

Lot 1 Foundation Female Raises \$120,000 for Hereford Youth

Hoffman Ranch, Upstream Ranch, HME Cattle Co., Hopper Herefords and Cort Scheer purchase Foundation Female supporting Hereford youth.

The Stadium arena was standing room only with Hereford enthusiasts anxiously awaiting the Queen of the Hill to arrive. LCC 6964 Queen Bee 43F ET did not disappoint when the gavel fell silent at \$120,000 to benefit the Hereford Youth Foundation of America's (HYFA) Growing a Lasting Legacy Campaign, Jan. 18, at the Mile High Night Sale in Denver.



The 2019 Lot 1 Foundation Female raised \$120,000 for Hereford youth Jan. 18 during the Mile High Night Sale. Purchasing the female were Hoffman Ranch, Thedford, Neb.; Upstream Ranch, Taylor, Neb.; HME Cattle Co., Winterville, Ga.; Hopper Herefords, Germantown, Ky.; and Cort Scheer, Bassett, Neb. Lot 1 — LCC 6964 Queen Bee 43F ET — was donated by Lowderman Cattle Co., Macomb, Ill.; and Michelini Cattle Co., Peru, Ill.



The Lot 1 Foundation Female has kicked off the National Hereford Sale in Denver for more than a decade, with a total of \$890,000 being raised to support HYFA's mission — to recognize and reward the development of life skills and values in the next generation.

The Queen was purchased by Hoffman Ranch, Thedford, Neb.; Upstream Ranch, Taylor, Neb.; HME Cattle Co., Winterville, Ga.; Hopper Herefords, Germantown, Ky.; and professional saddle bronc rider Cort Scheer, Bassett, Neb.

"I am a firm believer in the youth of the whole world," Scheer says. "I do a lot of bronc schools to help people in rodeo, and it was my honor to go in there and donate to this foundation. It is unbelievable what the foundation does to help the Hereford youth."

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"It's exciting times for the Hereford Youth Foundation of America when you can take a female of this caliber from such a reputable program and market her successfully to a group of breeders that all have a passion for Hereford youth and a desire to make a difference," says Amy Cowan, American Hereford Association director of youth activities and foundation. "To the Lowderman Family, Michelini Cattle Co., Hoffman Ranch, Cort Scheer, Hardy Edwards and family, Hopper Cattle Co., and Upstream Ranch — you have truly made a difference by stepping up and getting involved in this year's Lot 1 female. Queen Bee lived up to her Queen of the Hill motto and was the second high selling foundation female in HYFA's history and the highest of any breed to sell this year in Denver." **HW**



Saddle bronc rider Cort Scheer compliments the Hereford breed and shares his enthusiasm for supporting Hereford youth after Queen Bee sold for a record-breaking \$120,000.