35,000.00	
<i>Online Sales</i>			
<i>Travel Support</i>			
<i>NIAS Revenue</i>			
<i>Convention Revenue</i>			
<i>Gifts that Sizzle</i>		\$2,240.00	
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$41,277.63</b>	\$91,970.00	\$50,692.37
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
<b>Annual, Spring &amp; Mid-Year Meeting Expenses</b>	\$1,631.38	<b>\$4,000.00</b>	\$2,368.62
<i>Annual, Spring &amp; Mid-Year Meeting Expenses</i>			
<b>Awards Expenses</b>	\$1,950.79	<b>\$1,810.00</b>	<b>(\$140.79)</b>
<i>Ardyce's Apron Award Expense</i>			
<i>Black Kettle Expense</i>			
<i>Crystal Award Expense</i>			
<i>Grote Speech Award Expense</i>			
<i>MAA Silver Tray Expense</i>			
<i>Showmanship &amp; Silver Pitcher Expense</i>			
<i>Spader Award</i>			
<b>Beef Education Expenses</b>	\$-	<b>\$6,000.00</b>	\$6,000.00
<i>Beef Education Expenses</i>			
<i>Friends of the Cook-Off Expenses</i>			
<b>Communications Expenses</b>	\$716.66	<b>\$1,650.00</b>	\$933.34
<i>Email &amp; Website</i>		\$1,000.00	
<i>Newsletter - Postage</i>		\$650.00	
<i>Newsletter - Printing</i>			
<b>Featured Fundraiser Expense</b>	\$1,236.05	<b>\$800.00</b>	<b>(\$436.05)</b>
<i>Full Circle Online Auction Expenses</i>			
<i>CI Brown Painting Promotion Expenses</i>			
<b>Fees &amp; Charges</b>	\$-	<b>\$60.00</b>	\$60.00
<i>Bank Fee</i>			
<b>Insurance Expense - Business</b>	\$-	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	\$1,000.00
<i>Insurance Expense</i>			
<b>Miss American Angus Expenses</b>	\$5,448.21	<b>\$15,000.00</b>	\$9,551.79
<i>Auxiliary Expense</i>			
<i>Clothing</i>			
<i>Contest</i>			
<i>Contestant Gifts</i>			
<i>Judges</i>			
<i>MAA Gifts</i>			
<i>Travel</i>			
<b>Misc. Expenses - Business</b>	\$13,140.22	<b>\$16,450.00</b>	\$3,309.78
<i>General</i>		\$250.00	
<i>70th Anniversary Video</i>		\$700.00	
<i>70th Anniversary CI Brown Painting Expenses</i>		\$10,500.00	
<i>NIAS Tailgate</i>		\$500.00	
<i>Queen's Program - NIAS Royalty Reception</i>		\$2,500.00	
<i>Legal Counsel</i>		\$2,000.00	
<b>Office Expense</b>	\$686.68	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	\$313.32
<i>Office Expense</i>			
<b>Officer &amp; Director Expense</b>	\$6,800.00	<b>\$7,850.00</b>	\$1,050.00
<i>Misc. Officer &amp; Director Expense</i>			
<b>Other Committee Expenses</b>	\$-	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	\$1,000.00
<i>Other Committee Expenses</i>			
<b>Professional Fees</b>	\$800.00	<b>\$1,100.00</b>	\$300.00
<i>Professional Fees</i>			
<b>Scholarship Transfers</b>	\$-	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	\$5,000.00
<i>Scholarship Transfers</i>			
<b>Special Event - WCC Expenses</b>	\$-	<b>\$-</b>	\$-
<i>Women's Connected Conference Expenses</i>			
<b>Ways &amp; Means Expenses</b>	\$9,050.97	<b>\$29,250.00</b>	\$20,199.03
<i>Angus Gift Barn</i>		\$29,000.00	
<i>Bank Fees</i>			
<i>Commissions</i>			
<i>Convention Expenses</i>			
<i>Merchandise Purchases</i>			
<i>NIAS Expenses</i>			
<i>Phone &amp; Internet</i>			
<i>Postage &amp; Shipping</i>			
<i>Supplies</i>			
<i>Trailer &amp; Storage</i>			
<i>Travel Support</i>			
<i>Other: AGB</i>			
<i>Ways &amp; Means Other (Rathey, Gifts that Sizzle)</i>		\$250.00	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$41,460.96</b>	\$91,970.00	
<b>NET ORDINARY INCOME/LOSS</b>	<b>(\$183.33)</b>		\$183.33

# American Angus Auxiliary Education Award Fund

## Balance Sheet

May 31, 2023

Angus Foundation

	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Prior Year</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash	0.00	1,051.47
Total Current Assets	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,051.47</u>
<b>Investments</b>		
Investments - Restricted	86,243.62	85,707.08
Total Investments	<u>86,243.62</u>	<u>85,707.08</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 86,243.62</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 86,758.55</u></b>
Net Assets	<u>86,243.82</u>	<u>86,758.75</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 86,243.82</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 86,758.75</u></b>

**American Angus Auxiliary Education Award Fund**  
**Income Statement**  
**For the Period Ending May 31, 2023**

Angus Foundation

	Restricted Current YTD	Restricted Prior YTD	Restricted Variance	Restricted Percent
<b>Revenues</b>				
Contributions	0.00	2,914.75	(2,914.75)	(100.00) %
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,914.75</b>	<b>(2,914.75)</b>	<b>(100.00) %</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Sponsorship Expense	0.00	1,313.76	(1,313.76)	(100.00) %
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,313.76</b>	<b>(1,313.76)</b>	<b>(100.00) %</b>
<b>Excess of Revenue Over Expense before Non-Operating Charges</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,600.99</b>	<b>(1,600.99)</b>	<b>(100.00) %</b>
<b>Non-Operating Charges</b>				
Interest, Dividends, Gains (Losses)	2,541.03	3,325.02	(783.99)	(23.57) %
Investment Market Value Adjustment	5,925.94	(8,071.37)	13,997.31	(173.41) %
<b>Total Non-Operating Charges</b>	<b>8,466.97</b>	<b>(4,746.35)</b>	<b>13,213.32</b>	<b>(278.38) %</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 8,466.97</b>	<b>\$ (3,145.36)</b>	<b>\$ 11,612.33</b>	<b>(369.18) %</b>

# American Angus Auxiliary Scholarship

## Balance Sheet

May 31, 2023

Angus Foundation

	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Prior Year</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash	48.50	5,820.87
Total Current Assets	<u>48.50</u>	<u>5,820.87</u>
<b>Investments</b>		
Investments - Restricted	516,731.57	538,838.48
Total Investments	<u>516,731.57</u>	<u>538,838.48</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 516,780.07</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 544,659.35</u></b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accrued Liabilities	0.00	3,500.00
Total Current Liabilities	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3,500.00</u>
Net Assets	<u>516,780.07</u>	<u>541,159.35</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 516,780.07</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 544,659.35</u></b>

**American Angus Auxiliary Scholarship**  
**Income Statement**  
**For the Period Ending May 31, 2023**

Angus Foundation

	Restricted Current YTD	Restricted Prior YTD	Restricted Variance	Restricted Percent
<b>Revenues</b>				
Contributions	703.25	25,969.37	(25,266.12)	(97.29) %
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>703.25</b>	<b>25,969.37</b>	<b>(25,266.12)</b>	<b>(97.29) %</b>
<b>Excess of Revenue Over Expense before Non-Operating Charges</b>	<b>703.25</b>	<b>25,969.37</b>	<b>(25,266.12)</b>	<b>(97.29) %</b>
<b>Non-Operating Charges</b>				
Interest, Dividends, Gains (Losses)	15,210.61	20,904.34	(5,693.73)	(27.23) %
Investment Market Value Adjustment	35,451.28	(50,744.56)	86,195.84	(169.86) %
Gift-in-Kind Income	0.00	7,860.00	(7,860.00)	(100.00) %
Gift-in-Kind Expense	0.00	(7,860.00)	7,860.00	(100.00) %
<b>Total Non-Operating Charges</b>	<b>50,661.89</b>	<b>(29,840.22)</b>	<b>80,502.11</b>	<b>(269.77) %</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 51,365.14</b>	<b>\$ (3,870.85)</b>	<b>\$ 55,235.99</b>	<b>(1,426.97) %</b>

# Pat Grote Endowment Fund

## Balance Sheet

May 31, 2023

Angus Foundation

	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Prior Year</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash	0.00	(1,750.00)
Total Current Assets	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(1,750.00)</u>
<b>Investments</b>		
Investments - Restricted	35,664.47	38,814.93
Total Investments	<u>35,664.47</u>	<u>38,814.93</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 35,664.47</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 37,064.93</u></b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accrued Liabilities	1,000.00	0.00
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Net Assets	<u>34,664.47</u>	<u>37,064.93</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b><u>\$ 35,664.47</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 37,064.93</u></b>

**Pat Grote Endowment Fund**  
**Income Statement**  
**For the Period Ending May 31, 2023**

Angus Foundation

	Restricted Current YTD	Restricted Prior YTD	Restricted Variance	Restricted Percent
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Scholarship Expense	500.00	0.00	500.00	100.00 %
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>100.00 %</b>
<b>Excess of Revenue Over Expense before Non-Operating Charges</b>	<b>(500.00)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(500.00)</b>	<b>100.00 %</b>
<b>Non-Operating Charges</b>				
Interest, Dividends, Gains (Losses)	1,050.79	1,505.82	(455.03)	(30.21) %
Investment Market Value Adjustment	2,450.57	(3,655.36)	6,105.93	(167.04) %
<b>Total Non-Operating Charges</b>	<b>3,501.36</b>	<b>(2,149.54)</b>	<b>5,650.90</b>	<b>(262.88) %</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 3,001.36</b>	<b>\$ (2,149.54)</b>	<b>\$ 5,150.90</b>	<b>(239.62) %</b>

## Ardyce's Apron Award Report

After the passing of Ardyce O'Neill from Iowa in 2021 the Ardyce's Apron Award was created and first presented at the 2022 National Junior Angus Show. The award goes to the Junior Cook-Off Team scoring the highest point total. Ardyce O'Neill was the Beef Education Chair for the first cook-off in 1983 and served on the Beef Cook-Off committee for 36 years. The current Cook-Off committee chairs and the family chose to honor her by creating the Ardyce's Apron Award. Donations for this award were sent to the Angus Foundation and the funds were put into the American Angus Auxiliary Educational Awards Endowment Fund and designated for the Ardyce's Apron Award. A recap of the contributions and costs is listed below. This award will be presented until the donated dollars are used up – and should last until 2040 -2042.

2020-21 fiscal year donations to the Ardyce's Apron Award	\$1,067.00
2021-22 fiscal year donations to the Ardyce's Apron Award	\$3,060.25
Total deposited into the Ardyce's Apron Award line item as of 9/30/22	\$4,127.25

As of May 31, 2023 there have been no additional donations for this award

Cost of 2022 aprons	\$ 174.90	Balance in line item	\$3,952.35
Cost of 2023 aprons	\$ 205.11	Balance in line item	\$3,747.24



## 2023 American Angus Auxiliary Committee Report - Mid-Year Meeting

Committee Name: Beef Education

Committee Chair: Anne Patton Schubert and Anne Lampe

Committee Members: Listed previously--We always  
welcome additional members!



The Beef Education committee is immersed in finalizing plans for the 40th Anniversary Cook-Off at the NJAS in Grand Island, NY. What is happening with your committee? Cook-Off will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 4 in the Pinnacle Bank Building on the Ne. State Fairgrounds.

Twenty eight teams, made up of 146 juniors will compete in Roast, Steak and Other Beef Item categories. Other Beef Items is a throwback to the first contest, in 1983--all items must be cooked on a grill--no ovens, microwave, etc. Twelve persons will judge in teams of three. The Black Kettle Award, Grote LEAD and Ardyce's Apron and Division Awards will be announced Friday, July 7 at the Award Ceremony.

2. How can the Executive Board or Auxiliary Council assist you with achieving your goals for your committee? We count on Auxiliary officers, Regional Reps and additional members to help keep the contest flowing. Thanks for the support.

Please share our appreciation to CAB for its continued encouragement and support of the Cook-Off.

Thanks also to the Angus Journal/Angus Media for printing our Cook-Off program including all the recipes and team members as well as recognizing judges and sponsors of the Cook-Off.

2. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?

Funding for a 40th Anniversary Cook-Off cookbook (published in 2024) to include 40th recipes, might be considered.

3. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary?

Continue to include and encourage any interested person in committee work would be good. New ideas are always welcome.

4. Do you have any fundraising ideas or consignment ideas for Full Circle Online Auction?

Perhaps a collection of Cook-Off t-shirts could be added to the auction. Two previously published Cook-Off cookbooks could be added.

**2023 American Angus Auxiliary  
Committee Input Survey – Mid-Year Meeting**

Committee Name: **Distinguished Woman**

Committee Chair: **Deanna Hofing**

Committee Members: **Carol Bloom, Jane Ebert,  
Kathi Creamer**



*1. What is happening with your committee?*

The committee has communicated via email to discuss the Distinguished woman program. We are always open to nominations.

*2. How can the Executive Board or Auxiliary Council assist you with achieving your goals for your committee?*

If the executive board or the auxiliary council have any recommendations or nominations for a distinguished woman candidate let us know.

*2. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?*  
*No*

*3. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary?*  
*No*

*4. Do you have any fundraising ideas or consignment ideas for Full Circle Online Auction?*

*None at this time*

## **2023 American Angus Auxiliary Committee Report – Mid-Year Meeting**

**Committee Name:** Finance Committee

**Committee Chair:** Nancy Thelen, MO

**Committee Members:** Julie Conover, MO; Karla Knapp,  
IA; Tonya Theis, KS; Deanna Hofing, IN; Amy Griffin, TX



### *1. What is happening with your committee?*

- We continue to monitor the annual budget and finances of the Auxiliary.
- The last CD we had at BMO in St. Joseph, MO matured on 2/09/23. We researched current rates and the finance committee recommended to the executive board that we close out the CD and withdraw the \$5,371 in the CD at BMO bank and move it to our money market (savings) account at Commerce Bank, and then take \$25,000 from our money market account and put it into their Business 12 Month Promo CD special with an APY of 3.75%. If it would become necessary to break the CD we would not be charged a penalty. The executive board approved the recommendation, and this was completed at the end of February.
- All of the American Angus Auxiliary accounts at BMO in St. Joseph, MO have been moved to Commerce Bank in St. Joseph. This is the bank that the AAA uses.
- We continue to report income and expenses against each of our activities/projects whenever possible, to provide a true profit statement on any fundraisers.
- The executive board approved our recommendation to transfer \$5,000 from the Full Circle Online Auction proceeds to the scholarship endowment fund. This was completed in June.
- We want to thank Amy Griffin for her continuing service and the great job she is doing as our bookkeeper.

### *2. How can the Executive Board or Auxiliary Council assist you with achieving your goals for your committee?*

- Continue to manage finances and look to the future. The board has done a great job and are very creative.

### *3. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?*

- Be thinking about items for the 2023-24 budget.
- We are recommending that the current Angus Gift Barn bank account be closed by 9/30/23.
- Ways to increase our membership for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

### *4. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary?*

- Provide American Angus Auxiliary membership information to the states to include in any state newsletters.
- Perhaps promote the Angus Gift Barn to state Auxiliaries and ask them to put in their newsletters.

### *5. Do you have any fundraising ideas or consignment ideas for Full Circle Online Auction?*

- Continue with the variety of items that will interest a broad audience.

## **2023 American Angus Auxiliary Committee Report – Mid-Year Meeting**

*Committee Name:* **Full Circle Online Auction**

*Committee Chair:* **Cortney Holshouser-NC**

*Committee Members:* **Christy Perdue-NC, Jera Vehige-MO, Cindy Worthington-CA, Julie Conover-MO**



### *1. What is happening with your committee?*

The 2023 Full Circle Online Auction is set for November 9<sup>th</sup> on Angus Live. The committee is currently seeking donations of unique items. The deadline for all consignments and promo photos is AUGUST 1st. Roughly 30 consignments are needed to bring in the budgeted amount of income for this project, and we are currently half way to our goal. We ask that State Auxiliaries consider donating an item. There are hard copies of this year's contract available as well as a flyer with the consignments donated so far. Please consider contributing to this project as it is the Auxiliary's main fundraiser for scholarships and awards. The committee is always willing to help find a unique item for consignment, or answer any questions about the auction.

### *2. How can the Executive Board or Auxiliary Council assist you with achieving your goals for your committee?*

Reach out to Angus breeders or businesses in your region that may have a connection to the Auxiliary and would be willing to support our mission. Past Miss American Angus winners or contestants, Cook-Off participants, scholarship winners, etc. The purpose of this project when created was to reach donors across the country, and you all have different connections than I do. Many donors are willing to contribute, they just need to be asked.

### *3. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?*

I would love for each member of the Executive Board to acquire 2 consignments as discussed in your Spring meeting.

### *4. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary?*

Make meetings and events fun and inclusive. Continue to be transparent with the membership.

### *5. Do you have any fundraising ideas or consignment ideas for Full Circle Online Auction?*

Selling raffle tickets for a hotel stay at the Convention headquarters. This used to be very successful.

**2023 American Angus Auxiliary  
Committee Input Survey – Mid-Year Meeting**

Committee Name: **Gifts that Sizzle**

Committee Chair: **Deanna Hofing**

Committee Members: **Julie Thelen, Emily Barnes**



*1. What is happening with your committee?*

The committee has communicated via email to discuss ideas to revitalize GTS. I have numerous meetings with Brent Eichar and Alex McLain to discuss the final holiday gift box, pricing, shipping options and promotion. Currently working with AAAux PR and CAB PR to create promotional for cross promotion and selling on both the Auxiliary and CAB websites.

*2. How can the Executive Board or Auxiliary Council assist you with achieving your goals for your committee?*

Work with the GTS team on advertising and promotion for holiday sales to individuals and corporate groups. Assist in selling the gift boxes!

*2. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?*  
Discuss finalized holiday box at the executive board meeting, determine next steps and timing.

*3. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary?*

No

*4. Do you have any fundraising ideas or consignment ideas for Full Circle Online Auction?*

None currently

**2023 American Angus Auxiliary  
Committee Report - Mid-Year Meeting**

Committee Name: History Resource Committee

Committee Chair: Anne Patton Schubert

Committee Members: Listed in February Angus Journal

Additional Members Wescome!



*1. What is happening with your committee?*

Our committee has not been asked for any information at this time. We continue to be available to add our recollections of various issues if asked.

Don't hesitate to contact any of the members for information.

*2. How can the Executive Board or Auxiliary Council assist you with achieving your goals for your committee?*

*2. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?*

*3. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary?*

*4. Do you have any fundraising ideas or consignment ideas for Full Circle Online Auction?*

## *2023 American Angus Auxiliary*

### Committee Input Survey – Mid-Year Meeting Report

*Committee Name:* **Historian**

*Committee Chair:* **Catie Hope**

*Committee Members:* *Emma Collins, Carol Martin, Lori Pillars and Ava Wood*

*1. What is happening with your committee?*

Gathering – Photos, articles, etc. to highlight the 2022-23 year of the auxiliary. The real work begins next month as we will begin to compile and start the organization of this year's scrapbook.

*2. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?*

Please ask the Executive Board and perhaps the Council to forward photos, letters, points of recognition, etc. to this committee, they have and would like included in the scrapbook for this year. Be sure all know my email address to forward information or contact me to share a One Drive or DropBox, etc.

[chope714@gmail.com](mailto:chope714@gmail.com)

*4. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary in the coming year?*

Not at this time.

*5. Do you have any fundraising ideas or consignment ideas for Full Circle Online Auction?*

I read this question and the first thing to pop into my mind was would there be a way to do a “tip jar” through the Full Circle Online Auction with a preset amount to be hit and once it hits that amount the bidding is closed? Bidders would anonymously place how much they want to put into the jar (\$ being placed cannot be shown until it hits that pre-set amount...for example, once it hits “\$1,000”). Once it hits that amount that consignment is closed showing it “sold” for \$1,000. The trick would be how to fairly select a bidder # from a virtual jar that put \$ in it. You pull the bidder number and ½ goes to the auxiliary, ½ to the winning bidder #. The check goes to the winner after all FCOA \$ is received. Try it or a year – if it hits the preset # quickly, you know you can increase the following year. Name it the Consignment of Chance?

**2023 American Angus Auxiliary**  
**Committee Input Survey – Mid-Year Meeting**

Committee Name: **Legislative & By-Laws**

Committee Chair: **Gina Hope**

Committee Members: **Pam Bailey and**  
**Carol Wojciechowski**



*1. What is happening with your committee?*

As we were at the Mid-Year Meeting, we are still in a down time for our committee.

*2. How can the Executive Board or Auxiliary Council assist you with achieving your goals for your committee?* There aren't any goals at this time, we stand ready to assist with any questions, change suggestions, etc. to the By-Laws or Guidelines.

*3. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?*  
No

*4. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary?*

It would be nice to see acknowledgement (at the minimum) and the result of ideas presented on these meeting reports whether they are implemented or not so we aren't repeating ideas/suggestions.

*5. Do you have any fundraising ideas or consignment ideas for Full Circle Online Auction?*

I do not – only thing that pops in my head is \$\$\$. Everyone can use \$. \$100 worth of tickets for the next lottery to hit after the auction? (same idea submitted at Spring Meeting – sorry)



**American Angus Auxiliary**  
**July 2023**

Name of Committee:

Membership

Committee Chair or Co-Chair Name(s):

Jamie Rutledge, Committee Chair and Rhonda McCurry, Co-Chair

Synopsis:

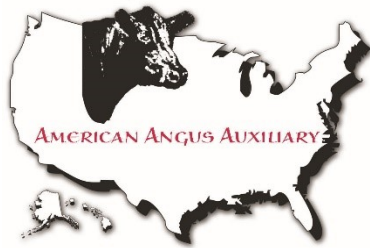
Our committee is responsible for attracting and retaining Auxiliary members. A key responsibility is the maintenance of the membership list; ensuring annual dues are up to date and contact information is correct.

*1. Briefly describe or list your committee's work to date:*

- Late April partnered with the NJAA, Caitlyn Brandt, to send an email out to all 'aging out' juniors
- All new life members receive a 'welcome email' and enclosed is the 'business card'
- Maintaining the membership list; both active and overdue memberships
- Continue to work with Regional leadership to update the membership list, specifically contact information and past due memberships.
- Review annual memberships every six months (Dec and June) and remove those members that are delinquent at 12 months or greater
- Continue to encourage members, current and new, to pay online via the Angus Gift Barn

*2. How can the Auxiliary membership assist you?*

- Allow me to deposit membership dues to the banking account via electronic direct deposit
  - Currently I mail in each check received to the bank
- While we have made advances in allowing and encouraging members to pay their dues online it would be helpful if members could update their contact information online too.
- Continue to work with their local members to ensure their membership list are up to date and accurate, this has improved but still has opportunities.



DATE: May 5, 2021

TO: 2021 American Angus Auxiliary Girls' Scholarship Applicants

FROM: Deanna L. Hofing, Scholarship Chair

CC: Cortney Hill-Dukehart Cates & Paige Wallace Arnold (MAA Co-Chairs)

SUBJECT: **INFORMATION: MISS AMERICAN ANGUS**

Your application for an American Angus Auxiliary scholarship has been received. Congratulations on the honor you have earned in representing your state and the great opportunity to compete on a national level.

As you probably know, the American Angus Auxiliary scholarship program is the basis from which contestants are chosen to compete for Miss American Angus. **As a preliminary step to determine who is interested in competing (should their scholarship application place them in the position to do so) the following information is requested from you.**

Each scholarship applicant is asked to declare her intent to compete once the national applications are received. **The five highest placing scholarship applicants that choose to compete for Miss American Angus will automatically become contestants for Miss American Angus and will be announced at the National Junior Angus Show closing ceremonies in Grand Island, Nebraska.**

To help you better understand the procedure of the contest and the role of Miss American Angus, we have included some important information that may be of help in making your final decision on whether to compete:

1) Miss American Angus Code of Conduct

The role of Miss American Angus is one of much importance and responsibility. The role of Miss American Angus is a public one. She serves as a role model for youth across the country and must present herself with dignity and grace.

promoting biological women's empowerment, self-confidence and service to others involved in the breed. A code of conduct and contract were initiated to ensure this continues. It is very important that you read the agreement, understand the guidelines and be willing to sign a contract stating that you agree to abide by the rules set forth if crowned Miss American Angus.

## 2) Miss American Angus Contest Agenda

**All contestants are required to attend all activities.** The contest will be in conjunction with the American Angus Association Annual Convention & Trade Show November 6-8, 2021 in Fort Worth, TX. A schedule of events for the contest has not been finalized at this time, but all contestants should be prepared to attend all three days and a final agenda will be sent to the contestants as soon as one becomes available.

## 3) Miss American Angus Required Event Attendance

Service as Miss American Angus will also require much time and willingness to devote to the Angus breed. Miss American Angus is **required and must commit** to attend six major shows and the annual convention & trade show. In addition to the required shows, Miss American Angus is encouraged to attend as many shows, sales, field days, banquets and promotional events as possible. A \$7000 travel expense fund is available to help with expenses. With careful planning, these funds should cover most of the expenses for the six required events.

In addition to the expense fund, Miss American Angus will be given an “official” jacket, crown and banner. A wardrobe allowance of \$200 will be presented along with a \$250 stationery and postage allowance. Additional gifts will be given depending on the sponsors acquired.

We have included an intent form that you will need to fill out, sign and **return to me no later than June 5, 2021.** This form allows you to declare your intent to compete for Miss American Angus. Your response does not affect your placement in scholarship results as the judges do not receive this information. The five winning contestants will then be contacted shortly after the show and provided with more detail on the competition along with some attire suggestions for each of the contest events.

Please note, should you declare your intent to compete for Miss American Angus, the American Angus Auxiliary will **reimburse** for one hotel room (at the Angus block rate), per candidate, for two nights of the competition. Either the auxiliary will pay for the hotel (room and taxes only) for the two nights while in Fort Worth, or the candidate will be responsible for sending in a receipt for reimbursement from the Auxiliary by December 1, 2021. We will confirm which way payment/reimbursement will be handled closer to the event.

Please read over the code of conduct carefully. Make sure that you understand what will be required of you (especially time commitment) if you are chosen to compete for Miss

American Angus. This allows all five contestants to have the same time frame for preparation.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. We are here to help in any way possible. You may scan and email the enclosed intent form or send by USPS to the address below.

Best regards,

Deanna L. Hofing  
Scholarship Chairman  
American Angus Auxiliary  
7343 Masten Rd.  
Coatesville, IN 46121  
bloomdea@hotmail.com  
Cell: 765-721-7776

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# CONGRATULATIONS....

## You have been crowned the

### 2023 Miss American Angus!

As the new Miss American Angus, you have an exciting and busy year ahead, and one that will be filled with meeting many people and continual opportunities to promote the Angus breed.

As Miss American Angus, you are a representative of the American Angus Auxiliary, the American Angus Association AND all Angus breeders across the country. Keep in mind continually that these people are your audience, your public, and you are in your position because of their commitment to maintaining the quality of our business.

**Remember that eyes are on you at all times, youth and adult, and whether or not you are wearing your crown and banner at that moment, you are Miss American Angus for one full year at all occasions.** Your behavior for this year includes, but is not limited to, your actions in person (Angus events or otherwise), through the traditional media (print, television or radio interviews) and electronic media (emails, videos, texts, social media like Instagram, Facebook, YouTube, SnapChat, TikTok, etc.)

With your talents, intelligence and involvement with the Angus industry, you have been given a responsibility to elegantly and eloquently carry on a tradition. Be certain that at all times you recognize people and greet them accordingly in the showring, as well as in the barn and other public places. Your position is that of an ambassador, and it is important that others outside of the business as well as those within the business recognize the professionalism and intelligence with which you promote this industry.



# 2023 Miss American Angus

## Code of Conduct

As Miss American Angus, you are a role model to the youth across this country and an ambassador for the American Angus Auxiliary, American Angus Association, National Junior Association and all Angus breeders. In this role, your goals will be to include promoting empowerment, self-confidence and service among biological women involved in the breed.

All actions you decide to act upon during your reign as Miss American Angus affects these Angus associations you represent. Therefore, it is of utmost importance you act in an appropriate manner at all times while you are in the public's eye attending livestock functions.

If it is determined you are acting or have acted in a manner that is inappropriate according to the guidelines set below, the American Angus Auxiliary has the right to take whatever action is deemed necessary.

Although general judgment should forbid you to act in a way unsatisfactory to the title of Miss American Angus, the following rules apply during your reign:

- No consumption of alcoholic beverages and use of drugs or tobacco products.

You should not put yourself in a position with ANY of the above around fellow junior Angus members, adult Association members, or other livestock personnel, regardless of breed.

- No inappropriate use of electronic media including photos, comments or posts on social networking sites (Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, SnapChat, TikTok, etc.), cell phone texts or images and email communication.
- No commission of any crime.
- Remaining unmarried until reign has been completed.
- Remaining in college until reign has been completed.

Showing cattle:

- Please limit the number of cattle exhibited at all shows; ideally 1-2 head in order to avoid conflict with show ring duties. National Junior Angus Show affords more flexibility due to the larger number of state queen/princesses available to assist with show ring duties



**2023 American Angus Auxiliary  
Committee Input Survey – Mid-Year Meeting**

Committee Name: Nominating

Committee Chair: Deanna Hofing

Committee Members: Allison Dubs, Mary McCurry,  
Moriah Pohlman, Heather Smith



*1. What is happening with your committee?*

The committee has communicated via email to keep in mind we need a nomination for secretary/treasurer as well as regional directors. Discussed we would have a better understanding of which regional directors are rotating off in the fall after the Auxiliary executive board spring meeting. In the spring post the nomination form was published for mail in nominations.

*2. How can the Executive Board or Auxiliary Council assist you with achieving your goals for your committee?*

Assist with a press release on social media (FB and Instagram) for potential candidates and publishing of those candidates in the fall post for voting purposes.

*2. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?*

No

*3. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary?*

No

*4. Do you have any fundraising ideas or consignment ideas for Full Circle Online Auction?*

None at this time

**2023 American Angus Auxiliary  
Committee Report – Mid-Year  
Meeting**



Committee Name: Scholarship

Committee Chair: Karla Knapp

Committee Members: Regina Hissong, Kendra Diekevers, Julie Feeser, Leslie Mindeman, Erin Krueger, Jessica Sawyer, Betsie Michael, Cara Pascalar

*1. What is happening with your committee?*

*Our committee received 20 scholarship applications from 15 different states. There were 12 female applicants and 8 male applicants. After distributing the applications out to our 3 main judges and 1 alternate judge per category, the committee agreed on the top 5 female winners and the top 5 male winners. They will be announced at closing ceremonies in Grand Island, NE at the National Junior Angus Show along with the 5 Miss American Angus candidates. We will be awarding \$20,000 in scholarships again this year.*

*2. How can the Executive Board or Auxiliary Council assist you with achieving your goals for your committee?*

*We will be requesting approval of a new question to be changed on the scholarship application for 2024*

*3. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?*  
*Not this time*

*4. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary?*  
*Not at this time*



## **2023 American Angus Auxiliary Committee Report – Mid-Year Meeting**



Committee Name: **Ways & Means**

Committee Chair: **Lauren Patteson**

Committee Members: **Gail Beasley, Sue Depoy, Christy Perdue, Amy Griffin, Cindy**

**Worthington, Lori Pillars, Valerie Trowbridge, Stacy Erdmann, Megan Ahearn**

### **1. What is happening with your committee?**

*The Ways & Means Committee is currently working on a new plan for the Angus Gift Barn, a remodel so to speak. The “theme” of the gift Barn has to change to adapt with market trends.*

### **2. How can the Executive Board or Auxiliary Council assist you with achieving your goals for your committee?**

*The Auxiliary Council could help my committee by deciding what direction they want the AGB to go in. The current display of vendors at shows is hard to compete with. The market of the AGB is mainly older women, and as such I find that the AGB has a hard time breaking into markets with younger generations. Yet, if the AGB sold items as all the other vendors did, what advantage would they have over those other vendors?*

### **2. Is there an item or matter that you would like the Executive Board to discuss at their meeting? If so, what?**

*At multiple shows, the AGB has had the disadvantage of being placed/located at inconvenient and hidden booth locations as compared to other vendors. This greatly impacts sales. Also, unlike other vendors, the AGB is a nonprofit and only has a certain budget. Given this, it is difficult to find economically priced items to sell due to not being able to purchase items in larger quantities.*

### **3. Do you have any suggestions to improve or enhance the Auxiliary?**

*I have found in being involved with the Auxiliary as an adult, not a lot of people even know what the Auxiliary is. I had a decent idea/understanding of it when I was showing, due to being involved with the royalty. However, I did not even know what the Auxiliary did. I believe that the purpose and mission of the Auxiliary should be promoted more, not just to Angus members either. I think if it is desired for the Angus Gift Barn to continue/survive, there needs to be a lot more awareness of the Auxiliary promoted. Larger than have been recently generated sales numbers seems to be a goal, however given the state of the economy a lot of individuals just don't have a lot of extra cash to throw around. Also, the merchandise that the AGB sells is very targeted to a group of people, which is mainly middle age to older women. That market is shrinking, I believe due to a generation that is coming up that wants nothing to do with/ has no use for decorating plates and trinkets that sit around a house collecting things. I believe the younger generations don't care so much for special napkins, dinner plates, tablecloths, and things of that home nature that the AGB has always sold. Now, some Angus members are involved with AA, yet don't know about the Auxiliary or what they do.*

### **4. Do you have any fundraising ideas or consignment ideas for Full Circle Online Auction?**

*None currently.*

## **2023 American Angus Auxiliary State President Mid-Year Report**

*Name of Person Reporting: Valerie Trowbridge*

*Office Held: Chairman*

*State Represented: Atlantic National*

*Approx. Number of state Auxiliary members: 10*

*Date of Annual Meeting: Memorial Day weekend*



### **State Chairman Contact Information:**

**Name: Valerie Trowbridge**

**Address: 6290 SR 3001 Meshoppen PA 18630**

**Phone Number: 5709057409**

**Email Address: geneval@epix.net**

### **What success stories would you like to share with other states that have occurred this year?**

We had a successful Live and silent auction at the Atlantic National ROV show. We had a Royalty reception with Miss American Angus.

### **What are your state Auxiliary goals for the remaining of the year?**

We are planning another silent auction and live auction in 2024. We also plan on having a reception for the royalty.

### **Will your state be able to contribute a consignment to our Full Circle Online Auction in November this year?**

No

### **Any additional feedback, comments or concerns you would like to share?**

## **2023 American Angus Auxiliary State President Mid-Year Report**

Name of Person Reporting: \_\_\_\_\_ **Cindy Kinder**

Office Held: \_\_\_\_ **Chair**

State Represented: \_\_\_\_ **Idaho**

Approx. Number of state Auxiliary members: \_\_\_\_ **10**

Date of Annual Meeting: \_\_\_\_ **February**



### **State President Contact Information:**

**Name: Cindy Kinder**

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**Phone Number: 208 539 6062**

**Email Address: c3kinder@gmail.com**

**What success stories would you like to share with other states that have occurred this year?**

**What are your state Auxiliary goals for the remaining of the year?**

**Finding more help!**

**Will your state be able to contribute a consignment to our Full Circle Online Auction in November this year?**

**No.**

**Any additional feedback, comments or concerns you would like to share?**

## **2023 American Angus Auxiliary State President Mid-Year Report**

Name of Person Reporting:   Pam Velisek  

Office Held:           President          

State Represented:   Maryland  

Approx. Number of state Auxiliary members:   15  

Date of Annual Meeting:   December  



### **State President Contact Information:**

**Name:** Pam Velisek

**Address:** 18125 Lappans Road, Fairplay, MD 21733

**Phone Number:** 301-367-6663

**Email Address:** pvelisek@verizon.net

### **What success stories would you like to share with other states that have occurred this year?**

We have had a very quite year. Had a good meeting in May and had a good turnout.

### **What are your state Auxiliary goals for the remaining of the year?**

We hope to have a fun fundraiser in the fall.

### **Will your state be able to contribute a consignment to our Full Circle Online Auction in November this year?**

Yes, we will do Crab Cakes again this year but it will possibly be the last year for them as it has become very difficult and expensive to ship them.

### **Any additional feedback, comments or concerns you would like to share?**

I have had a couple of conversations with other state Presidents and we all have the same issue, it is very difficult to get people involved. I think it is less about having a lot of meetings or get togethers but more about supporting our juniors. In Maryland we are always able to rally the troops when the juniors need us and we aim to have one successful meeting/fundraiser a year. I hate to say we as Auxiliaries need to lower our expectations but people are very busy these days and woman work outside of the home/ranch/farm and it is really difficult to get people together.

## **2023 American Angus Auxiliary State President Mid-Year Report**

Name of Person Reporting: Rachael Coleman

Office Held: President

State Represented: Michigan

Approx. Number of state Auxiliary members: 26

Date of Annual Meeting: 4.10.23



### **State President Contact Information:**

**Name:** Rachael Coleman

**Address:** 9269 Brooklyn Rd. Brooklyn, MI 49230

**Phone Number:** 734.645.2304

**Email Address:** rachaellynn223@gmail.com

### **What success stories would you like to share with other states that have occurred this year?**

We successfully fundraised funds for our junior scholarship program by raffling off a handmade Angus themed quilt.

### **What are your state Auxiliary goals for the remaining of the year?**

We will be awarding funds to the juniors for scholarships and remaining contests.

### **Will your state be able to contribute a consignment to our Full Circle Online Auction in November this year?**

Not this year

### **Any additional feedback, comments or concerns you would like to share?**

## **2023 American Angus Auxiliary State President Mid-Year Report**

Name of Person Reporting and Office Held:  
**Valerie Trowbridge-President**

State Represented: **Pennsylvania**

Number of Members: 40  
Date of Annual Meeting: June 16, 2023

State President Contact Information:

Name: Valerie Trowbridge  
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Phone Number: 570-833-4482 Cell: 570-905-7409  
Email Address: geneval@epix.net



**What success stories would you like to share with other states that have occurred this year?**

We had our annual meeting during the 2023 PA Breeders show.

The Auxiliary was able to award scholarships to 2 Juniors in 2023.

We had a women's social prior to our meeting. The ladies enjoyed some special food prepared by our activities committee. Then we went on to our annual meeting.

The 2023 50/50 Duck Derby was another success. We sold 164 ducks. The winners with the first 3 ducks to get picked got to split 50% of the proceeds.

We had another successful Fun Auction. We brought in over \$1300.00.

We are looking forward to the 2024 Fun Auction and Duck Derby.

**What are your state Auxiliary goals for the remaining of the year?**

We had a lot of participation and interest at our functions during our state breeders show. I have gotten new people involved and some new committee members. We had successful fundraisers as well. My goals for 2024 are to continue the same and keep growing.

PA Angus Auxiliary will be a partial sponsor of the 2024 Atlantic National Royalty Reception.

The Queen Committee chairs will be hosting the 2024 Eastern Regional Jr Angus Royalty reception.

**Will your state be able to contribute a consignment to our Full Circle Online Auction in November this year?**

Yes we approved \$250.00 to purchase an item for the 2024 FCOA.

**Any additional feedback, comments or concerns you would like to share?** The state Presidents need to be connected with the American Angus Auxiliary

**2023 American Angus Auxiliary  
State President Mid-Year Report**



Name of Person Reporting: Misty Wolf  
Office Held: President  
State Represented: Texas  
Approx. Number of state Auxiliary members: ~86  
Date of Annual Meeting: June & January

**State President Contact Information:**

Name: Misty Wolf  
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Phone Number: 940-923-5890  
Email Address: Misty.a.wolf@gmail.com

**What success stories would you like to share with other states that have occurred this year?**

Selected new Chairs for numerous vacancies  
& ended up w new ideas & fundraising  
suggestions / plans

**What are your state Auxiliary goals for the remaining of the year?**

Discuss how to better implement the roles & structure  
of each officer & committee chair.

\*Restructure of Miss Texas Angus & Princess programs to  
make it a cohesive program & across the board standard

**Will your state be able to contribute a consignment to our Full Circle Online Auction in November this year?**

from year  
to year

Yes - \$250

**Any additional feedback, comments or concerns you would like to share?**

not at the time.

## **2023 American Angus Auxiliary**

### **Mid-Year Regional Director Report**

Region: 1

Director: CINDY WORTHINGTON

States in Region: Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada,  
Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Arizona, Hawaii, Alaska



#### **Existing State Auxiliaries w/ Presidents' Contact Info in Region:**

California. Cindy Worthington. [wearerockingwangus@proton.me](mailto:wearerockingwangus@proton.me)

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Waterford, Ca. 95386

530-682-5664

Idaho. Cindy Kinder [ckinder@uidaho.edu](mailto:ckinder@uidaho.edu)

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Hagerman, Id. 83332

Montana. Julie Murnin. [juliemurnin@cattledesign.com](mailto:juliemurnin@cattledesign.com)

Box 6

Huntley, Mt. 59037

Washington. Katlenia Vejraska

103 Cherokee Rd

Omak, Wa. 98841

#### **Royalty by State in Region with mailing address and Email Contact Info:**

CALIFORNIA— QUEEN-CAILEE FLOOD. 16699 Victory Ave Oakdale, Ca. 95361

209-493-8751. [caileeflood@gmail.com](mailto:caileeflood@gmail.com)

COLORADO—QUEEN-Kyli Kraft. 162 Kraft Lane, Fort Collins, Co. 80524

970-631-6147

OREGON—Cora Habein. 65604 Tweed Rd., Bend, Or. 97703

541-589-3180 [jes.habein@icloud.com](mailto:jes.habein@icloud.com)

MONTANA-Claire Murnin. 2825 S. 30th Rd Pompeys Pillar, Mt. 59064

406-998-8594. [juliemurnin@cattledesign.com](mailto:juliemurnin@cattledesign.com)



NEVADA—Grace Tekansik. 640 Genoa Lane Minden, Nv. 89423

775-309-9519. [tekansikge77@gmail.com](mailto:tekansikge77@gmail.com)

WASHINGTON—Kelly Thayer. 2421 Judge Ronald rd. Ellensburg, Wa. 98926

Idaho—waiting on info

Western States Queen: Peyton Race 7510 Bewley Creek Rd. Tillamook, Or. 97141

503-812-2818

Princesses info will be turn in at meeting.

**Notable Activities/Fundraising in your Region:**

California, Oregon, Washington and Colorado all donated monies to sponsor the 2023 Royalty Reception in Grand Island. The committee for the event has been hard at work and it is promising to be a great time!

**Challenges within your Region:**

It is a challenge to get ladies to participate and or try to start new state auxiliaries or get existing ones to be active.

**Opportunities within your Region:**

**What goal(s) do you wish to still accomplish in 2023 in your role as regional director:**

Finish up strong!

Getting more people involved—continuing & expanding the Royalty Spotlights.

**Additional Comments:**

**2023 American Angus Auxiliary  
Mid-Year Regional Director Report**



*Region: Region 2*

*Director: Megan Ahearn*

*States in Region: Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma, & Texas*

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**Existing State Auxiliaries w/ Presidents' Contact Info in Region:**

<i>Colorado</i>			
Randall Rumsey	Junior Advisor	spangus16@gmail.com	
Cheri Kraft	Junior Advisor	cheri.kraft1@gmail.com	970-443-7732
Kathi Creamer	Scholarship Contact	kathi@lazyjb.com	970-596-0045
<i>New Mexico</i>			
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Oklahoma</i>			
Cara Gerken	Junior Advisor	caragerk@gmail.com	405-249-0773
<i>Texas</i>			
Misty Wolf	Auxiliary President	misty.a.wolf@gmail.com	940-923-5890

**Royalty by State in Region with mailing address and Email Contact Info:**

<i>Colorado</i>			
Kyli Kraft	CJAA Angus Queen 22-23	kylikraft@gmail.com	N/A
<i>New Mexico</i>			
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Oklahoma</i>			
Jelani King	Oklahoma Angus Queen 22	jelanik2018@gmail.com	580-231-3968
<i>Texas</i>			
Payton Alexander	Miss Texas Angus 23-24	paalexander2006@gmail.com	254-436-8440
Penelope Soto	Texas Angus Princess 23-24	monasoto240@gmail.com	512-738-2251

**Notable Activities/Fundraising in your Region:**

The Texas Angus Auxiliary has finalized the sales of cook books and continues to provide graduating senior baskets at the state show. Texas will also be exploring the creation of branded merchandise to raise additional funds. Oklahoma Junior Angus does several fundraising activities throughout the year for their state and regional shows.

Colorado, Oklahoma, and Texas maintain a strong Angus royalty program to highlight young women in the Angus business.

All of the junior organizations have representation at NJAA events such as LEAD and Raising the Bar conferences. The Texas Angus Auxiliary and Junior Angus Association provide reimbursement to junior Angus members who attend and submit a form reflecting on their experience and learnings.

**Challenges within your Region:**

No active auxiliary organizations in Colorado, New Mexico, or Oklahoma. However, CO/OK are more involved in their junior programs.

Texas is challenged with maintaining membership once an auxiliary member's child has aged out of the junior organization. We generally see an uptick in membership around the time juniors start to look at scholarship opportunities, and then once the kiddo has applied, we find the parent's involvement fizzles out.

Additionally, the Texas Angus Auxiliary struggles to have personnel step up into leadership roles within the group. Often there is a little bit of coercion and a lot of ad hoc support that has to be given when leaders step down or "retire". I think there is opportunity for some mirroring of the AAAux when it comes to providing ample support and guidance for those who step into leadership roles.

Texas discussed term limits at our mid-year meeting and how we can better orient officers. Members volunteered to work with President Misty Wolf to help revive our officer orientation.

**Opportunities within your Region:**

Increased fellowship within the Auxiliary or Junior organization parents. I see an opportunity to network and capture potential or current members at AAA and state association sponsored sales.

I believe the Texas Auxiliary could better interface with the Texas Angus Association. There has been ample cooperation in the past, and I feel we've gotten away from that as the Auxiliary has become almost exclusively junior and show ring focused.

**Goals for your role as a 2022-2023 Regional Director:**

This year I hope to learn the ropes by listening and being observant of the tenured board members. I would like to make more connections in the states outside of my own (CO, OK, NM). I have some strong connections in Oklahoma that I would like to foster by visiting some of their junior events and the OYE/State Fair. Here I aim to meet some Angus juniors and their parents and provide resources and AAAux membership information.

I am looking forward to a year of fellowship and getting to know this amazing group of women whom I admire for so many reasons. I would enjoy being involved in a variety of committees to gain exposure to the many facets of the Auxiliary and how it interlaces with the Angus industry.

**Additional Comments:**

I am very receptive to feedback and would appreciate any throughout the year. If I'm dropping the ball anywhere or can contribute more, please let me know. I am a "yes" person, I will sign up for anything I can help with but I am also in a master's program right now, so I need a reminder now and then if something slips through the cracks!



## **2023 American Angus Auxiliary Mid-Year Regional Director Report**

Region: 4

Director: Christy Perdue

States in Region: Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida

### **Existing State Auxiliaries w/ Presidents' Contact Info in Region:**

**Alabama:** June Wood – 216 County Road 694 Holly Pond, AL 35083 – 256-708-3209 – woodangus@bellsouth.net

**Louisiana:** No State President – Contacts are:

Bridgett Gisclair – 315 Keller Road Longville, LA 70652 – 337-884-1177 – beigisclair@centurytel.net

Angie LeBeouf – 269 Baker Road DeRidder, LA 706343 - 337-396-3598  
angie@bsefcu.com

**Missouri:** Teela Sadowsky – 16922 W 180 Street Eagleville, MO 64442 – 660-868-0433 – oglbulls40@yahoo.com

**North Carolina:** Alexandra Brown – 217 Daniel Drive Boone, NC 28607 – 336-782-8930 – alexandraelizabeth.m336@gmail.com

No Auxiliary in the following states: Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Tennessee, Arkansas, and Mississippi

Tennessee Contact: Brandi Armstrong – 615-714-9081

Georgia Contact: Carolyn Gazda – 706-540-2222 – gazdacattleco@bellsouth.net

Florida Contact: Bonnie Messick – 352-424-1957 – messickbon@aol.com

Arkansas: Charlene Lewis is the only officer – treasurer. Additional contact is Michelle Rieff - 6380 NW Mason Valley Road Bentonville, AR 72713 – 479-936-1685 – michelleannrieff@gmail.com

Mississippi: Melanie Kiani – 1246 Simms Hill Road Morton, MS 39117 – 601-214-0408 – Melk8890@gmail.com

Additional contact with interest in revitalizing MS Auxiliary: Cammie Rone –

P.O. Box 25 Courtland, MS 38620 – 662-934-3716 – [ceacattle@icloud.com](mailto:ceacattle@icloud.com)

### **Royalty by State in Region with mailing address and Email Contact Info:**

**Alabama:** Current Royalty – (Updated on June 5)

- Miss Alabama Angus: Kynleigh Wood 216 CR 694 Holly Pond, AL 35083

**Arkansas:** Currently no Miss Arkansas Angus Queen or Princess/Usually crowned in May at Preview Show

**Florida:** Named at Spring Field Day in April – no new update

- Queen: Morgan Blommel – 16725 Sweetwater Road Dade City, FL 33523

- Princess: Gracie Brock – 1674 White Road Bonifay, FL 32425

- Sweetheart: Lilly Larson – 17450 NW 203rd Avenue Okeechobee, FL 34972

**Georgia:** Crowned in March at Georgia Angus Annual Meeting; Chair: Carolyn Gazda (reports no change)

- Queen: Rachel Hopper – 761 Clements Road Pitts, GA 31072
- Princess: Nancy Murray – 395 Ralph Davis Road Folkston, GA 31537
- Louisiana:** New to be crowned in April/Preview Show
- Queen: Elise Meche, 7827 Morganza Hwy, Morganza, LA 70759
- Princess: Eleanor Straney, 1202 HWY 1, Thibodaux, LA 70301
- Mississippi:** Crowned in October – Serve January – December
- Miss Mississippi Angus Queen: Claire Mann Taylor- 1421 Hwy 25 N  
Tishomingo, MS 38873 – 662-423-8686 – clairemannt@gmail.com
- Princess: Mollie Vick – 379 Plum Point Road Pope, MS 38658 – 662-571-1980  
emilyavick@yahoo.com
- Missouri:** Interviewed and Crowned at Missouri Angus Breeders' Futurity in February
- Queen: Ella Coulter – 610 Quail Creek Trail Wentzville, MO 63385 –  
309-752-3857 – coulterfamilyfarms@gmail.com
- Princess: Taylor Coulter – 610 Quail Creek Trail Wentzville, MO 63385 –  
309-752-3857 – coulterfamilyfarms@gmail.com
- North Carolina:** Elected February 2022
- Miss NC Angus Queen: Caroline Scarlett – 3121 Doris Acres Lane Asheboro,  
NC 27203 –336-460-0380 – carolinees06@outlook.com
- NC Angus Princess: Maddie Grace Carpenter – 171 Pope Road Wadesboro,  
NC 28170 – 704- 690-5003 – mrescue267@yahoo.com
- NC Angus Sweetheart: Rylea Suddreth
- South Carolina:** Currently there is no royalty.
- Tennessee:** Crowned normally in March at Annual Banquet; Contact: Brandi Armstrong
- TN Queen: Alexandra Duckworth – 3280 Babbs Mill Road Afton, TN 37616 –  
423-278-0140 – Alexandra.duckworth03@gmail.com
- TN Angus Princess: Remi Gardner – 185 Sunnyside Dr. Paris, TN 38242 –  
731-363-8349 - Remigardner@yahoo.com

### **Notable Activities/Fundraising in your Region:**

Both North Carolina and Missouri have stayed active with fundraising through their silent auctions. North Carolina also continues with a yearly fundraiser item, which this year is a hat with a leather patch.

North Carolina held their Annual Meeting in February and will meet for a second time during their Summer Outing in July. Members and their guests will gather in Asheboro and Seagrove, NC, home of the largest concentration of working potters.

### **Challenges within your Region:**

The biggest challenge is the continued decline in state auxiliaries. Only 4/10 states in Region 4 have an active Auxiliary. Even those that are active, participation is limited and recruiting new members and those that would like to hold a leadership role is a challenge.

### **Opportunities within your Region:**

See goals below.

**Goals for your role as a 2022-2023 Regional Director:**

I would like to encourage states within Region 4 to include other states within the region to participate in meetings and outings/activities. I would like to host a leadership retreat/workshop that includes/invites all members of the region.

I would like to continue reaching out to states that do not have an active Auxiliary, and assist with starting or restarting their Auxiliary. For Florida: I have continued to reach out to Bonnie, who has expressed interest in forming a Florida Angus Auxiliary. Reaching out via text and email has not been successful in the last few months. I hope to connect with her at NJAS. For Mississippi: Although they have recently dissolved their Auxiliary, I am in contact with Cammie Rone, who has expressed interest in restarting the Mississippi Angus Auxiliary. I have provided information/guide for starting a new Auxiliary to Cammie. I also hope to reach out further to Cammie at NJAS.

I would like to continue contacting members via mail, phone, and email to assist with updating Region 4 Member contact information. I have updated many members, largely contacting them through Facebook and text. I have provided current updates to Jamie Rutledge.

I will continue to update information for members via email and Facebook. I would like to complete a Member Spotlight each month on Facebook.

**Additional Comments:**

No additional comments at this time.

## 2023 American Angus Auxiliary

### Spring Regional Director Report



Region: Five

Director: Lori Pillars

States in Region: Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and Michigan

#### Existing State Auxiliaries w/ Presidents' Contact Info in Region:

MI- Rachael Coleman, 9269 Brooklyn Rd., Brooklyn, MI 49230/734-645-2304/rachael-lynn223@gmail.com

IL – Cindy Anderson, 23623 N. 1950<sup>th</sup> St., Chrisman, IL 61924/ [cindyanderson3@hotmail.com](mailto:cindyanderson3@hotmail.com)  
217-822-2380

IN- Rebecca Knott, 373 CR 60, LaOtto, IN [46763/260-740-1764/knottslanding351@gmail.com](mailto:46763/260-740-1764/knottslanding351@gmail.com)

OH – Kellie Miller, 11086 St. Rt 197, Wapakoneta, OH [45895/419-234-0392/woodside@ohiolink.net](mailto:45895/419-234-0392/woodside@ohiolink.net)

KY – Missy Flanders, 2760 Greensburg Rd., Buffalo, KY [42716/270-766-2370/missyflanders88@gmail.com](mailto:42716/270-766-2370/missyflanders88@gmail.com)

WI – Keri Retallick, 8281 East Glen Rd., Glen Haven, WI 53810/608-778-7250/twokcattlekr@aol.cm

#### Royalty by State in Region with mailing address and Email Contact Info:

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IL-Ella Brooks, 21660 Brooks Rd., Prophetstown, IL 61277

IN- Rosalind Kidwell, 7299 N. State Rd 161, Gentryville, IN [47537/812-646-5874/roskidwell@gmail.com](mailto:47537/812-646-5874/roskidwell@gmail.com)

Junior Princess for IN:

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Zayda Hofing, 7343 Masten Rd., Coatsville, IN 46121/765-721-7776/bloomdea@hotmail.com

#### Notable Activities/Fundraising in your Region:

Region 5 has been busy hosting preview shows, awarding scholarships, and determining who will be their showmanship contest representatives for the upcoming NJAS. During some of the preview shows, auxiliaries completed fundraisers to support their scholarship funds.

#### Challenges within your Region:

#### Opportunities within your Region:

I encourage women to join their state auxiliaries and become involved with a great group of women who support their junior members.

#### What goal(s) do you wish to still accomplish in 2023 in your role as regional director:

While at the NJAS: Meet all the state auxiliary officers in my district and collect contact information from them.

#### Additional Comments:

From all of us in region five, we wish all the junior members and their families safe travels to and from NJAS. Take time to meet at least three new people a day, have fun, laugh a lot, and make great memories.