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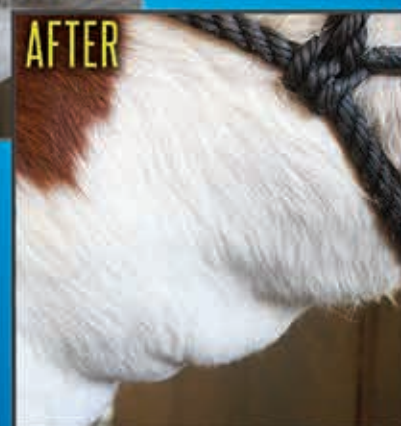
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[From the] CHAIRMAN

by AUSTIN MATHENY

Opportunity is defined as a set of circumstances that make it possible to do something. After graduating from Kansas State University, I had the opportunity to move back home to Kentucky to start my own cow herd. This was an opportunity I was eager and excited for. Four years of college had passed by quickly and before I knew it I was back home ready to take on this opportunity I had been presented with. I now have cows of my own to take care of and over the course of the last year I have spent a lot of time riding in a tractor looking back on my life up to this point.

There have been countless opportunities that have shaped me into the person I am today. I can recall many of those involving Hereford cattle. Whether it be meeting some of my closest friends or learning skills that I will use for the rest of my life, I am truly thankful for my time in the National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA). I encourage you this summer to find a new opportunity, pursue it and make the most of it.

To grow up showing at a Junior National the caliber of ours and participating in state shows you are provided opportunities that many juniors dream of. Time spent with others in the Hereford breed is a great way to expand your network of friends and get connected within the industry. This summer I challenge you to take every opportunity you are given leading up to and at the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) to make the most of your time as a junior member.

The junior board of directors only has three short years to make changes to better our breed. I can proudly say that over the course of the last year they have taken every opportunity presented to them to better our association. The redesign of *The Advantage* is one we hope you enjoy. Listening to feedback from juniors at Faces of Leadership this summer we knew we wanted to make this a publication you were eager to read. The other opportunity we facilitated and want you to participate in is Bridging the Gap at JNHE this summer. We are connecting you with colleges and careers from across the country at this event.

There are so many opportunities in life to be part of that will make an impact on you as an individual and those around you. The junior board is eager to present you with new ones this summer in Denver, Colo., and look forward to seeing you in the Mile High City. For now, I better get back to calving cows and making most of the opportunity I always dreamed of having.



Pen – to – Pen

by TAYLOR BELLE MATHENY
Communications Chair

The laughter. The friendship. The memories. These all describe the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE). When I was attending one of my very first JNHE's, I remember a girl a little older than me coming to my stalls wanting to hang out while we were in Kansas City. During the week, Miranda and I would go to each others stalls when we got done washing our heifers. When it came time to leave she and I were both pretty bummed that the week had come to an end. Neither of us had cell phones at the time, so we began writing letters to each other. Over the course of the next few years, we would write letters and count down the days until we were back together for JNHE. Growing up in the Hereford breed gave me one of my closest friends and through handwritten letters we were able to maintain a friendship before technology.

It may seem old-fashioned, but we promise you the Pen-to-Pen program is going to be one of the best events to take place at this year's JNHE. Last year in Grand Island, Neb., the junior board unveiled this new mentorship program for juniors of all ages. At the event pee-wee and

junior members were paired with an intermediate or senior member to stay in contact with. Over the course of the last year juniors have been encouraged to write each other letters and connect at industry events.

To make the event even better, Rhett Laubach will be joining us for an exciting leadership and team building workshop and keynote speech. Through generous supporters of Hereford youth we are able to have Rhett's leadership expertise join us in Denver, Colo. To accommodate all juniors wanting to participate there is a June 15 deadline for signups. This will help pair mentors and mentees together before arriving for Herefords on the Hill.

Throughout the week we encourage you to make the most of your time together with your partner. Go visit them at their stalls, attend events with them and answer any questions they may have. The Hereford breed has an outstanding membership and with a program like this one friendships will flourish over the next year. My advice to anyone interested in the program is to sign up and come eager to meet your new pen pal.





Juniors have the opportunity to participate in team building activities with their mentor or mentee at JNHE.



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by BROOKE HINOJOSA

Vice Chairman

Molly Biggs

More than ten years of being a member of the National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) and American Hereford Association (AHA), Molly Biggs has had quite the success within junior programs. Molly is the 18-year-old daughter of David and Marianne Biggs of Dixon, Ill. This Northern Illinois town is where Molly gained her passion for the Hereford breed. Molly and her parents own and operate Biggs Polled Herefords, a 60 head purebred cow-calf operation. Molly is very active showing cattle at state preview shows and state fairs. Although she did not attend her first Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) until 2016, she has continued to flourish from her first year at junior nationals.

Molly was not shy of diving head first into getting involved with the association. One of her biggest successes in the NJHA started just three years ago. Three years ago, Molly made the decision to get involved in a new contest for junior members, the NJHA Fed Steer Shootout. Little did she know, this would be one of the best decisions she has ever made. The first year Molly participated in the program, she was fortunate enough to be named junior of the year. Molly received this award on behalf of her outstanding participation within the Fed Steer Shootout Program. In an interview with Molly, she stated, "It was a complete honor and I certainly never expected to be awarded with it."

Miss Biggs success did not stop at being named junior of the year. Her successes continued into yet, another year. In her second year, she received champion pen of three purebred hereford steers. Her experience before being informed of the award she was receiving was definitely one that kept her on her toes. "We got a letter in the mail from the NJHA saying that I would be receiving an award in Kansas City, but I had no idea what it would be," Biggs said. "Both awards are two accomplishments I am very proud of and I am so humbled and grateful for the NJHA and the AHA for providing the juniors with such a great program."

Molly has gained so much more than just the banners and awards. Since her participation has been in depth, Molly has started paying closer attention to certain numbers like the CHB Index and marbling score. She has learned through the program that raising show cattle is exceptional, but in the end, we all need to raise functional complete cattle. "The program teaches you things about cattle that you can use the rest of your life," Biggs said.



Above: Molly Biggs exhibited at the Iowa State Fair in 2018 and won the spring yearling division.

Below: At American Hereford Association annual meeting Molly Biggs was awarded Champion Pen of Three Purebred Hereford steers.

Through the program, Molly has had an experience that not many juniors normally get to experience. She recommends to anyone, if you get the chance to tour a packing plant, take it. During this experience, she was able to see the progress of her steers as well as a comparison to other steers within the program. This is an experience that Molly advises any junior to take. She said, “Even if you don’t win anything in the program, I guarantee if you get to go on a tour of Greater Omaha, your participation will be worth it.”

Three years, two awards, one junior, and many many memories that will never fade away. Molly has not only had a tremendous amount of success in the program, but she has also met some of her closest friends from the program. “Even with the awards I have won, nothing will mean more to me than the people that I have met and become closer friends with because of this program.”



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FOUNDATION

Supporter TIM AND NANCY KIELTY

by RYLEE BARBER

Fundraising Chair

From scholarships to an educational endowment, Tim and Nancy Keilty have been unwavering in their support of Hereford youth. The Keilty family and the Ball Foundation were relatively new to the Hereford breed, with their start beginning in 1992 with the purchase of eight cows from the Ace dispersal sale. From that moment both Nancy and Tim were hooked. The Keilty's started being involved with the youth side of the Hereford association when the National Junior Polled Hereford show was in Lansing, Mich., in 1999. This is where they saw the benefit of the junior national and the impact it had on Hereford youth.

The Hereford Youth Foundation of America (HYFA) has focused on helping youth since the beginning. Whether it be through scholarships, contests, or contributing to the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE), HYFA has supported the National Junior Hereford Association in all aspects. With the Keilty's family endowment to HYFA the 2019 JNHE is expanding with new opportunities for junior members and improving several areas.

One new opportunity that is being added is Bridging the Gap. This will be an opportunity for junior members to visit a portion of the trade show dedicated to advancing their education and their career. There will be several colleges set up with information about various degree plans and programs for students, as well as several agricultural companies that will have

information about internships and possible careers in that company. Bridging the Gap is an opportunity for members to broaden their horizons and look at different colleges and careers available across the country. This will be the first year for Bridging the Gap and it would not have been possible without the Keilty and Cottonwood Springs Educational Endowment.

Another JNHE advancement is adding keynote speaker, Rhett Laubach, to our Pen-to-Pen program. The NJHA board is excited to continue the Pen-to-Pen program for the second year and to be adding a leadership component to that event. Laubach will be there to interact with our junior members and help them fulfill their leadership potential.

These educational improvements to the JNHE are just the beginning of what the Keilty's hope to accomplish with their endowment. They truly believe in the NJHA because they have seen the impact of it on their family, as well as many others. Nancy says, "Through the educational and scholarship programs of HYFA, we are giving to youth whom, in turn, are going to be the future of the agricultural industry."



Nancy Keilty (pictured) is a passionate supporter of Hereford youth and has helped make Bridging the Gap possible for the 2019 JNHE.

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Saturday, July 6

- 6 p.m. Barns open for setting up stalls — cattle may arrive into tie outs
6:30 p.m. National Hereford Women (NHW) board meeting, *Centennial Room*

Sunday, July 7

— Cattle allowed in barns —

- 8 a.m. Scholarship judges' breakfast, *NW Club*
8:30 a.m. Scholarship interviews begin, *NW Club and Beef Palace*
9 - Noon People and contest registration — pick up goodie bags and exhibitor packets, confirm contest participation, *Stadium Arena staging area*
Noon Illustrated speech, *NW Club and Beef Palace*
Noon-3 Cattle check-in, *Stadium Arena*
*All cattle in barns by noon and checked in by 3 p.m.
3 p.m. Hereford Pen-to-Pen program, *Stadium Hall 2*
4 p.m. Queen's orientation, *The Brown Palace*
6 p.m. State contest and state group class sign ups due electronically
6 p.m. Meet the Candidates Reception and Panel, *NW Club*

Monday, July 8

- 7 a.m. JNHE 5K Race, *National Western Stock Show facility*
8 a.m. Hereford Bowl written test, *Stadium Hall 2*
9 a.m. Individual and team sales, *NW Club and Beef Palace*
10 a.m. Bridging the Gap College and Career Fair, *Stadium Arena Connecting Link*
11 a.m. Certified Hereford Beef® Cook-off presentations, *Cafeteria*
2 p.m. NHW queen's tea and reunion, *Stadium Hall 2*
4 p.m. Bridging the Gap closes
5 p.m. Opening ceremonies and judging of group classes (produce-of-dam and state groups), *Stadium Arena*
7 p.m. JNHE state tailgate, *Triangle, North Side Stalling Barns*
8 p.m. Concert on the Hill featuring Chancey Williams and the Younger Brothers Band and local talent Caitlyn Ochsner, *Triangle, North Side Stalling Barns*

*Schedule subject to change

Tuesday, July 9 — VitaFerm T-shirt day

- 8 a.m. Judging contest, *Stadium Arena*
10 a.m. Bridging the Gap College and Career Fair, *Stadium Arena Connecting Link*
11 a.m. Sullivan Supply/Stock Show University fitting demonstration, *Stadium Arena*
11 a.m. Extemporaneous speech contest (first preparation starts at 10:40 a.m.), *NW Club*
Noon Hereford Bowl final "buzzer" round (top teams compete), *Beef Palace*
2 p.m. NHW semi-annual meeting, *Centennial Room*
3 p.m. Sullivan Supply/Stock Show University team fitting contest, *Stadium Arena*
4 p.m. Bridging the Gap closes
4 p.m. Sullivan Supply/Stock Show University Summer Splash Boot Camp, *Stadium Arena*
6 p.m. NJHA membership mixer and director election, *Stadium Hall 2*

Wednesday, July 10

- 8 a.m. Sullivan Supply/Stock Show University national showmanship contest, *Stadium Arena*
Ring 1: senior, intermediate and senior finals
Ring 2: junior, peewee and pre-peewee
Prior to senior finals — Sure Champ Olympic Games, *Stadium Arena Foundation Club, NW Club*
1-7 p.m.

Thursday, July 11

- 8 a.m. Cow-calf pairs, bred-and-owned heifers, Ring 1: *Stadium Arena*
10 a.m. Bred-and-owned bulls, steers, Ring 2: *Stadium Arena Foundation Club, NW Club*
1-7 p.m. Awards night dinner, *Stadium Hall 2*
7 p.m. Awards night presentations, *Stadium Arena*

Friday, July 12

- 7:30 a.m. Begin owned heifer show, *Stadium Arena*
Noon Presentation of scholarship winners, *Stadium Arena*
1-7 p.m. Foundation Club, *NW Club*
2 p.m. Silent auction closes, bids due online

Saturday, July 13

- 7:30 a.m. Resume owned heifer show, *Stadium Arena*
1 p.m.-conclusion of show Foundation Club, *NW Club*



ON THE HILL

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Sales Talk



— YOU BE THE JUDGE —

by BRANDT DOWNING

Leadership Chair



How would you place this class of hereford heifer calves? I think this is a really fun class to sort through that's only a testament of the quality that the Barber Ranch is known for. Here's a class they provided that may help as you gear up for the judging contest at the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE). Though they all have some good, the most breeding value lies in the goggle eyed 1 heifer that's hard to pick a hole in. She couples a striking look with an awesome body type and is sure to out-generate herself long past her successful show career. Perhaps, what's most impressive is when compared to 2, she is so stout yet flawless in her build. Specifically, its unique that with all her added mass and power, she still lays in flatter at the point of her shoulder while transitioning smoother through her heart and forerib. Plus, she reads more nearly level from hooks to pins.

Now don't get me wrong, the really fresh conditioned 2 heifer has a really bright future. She's got length and extension about her neck, reads long bodied and has a powerful hip. It's not often that heifers with her stout hip and foot size remain as good as she does in her hock and at the ground. But today, in a class of this caliber, her greener body type exaggerates her slightly coarser shoulder.

Yet, if her body comes like I'd expect, the up-headed heifer that's looking away has the attractive and unique look that's sure to make her the more competitive bred solidifying her over 3 in the middle pair. If moderate, ultra-practical cows are what you're after, the dark red 3 heifer's your ticket. She's quite a bit further along in terms of body and fleshing ability and actually lays in the smoother shoulder. But, the low headed heifer, consequently doesn't offer the same attractive look and gets a nickel flat and plain about her hip so she stays 3rd.

Even so, she sorts past 4 in the bottom pair. There is more value and longevity in the moderate, big bodied and low input 3 heifer that is more set back in her knee. No doubt, the added length and extension of the level made, goggle eyed 4 heifer may throw progeny with some look, but I don't think they'll come with the same practicality because she's shallower bodied and more upright in her shoulder. The narrow constructed heifer stays in fourth in this tough class.

FINAL PLACING: 1 - 2 - 3 - 4



GET TO COOKIN'

by HANNAH WILLIAMS

Director

The Certified Hereford Beef Cook-Off has some big changes coming including a new name. Bring your creativity and cooking abilities to the table. Our goal is to create a greater emphasis on your knowledge of the beef industry and also your creativity with the beef recipe. This year, teams will consist of 3 to 5 team members, with each state being able to have an unlimited number of teams. There will also NOT be an individual contest this year. If you or a few friends want to participate, but cannot find a full team, you are encouraged to join forces with junior members from other states to make a team. Additionally, there will only be two choices of beef product to choose from, that will be announced on May 1st. For further information, be on the lookout for updates from the contest resources page at Hereford.org. or reach out to any junior board member with questions.

CHANGES TO THE CONTEST

1. **NEW NAME:** Certified Hereford Beef Cook-Off
2. The number of team members per team is 3-5 juniors.
3. Contestants must use Certified Hereford Beef in their recipe from the two options announced on May 1, 2019.
4. All team members are required to speak in the presentation part of the contest and answer at least one question per team member.
5. **Point Breakdown:**
 - 50 points- Knowledge (CHB, food safety, cuts of beef, use of cut in recipe, general knowledge)
 - 30 points- Recipe (presentation of entrée, taste of the dish)
 - 20 points- Showmanship (theme/ creativity; presentation and overall impression)
6. There will be NO individual contest.



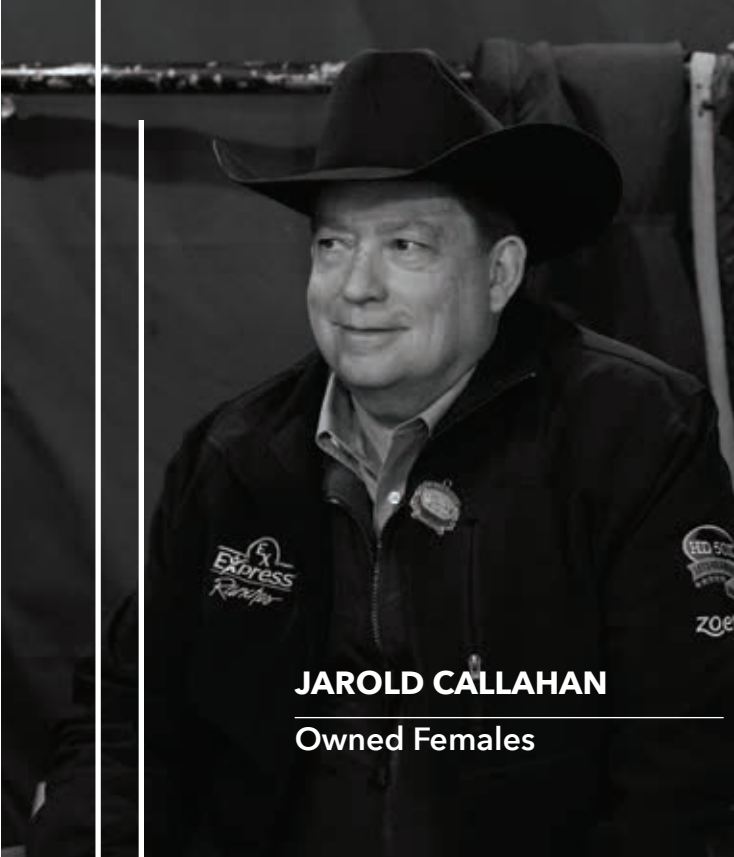
SALES TALK TIPS

by BAILEY JONES

Director

Do you like to talk? Do you have any ideas for new contraptions that could make life easier for cattle people? Have you ever been told that you are destined to be a salesman in the future? Well then this contest is for you! The sales contest is meant to give juniors a glimpse at a real life situation of selling while promoting the importance of communication skills, marketing technique and an understanding of performance and pedigree information. Even if you decide not to market an animal, you can sell anything related to agriculture. Also, you can present in teams of up to three members or as an individual. Riley Jones, National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) member, has participated in the individual sales contest several times since its inception in 2012. As a junior contestant, he won 1st place in 2012 with the "Auto-Dry", an automatic blower system he thought of himself. He said it took about 3-4 weeks to think of what he wanted to sell since he wanted to sell something that everyone could use. He even made a mock of the product

on the computer and got to show the judges how it would work. He spent two weeks getting his speech put together and deciding how he wanted to present it. He was very nervous before he went in to present but knew that no matter what happened, he had fun doing it. When asked why he chose this contest over the team sales contest, he said it was because it was always hard to get enough kids for a team and practices are hard to schedule any time to get together before Junior Nationals. He also likes that if he were to mess up on his speech or lose his place, he can just improvise unlike with teams where it throws the whole presentation off. He said the hardest part for him was to stick to the six minute time guideline as he really likes to talk. Even though as a junior participant he was not required to use any graphic design in his presentation, he had always been interested in computers and design so he decided to add that to his. The best time to get started on this is now. If you are interested in either of these contests, get in touch with your state advisor and they can help you get signed up.



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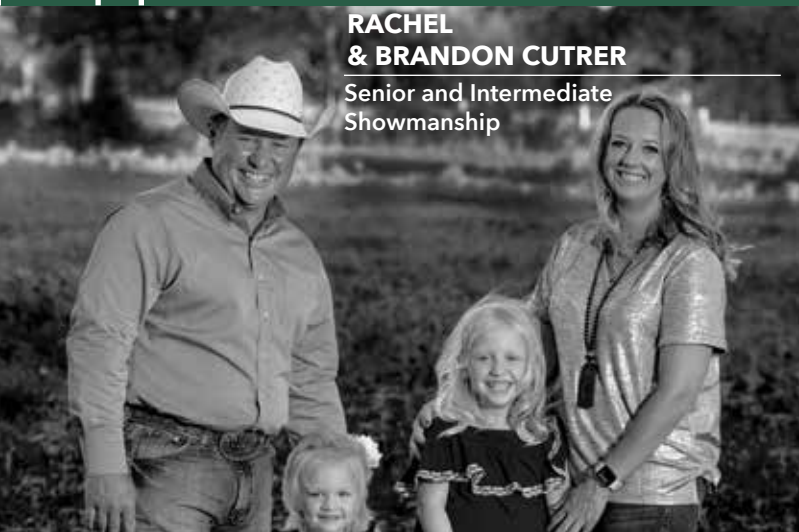


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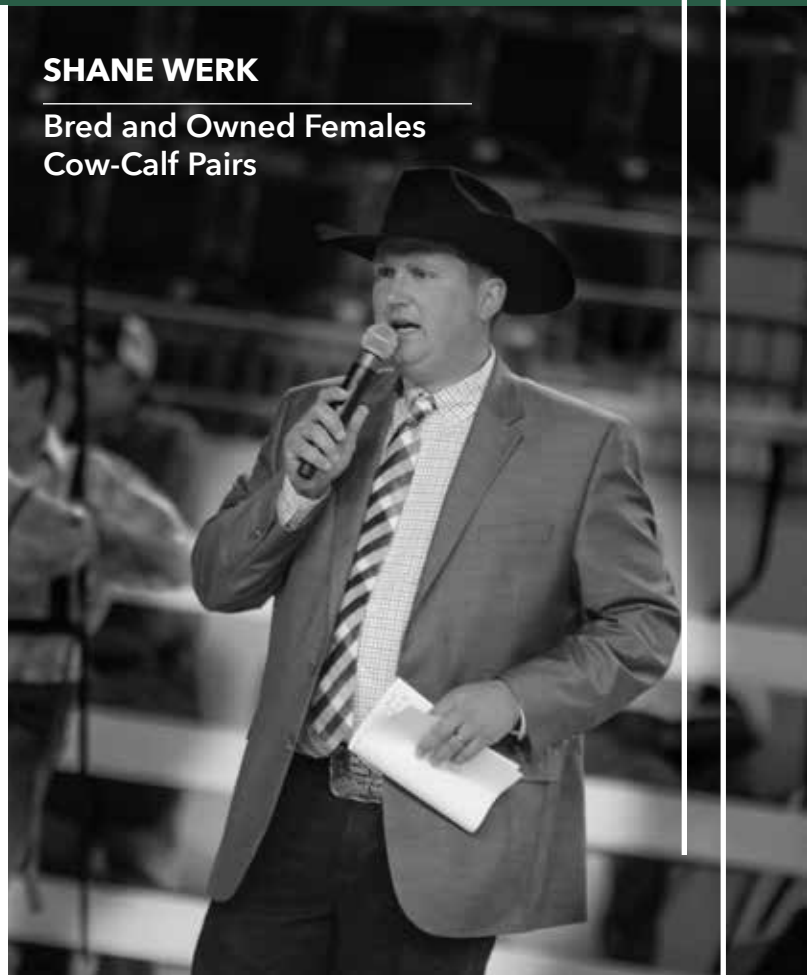


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Bred and Owned Females
Cow-Calf Pairs



TAYLOR FRANK
PeeWee and Junior Showmanship

Scholarship

BEST PRACTICES

by NATHAN HOPKINS

Membership Chair

Highlighting this year's Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) are the tremendous opportunities to receive scholarships and potentially fund your education. In 2018, over \$170,000 in scholarships were awarded to deserving National Junior Hereford Association members through the spring and fall scholarship programs, so financial relief is very possible by your efforts in the Hereford breed.

At this point, applications have been submitted and are being analyzed, so the next step of the process for those lucky to be notified is the interview. Interviews for the juniors in contention for the numerous scholarships will occur Sunday, July 7th during the week of JNHE in the National Western Club.

Having been through numerous scholarship and application processes, I have experienced interview day many times and found that all have been different. The style is usually dependent on several circumstances, so to help you best prepare, I reached out to former American Hereford Association (AHA) chairman and Hereford scholarship judge, Eric Walker. Mr. Walker has conducted interviews for the Hereford association and in his personal life, making him a valuable resource to those preparing for an interview.

His most adamant piece of advice is to be yourself. Whoever you are at school, in the barn, and around your friends is who Mr. Walker wants to meet in the interview. Sounds simple,

but in order to be yourself, you must know yourself which is difficult for many people at all stages in life.

Of course, knowing yourself involves knowing what you put on the application, but I stress knowing what your passionate about and what talents you have that are unique and genuine to you. Furthermore, if you're applying for a scholarship and hoping to attend college, then Mr. Walker is interested in knowing where you want to be in 5 years and maybe even further than that. The goal is to show that you have put thought into what you're striving for.

The last tip, which I had to work on myself, is speak with authority when answering questions. Responses that exuberate authority show confidence, maturity, and the will to succeed. It may be odd, but I recommend practicing some responses before the interview. That way you have clear and concise responses that show originality and thoughtfulness. I always recommend dressing nice and looking your best and also review the specific scholarship you are applying for. Know the history, those involved, and where the money comes from.

My last piece of advice is to relax. I included a lot of information to know and hopefully use, but know that if you have an interview, then your application has already shown that you have what it takes. I always found that Hereford juniors shine no matter where they're at, so take the advice given and incorporate it so you shine on interview day.

Advice

“Whoever you are at school, in the barn, and around your friends is who you should be in an interview.”

– Eric Walker
Past Scholarship Judge



On the COVER

From showing cattle to calving cows Haxton Hoffman, 8, is involved in all aspects of his families ranch located in Thedford, Neb. For Haxton, getting up early in the mornings is easy when he can go help his dad, Jason check on calving cows.

At the 2019 National Western Stock Show Haxton was the sixth generation from his family to exhibit cattle. Haxton will attend his second Junior National Hereford Expo this summer in Denver, Colo. Working on the show cattle and learning their personalities are Haxton's favorite part of showing cattle.



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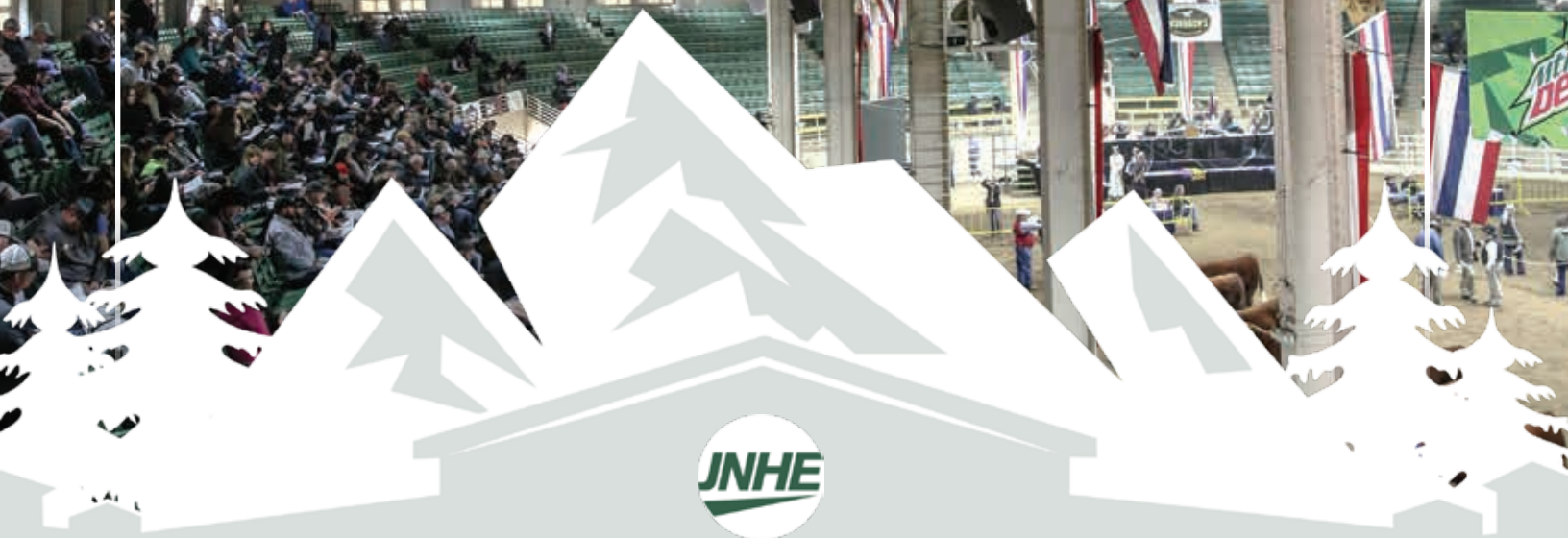


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A GLIMPSE *at the* NATIONAL WESTERN



A photographic tour of the National Western Complex gives exhibitors a glimpse of what to expect for Herefords on the Hill. Make plans to join Hereford juniors from across the country for an action packed week of contests, events, friendship and showing Hereford cattle at the National Western Stock Show Complex. Get ready to make the most of a week in the Mile High City!





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ENTRY INFORMATION

- Online entry site: HerefordJuniorNational.com
- All steers showing at the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) must be registered by the American Hereford Association (AHA) and out of a registered sire and dam. ALL steers must have a DNA profile on file at the AHA at the time of entry. No steer certificates will be accepted, only registration papers.
- The online entry system will not work without a registration number, so please plan ahead to ensure registrations and transfers are handled in advance of the May 1 and June 1 deadlines. "PENDING" or "APPLIED FOR" will not, under any circumstances, be accepted online in the registration column. YOU MUST have a registration number before completing online entry. This includes calves on the side of cows for the cow-calf pair show.
- Please be sure to indicate whether your heifer(s) will show in the owned show, the bred-and-owned show, or both. Heifers exhibited in both shows will require two entry fees and one bedding fee.
- All entries and additional orders must be submitted through HerefordJuniorNational.com.
- Sure Champ will be sponsoring one free shirt to each exhibitor; additional shirts are \$20. You will be able to order meal tickets, extra T-shirts, and showmanship entries via the online system till June 1.

BARN AND TIE OUT POLICIES

- Porta Cool Units WILL NOT BE allowed in the barns or in the tie out areas. It was the decision of the National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) Board to no longer allow Porta Cool Units due to the space issues in the barns.
- No tents will be allowed in tie outs.
- No need to arrive early and mark tie outs since tie outs will be pre-assigned by state and marked by state advisors. All cattle will be tying out in the pens at the National Western Yards.
- No generators inside the barns.

STALLING POLICY

- NO HEREFORD cattle will be allowed on the grounds, in tie outs or in the barns to begin stall set-up until 6 p.m., Saturday, July 6. NO CATTLE will be allowed in the barns until Sunday, July 7. You will be stalled by state in the barn and advisors are in charge of stalling assignments within each state. We ask that exhibitors do not set up stalls prior to your state advisor assigning the stall space. The state advisors will have final say in stalling for each state, so we ask that everyone cooperate with this stalling process in order to get the week off to a good start.
- ALL CATTLE EXHIBITING AT THE JNHE MUST BE STALLED WITH THE STATE THE JUNIOR EXHIBITOR IS FROM. If under special circumstances the case arises that the junior exhibitor is competing with a different state association, it must be specified at the time of entry, no exceptions.

GENERAL RULES

- Exhibitor must be 7 years old and not 22 years old by Jan. 1, 2019, and a member of the National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA). Dues are \$15 and must be paid prior to entry. Membership forms may be downloaded at JrHereford.org
- All animals must be registered with the AHA.
- Each entry, except in the bred-and-owned bull show must be owned solely by the junior exhibitor(s) and in his/her recorded ownership before June 1. Siblings may jointly own animals, provided both are members of the NJHA and meet NJHA age requirements. No animal is eligible to compete if recorded in joint ownership (other than the sibling rule and bred-and-owned bull rule), and no joint ownership with farm name or family name.
- Horned or de-horned animals are eligible for the horned owned breeding show; polled cattle or cattle with scurs are

- eligible for the polled owned breeding show. Horned and polled cow-calf pairs, steers, bred-and-owned bulls and bred-and-owned heifers will show together in their respective shows. Scurs, if present, must be loose and not firmly attached to the head; they must not be removed or tampered with.
- EARLY BIRD ONLINE ENTRY FEE IS \$40 PER ENTRY. ONLINE ENTRIES processed by June 1 are \$60 per head. A onetime bedding fee per entry is \$60 and this includes bedding for tie outs.
 - Final Entry and Ownership Deadline is June 1. All animals must be registered and transferred prior to the June 1 entry and ownership deadline date. No late transfers or entries will be accepted. Entries with "pending" listed, as the registration number will not be accepted and entry will be refused. This includes calves showing on the sides of cows in the cow-calf pair show.
 - Entry fees are non-refundable.
 - All cattle must be in place in the barn by noon, Sunday, July 7. All cattle must be processed by 3 p.m., Sunday, July 7.
 - Original registration certificate must be presented at check-in. All animals will have tattoos checked unless the original registration paper has been stamped VERIFIED by an AHA staff member. Tattoos that are missing, illegible, altered, incorrect and/or in any other way disagree with the official AHA records will be justifiable cause for disqualification of entry. Make sure to check tattoos well before leaving for the JNHE.
 - Entries must meet Colorado health regulations. All animals must have an official health certificate. Refer to Colorado health requirements at JrHereford.org.
 - Exhibitor must show his/her own animals. Only exhibitors who are in attendance at the JNHE and are physically unable to show the animals due to illness or injury will be excused. In the case of extenuating circumstances, the family must come to the NJHA board and AHA Youth Director, in which case, the board of directors and AHA Youth Director have sole discretion as to whether the animal may be shown by a substitute showman. Owner may secure another junior member to show his/ her animals if excused or if exhibitor has more than one entry in the same class. It is recommended that if you have more than one animal being shown in a class you utilize a fellow junior from your own state to assist. No adult or fellow junior may assist exhibitor in showring.
 - Exhibitor must wear official show shirt in both showmanship and in the entire cattle show along with entry numbers on chest and back. Additional show shirts may be purchased for \$20.
 - Exhibitor must follow AHA fitting rules as stated in the official "Show Rules and Classifications" of the AHA.
 - State herdsmanship (neatness, decoration, workmanship and cooperation) will be judged.
 - If all requirements aren't met, the NJHA Board and Youth Director reserve the right to disqualify any entry.
 - All persons making entries in the show shall agree to abide by all the rules and regulations as outlined and will not hold the American Hereford Association or the 2019 Junior National Hereford Expo organizers responsible for accident, loss or injury to any person, animal or article.
 - No farm signs or videos may be displayed at the stalls. Family signs may be displayed if junior exhibitor(s) names are included.
 - There will be five showmanship divisions: pre-peewee, peewee, junior, intermediate and senior. All contestants must pre-enter by June 1. There will be no entries accepted at the show. The entry fee is \$5.
 - Calves at the side of cow-calf pairs may show in separate heifer or bull shows, however, additional entry fees will apply. If the calf is not showing separately an additional \$60 bedding fee applies.
 - Breeding cattle will not be weighed or measured.
 - The most current EPDs will be used. EPDs for breeding cattle will be provided to the judge for him/her to use at their discretion. Junior members will only have EPDs if they are compliant with Whole Herd TPR or purchased an animal from a Whole Herd TPR breeder. If you feel that you are not compliant with Whole Herd TPR, please call the AHA records department immediately.
 - Steers will be weighed at check-in. This data will be used when breaking classes and will be provided to the judge.
 - Steers will be exhibited by weight.
 - Horned and polled owned heifers will be shown separately, alternating at the divisions. Horned and polled bred-and-owned heifers will show together in one show, with one grand champion bred-and-owned heifer. Bred-and-owned heifers may also enter the owned show, but must indicate this on the entry form and must pay an additional entry fee.
 - Due to National Western Stock Show Complex regulations and safety of exhibitors NO DOGS will be allowed on the grounds, in the tie outs, in the barns or in the Stadium Arena with the exception of service animals with proper identification.
 - Any animal a junior enters may be used in the team-fitting competition and/or be asked to be used in the judging contest.
 - When entering contests be sure to use your age as of Jan. 1 of the current year.
 - At the JNHE, the exhibitor of any animal that wins competition shall, promptly after the





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announcement that such animal has won such competition, permit the Association to secure a DNA sample from such animal. Please see Rule 4 of Section VII of the Association rules and regulations for how DNA testing is handled.

- It is a policy of the NJHA board of directors that if an animal gets loose in the showing, an exhibitor will be given two chances to regain control of said animal throughout the duration of that particular show. After the third instance exhibitor and animal will be dismissed from the showing by an NJHA board member or AHA staff member
- Only Junior National Hereford Expo exhibitors are allowed to show animals in the showing. This includes ALL special classes.
- No aerosol cans are allowed in the make-ready area or the showing.

CLASS BREAK RULES

- Class breaks are based on the AHA classifications for national shows, except for steers classes which will be split by weight.
- There WILL NOT be a 2019 calf division in the OWNED female show.
- If the number of entries warrant, classes will be divided.
- Division breaks will be decided after all entries are processed.

SPECIAL COW-CALF RULES

- Cows born prior to Aug. 1, 2017. No maximum age for cows. Calf must be her natural calf, no more than 270 days in age as of the day of the show. Calves must be born on or after Oct. 14, 2019. There will be a bred-and-owned cow-calf class and standard cow-calf classes. Winners of the bred-and-owned and standard classes will compete for champion pair.
- Polled and horned pairs will be combined in one cow-calf show.
- Bred-and-owned cow-calf class – Exhibitor must be the breeder and owner of both the cow and calf. The same cow-calf pair may not show in both the bred-and-owned and standard cow-calf classes.
- Standard cow-calf classes – Exhibitor must be the breeder of the calf, and must have been the recorded owner of the cow at the time of conception.
- Bull and heifer calves on cow-calf pairs are eligible to show in individual classes. They must be entered individually and pay the additional entry fee. The bred-and-owned bull show ownership rules apply to bull calves in the cow-calf show.
- There will be no nurse cows allowed in the cow-calf pair show or stalled in the barns.
- All calves on the side of cow-calf pairs MUST be registered and tattooed.

BRED-AND-OWNED SHOW RULES

- To be eligible for the bred-and-owned show, the exhibitor(s) must have owned the entry's dam at the time of conception and must be listed as the breeder and original owner on the registration certificate.
- Bred-and-owned heifers calved after Aug. 1, 2017 are eligible.
- Bred-and-owned heifers may also show in the owned show. An additional entry fee will be charged.
- Horned and polled bred-and-owned heifers will show together.
- Bred-and-owned bulls calved after Aug. 1, 2017 are eligible. There will not be a class for 2-year-old bulls.
- Horned and polled bulls will show together.
- Bred-and-owned bulls must have been bred by the junior member/exhibitor, but may be owned jointly with an adult/farm, provided that the junior/exhibitor is the sole breeder, original owner and is officially recorded as a current owner of that bull.
- All bulls calved before Jan. 1, 2019, must be shown with a nose lead

STEER RULES

- All steers showing at the Junior National Hereford Expo must be registered by the American Hereford Association and out of a registered sire and dam. ALL steers must have a DNA profile on file at the AHA at the time of entry. No steer certificates will be accepted, only registration papers.
- Steer classes will be divided by weight. Classes will be determined after check-in. There will NOT be a separate prospect steer show.

SPECIAL CLASSES

- State Groups – Two divisions of any combination of steers, heifers or bulls is acceptable. There may be only one group per state.
 - Large state division – 25 head or more entered by state.
Five animals from one state, owned by three or more exhibitors and representing not more than two animals per exhibitor.
 - Small state division – less than 25 head entered by state.
Three animals from one state, owned by two or more exhibitors and representing not more than two animals per exhibitor.
- Produce-of-Dam – Each exhibitor can enter one group consisting of two bred-and-owned progeny representing one dam. No steers are allowed.
- Premier Adult and Junior Breeder – Award points are computed from winnings in breeding animal Classes: 5 points for 1st place, 4 points for 2nd, 3 points for 3rd, 2 points for 4th, and 1 point for 5th place. Points are given only for individual classes; no points for champions or groups. The Senior Premier Breeder Award is given to the adult or farm with the top point total. The Junior Premier Breeder Award is given to the junior member with the top point total, regardless to the number exhibited. Computed the same as the National Hereford Open Shows.
- Premier Exhibitor – Award points are computed from winnings in breeding animal Classes: 5 points for 1st place, 4 points for 2nd, 3 points for 3rd, 2 points for 4th, and 1 point for 5th place. Points are given only for individual classes; no points for champions or groups. The Premier Exhibitor Award is given to the junior with the top point total, regardless of the number exhibited. Computed the same as the National Hereford Open Shows.

CONDUCT

The JNHE is a family event. Any false representation, interference or unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of any attendee will be dealt with by AHA staff according to the equities of the case. If any attendee interferes in any way with the judges or shows disrespect to them, or to the show, the JNHE may withhold any awards or take any other steps deemed desirable.

2019 JNHE IMPORTANT UPDATES

- NO HEREFORD cattle, exhibitors or advisors will be allowed on the grounds or in tie outs until 6 p.m., Saturday, July 6.
- NO CATTLE will be allowed in the barns until Sunday morning, July 7.
- No porta cool units allowed in the barns or tie outs.
- No tents allowed in tie outs.
- There will not be a class for 2019-born calves in the owned show.



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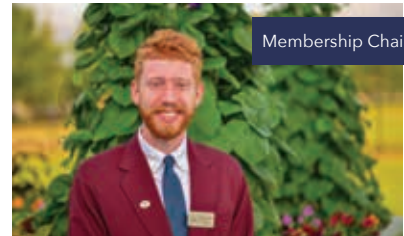
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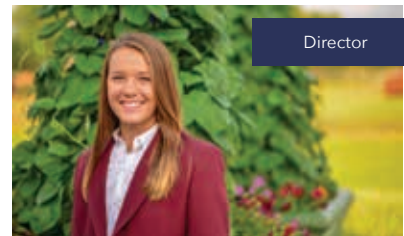
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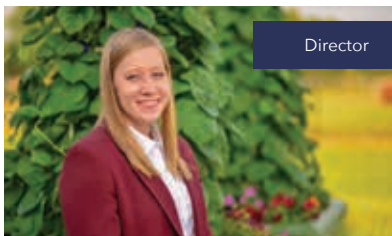
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DATES & DEADLINES

MAY

- 1 Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE) early bird online entry deadline (No paper entries will be accepted.)
- 3-5 The Big E Jr. Show, W. Springfield, Mass.
- 5 Washington State Jr. Show, Chehalis
- 11-12 Maryland Jr. Hereford Preview Show, Gaithersburg
- 25-26 Kansas Jr. Show, Manhattan
- 25-26 Southwest Regional Jr. Show, Turlock, Calif.
- 31- June 2 Wisconsin Jr. Preview Show & Open Jackpot, Jefferson

JUNE

- 1 Advisor of the Year Award nominations due
NJHA board candidate application deadline on Hereford.fluidreview.com
Photo contest deadline entry forms available at jrhereford.org
JNHE final online entry, ownership and showmanship deadline (Online only! No late entries accepted.)
- 1-2 Nebraska Jr Hereford Assoc State Show, Kearney
- 6-8 Southwestern Regional Jr. Show, Stillwater, Okla.
- 6-9 Southeast Regional Jr. Hereford Show, Batesville, Miss.
- 7-8 South Dakota Jr. Hereford Field Days, Winner
- 7-8 Kentucky Jr. Hereford Show, Horse Cave
- 7-8 Missouri Jr. State Show, Sedalia
- 7-9 Northwest Regional Jr. Show, Bruneau, Idaho
- 7-9 Indiana Jr. Preview Show, Lebanon
- 8 Ohio Buckeye Jr. Hereford Assn. Premier Show, Wooster
- 8-9 Iowa Jr. Preview Show, Marshalltown
- 9 Eastern Ohio Hereford Assn. Jr. Show, Wooster
- 12-15 Texas Jr. State Show, Belton
- 13-14 Wyoming Jr. Show, Laramie
- 14-15 Georgia Jr. Hereford Assn. Field Day, Cedartown/Rockmart
- 14-16 Illinois Jr. Preview Show, Belvidere
- 15 Judging Contest entries due at HerefordJuniorNational.com
Early bird Faces of Leadership registration online at JrHereford.org
Extemporaneous Speaking Contest entries due at HerefordJuniorNational.com
Certified Hereford Beef Cook-off recipes and entries due
Hereford Pen-to-Pen program entries due
Illustrated Speech Contest applications due
Individual Sales Contest entries due at HerefordJuniorNational.com
Peewee Speech Contest applications due at HerefordJuniorNational.com
Promotional Poster Contest entries due (if unable to attend the JNHE)
- 16 Switzerland of Ohio Polled Hereford Assoc Jr Show, Caldwell
- 21-23 Midwest Primetime Jr Hereford Regional Show, Findlay, Ohio
- 21-23 Midwest Classic Jr. Hereford Preview Show, Pipestone, Minn.

JULY

- 6-13 Junior National Hereford Expo, Denver, Colo.
- 15 Final Faces of Leadership registration deadline (may sign up in the office at JNHE)
- 30 – Aug 3 Faces of Leadership Conference, Lincoln, Neb.
- Sept. 1 HYFA scholarship applications due

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