

# Don't Miss NHW Events at the American Royal

Whether you are looking forward to showing Herefords at the American Royal in Kansas City, Mo., or just need a refreshing getaway, the National Hereford Women (NHW) is hosting a variety of activities the weekend of Oct. 31 through Nov. 1.

## Annual meetings

The NHW board will gather for its meeting from 2 to 4 p.m. on Oct. 31 at the downtown Marriott. Included on the agenda will be an introduction of the state queens vying for National Hereford Queen, and the current national queen, Brooke Jensen, will give the board wrap-up remarks of her reign. An overview of NHW's activities during the 2014 Junior National Hereford Expo in Harrisburg, Pa., will help chart the course for the 2014-15 NHW year.

American Royal Hereford activities would not be complete without members attending the NHW annual membership meeting. This year's meeting is conveniently scheduled from noon to 1 p.m., or immediately following AHA's annual meeting, at the headquarters hotel. The meeting will feature a light lunch and the honoring of the 2014 Outstanding Hereford Woman.

The introduction of the new NHW board members and officers and time to chat with the state queens and our national queen are on the event's agenda. Complementary shuttle rides will be available from the hotel to the Royal following the event.

The NHW board will hold its planning meeting with old and new officers from 3 to 5 p.m., followed by all board members attending the Hereford junior show at the Royal.

## Outstanding Hereford Woman

The NHW annual meeting also features a leadership award that recognizes a most deserving Hereford woman. The 2014 NHW Outstanding Hereford Woman Award will be bestowed on a lady who has been instrumental in her state Hereford women's organization or the NHW.

This lady is often recognized for her hospitality, membership, dedication to youth, community service, and related activities in the regional and/or national arenas. This awardee is nominated by someone who believes in her and her gracious abilities. Come to NHW's annual meeting in Kansas City to find out who this year's lucky winner will be.

## Royalty prepares

The American Royal National Hereford Show is a wonderful opportunity for young women striving to be National Hereford Queen to gain more footing in the responsibilities associated with wearing the crown. The attending state queens dutifully attend training sessions, practice and participate in interview sessions, and follow the lead of the queen during the Hereford show. The queens also are requested to attend the Ladies of the Royal Sale at 2 p.m. Nov. 1. The announcement and coronation of the new queen will be prior to the selection of the champion bull on Sunday, Nov. 2.

## Membership makes sense

While you are attending the Royal weekend, it makes perfect sense to make sure your NHW annual membership dues are current. NHW's treasurer Beth Blinson will be happy to take your \$20 annual or \$400 lifetime dues during the annual meeting or other weekend Hereford activities.

The dues are specifically used to further the scholarships, awards and contests provided each year for the juniors and to bolster the queen program, including the successful

princess tea. Those of you who have had juniors participate in the scholarship and awards programs or the queen program know how valuable that \$20 is to embracing our youths' Hereford passion. Thank you, in advance, for your membership. **NHW**

## National Hereford Women

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