

Let's Celebrate

by **Terrill Spencer**, AHW president

Spring is here with warmer days and hopefully rain for those who need it. Along with spring, come celebrations. We celebrate Easter and graduations, and anniversaries and birthdays seem plentiful this time of year.

The National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) will "Celebrate Herefords" in July during the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) in Denver. The American Hereford Women (AHW) is joining the NJHA to sponsor the first "Great American Hereford Grill-off." Contestants will gather at 1 p.m. on Monday, July 9 to showcase their talents and enthusiasm for beef. Our hope is for a fun event using creativity through presentation skills.

This first year all juniors will compete together in one division. Each state may enter only one team. Each team must consist of two to six members, ages 8-21. Each team must also designate an adult safety supervisor — preferably their state's junior advisor — to oversee their grill-off team.

For more information see Page 42 or contact Barb Wilkinson, chairman of the grill-off, at (970) 587-2245.

The AHW is also celebrating our faithful members and supporters. We depend on your help for funding



The "super eight" is a group of Hereford enthusiasts who traveled the country for years attending the summer expos.

our projects, which in turn help fund youth scholarships, Program for Reaching Individuals Determined to Excel (PRIDE) Convention and JNHE. Attending events such as JNHE is also a great way to support the different Hereford boards.

Pictured above is a group known as the "super eight." These Hereford enthusiasts traveled the country for years attending the summer expos.

To thank our supporters and celebrate grilling, the AHW will send one lucky reader two Certified Hereford Beef® (CHB) New York strip steaks. To enter mail your name, address and telephone number to:

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Or e-mail the information to spencerhereford@nebnet.net with "AHW May/June Article" in the subject line. All entries must be received or postmarked by July 10.

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If you aren't an AHW member and would like to join, please send your \$10 annual dues along with your entry for the CHB steaks.

The AHW will have an interactive CD for sale during the JNHE. The CD will be filled with information on Hereford history, clipping, showing, quiz bowl questions and fun games designed for youth ages 6-13. Stop by the AHW booth to see a demonstration and pick up your copy. **HW**

Gearing Up for Denver

by **Ruth Espenscheid**, NOP secretary-reporter

The National Organization of Poll-ettes (NOP) encourages all National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) members to get

involved in NOP's Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) contests and scholarship programs.

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Ed Bible Scholarship

Applications are available from Anna Rhodus, 13305 S. Harris Rd., Greenwood, MO 64034; (816) 525-4656; annarhodus@hughes.net. Applications, including transcripts, must be submitted to Anna by June 15.

NOP Founders Scholarship

For an application or more details regarding this scholarship, contact Betsy Beck, 861 E. C.R. N., Bainbridge, IN 46105; (765) 522-3396; betsy.beck@duke-energy.com. Applications are due June 15.

Creative arts contest

All NJHA members and pre-peewees are encouraged to participate in this contest, which includes creating an original artwork pertaining to the JNHE. No preregistration is required.

Illustrated speech contest

Senior, intermediate and junior division participants need to sign up for the speech contest by July 1. For more details, contact Brenda Teeter, 473 Teeter Rd., Mooresville, NC 28115; (704) 664-1947; willvia1@yahoo.com. Peewees can sign up at JNHE.

NOP breakfast

All Hereford women are invited to attend the NOP breakfast on July 10 at 7:30 a.m. The breakfast is tentatively being scheduled at the National Western Clubhouse on the grounds. Good food, fellowship and door prizes will be a part of this fun morning. Come meet the state queens who will be in attendance.

Other side of the coin

How many times have we grumbled about the weather, the prices at the sale barn, the rising costs of farming and so on?

Let's look "at the other side of the coin," and **be thankful for:**

- Rain and snow — it means I will have moisture to grow crops.
- Taxes — it means that I am employed.
- The government — it means I have free speech.
- Long hours, day and night, helping cows calve — it means I can have the joy of witnessing new life.
- A barnyard to clean — it means I have a farm or ranch.
- Weariness and aching muscles at the end of the day — it means I am capable of hard work.
- The many hours spent raising cattle and growing crops — it means I can feed my family and the world.
- The time and money it takes to get my children to livestock shows — it means I am investing in their future.
- Instilling in my children a work ethic — it means they are not out on the street.
- The extras it takes to raise purebred cattle — it means we are part of the greatest beef breed in the nation. **HW**