

★ Sidwell Named AHW Woman of the Year



Marlene Sidwell, Carr, Colo., right, is the 2007 American Hereford Women (AHW) Woman of the Year. Pictured presenting the award is Debby Mrnak, AHW board member.



Retiring directors recognized during the AHW annual meeting (pictured, l to r) are: JoAnn Lawrence, Coon Rapids, Minn.; Kay Morgan, Burwell, Neb.; and Terrill Spencer, Brewster, Neb. Not pictured is Marsha Middleswarth, Torrington, Wyo.

2006-07 AHW board of directors

(pictured front row, l to r) are: Bonnie Coley-Malir, Dublin, Ohio, president; Cheryl Evans, Winona, Miss., president-elect; Deb Carlson, Royal Center, Ind., vice president; Debby Mrnak, Bowman, N.D., secretary; Barb Wilkinson, Johnstown, Colo., treasurer; and Terrill Spencer, Brewster, Neb., past president. Back row (l to r) are: Janelle Bischoff, Huron, S.D.; Jessye Goertz, Berwyn, Neb.; Donna Curry, McAlester, Okla.; Donna Fulton, Lexington, N.C.; and Susan Turner, Rochester, Texas. Not pictured are: Gail Blagg, Grass Valley, Calif.; and Della Ehlke, Townsend, Mont.



Marlene Sidwell, Carr, Colo., is named the 2007 American Hereford Women (AHW) Woman of the Year. She was honored during the AHW annual meeting Oct. 20 in Kansas City.

Marlene is president of the Colorado Hereford Women. She served on the AHW board from 1998-2004 and was treasurer from 2000-04.

"Marlene has been a willing worker for our organization before and after the time she spent on the board," says Sylvia Moore, past AHW president from Willcox, Ariz. "She has been a true friend to all Hereford breeders. While she was on the board, she could be counted on to fulfill her responsibilities. She was always prepared to do whatever was needed to make the organization successful."

Marlene is an important part of her family's Sidwell Herefords. She helps with daily chores of ranching and has helped organize the ranch sales and tours. She assists with calving, branding and yearly trips to the National Western Stock Show. In addition to helping with the cattle, she is responsible for bookkeeping and taking photos.

"Marlene is proud to be a Hereford breeder and to continue the tradition of living on the range," says Marguerite Gies, Colorado Hereford Auxiliary secretary from Eaton, Colo.

A Colorado native, Marlene graduated with honors from Aims Community College in Greeley with a degree in accounting. She worked full time while going to school and raising her family. For 21 years Marlene has worked at the State Farm Insurance regional office in Greeley. During her tenure, she has earned numerous customer service awards.

Active in her community, Marlene served on the Ag Hoc committee and her church board. She is also active in her church ladies club, North Weld recreational club and Weld County CattleWomen. She has participated in many plays and performed at the Cheyenne Veterans Home and the Atlas Theater in Cheyenne.



AHW accepted Mr. and Mrs. B.C. (Bud) Snidow as honorary AHW members during the groups annual meeting. Pictured (l to r) are: JoAnn Lawrence and Bud Snidow.

In 2008 Marlene and her husband, Harold, will be celebrating 50 years of marriage. The same year, the ranch will celebrate 100 years of raising purebred Herefords. The Sidwells have three children — Warren and wife, Jolene; Bryan and Cheryl — and two grandchildren. **HW**

AHW Offers “Learning With Herefords!” CD at Holiday Special Rate

An important part of the American Hereford Women (AHW) mission is to support young people. The group is currently selling an interactive CD with games and information important to young beef enthusiasts.

For a limited time — through midnight Dec. 24 — the “Learning with Herefords!” CD is available for the special holiday price of \$25 (a savings of \$10). The “A Hereford Legacy” Bud Snidow DVD is \$20. Both would be the perfect stocking stuffers for any cattle producer. For each DVD or CD ordered add \$2 for shipping and handling. Contact Cheryl Evans at eehje@dixie-net.com or P.O. Box 310, Winona, MS 38967.

