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### AHA seeks Board nominations

The nominating committee is requesting volunteers who are willing to serve a four-year term on the Board of Directors of the American Hereford Association (AHA). The committee encourages interested members and state leaders to contact its members regarding prospective candidates within their state and region. This year's nominating committee includes:

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**Join the HRF Founders Society**

The Hereford

Research Foundation (HFR) creates a culture for the advancement of the Hereford breed through genetic research and was developed to support breed improvement projects outside the scope of the AHA budget.

The Founders Society's contributions will complement the HRF's mission. These contributions

will directly enhance research efforts and are tax deductible through the Hereford Youth Foundation of America's 501(c)3.

Founders Society membership dues are \$3,000 per year or \$5,000 per two years. To join the society, contact AHA Director of Breed Improvement Shane Bedwell at [sbedwell@hereford.org](mailto:sbedwell@hereford.org) or 816-842-3757. Find more information about the HRF Founders Society at [hereford.org/userfiles/HRF\\_Flyer\\_1\(1\).pdf](http://hereford.org/userfiles/HRF_Flyer_1(1).pdf).

### DNA test JNHE steers by April 1

Steer exhibitors at the 2017 Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) must submit DNA for their steers by April 1 before they can enter for the show (according to the [AHA] rule, all steers must have a basic DNA test on file at the Association). Once exhibitors have received the DNA results, they can then enter their steers for the JNHE.

To request a DNA test kit, call AHA customer service at 816-842-3757 or send an e-mail to customer service at [records@hereford.org](mailto:records@hereford.org). If you request a DNA test by e-mail, please provide your member number, the animal's registration number and the reason for DNA testing.

### JNHE class break rule change

According to JNHE Rules and Regulations class break rules, there WILL NOT be a spring calf division in the OWNED female show at the 2017 JNHE.

The owned female show will start with December 2016 heifer calves.

### Scholarship applications due April 1

April 1 is the deadline to submit applications for scholarships and awards given during the JNHE.

For more information, visit [JrHereford.org](http://JrHereford.org), or contact AHA Youth Activities Director Amy Cowan at [acowan@hereford.org](mailto:acowan@hereford.org) or 816-842-3757.

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### Take advantage of Hereford-influenced feeder calf sales

Consigning Hereford and Hereford-influenced calves to a special Hereford sale not only provides a great outlet for buyers interested in Hereford genetics but also may result in a premium for the seller. Contact these organizers today for the specific requirements of each sale.

#### Fredonia Livestock Hereford-Influenced Sale

**Date:** Tuesday, March 28

**Location:** Fredonia Livestock, Fredonia, Kan.

**Contact:** Cody Mathes, 620-288-0034

#### Tennessee Hereford Marketing Program Feeder Calf Sale

**Date:** Thursday, April 20

**Location:** Tennessee Livestock Producers, Columbia, Tenn.

**Contact:** Darrell Ailshie, 931-212-8512

#### Photos available

National Western Stock Show (NWSS) and Western Nugget National Hereford Show photos are available to purchase at [HerefordPhotoShop.com](http://HerefordPhotoShop.com).

#### Hereford offers ambassador program

The AHA is offering several opportunities this summer for college students hoping to further their education and to gain valuable real-world experience working with youth activities and communication/marketing projects.

College students may also apply for the JNHE ambassador program. The 2017 ambassadors will assist the National Junior Hereford Association board and AHA staff throughout the JNHE week — July 15-21 — in Louisville, Ky., and the week prior to the show in the Kansas City, Mo., office.

Candidates must be a 2017 high school graduate or older and must have had national show experience. Ambassadors cannot be exhibitors or competitors at the 2017 JNHE.

Ambassador applications are available online at [JrHereford.org/jnheambassador](http://JrHereford.org/jnheambassador) and are due March 15. **HW**

## AHA point shows and awards

Point show requirements as of May 1, 2016:

- Official results from the show staff must be submitted within 30 days of completion of the show.
- Results must contain the following:
  - › Eight-digit American Hereford Association (AHA) registration number
  - › Complete registration name as recorded in the AHA registration system
  - › Owner(s) as listed on the papers from the AHA registration system
- In order for results to be included in the calculation for show animals of the year, shows must have at least 25 head exhibited at the show.
- Shows that are listed as a national or regional point show as specified by the AHA show and sale committee will submit results to Bailey Clanton with the AHA at [bclanton@hereford.org](mailto:bclanton@hereford.org) or mail them to the American Hereford Association, Attn: Bailey Clanton, P.O. Box 014059, Kansas City, MO 64101.

At the 2017 AHA Annual Meeting and National Hereford Show in Kansas City, Mo., the Association will start recognizing four national show animals of the year, continue to award 16 regional show animals of the year and recognize eight regional premier exhibitors of the year.

- National Show Bull and Female of the Year for horned and polled
- Regional Show Bull and Female of the Year for horned and polled
- Regional Premier Exhibitor for horned and polled **HW**

## Coleman tops January "Hereford Shots" contest

Congratulations to Ken Coleman, Westcliffe, Colo., winner of the January "Herefords in the Snow" photo contest. This photo will compete for the overall award in December with the other monthly winners.

For more information about the "Hereford Shots" photo contest, see Page 42 of the December *Hereford World*, or go to [Hereford.org](http://Hereford.org). **HW**

