

Juniors Compete In National Contests

More than 650 youth and their families gathered at the 14th annual 2013 VitaFerm® Junior National Hereford Expo in Kansas City, Mo., July 14-21, to show and celebrate the Hereford breed.

In addition to the cattle show, juniors and adults competed in more than 23 skill-based contests ranging from livestock judging to team fitting, and even a 3-on-3 basketball tournament.

Contest winners are as follows:

Hereford Idol



Mason and Rossie Blinson, Buies Creek, N.C., first-place senior.



Adam Cook, Greenbrier, Ark., first-place junior.

Creative Arts

Pictured is Karstyn Cantrell, Collinsville, Okla., third-place peewee. Not pictured are pre-peewee winners: Madison Diezi, Wallis, Texas, first; Cierra Collins, Frederick, Okla., second; and Kendall Phillips, Tulsa, Okla., third; peewee winners: Mason Allan, Schulenburg, Texas, first; and Samuel Birdsall, Homer, N.Y., second; and junior winners: Lauren McMillan, Tiskilwa, Ill., first; Garrett Phelps, Grandview, Texas, second; and Madeline Loewe, Lennox, S.D., third.



3-on-3 Basketball



Front row (l to r) are: champion peewee team members from Illinois: **Logan Rhoads**, Paris, **Wade Allen**, Quincy, **Colton Peterson**, Roanoke, and **Ty Bickelhaupt**, Mt. Carroll. Second row (l to r) champion junior team members from Illinois: **Morgan Lowderman**, Macomb; **Korbin Collins**, Flanagan; **Payton Farmer**, Brownstown, Ind.; and **Noah Benedict**, Dewey. Third row (l to r): champion intermediate team members from Kansas: **Seth McKay**, Marysville; **Allen Dorrell**, Highland; and **Casey Jensen**, Courtland; and champion senior team members from Indiana: **Jarod Gearhart**, Hope; **David Fosbrink**, Columbus; and **John Thomas Heyl**, Waynetown.

Creative Design



Pictured (l to r) are: **Lisa Reid**, Brighton, Colo., first-place senior; **Rachael Buzanowski**, Pompeys Pillar, Mont., first-place intermediate; **Kristin Bielema**, Ada, Mich., second-place senior; **Micaela Horn**, Everton, Ark., second-place intermediate; and **Chesera Ezell**, St. Joe, Ark., third-place senior.

Hereford Grill-off

Champion team members from Texas (l to r) are: **Randi Williams**, Dublin; **Devon Lockhart**, Bryan; **Mason Allan**, Schulenburg; **Brody Rogers**, Hamilton; **Maggie Chaffin**, Morgan; and **Audrey Nolan**, Longview.



Koby Rogers, Hamilton, Texas, first-place individual winner.



Livestock Judging — Individuals



Front row is: **Grant Helsing**, Germantown, Ohio, second-place peewee. Second row (l to r) are: **Hannah Neil**, Northfield, Minn., first-place junior. **Keayla Harr**, Jeromesville, Ohio, second-place intermediate; and **Kagney Collins**, Flanagan, Ill., third-place intermediate. Third row (l to r) are: **Nick Delaney**, Lake Benton, Minn., first-place senior; **Seely Sayre**, Arenzville, Ill., second-place senior; and **Curtis Curry**, McAlester, Okla., third-place open. Not pictured are: **Ty Lietzau**, Sparta, Wis., first-place peewee; **Dayson Schacher**, Nazareth, Texas, third-place peewee; **Randi Williams**, Dublin, Texas, second-place junior; **Wyatt Debnam**, Gaithersburg, Md., third-place junior; **Cade Kanode**, Windsor, Colo., first-place intermediate; **Jon Dilworth**, Goodhue, Minn., third-place senior; **Steven Curry**, McAlester, Okla., first-place open; **Joel Birdwell**, Kingfisher, Okla., second-place open.

Livestock Judging — Teams



Front row are: **Lauren Jones**, Darlington, first-place peewee team from Wisconsin; and **Blakelee Hayes**, Ada, first-place junior team from Oklahoma. First-place intermediate team from Illinois (second row, l to r) are: **Rianna Branch**, Salem; **Kendi Sayre**, Arenzville; and **Kagney Collins**, Flanagan. Back row (l to r) are: first-place senior team from Minnesota: **Nick Delaney**, Lake Benton; **Tony Marhaler**, Hastings; and **Dana Kuelbs**, Grey Eagle; and first-place open team from Oklahoma member: **Curtis Curry**, McAlester. Not pictured are: **Ty and Jaydon Lietzau**, Sparta, Wis., peewee; **Brock Courtney**, Pryor, Okla., junior; **Bridget Kemp**, Adair, Okla., junior; **Jake Sims**, Edmond, Okla., junior; and **Jon Dilworth**, Goodhue, Minn., senior.

Outstanding State Junior Members



Pictured (front row, l to r) are: **Amanda Bacon**, Siloam Springs, Ark.; **Gabe Brogden**, Irwinton, Ga.; **Emilee Holt**, Caldwell, Idaho; **Taryn Adcock**, Assumption, Ill.; **Cody Jensen**, Courtland, Kan.; **Kelsey Steketee**, Caledonia, Mich.; and **Brianne Abramovitz**, Columbia, Mo. Back row (l to r) are: **Rachael Buzanowski**, Pompeys Pillar, Mont.; **Rossie Blinson**, Buies Creek, N.C.; **Chase Billing**, Greendell, N.J.; **Keayla Harr**, Jeromesville, Ohio; **Cameron Curry**, McAlester, Okla.; **Shelby Rogers**, Hamilton, Texas; **Ashlee Eatherton**, Castle Rock, Wash.; and **Diedra Payne**, East Troy, Wis.. Not pictured are: **Locke St. John**, Pell City, Ala.; **Bailey Morrell**, Willows, Calif.; **Kevin Ernst**, Windsor, Colo.; **Kurtis Pepin**, Goshen, Conn.; **Ella Meyer**, Keswick, Iowa; **Shelby Zink**, Oxford, Ind.; **Austin Mathney**, Mays Lick, Ky.; **Griffin Kennedy**, Baton Rouge, La.; **Kyle Lemmon**, Manchester, Md.; **Phillip Clair**, Fryeburg, Maine; **Nick Delaney**, Lake Benton, Minn.; **Chelsie Dobbins**, Petal, Miss.; **Quin Rutt**, Campbell, Neb.; **Anna Fredrickson**, Wolfeboro, N.H.; **Jordan Spindle**, Moriarty, N.M.; **James Held**, Orchard Park, N.Y.; **Nigel Howe**, Wagontown, Pa.; **Kelsey Repping**, Mitchell, S.D.; **Alyssa Fee**, Jackson, Tenn.; and **Olivia Williams**, Fairfield, Va.



Peewee Photography

Pictured (l to r) are: **Clayton Hayes**, Ada, Okla., first-place Hereford enhanced; **Waylon Lee**, Wellington, Ill., first-place people; **Sheridan Chaney**, Ellwood, Neb., second-place Hereford cattle; **Allison Moser**, Westmoreland, Kan., second-place Hereford enhanced; **Rianna Chaney**, Elwood, Neb., third-place Hereford cattle; **Dakota Gillig**, Blue Rapids, Kan., third-place people; and **Lauren Gatz**, Leona, Kan., third-place Hereford enhanced. Not pictured: **Laney Marple**, Westmoreland, Kan., first-place Hereford cattle; **Victoria Thompson**, Opelika, Ala., second-place people.



Junior Photography



Pictured (front row, l to r) are: **Kiley Weir**, Siloam Springs, Ark., first-place people; **Ryan Moser**, Westmoreland, Kan., first-place Hereford enhanced; and **Wesley Denton**, Blue Rapids, Kan., first-place Hereford cattle and third-place people. Second row (l to r) are: **Luke Harker**, Hope, Ind., second-place Hereford enhanced; **Tyler Coleman**, Modesto, Calif., second-place Hereford cattle; **Ben Jensen**, Courtland, Kan., second-place people; **Lauren McMillan**, Tiskilwa, Ill., third-place Hereford enhanced; and **Jake Sellman**, Crawford, Neb., third-place Hereford cattle.

Intermediate Photography



Pictured (front row, l to r) are: **Michael Larson**, Tecumseh, Okla., first-place people, third-place Hereford cattle; **Rachael Buzanowski**, Pompeys Pillar, Mont., first-place Hereford enhanced; **Brooklyn Adam**, Lathrop, Mo., first-place Hereford cattle; **Justin Moser**, Westmoreland, Kan., second-place Hereford cattle, second-place people, second-place Hereford enhanced; and **Brooke Jensen**, Courtland, Kan., third-place people.

Senior Photography



Pictured (l to r) are: **Lisa Reid**, Brighton, Colo., first-place people; **Amanda Bacon**, Siloam Springs, Ark., first-place Hereford cattle; **Bridget Beran**, Claflin, Kan., third-place people; and **Melissa Grimmell**, Jarrettsville, Md., second-place Hereford cattle, second-place Hereford enhanced. Not pictured is: **Brianne Abramovitz**, Columbia, Mo., first-place Hereford enhanced, second-place people, and third-place Hereford cattle.

Poster



Pictured (front row, l to r) are: **Clayton Hayes**, Ada, Okla., first-place peewee; **Reagan Dunn**, Cochran, Pa., second-place peewee; **Lauren Gatz**, Leona, Kan., third-place peewee. Second row (l to r) is: **Madeline Loewe**, Lennox, S.D., first-place junior; **Cobie Hufnagel**, Luther, Okla., second-place junior; and **Whitney Walker**, Prairie Grove, Ark., third-place junior.



Peewee Speech



Pictured (l to r) are: **Allison Moser**, Westermoreland, Kan.; **Devon Lockhart**, Bryan, Texas; **Kendall Philips**, Tulsa, Okla.; **Kya Rhodes**, Ada, Okla.; **Lauren Gatz**, Leona, Kan.; **Lauren Jones**, Darlington, Wis.; **Rianna** and **Sheridan Chaney**, Elwood, Neb.; **Ty Bickelhaupt**, Mount Carroll, Ill.; **Waylon Lee**, Wellington, Ill.; **Samantha Diezi**, Wallis, Texas; **Jayln Davis**, Maple Hill, Kan.; and **Alex Harris**, Eudora, Kan. Not pictured are: **Catelyn Walker**, Prairie Grove, Ark.; **Cooper Coffelt**, Whitney, Texas; **Emilee Munchrach**; **Mason Leifeste**, Cameron, Texas; **Sam Birdsall**, Homer, N.Y.; **Tate Johnson**, Centerville, S.D.; **T.R. Putz**, Otley, Iowa; and **Tyler Rasmussen**, Elkton, S.D.

Illustrated Speech



Pictured (front row, l to r) are: **William Diezi**, Wallis, Texas, first-place junior; **Wesley Denton**, Blue Rapids, Kan., second-place junior; and **Abigail Greiman**, Pery, Iowa, third-place junior. Second row (l to r) is: **Katie Nolles**, Bassett, Neb., first-place intermediate; **Will Clark**, Rogers, Ark., second-place intermediate; **Lisa Reid**, Brighton, Colo., first-place senior; and **Jackson Alexander**, Anadarko, Okla., second-place senior. Not pictured are: **Chandler Mulvaney**, Opelika, Ala., third-place senior; and **Micah Mueggenborg**, Kingfisher, Okla., third-place intermediate.

Extemporaneous Speech



Pictured (l to r) are: **Mason Blinson**, Buies Creek, N.C., first-place intermediate; **K.C. Barnes II**, Hulbert, Okla., second-place intermediate; **Brooke Jensen**, Courtland, Kan., third-place intermediate; **Rossie Blinson**, Buies Creek, N.C., first-place senior; **Amanda Bacon**, Siloam Springs, Ark., second-place senior; and **Blake Voss**, Beaufort, Mo., third-place senior.

Scrapbook



Pictured are: **Texas junior members.**



Hereford Bowl

Hereford Bowl Written Test



Pictured are the members of the first-place junior team from the state of Iowa (l to r): **Abby Greiman**, Perry; **Peyton** and **Logan Schmitt**, Nichols; and **Haley Greiman**, Perry.



Pictured are the members of the first-place senior team from the state of Arkansas (l to r): **Andrew Cook**, Greenbrier; **Faith Bomstad**, Siloam Springs; **Amanda Bacon**, Siloam Springs; and **Jackson Alexander**, Anadarko, Okla.



Pictured (l to r) are: **Gabrielle Torrance**, Media, Ill., first-place junior; **Hallie Barnes**, Hulbert, Okla., first-place senior.

Team Marketing

Team Fitting



First-place junior team members from Kansas (l to r) are: **Luke Prill**, Wichita; **Wesley Denton**, Blue Rapids; and **Ben Jensen**, Courtland.



First-place team fitting members from Iowa (l to r) are: **Payton Vogel**, Hartley; **T.R. Putz**, Otley; and **Cody Vogel**, Hartley.



First-place senior team members from Nebraska (l to r) are: **Kim Huwaldt**, Osmond; **Carlee Meeks**, Taylor; and **Jackie Lewis**, Burwell.

Golden Pitchfork Award



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