

Hereford Juniors Compete in National Contests

More than 660 youth and their families gathered at the 13th annual 2012 VitaFerm® Junior National Hereford Expo in Grand Island, Neb.,

July 2-8, to show and celebrate the Hereford breed.

In addition to the cattle show, juniors and adults competed in 23 skill-

based contests ranging from livestock judging to team fitting, and even a 3-on-3 basketball tournament.

Contest winners are as follows:

3-on-3 Basketball



Champion peewee team from Illinois (l to r) are: **Ty Bickelhaupt**, Mt. Carroll; **Caleb Benedict**, Dewey; and **Logan Rhoads**, Paris.



Champion junior team from Illinois (l to r) are: **Jared Aden**, St. Joseph; **Korbin Collins**, Flanagan; and **Noah Benedict**, Dewey.



Champion intermediate team from Texas (l to r) are: **Scott Chachere**, Dayton; **Gabriel Smith**, Fredericksburg; and **Harrison Smith**, Gatesville.

Creative Design



Champion senior team (l to r) are: **Parker Henley**, Eugene, Mo.; **Kristin Fawcett**, Ree Heights, S.D.; and **Cody Jensen**, Courtland, Kan.



Pictured (l to r) are: **Rachael Buzanowski**, Pompeys Pillar, Mont., second-place intermediate; and **Jessica Lancaster**, Jerome, Idaho, third-place intermediate. Not pictured: **Brooklyn Adam**, Lathrop, Mo., first-place intermediate; and **Taylor Wierzbowski**, East Aurora, N.Y., first-place senior.

Creative Arts



Front row are: **Sheridan Chaney**, Thurmont, Md., first-place peewee; **Mary Gullatt**, Salem, Ala., second-place peewee; and **Jewel Thompson**, Opelika, Ala., third-place peewee. Second row (l to r) are: **Lauren McMillan**, Ohio, Ill., first-place junior; and **Kira Sayre**, Arenzville, Ill., second-place junior. Not pictured: **Cierra Collins**, Chattanooga, Okla., first-place pre-peewee; **Cade Harris**, Franklin, Texas, second-place pre-peewee; **Garrett Phelps**, Grandview, Texas, third-place junior.

Hereford Idol

Savannah West, Channing, Texas, first-place junior. Not pictured: **Elizabeth Nessler**, Ft. Worth, Texas, first-place senior.



Hereford Grill-Off

Champion junior team from Kansas (front row, l to r) are: **Lauren Gatz**, Leona; **Jalyn Davis**, Maple Hill; and **Jessica Jensen**, Courtland. Back row (l to r) are: **Jordan Gatz**, Leona; **Brianne Nelson**, Fredonia; and **Taylor Dieball**, Little River.



Griffin Kennedy, Baton Rouge, La., first-place individual winner.

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Livestock Judging – Individuals



Front row (l to r) are: **Jasmine Dyer**, Crawford, Neb., second-place peewee; **Kya Rhodes**, Ada, Okla., third-place peewee; **Cameron Wilber**, Belleville, Kan., first-place junior; **Reid Allen**, Quincy, Ill., second-place junior; and **Ashley Frenzen**, Fullerton, Neb., third-place junior. Second row (l to r) are: **Kelsey Repenning**, Mitchell, S.D., first-place intermediate; **Gabriel Smith**, Fredericksburg, Texas, second-place intermediate; **Courtney Eudy**, Harrisburg, N.C., third-place intermediate; **Jonathan Chachere**, Dayton, Texas, first-place senior; **Kim Huwaldt**, Osmond, Neb., second-place senior; and **Bailey Edenburn**, Penfield, Ill., third-place senior. Third row (l to r) are: **Kelly Dyer**, Crawford, Neb., first-place adult; and **Holli Thompson**, Opelika, Ala., third-place adult. Not pictured are: **Ty Leitzau**, Sparta, Wis., first-place peewee; and **Colby Lind**, Rushford, Minn., second-place adult.

Livestock Judging – Teams

First-place peewee team from Nebraska (front row, l to r) are: **Jasmine Dyer**, Crawford; and **Abigail Lewis**, Burwell. First-place junior team from Kansas (second row, l to r) are: **Brianne Nelsen**, Fredonia; **Devin McClayland**, Alma; **Cameron Wilber**, Belleville; and **Kalli Valek**, Agenda. Third row (l to r) are the first-place intermediate team from Texas: **J.D. Schnitker**, Turkey; **Scott Chachere**, Dayton; **Harrison Smith**, Gatesville; and **Gabriel Smith**, Fredericksburg; and the first-place senior team from Oklahoma: **Cameron Curry**, McAlester; **Staci Curry**, McAlester; and **Whitney Andras**, Ada. Not pictured: **Madison Melcher**, O'Neill, Neb., peewee; **Emersyn Moeller**, Grand Island, Neb., peewee; **Bailey Buck**, Madill, Okla., senior; **Matt Kitchell**, Ada, Minn., adult; **Kyle Kuelbs**, Grey Eagle, Minn., adult; **Colby Lind**, Rushford, Minn., adult; and **Steve Neil**, Northfield, Minn., adult.



Outstanding State Junior Members



Front row (l to r) are: **Grace Gallatt**, Salem, Ala.; **Katheryn Ernst**, Windsor, Colo.; **Matthew Murphy**, Douglasville, Ga.; **Jessica Lancaster**, Jerome, Idaho; **Tamar Adcock**, Assumption, Ill.; **Montana Deppe**, Maquoketa, Iowa; **Shelby Cowan**, Maple Hill, Kan.; **Kimberly Snader**, New Windsor, Md.; and **Chelsie Dobbins**, Petal, Miss. Back row (l to r) are: **Kimberly Huwaldt**, Osmond, Neb.; **AJ Stahoski**, Hillsborough, N.J.; **Salem Sifford**, Snow Camp, N.C.; **Cameron Curry**, McAlester, Okla.; **Aleasha Howe**, Wagontown, Pa.; **Houston Hutton**, Pickens, S.C.; **Jonathan Chachere**, Dayton, Texas; and **Amanda Ash**, Newton, Wis. Not pictured are: **Amanda Bacon**, Siloam Springs, Ark.; **Hayley Miller**, Thorntown, Ind.; **Griffin Kennedy**, Baton Rouge, La.; **Raymond Gushee-Frost**, Fryeburg, Maine; **Ben Diekevers**, Grand Rapids, Mich.; **Dana Kuelbs**, Grey Eagle, Minn.; **Brett Littleton**, Keytesville, Mo.; **Sara Beanblossom**, Bradford, Ohio; **Brandt Downing**, Terrebonne, Ore.; **Daniel Fleishman**, Dayton, Va.; and **Jordan Largent**, Kaycee, Wyo.

Peewee Photography



Pictured (l to r) are: **Jewel Thompson**, Opelika, Ala., first-place peewee around the farm or ranch; **Laney Marple**, Westmoreland, Kan., first-place peewee Hereford cattle; **Clayton Hayes**, Ada, Okla., first-place peewee people; **Allison Moser**, Westmoreland, Kan., second-place peewee people; **Kya Rhodes**, Ada, Okla., second-place peewee around the farm or ranch; **Kendall Phillips**, Tulsa, Okla., second-place peewee Hereford cattle; **Kaylie Shelton**, Frederick, Md., third-place peewee people; **Saige Ward**, Laramie, Wyo., third-place peewee Hereford cattle; and **Luke Harker**, Hope, Ind., third-place peewee around the farm or ranch.

Junior Photography

Pictured (l to r) are: **Ryan Moser**, Westmoreland, Kan., first-place junior Hereford cattle; **Justin Moser**, Westmoreland, Kan., first-place junior people, and second-place Hereford cattle; **Kassidy Bremer**, Fullerton, Neb., first-place junior around the farm or ranch; **Jake Sellman**, Crawford, Neb., second-place junior around the farm or ranch, and second-place junior people; **Luke Prill**, Wichita, Kan., third-place junior around the farm or ranch; **Kinley Urbanovsky**, Ada, Okla., third-place junior Hereford cattle. Not pictured: **Wesley Denton**, Blue Rapids, Kan., third-place junior people.



Intermediate Photography



Pictured (l to r) are: **Kagney Collins**, Flanagan, Ill., first-place intermediate Hereford cattle, and third-place intermediate people; **Bridget Beran**, Claflin, Kan., first-place intermediate people, third-place intermediate Hereford cattle; **Rachael Buzanowski**, Pompeys Pillar, Mont., first-place intermediate around the farm or ranch; **Michael Larson**, Tecumseh, Okla., second-place intermediate Hereford cattle; **Bailey McKay**, Marysville, Kan., second-place intermediate people; **Brooklyn Adam**, Lathrop, Mo., third-place intermediate around the farm or ranch. Not pictured: **Aleesha Howe**, Wagontown, Pa., second-place intermediate around the farm or ranch.

Senior Photography



Pictured (l to r) are: **Megan Andersen**, Long Eddy, N.Y., first-place senior around the farm or ranch; **Tommie Mead**, Midville, Ga., second-place senior around the farm or ranch. Not pictured: **Taylor Wierzbowski**, East Aurora, N.Y., first-place senior Hereford cattle, second-place senior people; **Jaime Hanson**, Comfrey, Minn., first-place senior people.

Scrapbook



Pictured are: **Oklahoma junior members.**

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Peewee Speech



Front row (l to r) are: **Trevor Johnson**, Centerville, S.D.; **Ty Bickelhaupt**, Mt. Carroll, Ill.; **Devon Lockhart**, Bryan, Texas; **Victoria Thompson**, Opelika, Ala.; **Jewel Thompson**, Opelika, Ala.; **Kendall Phillips**, Tulsa, Okla.; **Salem Sifford**, Snow Camp, N.C.; and **Lauren Gatz**, Leona, Kan. Second row (l to r) are: **Allison Moser**, Westmoreland, Kan.; **Abigail Lewis**, Burwell, Neb.; **Paul VanDeWalle**, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; **Rianna Chaney**, Thurmont, Md.; **Sheridan Chaney**, Thurmont, Md.; **Jalyn Davis**, Maple Hill, Kan.; **Lauren Jones**, Darlington, Wis.; and **Kya Rhodes**, Ada, Okla. Not pictured: **Zaiden Annen**, Wray, Colo.; **Lizzie Schafer**, Owaneco, Ill.; **Sydney Espenscheid-Stolee**, Argyle, Wis.; **Alex Harris**, Franklin, Texas; **Madison Courtney**, Pryor, Okla.; and **Ethan Espenscheid**, Marshalltown, Iowa.

Speech

Front row (l to r) are: **Riggin Stewart**, Sterling City, Texas, first-place junior; **Justin Moser**, Westmoreland, Kan., second-place junior; and **Haley Bickelhaupt**, Mt. Carroll, Ill., third-place junior. Second row (l to r) are: **Jessica Lancaster**, Jerome, Idaho, first-place intermediate; **Brooke Cameron**, Kingfisher, Okla., second-place intermediate; and **Harley Rogers**, Hamilton, Texas, third-place intermediate. Third row (l to r) are: **Amanda Bacon**, Siloam Springs, Ark., first-place senior; and **Chandler Mulvaney**, Opelika, Ala., second-place senior. Not pictured: **Rossie Blinson**, Buies Creek, N.C., third-place senior. Also pictured is Paula Acheson, NHW board member.



Extemporaneous Speech



Pictured (l to r) are: **Jessica Lancaster**, Jerome, Idaho, first-place intermediate; **K.C. Barnes II**, Hulbert, Okla., second-place intermediate; **Rossie Blinson**, Buies Creek, N.C., first-place senior; **Chandler Mulvaney**, Opelika, Ala., second-place senior. Not pictured: **Jordan Paine**, Oxford, Neb., third-place.

Golden Pitchfork Award



Representatives from the state of **Kansas** accepted the Golden Pitchfork Award.

Team Marketing



First-place junior team members from Oklahoma (l to r) are: **Sydnee Gerken**, Cashion; **Kinley Urbanovsky**, Ada; and **Hallie Barnes**, Hulbert.



First-place senior team members from Nebraska (l to r) are: **Railen Ripp**, Kearney; **Katie Nolles**, Bassett; and **Maranda Kegley**, Kearney.

Hereford Bowl – Written Test



Pictured (l to r) are: **Nicholas Torrance**, Media, Ill., first-place junior; **Lauren Prill**, Wichita, Kan., first-place senior; and **Scott Chachere**, Dayton, Texas, first-place senior.

Team Fitting



First-place team fitting members from Texas (l to r) are: **Mason Allan**, Schulenburg; **Jonathan Chachere**, Dayton; and **J.D. Schnitker**, Turkey.

Poster



Front row (l to r) are: **Kya Rhodes**, Ada, Okla., first-place peewee; **Jalyn Davis**, Maple Hill, Kan., second-place peewee; and **Clayton Hayes**, Ada, Okla., third-place peewee. Second row (l to r) are: **Lauren McMillan**, Ohio, Ill., first-place junior; **Kinley Urbanovsky**, Ada, Okla., second-place junior; and **Cobie Hufnagel**, Luther, Okla., third-place junior.

Hereford Bowl



First-place junior team from Oklahoma (l to r) are: **Amy Larson**, Tecumseh; **Blakelee Hayes**, Ada; **Hallie Barnes**, Hulbert; and **Katelyn Jones**, Thomas.



First-place senior team from Texas (l to r) are: **Koby Rogers**, Hamilton; **Scott Chachere**, Dayton; **Jonathan Chachere**, Dayton; and **Harrison Smith**, Gatesville.