

Wright Named Outstanding Woman of the Year

Dorothy Wright, Alvarado, Texas, was recognized as 2015 Hereford Woman of the Year during the National Hereford Women (NHW) annual meeting in Kansas City on Oct. 31.

Each year the NHW recognizes and honors one woman for her achievements and dedication to the Hereford breed.

Dorothy has been a supporter of Hereford activities and youth for more than 30 years. As an active member of the Texas Poll-ettes she has served in nearly every office, but she has always went above and beyond. She and her late husband, Lindy, served as advisors for the Texas Junior Polled Hereford Association (TJPHA) and after Lindy's death she established an annual scholarship in his name.

The Wrights donated cattle and money to fundraisers over the years, but most often, they



Dorothy Wright, Alvarado, Texas, 2015 Hereford Woman of the Year, is pictured with Suzanne Matheny, Mays Lick, Ky., (left) National Hereford Women board member.

used woodworking skills to craft a handmade auction item or award. Although they had no children of their own, supporting Hereford youth is a huge part of Dorothy's life. She is an honorary lifetime advisor for the TJPHA and still does the bookkeeping for the organization.

Texas Polled Hereford Association (TPHA) Manager Robbie Morrish recommended Dorothy saying, "Dorothy is what all women in the Hereford breed should strive to emulate. Dorothy can always be relied upon anytime the (TPHA) needs something. She has never once turned down a request. Her character and devotion to not only the Hereford breed, but its future through our youth, is unsurpassed."

Claudia Atlas of the Texas Poll-ettes says, "Dorothy's dedication to Texas juniors knows

no bounds. Since everyone can remember she has sent each new member a greeting packet with information welcoming him or her to the organization. Her philanthropy and volunteer service has changed the lives of countless youth across the state of Texas." **HW**



2015-16 National Hereford Women board of directors pictured front row (l to r) are: **Maddee Moore**, Pendleton, Ore., president; **Jill Folkman**, Ixonia, Wis., president elect; **Barbara Metch**, Canton, Texas, vice president; **Michelle Beran**, Claflin, Kan., secretary; **Beth Blinson**, Buies Creek, N.C., treasurer; and **Alise Nolan**, Gilmer, Texas, ex officio. Back row (l to r): **Rhonda Eck**, Thomas, Okla.; **Carol Priefert**, St. Joseph, Mich.; **Suzanne Matheny**, Mays Lick, Ky.; **Kim Hendrinckx**, Lafayette, Ore.; **Trudy Nolles**, Bassett, Neb.; and **Karen Smith**, Gatesville, Texas.