

Saturday



Working hard to set up stalls for the week.



AHA staff, volunteers, JNHE ambassadors and the NJHA board of directors all helped direct trailers for unloading at the start of the week.



Juniors and their families begin to arrive in Kansas City, Mo., and unload their trailers.



All smiles when arriving at the JNHE!



Enjoying some fun during check-in at the VitaFerm® booth.



The State Spotlight Auction showcased photos from juniors across the country in an online auction.



Hitching a ride back to the trailer.



All hands on deck while unloading tack and setting up stalls!

Sunday



The voting state delegates had the opportunity to meet and socialize with the NJHA board candidates.



Junior mentors and mentees participated in fun activities during the Hereford Pen-to-Pen program.



Fourth of July Welcome Celebration, state tailgate was held to kick off the exciting week ahead.



The Oklahoma Hereford booth served a staple of cowboy beans and cornbread during the state tailgate.



State delegates and the NJHA board of directors enjoyed ice cream while getting more acquainted with the slate of board candidates.



Nothing like cold ice cream on a hot summer day!



The Hereford Pen-to-Pen program is a great way for all juniors to get more involved and meet new friends from across the country.



Several states served their favorite treats at the state tailgate.



Neogen and AHA staff collected free DNA samples for exhibitors.



AHA staff served Certified Hereford Beef® tri-tip during the JNHE state tailgate.

Monday



Marking cards during the judging contest.



Going for the gold at the JNHE 5K Race.



Juniors put their heads together to answer Hereford bowl questions.



Team Illinois focuses heading into the Hereford bowl competition.



Friends made at junior nationals are solidified through friendship bracelets.



Learning good showmanship skills with Sullivan Supply and Stock Show University.



Raise your hand if you love Herefords!



Chris Mullinix, Kansas State University's livestock judging coach, started the judging contest with a quick how-to checklist for judging cattle.



Who wouldn't want to be friends with a queen?

Monday



The devil is in the details.



Teamwork makes the dream work!



Made it to the finish line!



Enjoying snacks with Hereford royalty during the Queen's Tea.



Confidence is key for the future professionals competition.



Quick draw action in the Hereford bowl.



A high-stakes game of "Rock, Paper, Scissors" during the NJHA Pen-to-Pen mixer.



Brainstorming ideas to sell a new VitaFerm® product.



Team Indiana is ready at the buzzer during the Hereford bowl.

Tuesday



Outstanding smiles from these outstanding state members.



Strike a pose.



The judges listen to the senior showmen answer various questions throughout competition.



The junior board candidates wave Old Glory before the open ceremony.



Jim and Jan Adcock sorting junior showmanship.



NJHA members take the big stage in showmanship.



Bridging the Gap is a great opportunity for junior members to connect to different universities.



Spectacular ringside Hereford views.



Everyone pitched in to prepare food for JNHE exhibitors and family.

Tuesday



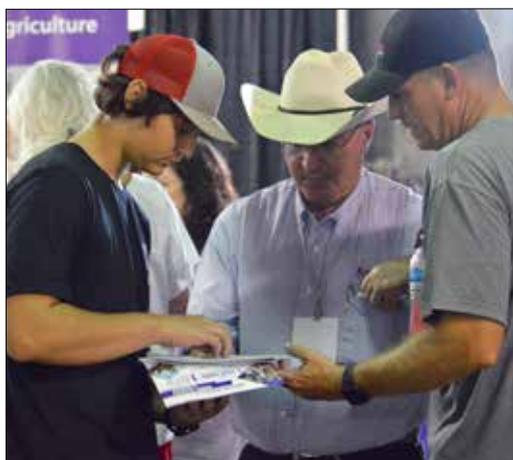
Passing down hard-earned wisdom.



Stiff competition in showmanship.



Showmanship sealed with a handshake.



Have questions about college? Attend Bridging the Gap during junior nationals.



Setting them up in the showmanship competition.



Nothing more beautiful than Certified Hereford Beef® cooking on a grill.



The state queens help present the top 10 showmen with banners.



AHA Executive Vice President Jack Ward hands off boxes with Certified Hereford Beef® hamburgers to hungry JNHE goers.



Junior showmen faced off on July 6.



All focus during showmanship.

Wednesday



NJHA members end their annual membership meeting with line dances!



Junior members took the ring for a competitive steer show.



State voting delegates are able to talk directly with junior board candidates on Wednesday night.



Junior board candidates give their final speeches before voting.



No better feeling than being in the showing.



The next generation of Hereford breeders.



The handshake makes the day that much better for Lauren and Brady Jones in the cow-calf show.



Fists bumps for friends that share the same love for Hereford cattle.



Chasing banners.

Thursday



Judges Josh Taylor and Jordon Mullett working through classes during the owned heifer show.



Ring presence starts in the barn.



Showing off a red-haired beauty.



Retiring NJHA board member Montana Lawrence interviews younger junior members about their JNHE experience.



Girls' night out.



Those who fit together, stay together.



All gather in the showing to hear contest results and see new junior board members elected.



The owned heifer show is competitive at JNHE.



Wesley Denton, Blue Rapids, Kan., receives his new maroon jacket.

Friday



Hugs for the reserve grand champion owned polled female showman.



Presentation is everything.



Judge Josh Taylor slaps Kynlee Dailey's grand champion owned horned female.



Friday was the final day of showing and everyone dreams of taking home a banner.



Birds-eye view of all the action.



Blake Bruns of Nebraska receives the handshake for his reserve grand champion owned horned female.



Mason Allan competes in the owned heifer show.



Calm, cool and collected.



Bryden Barber of Texas takes home grand champion owned polled female.