

# 2011 Annual Meeting Planned

AHA members will meet in Kansas City Oct. 28-30 to conduct Association business.

Members of the American Hereford Association (AHA) will be in Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 28-30 for the 2011 Annual Meeting.

A new schedule of events and a venue change is planned for this year's event. The Hyatt Regency Crown Center, located at 2345 McGee St., will host the event. The hotel is conveniently connected via a glass-enclosed skywalk to the Crown Center Complex, which is home to more than 60 shops and restaurants.

Friday morning, new members are invited to the AHA office for a chance to tour the headquarters, visit with AHA staff about services and discuss any questions. Reservations are requested for this event. To

reserve your space at the orientation, contact Mary Ellen Hummel at 816-842-3757 or [mhummel@hereford.org](mailto:mhummel@hereford.org).

Friday afternoon an educational forum will be at the Hyatt, followed by a "Hereford Homecoming" reception. The educational forum will focus on genomics, basics about expected progeny differences and reproduction.

## Saturday highlights

Saturday the Annual Membership Meeting, which is open to the public, will start at 9 a.m. Association members selected 134 delegates to conduct the Association's business and to elect three members to serve on the AHA Board of Directors.

The six Board candidates are David DeLong, Earlville, Ill.; Fred Larson, Spring Valley, Wis.; Les Midla, Marianna, Pa.; David Schubel, Medina, N.Y.; David Trowbridge, Tabor, Iowa; and Eric Walker, Morrison, Tenn. Candidate profiles start below and a list of delegates starts on Page 27.

The Association's Annual Report will be presented and distributed during the Annual Membership Meeting along with other reports on activities within the Association, Hereford Publications Inc., Certified Hereford Beef (CHB) LLC and the Hereford Youth Foundation of America (HYFA).

This year's Hereford Heritage Hall of Fame and Hereford Hall of Merit recipients will also be recognized.

Buses will be available to shuttle attendees to the American Royal complex for the Ladies of the Royal Sale, which will start at 3 p.m.

AHA has seats blocked for the American Royal Rodeo Saturday night featuring Reba McEntire at the Sprint Center. To purchase seats in the block, contact Mary Ellen Hummel at 816-842-3757. Shuttle service will be available to the Sprint Center.

## Herefords in the ring

Sunday the junior Hereford show will begin at 8 a.m. at the American Royal complex. The junior show judge will be Robert Alden, Hamilton, Mo. The National Hereford Show, judged by Jeff Gooden, Iberia, Mo., will follow the junior show.

Between the female and bull shows, 2010-11 National Show Award winners will be recognized.

Prior to the selection of the champion bull the 2011-12 National Hereford Queen will be crowned.

At 9 a.m. the AHA Board of Directors will be available in the American Royal Governor's Room at the American Royal complex to answer questions about the Association and its programs.

For those who can't make the trip to Kansas City, show results will be available online at [Hereford.org](http://Hereford.org). **HW**



## Schedule of Events

(subject to change)

### Friday, October 28

- 9 a.m. New member orientation, *AHA Headquarters*
- 1 p.m. Educational Forum, *Hyatt Regency Crown Center*  
Hereford Genomics Update — Dorian Garrick  
EPD Basics — Matt Spangler  
Getting 'Em Bred — Bill Beal
- 4 p.m. National Hereford Women (NHW) board meeting, *Hyatt Regency Crown Center*
- 6 p.m. Hereford Homecoming reception, *Hyatt Regency Crown Center*

### Saturday, October 29

- 9 a.m. Annual Meeting, *Hyatt Regency Crown Center*
- 1 p.m. NHW Annual Meeting, *Hyatt Regency Crown Center*
- 3 p.m. Ladies of the Royal Sale, *American Royal Complex Wagstaff Sale Arena*
- 7:30 p.m. American Royal Rodeo and Reba, *Sprint Center*

### Sunday, October 30

- 8 a.m. National Hereford Show, *American Royal Complex*
- 9 a.m. Board Q&A Session, *American Royal Complex Governors Room*

## Headquarter Hotel Hyatt Regency Crown Center

2345 McGee St., Kansas City, Mo. 64108

816-421-1234 or 800-233-1234

<http://www.Hyatt.com>

Room rate: \$95

Reservations need to be made by Oct. 7

All reservations must be made on or before the cutoff date. Ask for the American Hereford Association rate when making reservations.

# Six Contending for AHA Board

The American Hereford Association (AHA) nominating committee has announced six Hereford breeders vying for positions on the AHA Board.



**David DeLong**

David DeLong of DeLHawk Cattle Co., Earlville, Ill., has had a passion for the Hereford business since his youth. His first experience with Herefords was as a 4-H

project. His children continued the tradition of showing Herefords as youth, and then in 2008 David and his wife, Marcia, started DeLHawk Cattle Co. along with manager Tom Hawk. DeLHawk has cattle at the Earlville headquarters as well as Janesville, Wis., where David lives.

The current DeLHawk herd is approximately 60 purebred Hereford cows and 60 commercial cows. David and Tom strive to produce cattle that will provide genetics to improve their herd maternally and paternally as well as have the ability to perform well in the showring.

They market heifer calves for junior show programs and help juniors achieve their goals of having performance and longevity in their cow herds. They also strive to provide bulls to their customers that will allow the customers

to produce the same type and kind for their individual programs.

David is a past president and director for the Wisconsin Hereford Association (WHA) and served on the executive committee for the 2005 Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE). He has served as treasurer for the World Beef Expo and is currently treasurer of the Wisconsin Cattlemen's Association. He is also a member of the Illinois Polled Hereford Association and the Illinois Hereford Association.

He is a past director of the National Ag Retailers Association and a past agricultural representative to the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

Throughout high school and college, David worked at his family business — The DeLong Co. Inc. The company comprises six divisions: agronomy, grain, seed, wholesale feed, transportation and international export. In 1978 David was elected to the board of directors. In 1982 he became manager of the agronomy division and was elected vice president, and since 1994 he has served as president.

David and Marcia have two married daughters, a son and four grandchildren.



## Fred Larson

A Hereford breeder since birth, Fred Larson of Spring Valley, Wis., began his involvement with the Hereford breed as a junior member participating in the junior national and other Hereford youth activities.

Larson Hereford Farms began in the 1870s as a diversified livestock farm. Registered Herefords were purchased in the 1940s. The third, fourth and fifth generations now make their livings by marketing 45 bulls and 35-50 females by private treaty annually and feeding out 70 steers. The Larson family hosted the Genetic Selection Sale in 2011. They maintain an inventory of 230 registered Hereford breeding females. Several hundred acres of corn, soybeans and oats, as well as all of the hay, are grown for feed and as cash crops.

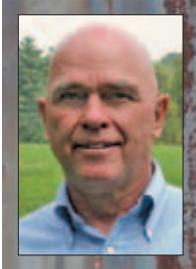
The Larsons have been performance testing since the 1960s. They incorporated artificial insemination (AI) into their breeding program in the '70s and embryo transfer (ET) in 1983. The Larsons' No. 1 goal is to provide their customers with problem-free breeding stock that will surpass performance expectations in practical conditions.

Fred has served several terms as a director and president of the Indianhead Polled Hereford Association and the WHA.

He and his wife, Lori, have been Wisconsin junior advisors, and he served on the executive committee for the 2005 JNHE. Their children have participated in 13 junior nationals/JNHEs, and they have exhibited animals across North America and participated in many local, state and national association sponsored sales.

Fred is a lifelong member of the Spring Valley Congregational Church and is a several time board of trustees and board of deacons member and chairman. Fred has served as Spring Lake Township Land Use commissioner and a 4-H club beef leader and is a 15-year member of Pierce County Animal Livestock Committee and several time chairman.

Fred and Lori have two sons, Justin and Easten.



## Les Midla

Pennsylvania Hereford breeder Les Midla's family has been in the Hereford business since the 1950s. The Flat Stone Lick herd is located near Marianna, and is a Gold Total

Performance Records (TPR) herd.

Les utilizes artificial insemination (AI) to produce easy keeping Herefords with modestly positive, but balanced, expected progeny differences (EPDs). Each year about 75% of the herd has an AI-sired calf in a closed season.

Today Les and his son, Brendan, manage the farm. The father-son team strives to market problem-free young pairs and a few bulls to both commercial and registered herds with the goal of improving the quality and marketability of those herds. The Midlas participate in sales in Pennsylvania and Kentucky and occasionally in surrounding states.

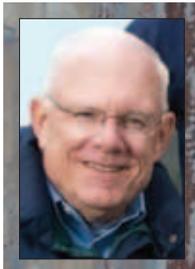
Les has been a Pennsylvania Hereford Association board member for 37 years, serving several terms as president and currently serving as secretary and sale manager. He was also a Mason-Dixon Hereford Association charter

board member and served several terms as president. He is a past board member of the West Virginia Hereford Association and has served on the AHA nominating committee.

Outside the Hereford industry, he has served on the County Planning Commission board for 30 years, including several terms as president. In this role he helped develop a strategic plan for the county and transition it from a rust belt area to a progressive position. He has been a parish council member for 28 years and has also served the council as president and has been a Farm Bureau state delegate and legislative committee member.

Owning a small town dental practice for 38 years, Les has served on the Western Pennsylvania Dental Society 1,600-member board for 30 years and has been a state delegate to the Pennsylvania Dental Society since 1973. He has chaired the ethics committee and has served on various task forces.

Les and his wife, Nancy, have two married children and five grandchildren.



## David Schubel

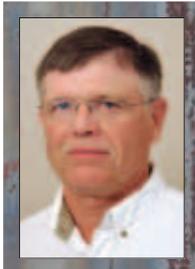
David Schubel, Medina, N.Y., is a partner in SK Herefords LLC with Phil and Dawn Keppler. The SK herd includes 300 cows, with approximately 100 registered Herefords.

Their commercial cows are Herefords and red and black baldies. Prior to forming the partnership with the Kepplers, David had his own herd — Schubel Herefords — from 1986-1996.

Today, David and the Kepplers retain ownership of their calf crop not sold for breeding stock and feed the calves out in their own facility. They also produce corn and forge sufficient for their herd's needs.

David has been a member of AHA and the New York Hereford Association since 1986. He's also a member of the New York Beef Producers Association, having held numerous offices, and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA). He's been a member of the NCBA beef production research committee and the New York Beef Industry Council, serving as secretary/treasurer and vice president. He has been a member of the Cattlemen's Beef Board (CBB), serving on the joint human nutrition research committee and joint evaluation committee, which he chaired in 2010.

He is also involved in his church, Trinity Lutheran Church, and with various local charities.



## David Trowbridge

David Trowbridge, Tabor, Iowa, has been involved in all facets of the beef industry. In 2004 David and Mike England started Beef Resources Partnership (BRP) with a few Felton

cows after a lifetime of being in the cattle business. David has been manager at Gregory Feedlots Inc. since graduating from University of Nebraska in 1977.

The BRP herd includes 50 to 60 cows split between a fall and spring herd. BRP maintains a herd of moderate-frame cows with excellent udders and strives to maintain a young herd with a high percentage of Dams of Distinction.

David and Mike ultrasound test all animals, collect carcass data on all culls, feed efficiency

test all of their breeding stock and have been doing some DNA testing. BRP is a Gold TPR Breeder and its marketing goals are to produce the highest performance animals possible with the greatest carcass values in the Hereford breed.

David serves on the Iowa Hereford Breeders Association board and has been active in many organizations involved in the cattle business and cattle feeding in Iowa. He is currently an Iowa Cattleman's Association director.

He has traveled to several states as a representative of the Tri-County Steer Carcass Futurity and Gregory Feedlots to speak about the beef industry, cattle feeding and cattle management at cattlemen's meetings and commercial producers' seminars. David has worked with commercial and seedstock producers to maximize the performance and value of their cattle.

At Gregory Feedlot David was recognized by Certified Angus Beef (CAB) as the Quality Assurance Officer of the Year in 2004, and under his management Gregory Feedlot was awarded the CAB Small Feedlot Partner of the Year in 2002 and the Progressive Partner of the Year 2011.

David and his wife, Mary, have three sons, two daughters and five grandchildren.



## Eric Walker

Eric Walker of Morrison, Tenn., inherited the love of the Hereford breed from his father, Sam Walker, who was a weighmaster at the local stockyard and raised commercial

Hereford cattle. In 1981 Eric purchased his first registered Hereford, and now, 30 years later, he owns and manages a herd of 125 registered Hereford cows.

He has utilized AI since 1982 and ET since 1989. He has collected ultrasound data since 1999. His farm has hosted 16 production sales since 1986. The Walker program has bred class winners and champions at shows on a local, state and national level. Walker genetics have been sold in 32 states, as well as Canada, Mexico and the United Kingdom.

The Walker cow herd utilizes approximately 500 acres of his total 1,100-acre farming operation. The remaining 600 acres are used for the production of shade and ornamental trees and shrubs that supply products for Walker Nursery Co. Eric is the sole proprietor of Walker Nursery Co., and he sells and markets his products to the landscape and retail green industry, shipping to 35 different states.

Eric is a member of the Middle and East Tennessee Hereford Associations, as well as a member of the Tennessee and Warren County Cattlemen's Associations. He has been a director and president of the Tennessee Polled Hereford Association. He has served twice on the AHA nominating committee and has been a delegate to the AHA Annual Membership Meeting for several years. He is also a past president of the Tennessee Nursery and Landscape Association and currently serves as secretary for the Regional Planning Commission Board for the town of Morrison.

Eric and his family — wife, Rhonda; son, Cody; and a stepson, Casey — are members of the Central Church of Christ in McMinnville.

## All six candidates had a chance to respond to three questions. Below are the questions and the candidates' responses.

### Why are you running for the Board?

**DeLong:** I would like to help continue the incredible growth of the Hereford breed and our Association that we have witnessed in recent years. I would like to learn more about the day-to-day operations of the AHA and offer my business experience to best serve the membership.

**Larson:** The opportunity for Herefords and Hereford breeders is exceptional and for agriculture in general. This breed holds a special place in my heart, and I want to do all I can to protect its heritage and help to carefully move it toward the bright horizon. We've all worked hard, sacrificed and invested to reach the point we're at today. We need to keep working to strengthen our position, eliminate negatives and recapture the prominence in our industry that all of our efforts have made possible. Herefords should be the top-of-mind breed for our commercial customers when they are considering their next move.

**Midla:** I have a passion for the Hereford breed which I renew every day. At this critical point in time, there are opportunities for the breed. I am at a point in my life where I would like to give back and help meet the challenges it takes to move the breed into a stronger position within the beef industry.

**Schubel:** Having bred Hereford cattle for upwards of 25 years, now more than ever, I am a passionate believer in the functionality of the breed, which enables all segments of producers to realize profits in their respective operations. I would like the opportunity to play a role in shaping Association programming to encourage high-quality genetics that fit the different geographic areas where cattle are produced, balanced against the need for cow-calf producers to have profit as their highest priority.

**Trowbridge:** I am running for the Board because I have a unique view of and perspective on the beef industry. I have 35 years of working with cattlemen and producing the highest quality product. I believe that the Hereford breed is poised to make a historic move to regain its position as a leader in the beef industry. I know that the Hereford breed can be a performance leader in all areas of production. I know that I can bring some fresh and innovative ideas to the Board.

**Walker:** I feel it would be an honor and privilege to represent the Southeast region on the national board. I want to be a part of the exciting times that our breed is having now and in the future. I have been breeding Hereford cattle for 30 years, and it's time to give back to the Association that has been so good to me.

### What are some goals or ideas you have for the Association?

**DeLong:** My goal would be to serve the membership and help them voice their ideas and concerns.

**Larson:** One goal we should all share is to make the AHA the most technologically advanced breed association out there. Technology is changing the industry daily, whether it be measuring performance, identifying positive or negative genetics, using computerized records or expanding online sales potential. We don't need or want to force anyone into using today's newest tools, but it would benefit us all to move forward as quickly as possible when these technologies prove reliable and of value to our members.

**Midla:** Goals fit into two categories, those for the organization and those for the breed. My goals for the AHA as an organization would be:

- to increase registrations (which are its financial lifeline)
- to attract new members
- to help change the perception of Herefords more favorably within the industry to gain market share
- and more than ever, to get young breeders involved and influence them to have an ongoing presence within the breed.

For the Hereford breed, the priority is to continue to increase the number of genetically superior seedstock that are right for the times and free of defects. We must then use these animals to build consistency, beyond what we currently have, throughout purebred herds.

**Schubel:** Continued interaction by the AHA with the USDA MARC (U.S. Department of Agriculture Meat Animal Research Center), BIF (Beef Improvement Federation) and NBCEC (*National Beef Cattle Evaluation Consortium*) is critical to ensuring the Hereford breed stays relevant and profitable. Additionally, the AHA needs, to a limited extent, to make information available to the members concerning human nutrition and consumer demand determinates so breeders and producers are sensitized as to what consumers want when they purchase our product.

**Trowbridge:** My main goal is to define our product. I believe this means producing the highest quality food product possible, which will translate into marketing more breeding stock. The goal of the Association is to bring Hereford genetics into the main mindset of producers as the breed to use in a crossbreeding program. This will require a multiple-step approach:

- Educate commercial producers
- Educate Hereford seedstock producers
- Establish CHB (Certified Hereford Beef®) as a self-supporting high-end product in destination outlets
- Produce proven genetics that producers want
- Make possible premiums for Hereford feeders and finished cattle
- Research real world production of Hereford cattle

- Establish predictability of Hereford genetics through DNA research and technology

My plan is to achieve these goals by educating and focusing our members on the fact that we are producing food. Beef is the highest quality protein source and the most desired food product in the world. If we are the most efficient, productive, predictable breed and produce the highest quality food product, we will control and increase our market share of breeding stock.

**Walker:** One goal would be to increase our market share in the bull market. With the nation's cow herd still predominately black, we need to continue to promote Herefords as a crossbreeding tool. If we have a larger market share of the bull market, we would be guaranteed more whitefaced animals that would qualify for CHB and help that program continue to grow.

We must always take into consideration that an association is only as strong as its membership. We must always be on the lookout for ways to grow our number of members. I hope, as board member, I can help derive ideas and innovations to offer our membership.

Our junior association is one of the top organizations in this country. All breeders need to support our kids and help them continue a strong presence in the beef industry. They are our future leaders.

### What is the biggest issue the AHA will face in the next five to 10 years. How does the board prepare to face that issue?

**DeLong:** I think two issues we face as an association are how to continually improve our breed and our position in the market and how to use technology to keep our members informed and involved so that they see the value in their membership with the AHA.

**Larson:** As we look ahead at the potential growth for our breed, the challenge of providing genetics that will exceed our customers' demands and expectations and eliminating any defects presents itself. I'm positive we can do it, but we can't be short-sighted in our attempts to meet that demand. We've survived some lean times, and we would be wise to take care to protect all that we've accomplished by maintaining standards and not cutting corners. The field of genomics can be an enormous help in that regard. As new tests are developed, we need to utilize the technology to move ourselves forward. We also need to keep the costs low enough that breeders will use these tools. There will be new issues regarding test results and/or data ownership that will need to be thoroughly researched and discussed

to be legally sound and fair to all parties involved. The AHA needs to be ahead of the curve on this issue so we all benefit from advances in genetics.

**Midla:** To be ahead of the speed at which things occur. As our data collection grows, we need to create information that is reliable and will consistently predict what a breeder can best use and adopt. The Association also must make sound decisions as we walk through the DNA research maze and be vigilant with funding, expectations, possible outcomes and, finally, how to apply what we learn. We must use cutting-edge science to take us in the right direction while remaining true to our Hereford roots.

**Schubel:** Can we combine phenotypic performance information with gene level DNA information to come up with "DNA-enhanced EPDs"? If so, is it worth the cost? Who is going to do it? Who is going to be the service provider to the breeders?

**Trowbridge:** I believe that the biggest issues the AHA will have to deal with are:

- Declining cow herds in the U.S. and tighter markets for breeding stock
- Increasing production costs in all facets of the production chain.

I know that the answer to both of these issues is education and research. The AHA has to prove to producers that the Hereford breed has a predominate place in all aspects of the cattle industry.

**Walker:** One of the biggest issues I feel we as breeders will be facing in the future is government regulations. We must stay informed of what is going on in our local, state and national government. We must educate non-farm people about who we are and what we produce. As animal activists become more widespread, we must be prepared to face their challenges.

Genomics is playing a major role in the development of our breed. We must always strive for breed purity and rid our breed of any animals with genetic defects. I applaud our current Board for adopting the policy for DNA sire testing. **BW**

# Hereford Women to meet in KC

Members of the National Hereford Women (NHW) will join in Kansas City Oct. 28-29 to celebrate NHW's second birthday.

The weekend events will kick off on Friday, Oct. 28, at 4 p.m. with the NHW board meeting at the Hyatt Regency Crown Center. Queen candidates will have an orientation Friday at 5 p.m. and interviews will be Saturday at 9 a.m.

The NHW annual membership meeting will be 1 p.m. Saturday at the Hyatt. The meeting will include the introduction of National Hereford Queen candidates, the election of

## National Hereford Women

directors, a general business meeting and the announcement of NHW's Outstanding Woman for 2011.

NHW members are encouraged to attend the AHA Annual Membership Meeting prior to the meeting, which will also be at the Hyatt.

Saturday during the Ladies of the Royal Sale, the new 2011 NHW original commissioned artwork, a cow-calf pair titled "Secrets," by

Amanda Peak Raithel will be part of the fundraiser auction. Proceeds from the original artwork will be split between NHW and Hereford Youth Foundation

of America in support of youth programs managed by each of these organizations.

For more information about the events, contact NHW co-presidents Susan Gebhart at susan.gebhart@cmmglobal.com, Cheryl Evans at eehje@dixie-net.com or Mary Ann Berg at maryannberg2003@yahoo.com. **HW**

# Delegates

## ALABAMA

**Glynn Debter**  
Debter Hereford Farm  
Horton, Ala.

*One delegate to be determined.*

## ARKANSAS

**Phillip Moon**  
Phillip A. Moon & Lisa D.  
Sparrow  
Harrison, Ark.

**Scott Sullivan**  
Triple S Ranch  
DeQueen, Ark.

## CALIFORNIA

**Jim Mickelson**  
Sonoma Mountain Herefords  
Santa Rosa, Calif.

**Loren Mrnak**  
Mrnak Herefords West  
Whitmore, Calif.

**Gino Pedretti**  
El Nido, Calif.

## COLORADO

**Kenneth Coleman**  
Coleman Herefords  
Westcliffe, Colo.

**Jane Evans Cornelius**  
Coyote Ridge Ranch  
Lasalle, Colo.

**Bryan Sidwell**  
Sidwell Herefords  
Carr, Colo.

## GEORGIA

**George Allen**  
TNB Herefords  
Hull, Ga.

**Ray Hicks**  
Visionary Cattle  
Statesboro, Ga.

*One delegate to be determined.*

## IDAHO

**Guy Colyer**  
Colyer Herefords  
Bruneau, Idaho

**Katie Colyer**  
Bruneau, Idaho

**Greg Shaw**  
Shaw Cattle Co. Inc.  
Caldwell, Idaho

**Tom Wiseman**  
Eagle Canyon Ranch  
Buhl, Idaho

## ILLINOIS

**Steve Lorenzen**  
Lorenzen Farms  
Chrisman, Ill.

**Jack Lowderman**  
Lowderman Cattle Co.  
Macomb, Ill.

**Kyle McMillan**  
Rustic Oaks Farm  
Ohio, Ill.

**James Milligan**  
Milligan Herefords  
Kings, Ill.

**Mark Stephens**  
Stephens Hereford Farms  
Edinburg, Ill.

## INDIANA

**Joe Carlson**  
Carlson Cattle  
Royal Center, Ind.

**Bruce Everhart**  
Everhart Farms  
Waldron, Ind.

**Bob Prince**  
Robert & Maryilyn Prince  
Poseyville, Ind.

**Ray Ramsey**  
Greenfield, Ind.

## IOWA

**Steve Landt**  
Union, Iowa

**Dave Wiese**  
Wiese & Sons  
Manning, Iowa

**Jim Kuhlman**  
Mason City, Iowa

## KANSAS

**Craig Beran**  
B&D Herefords  
Claflin, Kan.

**Ryan Breiner**  
Kansas State University  
Manhattan, Kan.

**Dean Davis**  
Davis Herefords  
Maple Hill, Kan.

**Tom Granzow**  
Granzow Herefords  
Herington, Kan.

**Glen Oleen**  
Oleen Cattle Co.  
Falun, Kan.

**Jan Oleen**  
Oleen Bros.  
Dwight, Kan.

## KENTUCKY

**Hansell Pile Jr.**  
Hansell Pile & Sons  
Cecilia, Ky.

**Tony Staples**  
TK4 Herefords  
Brandenburg, Ky.

**Ron Thomas**  
Thomas Farm  
Richmond, Ky.

## LOUISIANA

*Two delegates to be determined.*

## MICHIGAN

*Two delegates to be determined.*

## MINNESOTA

**Ross Carlson**  
Carlson Farms  
Murdock, Minn.

**Mark Frederickson**  
Frederickson Hereford Farm  
Starbuck, Minn.

**David Jones**  
Jones Farms  
Lesueur, Minn.

## MISSISSIPPI

**Jim O'Mara**  
Jackson, Miss.

*One delegate to be determined.*

## MISSOURI

**Jim Bellis**  
Jim D. &/or Carla Bellis  
Aurora, Mo.

**Marty Lueck**  
Journagan Ranch-Missouri  
State University  
Mountain Grove, Mo.

**Jim Reed**  
Reeds Farms  
Green Ridge, Mo.

**Edgar Roth**  
Roth Hereford Farm  
Windsor, Mo.

**Kenneth Staten**  
Lilac Hill  
Fayette, Mo.

**Bob Thompson**  
Glengrove Farm  
Rolla, Mo.

## MONTANA

**Mark Cooper**  
Willow Creek, Mont.

**Mark Ehlke**  
Ehlke Herefords  
Townsend, Mont.

**Jack Holden**  
Holden Herefords  
Valier, Mont.

**Fred McMurry**  
McMurry Cattle  
Billings, Mont.

**Dale Venhuizen**  
Churchill Cattle Co.  
Manhattan, Mont.

## NEBRASKA

**Doug Bolte**  
Blueberry Hill Farms Inc.  
Norfolk, Neb.

**Scott McGee**  
Valley Creek Ranch  
Fairbury, Neb.

**Brent Meeks**  
Upstream Ranch  
Taylor, Neb.

**Ronny Morgan**  
Morgan Ranch Inc.  
Burwell, Neb.

**Art Olsen**  
Olsen Ranches Inc.  
Harrisburg, Neb.

**John Ridder**  
Ridder Hereford Ranch  
Callaway, Neb.

**Kyle Rutt**  
Campbell, Neb.

**Ron Schutte**  
Alfred Schutte & Sons  
Guide Rock, Neb.

**Russ Tegtmeier**  
Clarence Tegtmeier & Sons  
Burchard, Neb.

## NEW MEXICO

**Cliff Copeland**  
Copeland & Sons LLC  
Nara Visa, N.M.

**Bill King**  
Stanley, N.M.

**NEW YORK**  
**Timothy Dennis**  
Penn Yan, N.Y.

**Ted Kriese**  
Spring Pond Farm  
Cato, N.Y.

## NORTH DAKOTA

**Roger Stuber**  
Stuber Ranch  
Bowman, N.D.

**Ryan Topp**  
Topp Herefords  
Grace City, N.D.

*Two delegates to be determined.*

## OHIO

**Doug Banks**  
Hamilton, Ohio

**Jeff Harr**  
J&L Cattle Services  
Jeromesville, Ohio

## OKLAHOMA

**Charles Buckminster**  
Charles-Nancy Buckminster  
Lahoma, Okla.

**Bob Call**  
Cby Polled Herefords  
Cushing, Okla.

**Jimmie Johnson**  
Red Hills Polled Herefords  
Clinton, Okla.

**Leon Langford**  
Langford Herefords  
Okmulgee, Okla.

**John Loewen**  
Loewen Herefords  
Waukomis, Okla.

**Eddie Sims**  
MCS Polled Herefords  
Elgin, Okla.

**Montie Soules**  
Star Lake Cattle Ranch  
Skiatook, Okla.

## OREGON

**Bob Harrell**  
Harrell Hereford Ranch  
Baker City, Ore.

**George Sprague**  
George & Karen Sprague Jr.  
Eugene, Ore.

*One delegate to be determined.*

## PENNSYLVANIA

**Les Midla**  
Flat Stone Lick  
Marianna, Pa.

**Sheila Miller**  
Womelsdorf, Pa.

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**SOUTH DAKOTA****Jerry Bischoff**

Ravine Creek Ranch  
Huron, S.D.

**Phil Eggers**

Eggers Southview Farms  
Sioux Falls, S.D.

**Keith Fawcett**

Fawcetts Elm Creek Ranch  
Ree Heights, S.D.

**Michael Fink**

Fink Polled Herefords  
Bridgewater, S.D.

**Vern Rausch**

Rausch Herefords  
Hoven, S.D.

**Steve Repenning**

Blacktop Farms  
Mitchell, S.D.

*One delegate to be determined.*

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**TENNESSEE****Mitch Ingram**

Notchey Creek Farms  
Madisonville, Tenn.

**David Parker**

Bradyville, Tenn.

**Eric Walker**

Walker Polled Hereford Farm  
Morrison, Tenn.

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**TEXAS****Gary Buchholz**

Gary & Kathy Buchholz  
Waxahachie, Texas

**Jack Chastain**

Jackie L. & Evelyn Q. Chastain  
Ft. Worth, Texas

**Mike Doyle**

Doyle Hereford Ranch  
Garland, Texas

**Jordan Glaze**

Andy Glaze  
Gilmer, Texas

**Lee Haygood**

Indian Mound Ranch  
Canadian, Texas

**Pete Johnson**

Sunny Hill Ranch  
Lufkin, Texas

**Donlie McMullin**

McMullin Ranch  
Copperas Cove, Texas

**Don Metch**

Metch Polled Herefords  
Canton, Texas

**Scott Nolan**

Nolan Herefords  
Gilmer, Texas

**Kevin Warnken**

Rockin' W Polled Herefords  
Schulenburg, Texas

**Loyd Whitehead**

L.C. Whitehead  
Menard, Texas

**Larry Woodson**

Still River Ranch  
Wolfe City, Texas

**Jay Wright**

W4 Ranch  
Morgan, Texas

*One delegate to be determined.*

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**UTAH**

*Two delegates to be determined.*

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**VIRGINIA****Rodney Phillips**

Bay Brook Farm  
Dabneys, Va.

**Robert Schaffer**

Deer Track Farm  
Spotsylvania, Va.

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**WEST VIRGINIA****Kenneth Scott**

Grandview Hereford Farm  
Beaver, W.Va.

**Michael Taylor**

Cottage Hill Farm  
Petersburg, Wyo.

*One delegate to be determined.*

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**WASHINGTON****Joe Bennett**

W.T. Bennett  
Connell, Wash.

**Bill Cox**

William P. Cox  
Pomeroy, Wash.

**Gary Ottley**

Ottley Herefords  
Quincy, Wash.

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**WISCONSIN****Steve Folkman**

Steven L. Folkman  
Ixonia, Wisc.

**Gerald Huth**

Huth Polled Herefords  
Oakfield, Wisc.

**Fred Larson**

Larson Hereford Farm  
Spring Valley, Wisc.

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**WYOMING****Dale Micheli**

Micheli Hereford Ranch  
Fort Bridger, Wyo.

**Jay, Marsha or Ashley Middleswarth**

Middleswarth Herefords  
Torrington, Wyo.

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**ARIZONA/NEVADA****Lee Hutchens Jr.**

Lee & Dianne Hutchens  
Family Trust  
Fallon, Nev.

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**CAROLINAS****Earl Forrest**

Forrest Polled Herefords  
Saluda, S.C.

**Deryl Keese**

Keese Hereford Farm  
Seneca, S.C.

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**NEW ENGLAND****Todd Russell**

Lyn-Del Farm  
Pepperell, Mass.

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**UPPER ATLANTIC**

*Two delegates to be determined.*

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