

What's New? | Association News and Events

"What's New?" is a column designed to keep you in-the-know about Hereford happenings. You can also sign up for *Hereford Headlines*, a weekly electronic newsletter from the American Hereford Association (AHA), and additional Hereford news by sending an email to info@hereford.org. Archived issues are posted at Hereford.org.



Headed your way: delegate nomination postcards
Postcards were mailed to eligible American Hereford Association members in late April. Replies must be postmarked by May 31.

Hall of Fame/Merit nominations due May 31

Nominations for the American Hereford Association's (AHA's) prestigious Hall of Fame and Hall of Merit awards are due Friday, May 31. Deserving recipients for the 2019 induction will be honored at the AHA Annual Meeting.

The Hall of Fame honor recognizes those Hereford breeders who have dynamically influenced the direction and advancement of the breed, while the Hall of Merit honor commends those individuals who have paved the way for both the breed and the beef industry.

For more information on the nominating process, contact Anne Stuart at astuart@hereford.org or 816-842-3757.

Upcoming July Hereford World deadlines

Don't miss out in securing your spot in the July *Hereford World*. Placing an ad in the annual Herd Bull and Reference Edition is an effective opportunity to engage with potential customers. Contact

your AHA field representative today to reserve your space!

May 17 Deadline for Hereford Register submissions.

The 12th edition of the *Hereford Register* will be published as a special bound-in section. These "yellow pages" of Hereford breeders throughout the U.S. and Canada include a listing of July advertisers who purchased a quarter-page ad or larger and July seedstock advertisers.

Listings include a name, address, telephone number, email address and website domain. If you are not a July advertiser, listings can be purchased for \$50. Seedstock ads are available for \$350 per inch per year. Reprints will be available upon request.

For more information, contact Alison Marx at amarx@hereford.org or call 816-842-3757.

May 24 Deadline for all ad materials.

A 10 percent late fee will be assessed on ads received after this deadline.

If you have questions about the online entry process or anything related to the JNHE, contact AHA National Shows Coordinator Bailey Clanton at bclanton@hereford.org or AHA Youth Activities Director Amy Cowan at acowan@hereford.org.

Please see Page 56 for additional JNHE information, including contest descriptions, judge biographies and a complete schedule.

JNHE sponsorship, show program ads available

The Western States Host Committee is excited to facilitate the 2019 JNHE July 6-13 in Denver. The JNHE fundraising team is soliciting sponsorships and show program advertisers. Please contact Bailey Clanton at bclanton@hereford.org or Amy Cowan at acowan@hereford.org to learn more.

For more information about how to get involved and how to support one of the world's largest junior beef breed shows, visit JrHereford.org and click on "JNHE" under the "Youth" tab.

Plan to attend the 2019 BIF Convention



Mark your calendars for June 18-21 for the 2019 Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) Annual Meeting and Research Symposium in Brookings, S.D. The annual convention brings together industry representatives, producers and researchers to discuss current issues facing the beef industry.

To learn more about the 2019 convention and BIF, visit BeefImprovement.org. **HW**

Gear up for JNHE

Online entries are now open for the 2019 VitaFerm® Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) July 6-13 in Denver. Visit JrHereford.org to enter online and to receive more information. Please note ALL ENTRIES must be completed online by June 1.

Exhibitors must pay \$5 to participate in showmanship. All showmanship contestants must pre-enter and pay the entry fee by June 1.



Stay tuned for Fed Steer Shootout educational videos

During April and May, several videos will be posted as part of the educational component for the 2019 National Junior Hereford Association Fed Steer Shootout contest. Videos will include information used in quizzes required to complete performance

portfolios. The 2019 videos and corresponding quizzes can be accessed online at Hereford.org/Youth/NJHA-Fed-Steer-Shootout/.

Calling all Board nominees

Members and state leaders are encouraged to contact candidates interested in serving a four-year term on the Board of Directors for the AHA. Please contact the committee member from your region with your nomination.

This year's nominating committee members are:

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AHA election process

Each year three American Hereford Association (AHA) Directors retire from the Board and three new Directors are elected to succeed them.

The election procedure is a multi-step process.

1) Nomination of board candidates – The AHA Board of Directors executive committee selects a five-member nominating committee at-large. According to Section 3(a) of Article VI of the AHA Bylaws that were amended Oct. 29, 2015, the nominating committee shall nominate no less than three nor more than six candidates for election as Directors of the Association, each of whom shall be an active member or a representative of an active member at the time of nomination, and shall submit the names of those candidates to delegates at the meeting of delegates. In addition, any delegate present in person may nominate any active member (including himself or herself) or any representative of an active member as a candidate for Director at the meeting of delegates.

2) Election of voting delegates – Each state elects voting delegates to attend the AHA Annual Meeting in Kansas City, Mo., to vote on the slate of nominees.

Each state is entitled to one delegate for every 750 Hereford registrations recorded from Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2018. A state must have a minimum of 375 registrations to be entitled to one delegate. If the number of registrations exceeds 750 or any multiple thereof by 375 or more, the state will be entitled to an additional delegate or delegates.

3) State election of voting delegates – In late April, delegate nomination postcards are mailed to all AHA members. Replies must be postmarked by June 1.

Each active member is asked to nominate one state candidate to be elected to serve as a delegate to the AHA Annual Meeting. An active member is defined as a member that registered at least one animal in the calendar year preceding the year of the election.

A state delegate ballot will be sent to each active member to vote from a list of state nominees. Each active member will vote for the entitled number of state delegates. Each state is entitled to a number of delegates based on registration count and membership count in the previous year's registration period. A minimum of 375 registrations is required for the first delegate, and then for every 750 registrations thereafter an additional delegate is added. In addition, each state is allocated a delegate for the first 25 members and an additional delegate for every 100 members thereafter.

Weighted votes

Each member delegate vote will be weighted based on the individual's registrations as follows:

Number of registrations	Weighted votes
1-20	1
21-50	6
51-100	15
101-200	30
More than 200	60

Voting quadrants for AHA Board of Directors



The U.S. is divided into four regions of representation, and each region will have at least one director.

Principle place of doing business

Each active member must vote in the state that is his or her principle place of doing Hereford business, i.e. ranch or farm address must be in the same state in which he or she is voting.

Election schedule

- April AHA mails delegate nomination postcards
- June 1 Deadline for nominating delegates
- June Delegate ballot will be sent out to each active member. Each active member will be asked to vote for the corresponding number of delegate candidates allocated to each state.
- Aug. 1 Deadline for returning ballots
- Oct. 1 Announcement of elected state delegates.
- Oct. 27 Election of Directors by the delegates will take place at the assembly of state delegates during the AHA Annual Meeting in Kansas City, Mo. **HW**

Austin selected as HPI intern

Adrian Austin will serve as the Hereford Publication Inc. (HPI) intern. The Illinois native and National Junior Swine Association junior board secretary is majoring in agricultural communications at Kansas State University (K-State) with a minor in animal science. At K-State Austin is a member of the livestock judging team and was high individual in the 2019 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo livestock judging contest.

Prior to attending K-State, Austin received an Associate of Science degree in agriculture at Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield, Ill., where she also competed on the livestock judging team. She was named a 2017-18 All American Junior Collegiate Livestock Judge and was the high individual in the 2018 National Western Stock Show livestock judging contest.

As the HPI intern, Austin will assist the *Hereford World* editorial team and Creative Services with production projects, including feature stories, ads



Adrian Austin

and sale catalogs. In addition, she will attend the Junior National Hereford Expo to assist with event coverage.

“We are very excited to welcome Adrian to our HPI team this summer,” says Samantha Albers, HPI Creative Services coordinator. “Her energy and enthusiasm for the livestock industry, along with her experience and knowledge of marketing and communications, make her a great addition to our staff.”

Pooch named AHA junior activities intern

Rudy Pooch has been selected as the American Hereford Association (AHA) junior activities intern. The University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) junior is pursuing a bachelor’s degree in animal science with a Nebraska Beef Industry Scholars minor and an agricultural economics minor. She is actively involved in the UNL Block and Bridle club as well as the Collegiate Farm Bureau.

Pooch comes to the AHA with a wealth of beef industry knowledge. She is a former intern for the Angus Foundation and is a member of both the national and Nebraska junior Angus associations.

As the AHA junior activities intern, Pooch will be integral in organizing and facilitating the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) in Denver, as well as the Faces of Leadership Conference in Lincoln, Neb. She will also assist in managing the JNHE ambassadors and the National Junior

Hereford Association board of directors.

“I’m extremely excited to add Rudy as a member of our team this summer,” says Bailey Clanton, AHA national shows coordinator.

“Her passion for the youth of our organization and the industry, coupled with her experience, will be a huge asset as we plan the Junior National Hereford Expo and Faces of Leadership Conference this summer.” **HW**



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