

Voting Delegates

Each state Hereford association elects delegates to attend the AHA Annual Meeting to vote on the candidates vying for positions on the Board of Directors. Below are this year's delegates.

Alabama

No delegates nominated

Arizona/Nevada

Donald Brumley
Brumley Farms
Orovada, Nev.

Arkansas

Justin Bacon
Bacon Herefords
Siloam Springs, Ark.

Phillip Moon
Moon Herefords
Harrison, Ark.

Scott Sullivan
Triple S Ranch
Grannis, Ark.

California

Steve Lambert
Lambert Ranch
Oroville, Calif.

James McDougald
McDougald Ranch
Friant, Calif.

Carrie Morrell
Morrell Ranches
Willows, Calif.

Colorado

Jane Evans Cornelius
Coyote Ridge Ranch
La Salle, Colo.

Marshall Ernst
Ernst Herefords
Windsor, Colo.

Bryan Sidwell
Sidwell Herefords
Carr, Colo.

Idaho

Alicia Billman
Wooden Shoe Farms
Blackfoot, Idaho

Guy Colyer
Colyer Herefords
Bruneau, Idaho

Katie Colyer
Bruneau, Idaho

Illinois

Joe Ellis
Ellis Farms
Chrisman, Ill.

Kyle McMillan
Rustic Oaks Farm
Tiskilwa, Ill.

James Milligan
Milligan Herefords
Kings, Ill.

Mark Stephens
Stephens Hereford Farms
Taylorville, Ill.

Gene Stumpf
Stumpf Land and Cattle
Columbia, Ill.

Indiana

Andy Beck
Beck-Powell Polled Herefords
Bainbridge, Ind.

Jill Duncan
Able Acres
Wingate, Ind.

Bruce Everhart
Everhart Farms
Waldron, Ind.

Robert Greives
Greives Herefords
West Lafayette, Ind.

Iowa

Tom Heidt
K7 Herefords
Lockridge, Iowa

Marilyn Lenth
Lenth Herefords
Postville, Iowa

Charles Rife
R & R Cattle Company
Wilton, Iowa

Michael Simpson
Simpson Polled Herefords
Redfield, Iowa

Chance Wiese
Wiese & Sons
Manning, Iowa

Kansas

Craig Beran
B&D Herefords
Claflin, Kan.

David Breiner
Mill Creek Ranch
Alma, Kan.

Dean Davis
Davis Herefords
Maple Hill, Kan.

Tom Granzow
Granzow Herefords
Herington, Kan.

Gus Gustafson
Gustafson Herefords
Junction City, Kan.

Kevin Jensen
Jensen Bros.
Courtland, Kan.

Glenn Oleen
Oleen Cattle Company
Falun, Kan.

Kevin Schultz
Sandhill Farms LLC
Haviland, Kan.

Kentucky

Lloyd Beckley
Beckleys Herefords
Ravenna, Ky.

Tony Staples
TK4 Herefords
Brandenburg, Ky.

Louisiana

No delegates nominated

Michigan

David Bielema
Grand Meadows Farm
Ada, Mich.

Scott McDonald
Ye Ole McDonalds Farm
Grand Rapids, Mich.

Minnesota

Ross Carlson
Carlson Farms
Murdock, Minn.

Jerry Delaney
Delaney Herefords Inc.
Lake Benton, Minn.

Dave Kitchell
DaKitch Hereford Farms
Ada, Minn.

Mississippi

Don Sims
S & W Polled Herefords
Burnsville, Miss.

Joe Waggoner
Waggoner Cattle Co. LLC
Jackson, Miss.

Missouri

Jim Bellis
Jo Bellis Family Herefords
Aurora, Mo.

Larry Day
Day's Family Farm
Pilot Grove, Mo.

Marty Lueck
Journagan Ranch, Missouri
State University
Mountain Grove, Mo.

Travis McConaughy
WMC Cattle Company
Wasola, Mo.

Jim Reed
Reed Farms
Green Ridge, Mo.

Matt Reynolds
Reynolds Herefords
Huntsville, Mo.

John Ridder
Falling Timber Farm
Marthasville, Mo.

Montana

Mark Cooper
Cooper Hereford Ranch
Willow Creek, Mont.

Jack Holden
Holden Herefords
Valier, Mont.

Bruce Thomas
Thomas Herefords
Gold Creek, Mont.

Dale Venhuizen
Churchill Cattle Co.
Manhattan, Mont.

Justin Wichman
Wichman Herefords
Moore, Mont.

Nebraska

Doug Bolte
Blueberry Hill Farms Inc.
Norfolk, Neb.

Denny Hoffman
Hoffman Herefords
Thedford, Neb.

Brett Nelson
Nelson Herefords
Burwell, Neb.

Arthur Olsen
Olsen Ranches Inc.
Harrisburg, Neb.

John Ridder
Ridder Hereford Ranch
Callaway, Neb.

Ronald Schutte
Alfred Schutte & Sons
Guide Rock, Neb.

Russ Tegtmeier
Clarence Tegtmeier & Sons
Burchard, Neb.

Joe Van Newkirk
Van Newkirk Herefords
Oshkosh, Neb.

New England

(Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont)

No delegates nominated

New Mexico

Becky King-Spindle
Moriarty, N.M.

Bill King
Moriarty, N.M.

New York

John Kriese
Spring Pond Farm II
Branchport, N.Y.

Zack Welker
SK Herefords
Medina, N.Y.

North Carolina

Kim Yates Prestwood
Prestwood Beef Cattle
Lenoir, N.C.

Bryson Westbrook
4B Farms
Shelby, N.C.

North Dakota

Roger Stuber
Stuber Ranch
Bowman, N.D.

Ohio

Jeff Harr
J & L Cattle Services
Jeromesville, Ohio

Alexis Stitzlein
Mohican Polled Hereford Farms
Glenmont, Ohio

Oklahoma

Joel Birdwell
Birdwell Ranch
Fletcher, Okla.

Joe Cunningham
Cunningham Ranch
Rose, Okla.

Leslie Harrison
Harrison Cattle Co.
Arapaho, Okla.

Jimmie Johnson
Red Hills Herefords
Clinton, Okla.

John Loewen
Loewen Herefords
Waukomis, Okla.

Richie Oakes
Vanderwork Herefords
Taloga, Okla.

Cindy Pribil
4B Herefords
Hennessey, Okla.

Eddie Sims
MCS Cattle Co.
Elgin, Okla.

Reggie Willits
Double Seven Ranch LLC
Ft. Cobb, Okla.

Oregon

David Bird
Halfway, Ore.

Bob Harrell, Jr.
Harrell Hereford Ranch
Baker City, Ore.

George Sprague
Bar One Ranch
Eugene, Ore.

Pennsylvania

Les Midla
Flat Stone Lick
Marianna, Pa.

Paul Slayton
Bedford, Pa.

South Carolina

Greg Fowler
Fowken Farm
Jonesville, S.C.

South Dakota

Pete Atkins
Tea, S.D.

Daniel Fawcett
Fawcetts Elm Creek Ranch
Ree Heights, S.D.

Nate Frederickson
Frederickson Ranch
Spearfish, S.D.

Vern Rausch
Rausch Herefords
Hoven, S.D.

Southern Atlantic

(Florida and Georgia)

Jonny Harris
Greenview Polled Hereford
Farms Inc
Screven, Ga.

Tommy Mead
Mead Cattle Enterprises
Midville, Ga.

Whitey Hunt
Innisfail Farm
Madison, Ga.

Tennessee

Billy Ashe
Selmer, Tenn.

Jim Coley
Lafayette, Tenn.

Russell Crouch
Crouch Polled Hereford Farm
McMinnville, Tenn.

Rob Helms
Candy Meadow Farms Inc
Lexington, Tenn.

Eric Walker
Walker Polled Hereford Farm
Morrison, Tenn.

Texas

Brett Barber
Barber Ranch
Channing, Texas

Chad Breeding
B&C Cattle Co.
Miami, Texas

Gary Buchholz
Waxahachie, Texas

Peter Case
Case Ranch
Mertzson, Texas

Jack Chastain
Chastain Cattle Co.
Fort Worth, Texas

Stephen Coates
Coates Ranch Co.
Mertzson, Texas

Mike Doyle
Doyle Hereford Ranch
Wolfe City, Texas

John Dudley
Dudley Bros.
Comanche, Texas

Paul Funk
Spearhead Ranch
Copperas Cove, Texas

Lee Haygood
Indian Mound Ranch
Canadian, Texas

Joe Dan Ledbetter
Ledbetter Cattle Co.
Wheeler, Texas

Tim Lockhart
Double L Cattle
Caldwell, Texas

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National Hereford Queen Candidates

During the Annual Meeting, seven state Hereford queens will contend for the honor of being crowned the National Hereford Queen. The new queen will be announced at the conclusion of the National Hereford Show on Sunday, Oct. 24, at the American Royal. Pictured below are this year's candidates.

Mark Mann

Mann Cattle Co.
Lubbock, Texas

Keith Rogers

Hidden Oaks Ranch
Hamilton, Texas

Brad Stuart

B-Bar Herefords
Roby, Texas

Len Weinheimer

Weinheimer Ranch
Stonewall, Texas

Larry Woodson

Still River Ranch
Van Alstyne, Texas

Upper Atlantic

(Delaware, Maryland and
New Jersey)

No delegates nominated

Utah

Shannon Allen

Phil Allen & Son
Antimony, Utah

Scott Rees

Rees Bros. Herefords
Morgan, Utah

Virginia

Paul Bennett

Knoll Crest Farm
Red House, Va.

Robert Schaffer

Deer Track Farm
Spotsylvania, Va.

Washington/Alaska

Bill Cox

CX Ranch
Pomeroy, Wash.

Brian Gallagher

Gallagher Farms
Enumclaw, Wash.

Marty Wilcox

Wilcox & Family Cattle Co.
Spangle, Wash.

West Virginia

Neil Litton

Cottle Brothers
Summersville, W.Va.

Mike McDonald

McDonalds Polled Herefords
Jane Lew, W.Va.

Wisconsin

Steven Folkman

C&L Hereford Ranch
Ixonla, Wis.

Jerry Huth

Huth Polled Herefords
Oakfield, Wis.

Eric Katzenberger

Plum River Ranch
Monroe, Wis.

Fred Larson

Larson Hereford Farm
Spring Valley, Wis.

Wyoming

Dale Micheli

Micheli Hereford Ranch
Fort Bridger, Wyo.

Gene Stillahn

Cheyenne, Wyo.

Ned Ward

NJW Polled Herefords
Sheridan, Wyo. HW



Josie Correll, Cleveland, N.C.

Josie is the 18-year-old daughter of David and Cheryl Correll. She attends West Rowan High School and Mitchell Community College. After graduating from high school in 2022, Josie plans to attend Connors State College in Warner, Okla., and major in purebred beef management and equine science. Josie serves as the North Carolina Junior Hereford Association reporter and is her FFA chapter treasurer. She is active in 4-H and multiple rodeo associations and enjoys attending National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) events such as Faces of Leadership and participating in the sales, photography and future professional contests.



Elizabeth Crumm, Anadarko, Okla.

Elizabeth is the 19-year-old daughter of Tray and Nikki Crumm. She is a freshman at Redlands Community College, majoring in animal science and is a member of the Redlands beef team. She is a 12-year member of the Oklahoma Hereford Association and a 7-year member of the NJHA. Throughout high school, Elizabeth, an active FFA member, participated on the livestock judging team and served as her chapter secretary and treasurer. She has enjoyed raising cattle with her family her entire life. Elizabeth shows at the state and national levels and has participated in Faces of Leadership.



Lauren Crutsinger, Whitewater, Mo.

Lauren is the 18-year-old daughter of Larry and Angela Crutsinger. She is a sophomore at the University of Missouri, Columbia (Mizzou), majoring in animal science. She is active in the pre-vet club, swine club and the dairy club. Upon completing her bachelor's degree, Lauren plans to pursue veterinary medicine at Mizzou, where she has been accepted to the Pre-Veterinarian Medical Scholars Program. She is a 9-year member of the NJHA and the Missouri Junior Hereford Association. She has shown at the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) and participated in livestock judging, photography and speech competitions.



Lauren Gatz, Fairview, Kan.

Lauren Gatz is the 18-year-old daughter of Taylor and Jennifer Gatz. She is a freshman at Kansas State University, majoring in agricultural communications. Lauren is active in Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow, Collegiate Cattlewomen, Block & Bridle and the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. She remains an active 4-H member and was involved with FFA during high school and served as the Northeast District FFA treasurer. She is an 11-year member of the NJHA. Lauren has attended JNHE for 10 years and has been active in the Pen-to-Pen Program, future professionals contest, livestock judging, team sales, photography, the Certified Hereford Beef® Grill-off and the speech contest. She is also a junior board member of the Kansas Junior Hereford Association.



Kathryn Johnson, Ruth, Miss.

Kathryn is the 18-year-old daughter of Lande and Brandie Johnson. A freshman at Copiah-Lincoln Community College, Kathryn is studying pre-law with the goal of later attending Mississippi State College for law school. She has been showing cattle since she was 12. Kathryn is a 6-year member of the Junior Hereford Association of Mississippi and serves as president. Throughout her show career, she has also been active in livestock judging. Outside of the showing, Kathryn enjoys being active and volunteering within her church by singing in the choir and participating in mission trips.



Madison Sifford, Goldvein, Va.

Madison is the 20-year-old daughter of Stephen and Rosemary Sifford. She is a sophomore at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, majoring in dairy science with minors in political science and agribusiness management. Madison is on the Virginia Tech dairy judging team and serves as a chairwoman in the Alpha Zeta professional agriculture fraternity, among other activities. Madison has been raising and showing cattle since she was 5 years old. In high school, she was active in 4-H and FFA and served as the Virginia state FFA vice president. She also served as president of the Virginia Junior Hereford Association. Madison has attended JNHE for 11 years, and she has participated in the future professionals contest, extemporaneous speech contest, livestock judging, individual sales and team sales.



Jenna Smith, Newton, Iowa

Jenna is the 19-year-old daughter of Marc and Brenda Smith. She is a junior at Iowa State University, majoring in agricultural communications and animal science. Jenna is active in the Sigma Alpha professional agriculture sorority, Block & Bridle, Collegiate Cattlewomen's Association and Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow. She began showing Hereford cattle in 2012 and currently serves as the Iowa Junior Hereford Association president. Jenna was recently named Iowa's outstanding state junior member at this year's JNHE. Outside the showing, she has participated in the future professionals contest and attended Faces of Leadership. Jenna is also involved in her church and is an active community volunteer.