

We Are All Winners

by **Deb Carlson**, AHW director

The “Hereford M&M” makes you a winner! The American Hereford Women (AHW) sold bags of M&M’s® with random “Hereford M&M’s” placed in the bags for Hereford enthusiasts to return for a prize in Denver at the JNHE. As I was monitoring the AHW booth, I realized we all have that winning Hereford M&M, because we have Herefords grazing in our pastures. We can look across our pastures and see those beautiful whitefaces on a daily basis.

AHW works diligently to promote Hereford youth and the industry. Recently the AHW developed an interactive DVD,

which is both educational and entertaining for all youth (and adults). This DVD will be available in Kansas City at the AHW booth.

During the AHW annual meeting in October, we will be electing three new board members for four-year terms. Retiring from the board will be Terrill Spencer, Brewster, Neb.; Marsha Middlesworth, Torrington, Wyo.; and Kay Morgan, Burwell, Neb. There have been many accomplishments during the past four years that can be accredited to the devotion of these women to fulfilling the AHW mission. **HW**

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Youth Win Heifer Scholarships

by **Starr Whaley**, NOP chairman

Well, it seems we all survived the “heat wave” in Denver this July and some of us came home to cooler climates and yes, thankfully, wetter

Georgia pastures. Our thoughts and prayers go out to those who still have flooded fields and stranded livestock and to those who still have barren fields from the drought.

It was a wonderful week in Denver with all the activities and shows surrounding our junior members. As a National Organization of Poll-ettes (NOP) member, I had the pleasure of meeting many of these young people when they participated in various contests. We can all learn a lesson from them as they put their heart and soul into each and every project they undertake.

The opening ceremonies included the announcement of NOP Heifer Scholarships and NOP Heifer Award winners. Each year the scholarship program offers four \$1,000 “scholarships” toward the purchase of a polled Hereford heifer.

The exhibitors’ names were divided

by age group and one lucky winner was drawn from each group. This year’s winners were: Haylee Lau, Aurora, Iowa, peewee; Tyler Wells, Westley, Calif., junior; Amanda Kelly, Fayette, Iowa, intermediate; and Marty Delaney, Lake Benton, Minn., senior.

NOP sponsors the heifer award program as a way for breeders to honor a mentor or family member significant to the Hereford breed. This year’s heifer was generously provided by the Rick McKown family of Atlanta, Ill., to honor their mentor, Luther Munsinger. Everyone was delighted to learn that this heifer found an excellent home with Justin Moser of Westmoreland, Kan. Justin was literally jumping with contagious excitement after the announcement.

We look forward to seeing each of the five juniors return with the heifers at the 2008 JNHE. If they do, each will qualify for an additional \$500 award from NOP for sticking with his/her projects and accomplishing his/her goals.

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Bryce Brumley, Orovada, Nev., received a \$500 check from the Poll-ettes for exhibiting the heifer he purchased with the Poll-ette heifer scholarship money he won at the 2006 JNHE in Louisville, Ky.

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