

## A Hereford Scene in 2016

Whether you have been showing Herefords for years or this is your first show season, the excitement we all feel is like none other.

I would compare showing at the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) to what is called “The Greatest Show on Earth” — the circus. But I must say, this event has the circus beat by leaps and bounds.

The JNHE really is “The Greatest Show on Earth.” What we take away from this experience is not easily forgotten. Where else can you take your family and have as much fun? I venture to say that you would be hard pressed to find anywhere that offers so much for the entire family. For many of us, JNHE is the family vacation each summer.

This is the family vacation that takes a lot of preparation involving breeding decisions, calving, weaning, feeding and fitting. With JNHE just around the corner, we all seem to be spending more time in the show barn getting ready to head to Madison, Wis., July 9-15. It is staying daylight longer, and we still can't seem to find enough



time to get everything done. Adults and junior members alike begin to feel the excitement of heading to junior nationals long before it is time to go. Even with the hustle and bustle of getting ready, it is well worth the hard work we all put into it.

If you are a junior member and are looking to have the time of your life in Madison, I would recommend you enter as many contests as possible. The experiences you will gain from being an active junior member will pay off for you in the long run. Contests throughout the week include the Hereford bowl, the Great American Certified Hereford Beef (CHB®) Grill-off, individual and team sales, speech contests, judging and showmanship.

Beyond the contests and showing cattle, there are many other events throughout the week that will keep us all busy. It is guaranteed to be a week full of

cherished memories inside and outside the showing.

National Hereford Women is an organization that helps with scholarships, contests and the National Hereford Queen Program. If you are not a member or know someone who is, stop by our booth in Madison. Annual dues are \$20, and it is quick and easy to join. Where else can you join an organization that puts our youth first?

“A Hereford Scene in 2016” will undoubtedly be a family vacation to remember. **HW**



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