

Hereford Women Gather in Kansas City

The National Hereford Women (NHW) were blessed to meet in Kansas City, Mo., during the American Royal in October. We were fortunate to meet both as a board with members face-to-face and via Facebook Live during the general membership meeting.

The membership meeting started after the American Hereford Association Annual Membership Meeting on Saturday, Oct. 24. We had several members in attendance.

Meet the new board members

Three new board members elected to the NHW board of directors: Allison May, Diane Wilson and Sally Wingler.

Allison comes to us from Maryland. She grew up in New Jersey on her grandfather's Hereford farm. She is a client service manager for Trans Ova Genetics and carries on the Hereford tradition with her daughter, Lena.



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- Allison May, *Williamsport, Md.*
- Bonnie Reed, *Hampton, Minn.*
- Sally Wingler, *Pikeville, Tenn.*

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Diane hails from Virginia, where she lives on her family's Hereford operation. She helps to manage all aspects of the farm activities from feeding to marketing and selling.

Sally is from Tennessee and is active in the state Hereford association as well as in the Tennessee Hereford Women and the 4-H program.

These ladies have a passion for the Hereford breed, and we welcome them to the board with open arms.

The addition of new members also means we had retiring members: Sharon King, Amy Green Taylor and Erin Lockhart. These three women have gone above and beyond to help promote the Hereford breed and give back to our Hereford youth. It was an honor to serve with all of you. Your smiling faces and can-do attitudes will be missed!

Hereford Woman of the Year

The NHW had the opportunity during the meeting to recognize the Hereford Woman of the Year. The Nebraska Hereford Women nominated Jewell Deichmann as the 2020 National Hereford Woman of the Year. Jewell, 90 years old, was able to join us via an internet conference call. Throughout her life, Jewell has been dedicated to promoting the Hereford breed in Nebraska. She was the driving force behind the start of the Nebraska Pollettes in the early '60s, including helping to write the constitution and bylaws many other state associations used as a template when creating their own organizations. Turn to Page 52 to learn more about Jewell.

After the meeting, the board members headed to the Ladies of the Royal Sale at the American Royal. Thank you to Kim Carney



The retiring NHW board members pictured (l to r) are: **Erin Lockhart**, Bryan, Texas; **Amy Taylor**, Munford, Ky.; and **Sharon King**, Columbia, Miss.

Rhodes for purchasing the Lot 2 Big Boy Classic .44 Magnum Rifle at the sale! In addition, we drew for the Kay Knight Original Lady of the Royal diamond Hereford necklace. The lucky winner was Bob Schaffer. Thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket for the wine, glass and a chance to win the beautiful necklace. Proceeds from both of these events will go to NHW scholarships and activities for Hereford youth.

To round out the weekend, we crowned a new National Hereford Queen. Kaylee McInvale was crowned the 2021 National Hereford Queen. First runner-up was Madison Sifford, Va. Second runner-up was Madalynne Yenter, Iowa. Miss Congeniality was awarded to Molly Minihan, Kan. All of the contestants did an outstanding job.

With all of the craziness in the world today, we were fortunate to get to meet and see our Hereford friends and families this year in Kansas City. As a board, both new and old, we traveled home with full hearts and an ever-growing enthusiasm for the Hereford breed and our Hereford youth. We can't wait to see you at the next show! **HW**

To join and to learn more about the NHW, visit HerefordWomen.com or email nationalherefordwomen@gmail.com.