Hundreds of Hereford Juniors Compete in National Contests

More than 400 youth competed in educational and leadership events outside of the showring at the 23rd annual VitaFerm® Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) in Louisville, Ky., July 16-22. These skill-based competitions included the Certified Hereford Beef® (CHB) Cook-Off, extemporaneous speech, future professionals contest, Hereford bowl, illustrated speech, individual sales, sales academy and livestock judging. These contests allow the Hereford Youth Foundation of America (HYFA) and the National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) to carry out their mission of leadership and education.

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**CHB COOK-OFF**

Pee wee CHB Cook-Off contest awards went to (l to r): first, Braxton Lockhart, Caldwell, Texas; and second, Jorie Miller, Newcastle, Wyo.

Junior CHB Cook-Off contest awards went to (l to r): first, Cooper Miller, Newcastle, Wyo.; and second, Aubrey Lockhart, Somerville, Texas. Not pictured: third, Nicholas Jones, Darlington, Wis.


Senior CHB Cook-Off contest award went to: first, Megan Underwood, Campbellsville, Ky.

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**ILLUSTRATED SPEECH**

Pee wee illustrated speech awards went to first, Grant Waters, Norborne, Mo. Not pictured: second, Quinn Breiner, Pratt, Kan.; and third, Landon Pesek, Western, Neb.

Junior illustrated speech awards went to (l to r): first, Cierra Collins, Chattanooga, Okla.; second, Kristin Waters, Norborne, Mo.; and third, Wynn West, Sheridan, Wyo.


Senior extemporaneous speech awards went to (l to r): first, Megan Underwood, Campbellsville, Ky.; second, Dellana Muck, Caledonia, Ill.; and third, Grant Helsinger, Germantown, Ohio.

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**EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEECH**

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**PROMOTIONAL POSTER**

Pee wee promotional contest awards went to (l to r): first, Ava Doig, St. Paul, Ind.; second, Peyton Pérez, Nara Visa, N.M.; and third, Libby Pérez, Nara Visa, N.M.

Junior promotional poster contest awards went to (l to r): first, Maddi Beissel, Hampton, Minn.; and third, Kylie Holman, Hebron, Ohio. Not pictured: second, Maggie Reed, Green Ridge, Mo.
**OUTSTANDING STATE MEMBERS**

- **California/Nevada** – Joseph Schohr, Oroville, Calif.; second, Jarrett Worrell, Mason, Texas; and third, Makenna Smith, Hubertus, Wis.
- **Colorado** – Kolbi Franklin
- **Georgia** – Lexi Terry
- **Idaho** – Ben Holt
- **Illinois** – Kira Sayre
- **Indiana** – Logan McFatridge
- **Iowa** – Ethan Espenscheid
- **Kansas** – Taylor Dieball
- **Kentucky** – Megan Underwood
- **Maryland** – Jason Baust
- **Michigan** – Connor McArthur
- **Minnesota** – Sydney Heins
- **Missouri** – Gavin Rhode
- **Nebraska** – Hannah Pearson
- **New England** – Ashlee DeMolles
- **New Jersey** – Abigail VanderGroef
- **New Mexico** – Cash Spindle
- **North Carolina** – Regan Mitchem
- **Ohio** – Samantha Wallace
- **Oklahoma** – Blakelee Hayes
- **Pennsylvania** – Walker Dunn
- **South Dakota** – Tate Johnson
- **Tennessee** – Foster Winger
- **Texas** – Randi Williams
- **Virginia** – Jacob Coffey
- **West Virginia** – Mason Glasscock
- **Wisconsin** – Madison Katzbeneger
- **Wyoming** – Sam Birdsell

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**INDIVIDUAL SALES**

Junior individual sales awards went to (l to r): first, Joseph Schohr, Oroville, Calif.; second, Jarrett Worrell, Mason, Texas; and third, Makenna Smith, Hubertus, Wis.

**SALES ACADEMY**

Intermediate sales academy awards went to (l to r): first, Kade Boatman, Rockford, Ill.; second, Kendall Boatman, Rockford, Ill.; and third, Aidyn Barber, Channing, Texas.

Senior sales academy awards went to (l to r): first, Madison Sifford, Goldvein, Va.; and second, Dellana Muck, Caledonia, Ill.

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**FUTURE PROFESSIONALS**

Intermediate future professionals contest winner: Sam Birdsall, Torrington, Wyo.

Senior future professionals contest winner: Molly Biggs, Dixon, Ill.

**LIVESTOCK JUDGING INDIVIDUALS**

**Peewee**
- 1st place: Charlie Kent, Winslow, Ill.
- 2nd place: Blakely Storey, Stockton, Ill.
- 3rd place: Ella Weldon, Piedmont, Okla.

**Junior**
- 1st place: Claire Collins, Chattanooga, Okla.
- 2nd place: Nolan Lee, Wellington, Ill.
- 3rd place: Maci Atterholt, Jeromesville, Ohio

**Intermediate**
- 1st place: Jalyn Davis, Maple Hill, Kan.
- 2nd place: Maelsey Dean, Vienna, Ga.
- 3rd place: Cally Miller, El Dorado, Kan.

**Senior**
- 1st place: Dellana Muck, Caledonia, Ill.
- 2nd place: Jacob Coffey, Woodstock, Va.
- 3rd place: Caleb Edens, Greenfield, Ind.
Pictured are first place peewee judging team members from Illinois (l to r): Corbin Perry, Tower Hill; and Owen Crutcher, Montrose. Not pictured: Charlie Kent, Winslow; and Blakely Storey, Stockton.

Pictured are second place peewee judging team members from Kansas (l to r): Allie Perry, Onaga; and Josie Beltz, Canton. Not pictured: Trigg Marston, Agenda; and Jaqueline Studer, Frankfort.

Pictured are third place peewee judging team members from Oklahoma (l to r): Saylor Norvell, Tuttle; and Quaid McIntyre, Leedey. Not pictured: Ella Weldon, Piedmont; and Irwin Parker, Hartshorne.

Pictured are first place junior judging team members from Illinois (l to r): Karson Sundberg, Mendota; and Nolan Lee, Wellington. Not pictured: Peyton Garnhart, German Valley; and Hunter Wexell, Cambridge.

Pictured are second place junior judging team members from Oklahoma (l to r): Claire Collins, Chattanooga; Hudson Carter, Stratford; Wyatt McIntyre, Leedey; and Madilyn Norvell, Tuttle.

Pictured are third place junior judging team members from Kansas (l to r): Drew Ballard, Inman; Cami Miller, El Dorado; and Faith Perry, Onaga. Not pictured: Lena Schlickau, Dana.

Pictured are first place intermediate judging team members from Kansas (l to r): Jalyann Davis, Maple Hill; Delaney Figge, Onaga; and Cally Miller, El Dorado. Not pictured: Danica Davis, Maple Hill.

Pictured are second place intermediate judging team members from Illinois (l to r): Kade Boatman, Rockford; and Houston Stapleton, Clinton. Not pictured: Morgan Richardson, Capron; and Paige Lemenager, Hudson.
**HEREFORD BOWL.**

Pictured are third place intermediate judging team members from Indiana (l to r): Sage Lawrence, Avilla; and Collin Deatsman, Leesburg. Not pictured: Catie Musser, Otterbein; and Ellie Gosser, Flat Rock.

Pictured are first place junior Hereford bowl team members from Texas (l to r): Aubrey Lockhart, Somerville; Kinleigh Guidry, Brenham; Gage Creamer, Waxahachie; and Jarrett Worrell, Mason.

Pictured is first place senior judging team member from Illinois: Dellana Muck, Caledonia. Not pictured, Morgan Hutchins, Charleston; Emma Richardson, Capron; and Reid Allen, Quincy.

Pictured are second place junior Hereford bowl team members from Illinois (l to r): Cora Chapman, Seneca; Addison Duis, Petersburg; Ella Bane, Towanda; Daniel Richardson, Caprine.

Junior high individual written test winners tied for first (l to r): Ella Bane, Towanda, Ill., and Jarrett Worrell, Mason, Texas.

Senior high individual written test winner: Nick Torrance, Media, Ill.

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