

Endowments Pave the Way



Led by Colton Pratz and Austin Perry, the group from Oklahoma was a huge help in creating and organizing the Donna Curry Memorial Scholarship Endowment.

The Hereford Youth Foundation of America (HYFA) is built on the pillars of scholarship, leadership, education and research. Thanks to the army of HYFA supporters, the scholarship program continues to thrive. At the recent VitaFerm® Junior National Hereford Expo, hardworking Hereford youth received \$33,000 in scholarships to use as they chase their dreams and work toward their college degrees. This fall during a special awards ceremony, close to \$200,000 in scholarships will be awarded — many of them for the amount of \$5,000-\$10,000 each.

I have watched these scholarships make a difference in hundreds of young lives. Sometimes it is the difference between being able to afford a quality education or not. Donors, we couldn't do it without you. You continue to amaze me. Every time you step up to the plate, big things happen for our youth program.

Honoring Donna Curry

This summer, the Hereford family lost an amazing woman and friend. Donna Curry, McAlester, Okla., passed away unexpectedly from a brain aneurysm. In true Hereford fashion, her friends and family stepped up to the plate and began working on the Donna Curry Memorial Scholarship Endowment. This endowment will honor the legacy Donna left within the Oklahoma Hereford Association, American Hereford Association, National Hereford Women and her community.

Donna's contagious smile, laugh and loving heart will be missed for years to come. Her dedication to the youth was unmatched, and she has left an impact that will last for generations. Thank you to the Curry Family, SmartAuctions and all those who helped organize the memorial scholarship sale. Thanks, also, to all who supported this endowment by placing a bid, donating an item or making a purchase. Well over \$100,000 was raised online July 19,



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and memorials continue to come in for this endowment.

At times like these, it is the support of friends and family rallying together that make things a little easier. The foundation is honored to carry on Donna's legacy through this endowment. Thanks for helping us honor an incredible lady that meant so much to so many.

Please scan the QR code to see the complete and lengthy list of contributors to the Donna Curry Memorial Scholarship Endowment. **HW**



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