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Aksarben Purple Ribbon Auction moves to Saturday night, Sept 28

Grand Island, NE – The Aksarben Stock Show is pleased to announce the Aksarben Purple Ribbon Auction (PRA) is moving to Saturday evening on the show schedule. Last year the auction awarded \$171,000 to youth exhibitors in scholarships and awards.

The auction is the pinnacle event of the stock show and open to the public to celebrate the achievements of the youth livestock exhibitors with their champion livestock. The reception is a ticketed donation of \$100 and includes heavy appetizers and beverages at 5 p.m. The auction follows in the Farm Bureau Show Ring where generous individuals, buying groups and corporate sponsors contribute via live bidding to fund scholarships and awards. The sale is free to attend with open sitting in the Five Points Bank Arena.

“Due to the fine facilities in Grand Island, we can arrange the show schedule to make this accommodation to benefit our exhibitors and donors. The Saturday event now permits out of state families making the auction to depart earlier on Sunday. This also allows our buying groups to spend a weekend in Grand Island,” stated Greg Harder, stock show director.

Nebraska State Fair, the show producer, noted this schedule change allows for additional youth exhibitors and their families to watch the auction. Plans are being discussed for entertainment to follow in the Barn Bar on Saturday evening. The 92nd Aksarben Stock Show is Sept 26-29, 2019 in Grand Island, NE. For more information visit AksarbenStockShow.com.

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Editor Notes:

About Aksarben Stock Show - The Aksarben Stock Show will be held Sept. 26-29, 2019 in Grand Island, Nebraska. The 92-year-old event transitions to junior livestock show format in 2019. Under the junior show model, youth from nine to 19 years of age are eligible for the competition with no prerequisite of youth organization affiliation. The Aksarben Stock Show is managed and produced by the Nebraska State Fair.