

THE GRAND DADDY OF 'EM ALL

Hereford breeder and Western icon, John Wayne, once said, “Courage is being scared to death and saddling up anyway.”

Twenty-five years ago, hundreds of National Junior Hereford Association members saddled up and made the trek to Tulsa, Okla., for the inaugural Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE), the first-ever combined National Junior Polled Hereford Show and Forum and All-American Junior

Hereford Expo after the merger of the polled and horned associations. Since then, it’s been a summer staple — a tradition for young Hereford enthusiasts to attend and compete.

This year, around 800 exhibitors from 41 states and Canada brought almost 1,300 head of Hereford cattle — 22 cow-calf pairs, 109 steers, 86 bred-and-owned bulls, 268 bred-and-owned females and 798 owned

females — to Grand Island, Neb., for “The Grand Daddy of 'Em All.”

Year after year, the JNHE is a success thanks to support from its title sponsor, VitaFerm®, along with generous breeders and corporate partners, as well as countless volunteers.

“The Grand Daddy of 'Em All” was one to remember. Turn through the pages of this special section and relive the silver anniversary of the history-making JNHE. **HW**



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