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AUCTIONEERS COME TO COLLEGE STATION! STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST AND CONVENTION COME AND WATCH SUNDAY – May 6!! Open to the Public –

The Texas Auctioneer Association was founded in 1957 and represents the auctioneer profession. The association represents 400 auctioneer companies and supports the licensed, ethical auction method of marketing. TAA sponsors an Annual State Championship Auctioneer competition in conjunction with their Educational Conference.

Do you want to see over 40 auctioneers compete and bid on fun items? Cheer on your favorite. See many different styles of auctioneering and chanting. The Preliminary rounds of the championships are open to the public and will be **SUNDAY**, **MAY 6 – 2:30pm-6:30pm** at the Hilton-Oakwood Ballroom, College Station. The categories include: rookie, ringman, senior and all around state champion. The Past Champions, Jarod Hamm, Kyle Dykes, run the contest logistics. Kyle, 2017 State Champion, shared that "State Champion is one the biggest honors in his life and proudly represents ethical and licensed auctioneering in the state."

All convention events will take place at the Hilton, College Station. A full agenda is available online at www.texasauctioneers.org. Open to local realtors, a class will be held that provides TREC Legal CE credit for realtors, along with TDLR credits, on Monday, May 7 - 8:00am – 6:00pm (8 hrs of Legal Update 1 and 2 provided by Champions School of Real Estate). This class is open to local realtors also. Many auctioneers also are becoming realtors to advance their business. To attend the TREC class, check in at TAA desk in the Hilton by 8:00am Monday.

President, Lance Swigert of SWICO Auctions, is from College Station and a Texas A&M alumni. He is proud to bring the event to his home town for the first time and welcomes the public and all auctioneers to come to the convention to learn more about auctioneering, ethics and marketing opportunities. The association has marketed to the entire state and surrounding states for auctioneers to come to College Station. Over 150 auctioneers are expected to descend on College Station May 5-8! Also note, the Finals of the contest will be held Monday evening and will be video live streamed online through a free link on www.texasauctioneers.org.

For questions, contact the TAA office at info@texasauctioneers.org or visit the web page for agenda at www.texasauctioneers.org.

 Media are welcome to the events. Please check in at the TAA registration desk or with Krista Richter or Lance Swigert on site at the Hilton.