

Hereford Women | Annual Meeting Season

by **Bonnie Reid**

Wow — fall is upon us already and another year has passed. We are about to start a new year filled with excitement and new opportunities. Three new board members are soon to join our board at our annual board meeting Oct. 25 at 11:15 a.m. But at the same time, it is a sad time of year when we have to say goodbye to three of our board members — Karen

Smith, Texas; Rhoda Eck, Okla.; and Trudy Nolles, Neb..

We want to say thank you for the time you have given us the past four years. Your enthusiasm, wisdom, passion and willingness to help the youth of the American Hereford Association are much appreciated. We acknowledge the commitment you have given to the National Hereford Women (NHW)

board. You have greatly helped guide us to achieve our goals in promoting the youth and the Hereford breed. Karen, Rhonda and Trudy will leave big shoes to fill and will be missed greatly. I want to say I have gained three amazing new friendships in these beautiful ladies, who will be starting at new chapter in their lives but still promoting Herefords. Thank you for your dedication.

Next chapter

We are proud to introduce our three new candidates running for the board — Bridget Beran, Claflin, Kan.; Callea Breiner, Alma, Kan.; and Kathy Bryan, Garrison, Texas.

We look forward to getting to know each of them, and I am excited to see how much we can achieve with new educational ideals for the youth and in promoting the Hereford breed.

NHW proudly invites you to our annual meeting Oct. 25 at 11:15 a.m. at the Sheraton Kansas City at Crown Center in Kansas City, Mo. Come hear about all of the new events and ways you can be involved in helping us successfully reach our goals that are set each year, as we vote in our three new board members.

From the candidates

Bridget Beran, B&D Hereford & Angus — “I feel that I can bring an added skill in marketing and communications, given my career history in the field. I’m experienced in traditional and digital marketing, which I believe could benefit the NHW in its promotional steps.”

Bridget is currently a freelance writer and an independent photographer.

Callea Briener, Mill Creek Ranch — “I feel that I can enhance the national board by influencing young Hereford enthusiasts to follow their dreams and enhance their own strengths to become who they aspire to be. I will support the youth and our programs that will allow them to further their education.”

Callea is currently a nurse practitioner at the Orthopedic & Sports Medicine Center in Manhattan, Kan.

Kathy Bryan, Bryan Cattle Co. — “I feel that offering unique opportunities for the breed and members is what sets us apart from other breeds and recognizing that is what will keep moving us forward. I feel that it is of utmost importance to continue the tradition of women in agriculture and in the Hereford breed.”

Kathy is currently an agricultural science and high school science teacher in Garrison, Texas, and an adjunct faculty member at Panola College in Carthage, Texas. **HW**



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