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Herefords and Heterosis Just a Couple of Things

Jill Hotchkiss

Agriculture is definitely about perseverence, survival and faith. It's been an unusually active fall

across the country...fake meat, two packing plant

fires, floods (including recent flooding in southeastern SD), tornadoes, bad cattle prices, possible market manipulation, unusual weather.... we've had it all. If you are reading this you are one of the survivors of a tough year in agriculture.

Editorial Comments...

Jill Bayers Hotchkiss

The bright spot could well be the great Hereford female sales that kicked off the sale season. We have a couple reports in this issue, others that were right at press time will be in next month's issue or you can see the results on our website.

Hereford beef continues to be immensely popular as demonstrated by the South Dakota Hereford Association at their CHB® Ribeye Steak Sandwich booth. Once again, over 10,000 sandwiches were served and 79 South Dakota Hereford breeders participated in their production. (See article at right.)

In North Dakota a meeting for Hereford breeders was held by Greater Omaha and the ND Hereford Association to discuss growing demand for Hereford cattle. (See article inside.) About 90 people turned out for that informative meeting and supper. Greater Omaha continues on strong with their own Hereford product.

So while there are plenty of challenges, there are still some bright spots on the horizon and the Here-

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Jim and Toni Ankney, Ankney Ranch in Sheridan, WY, bringing in pairs for fall preconditioning. They have been raising and selling bred heifers for over 40 years.

heavier at weaning."

By Tom Granzow Herington, Kansas

October 2019

Over most of the country we can sum up the last year as quite interesting to say the least. Major winter and summer storms have led to massive flooding and issues with crops and hay production. This has added a lot of stress to livestock production, on the ranch and also in the feed lot.

Cattle coming out of a long hard winter have taken a long time to get back in shape over the summer, even with good grass production in most areas. Add to that reduced markets and increased production costs and you have an awful lot of ranchers, farmers, and feed lot managers that are at the least a bit stressed.

About the only thing we know for sure going into the fall and winter again is nothing. If the crops are late and we have an early freeze, feed costs could indeed

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South Dakota Hereford Association Promotes Breed, Serves Thousands of Ribeye Sandwiches

For a little over a decade, the South Dakota Hereford Association (SDHA) has served Certified Hereford Beef® Ribeye Sandwiches at Dakotafest in Mitchell, SD, every August. This year was no exception. Over the years, the sandwich stand has become a crowd favorite food vendor at the annual event that showcases over 500 vendors ranging from seed and equipment companies to livestock demonstrations and political forums.

The downed ag economy certainly had an impact on the foot traffic of Dakotafest this year, but the SDHA is grateful to – yet again – call the event a success for the ribeye sandwich stand. Over the course of the three-day event, the SD Hereford Association served some 10,303 CHB Ribeye Steak Sandwiches.

Just how do the workers keep up with the high demand for this superior product? For starters, an event like this requires many helping hands – to the tune of 25 to 30 volunteers a day. The SDHA has also invested in two custom built grills that hold around 75 ribeyes each. In order to keep it all flowing, the group must have enough grillers in order for them to be able to take regular breaks and keep hydrated – after all, on a hot day the folks manning the grills are subjected to heat near 110°F.



Along with keeping them safe, the Association strives to keep them happy – utilizing a quality meat product does just that. On multiple occasions this year, the grilling staff made comments on the outstanding quality of the CHB Ribeyes – specifically with regards to marbling and the neatness of the product's trim.

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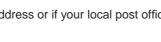
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go through the roof. Most areas have put up adequate forage, so maybe that is a plus if you have been lucky enough to get it put up right. Few have, at least in our area of the Central Plains states.

Then, I start getting some phone calls from around the country about Herefords not being important in crossbreeding programs and I think, "WHAT?" Sure enough, there have been some articles around that didn't even mention Herefords and the benefits of the white face in crossbreeding systems. Some producers were quick to jump on the American Hereford Association for not doing enough, and I am here to tell you that there have been times when I have been on that bus, but wait a minute. Not this time.

Over the past several years, the AHA has done quite a bit of research that verifies the value of Herefords to the industry as a whole, and the Kansas Hereford Association (KHA) has also worked diligently to do the same. How industry publications and organizations handle that information is up for debate, but the fact is that we have a very important role to play in this industry. So, let's review.

The KHA has conducted the National Hereford Feedout for several years and has shown repeatedly and consistently that Hereford and Herford sired calves can and do compete well in all aspects of the feedlot and carcass phase. It is documented that these calves gain at or above the yard average and do so at a 15% savings in feed cost and dry matter intake. Those things are vital in acquiring a profit.

In carcass, an area subject to the whims of the packer, we have shown a steady increase in making a Choice or better product, and have done so without the negative of more Yield Grade 4s and 5s. Check out the Angus stats over the past five to seven years and see what you think of wholesale selection for Choice and Prime. Plus, the feedyards, at the discretion of the packer have added significant days to the feeding period. More YG 4s and 5s come with that as well. Our data shows that the Hereford calves can take the added days without a significant rise in YG 4s and 5s. This is because we have added more muscle to our cattle over the years without adding more "bark." We have also increased marbling scores without shrinking the loin eye. These things help in our quest for better carcasses without hurting yield. We do need to be careful in our pursuit of "Choice at all Costs," as it can quickly spiral into carcass penalties when we lose control of the days on feed to the packer's influence on the feeders.

At the same time, the American Hereford Association has conducted trials in real world situations using the Circle A Ranch and Harris Ranch along with Simplot research projects that put Hereford genetics into a some of the largest

and best run Angus outfits around. The results are well documented and very repeatable. Just as in the KHA feed yard work, these trials were and continue to be "real world." No university trials with limited numbers, but whole ranch participation and putting your gene pool 'on the line."

The Hereford-sired females retained by these outfits showed positives in fertility, longevity, adaptability, improved herd health, and of course better performance in pounds of calves weaned. These trials were not just a one-year

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wonder either. The AHA was vested long enough to prove that over time the Hereford sired females documented a maternal advantage of 7% higher pregnancy rate when compared to the Angus sired females they were walking along side. They also produced a calf that was consistently 50 to 60 pounds heavier at weaning. The attrition rate on those Hereford sired females was also less as shown by the longevity they exhibited. And then, of course, the docility of the Hereford sired females was also noted.

So, what about the Hereford bulls tested in these same studies. Hereford bulls stacked up very well on these Angus based ranches. Once again, a 7% advantage in fertility when compared to the Angus sired females retained and the bulls also showed a \$30 per head advantage on the calves they sired in feedlot

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profitability. These tests were run over a three year period, so it wasn't just a one shot wonder. bulls excelled in longevity, stayed fertile longer, bred more cows up sooner, and of course ranked way higher on docility.

The Hereford

In the 2015 spring Hereford Pan-American Cattle Evaluation, it was documented that Herefords had shown consistent improvement in all traits of economic importance. From 2004

to 2014, AHA Genetic Trends indicated a 14% reduction in birthweights along with a 20% improvement in weaning and yearling performance and a 30% improvement in end product merit. And those numbers have done nothing but get better since then! When managing a cow herd in this topsy turvy market scenario we are witnessing today, we must constantly be looking for something that can indeed to it all at a lower cost and these tests show that Herefords, both the bulls and the females can.

So, what are we talking about in making Herefords fit and what are the most important things to take from the above statistics. Thus the name of the article, a



couple of things. We have proven that Herefords can and do "fit" the industry, regardless of what some may say. Remember, we have about a generation of "Hereford Haters" out there that are going to say and do many things that we can do nothing about. We are starting to scare them a bit, or they wouldn't be talking so loud. So, when was the last time a feed yard or packer paid you for the right to have your cattle go through their facility. When it comes right down to it, they have no "steak" in your cattle making a profit on your ranch, so should we not be more concerned about making a profit for ourselves instead of for them. I am not condemning them at all, the beef industry is what it is. The industry is trying it's best to go down the same road as the pork and chicken side of things in standardizing our product. About the only thing they don't have now is the cow herds.

One advantage of growing old is the history we retain in our heads. I was recently lamenting the weather over the last year and telling a neighbor that I hadn't ever seen anything like it (my son is getting tired of hearing that). This neighbor is about 20 years older than me and I am 65. He looked at me and said, "You know Tom, if you live

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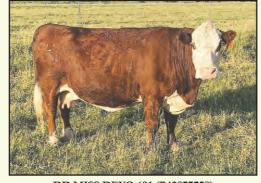


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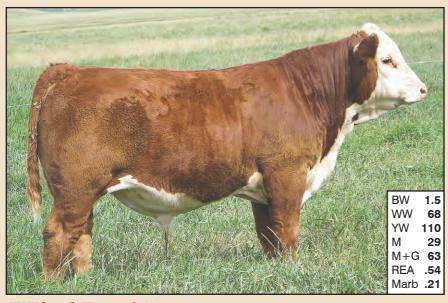


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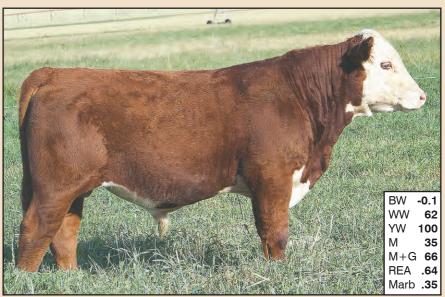
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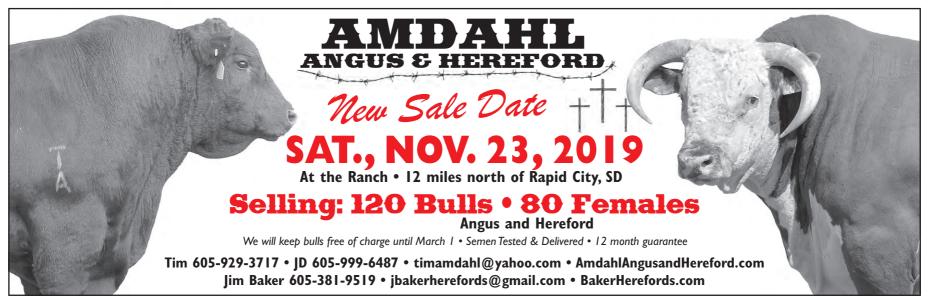
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Ribeye Sandwiches...

(continued from page 1) Some might ask - if it's so much work, why continue to host the sandwich stand? The answer is two-fold, but yet rather simple. First, the Hereford producers of South Dakota see the need to market and promote Hereford Beef. By serving CHB Ribeye Sandwiches at Dakotafest each year, the Association is doing just that. Second, the Dakotafest CHB Ribeye Sandwich Stand is the largest fundraising event in the SDHA's annual calendar. The funds raised help provide support for scholarships, Youth Heifer Grants, and awards for the South Dakota Junior Hereford Association.

> L5& L79 Heifers sold in the 2018 sale

The SDHA is passionate about building up and bringing along the next generation of producers and consumers. "We're making large strides towards the state Association's goals and objectives with one small but mighty ribeye sandwich stand," said Abbie Cribbs, manager of the South Dakota Hereford Association.

2019 SDHA CHB RIBEYE SANDWICH FACTS

- SANDWICHES SERVED: 10,303 • POUNDS OF CHB RIBEYES
- CUT, GRILLED + SOLD: 4,864 • # OF VOLUNTEERS
- (OVER THE THREE DAYS): 79

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(continued from page 4) long enough, you'll see just about everything." Well, the market conditions now remind me an awful lot of the '70s when I was a feedlot cowboy, so maybe some things never change. The packers were in control and it was taking a heavy toll on the retained ownership folks and the cow men. Thing is, now days over 90% of the cattle on feed are investor owned, so I think it is a bit easier for them to control days on feed, etc. Is it just a coincidence that when COOL went by the wayside that Yield Grades started to go up? Just saying.

Back in those days, feed efficiency trials were done by hand with buckets and scoop shovels. Walt Smith was conducting those studies when I was in college at Kansas State. He did find over many years of work, that Herefords were the most efficient of all breeds, both in reproductive efficiency and feed efficiency, and at about the same margin as we have shown since then. So, I guess we can assume that those things have not changed, right. He also found that those were also the same two things that contributed to the profitability of a cow herd. I also don't believe that has changed. Performance like weaning weight, etc. are important for sure, and each operation will put relative importance on many traits, but we cannot lose sight of what keeps us as cow/calf producers in business, fertility

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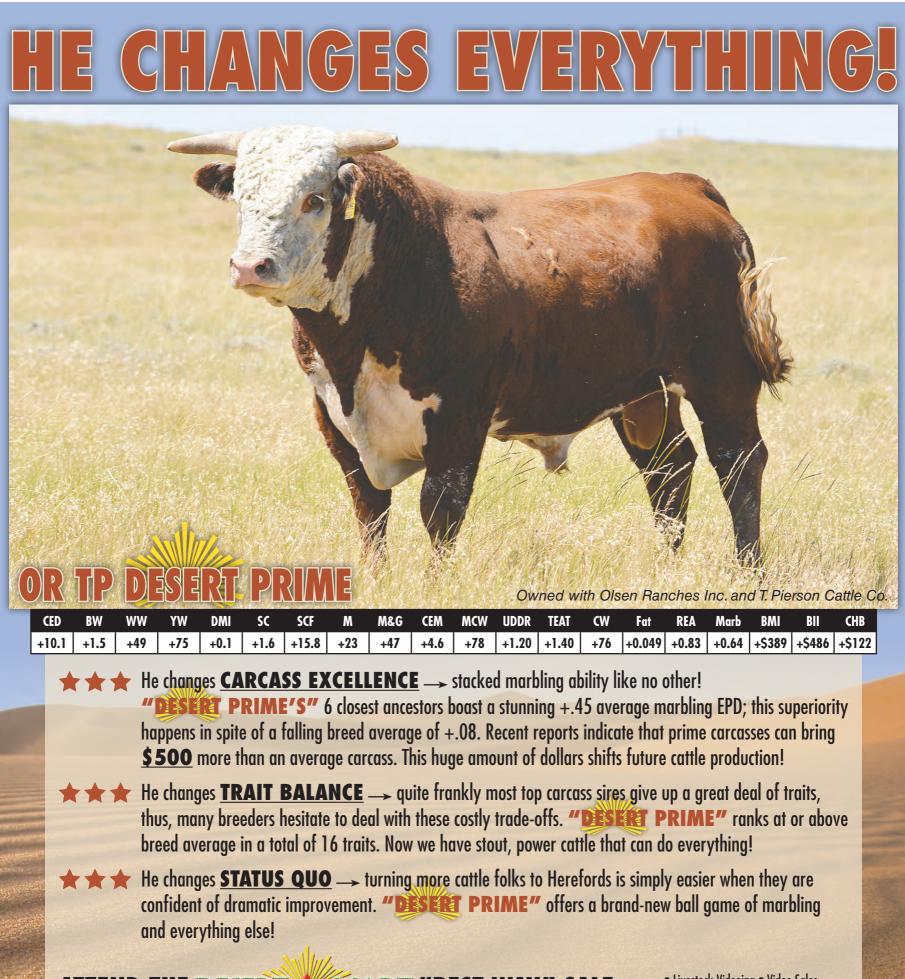
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and efficiency. All of our data ends up in cost of production per pound of beef we produce. How we market our calves, whether at weaning or retaining clear to the plant becomes a decision based on that. That decision gets really hard when all of these market influences come into play.

Trouble with most ranchers, they really aren't just profit driven. We tend to want to leave something behind for the next generation and have never expected to get it all at once. We enjoy our outdoor life, working with the cattle, and generally want to preserve that, hoping that our sons or daughters can learn to not compete with the "townies" for lifestyle, but learn to appreciate what the Lord has blessed us with and not put all of our value in monetary things. But it's hard. When the old tractor or pickup falters it can get stressful. But we persevere, because we are just built that way. I left the feedlot business because I wanted my sleepless nights to be of my own making. I'd much rather be out assisting a calf than worrying about formulated cattle and market schemes. We will give up a lot of the "nicer things" in life for this lifestyle, because we define those things differently than most.

The feedlots and the packing industry don't necessarily think like that. I am not being a bit condescending in that remark. I've worked in both fields. There are many fine people working there and making careers of it. Many are friends of mine and some of them would love to be in your boots every morning, but for some reason, that is just how production agriculture is. We don't all get the opportunity or have the desire for it. At the core they are run by boards that look at profit, period. So just remember, when you are making decisions on your place about inputs and marketing, don't lose sight of those two things, fertility and efficiency. You need to care mightily for them, but the rest of the industry may not place them as high as you should.

I don't know the answers to all the questions about the "red hide discount" that is experienced at many sale barns around the country. That is a bewilderment that seems to come and go, but when we look at it realistically, an order buyer's job is not to pay all he can for a set of calves. That is just a fact. Pooling cattle into load lots is one way to get something done, but it ain't easy. Really good vaccination programs can also help but isn't always the answer either. Marketing programs are tough, but Hereford breeders have done a good job in getting sales put together, but it is important to know that we must all be involved or it won't last long. Sometimes we have to let our marketing scheme fit in with others. Simple fact.

We do need to know that all of us have a stake in the promotion of the Hereford breed, not just the breed associations, state and national. Getting involved is important. The American Hereford Association is going to be working on running feedlot trials this winter and we are all hoping that it can become an ongoing thing. The Kansas Hereford Association has decided to turn our trials over and become a part of this AHA endeavor. Hopefully, the AHA can get enough breeders involved to have thousands of head on feed that can be further documented as far as performance and carcass merit. In this way there is a chance to enhance this breed and prove its relevance. So, give the AHA a call and get going with proving the worth of Herefords. The parameters are being set up so anyone can be involved. After talking with the AHA and the feedlot manager involved, I believe they are honestly trying to lessen the days on feed and market the Hereford cattle in an optimum timeframe.

Thank you for your tolerance in reading this. It has been somewhat challenging to say the least. The Hereford breed has for the past 20 or 30 years been bucking the trend of the beef industry, and it has been a good thing to see and be a part of.

All things considered, this breed is relevant and has many if not everything to offer the beef industry. The hard work

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ford breed remains strong. Sometimes we get caught up in our own little world and don't see the big picture. There are many positive things going on with our breed and branded products, despite all the calamity with the general cattle markets. My hope is that these two branded programs will make a difference in prices to those of us out in the country and our commercial customers. This fall could be a good test of the system especially in the northern and plains states where we are. Of course, the great characteristics of the Hereford breed continue to be tweaked and improved upon genetically, marketing and promotion seem to be a constant struggle for many. Getting used to the new EPD system/formulas, which probably aren't considered new any more, plus jumping through the hoops of different genetic tests, determining what one can afford, what is needed, getting them done in a timely fashion (on both ends of the deal) becomes a maze at times and I'm sure we all wonder if it is worth it but we must persevere.

Marc and I have done a lot of traveling this fall to a variety of other Hereford events including an awesome Hereford tour in Montana and several fantastic female sales. You will see and read coverage of all of these here in this issue and the next. The Montana female sales were after our press deadline so you can read about those on our website, Faceof Hereford breeders, whether commercial or registered is the only reason we are where we are today in all the improvement made and documented. Our relentless strides in taking it to the industry must not falter now.

Thank you.

book or in the next issue.

In early September we went to Tennessee and took in Walker's Foundation for the Future '19 female sale near Morrison, TN. It had been a number of years since I've been to eastern Tennessee so this was really an interesting trip - good to see new scenery and cattle, meet new people and renew old friendships. Of course it was hot and humid but we expected that. The sale was held under a big red and white tent with large fans to cool the crowd but it was still toasty by the end of the sale. It was a great Hereford weekend with great cattle and comaraderie amongst many Hereford breeders and notables.

The Montana Hereford Tour was based out of Billings this year and included 7 breeders and 3 other stops of interest. There were 100 or more people on the tour with the top of about 120 at the Bar Star stop. Two buses escorted us from our downtown Billings hotel to the ranches. We had a wonderful group of people on the busses and tour plus the weather was great.

The quality of the cattle was excellent which always makes for an interesting tour with lots of looking and discussion. It was made even more interesting by the fact there were cattle on display that will be in upcoming sales. Our tour group was serious about studying the cattle and the displays were impressive. The additional bonus of great scenery and incredible food made for a wonderful couple of days. Great job Montana! We really enjoyed it.

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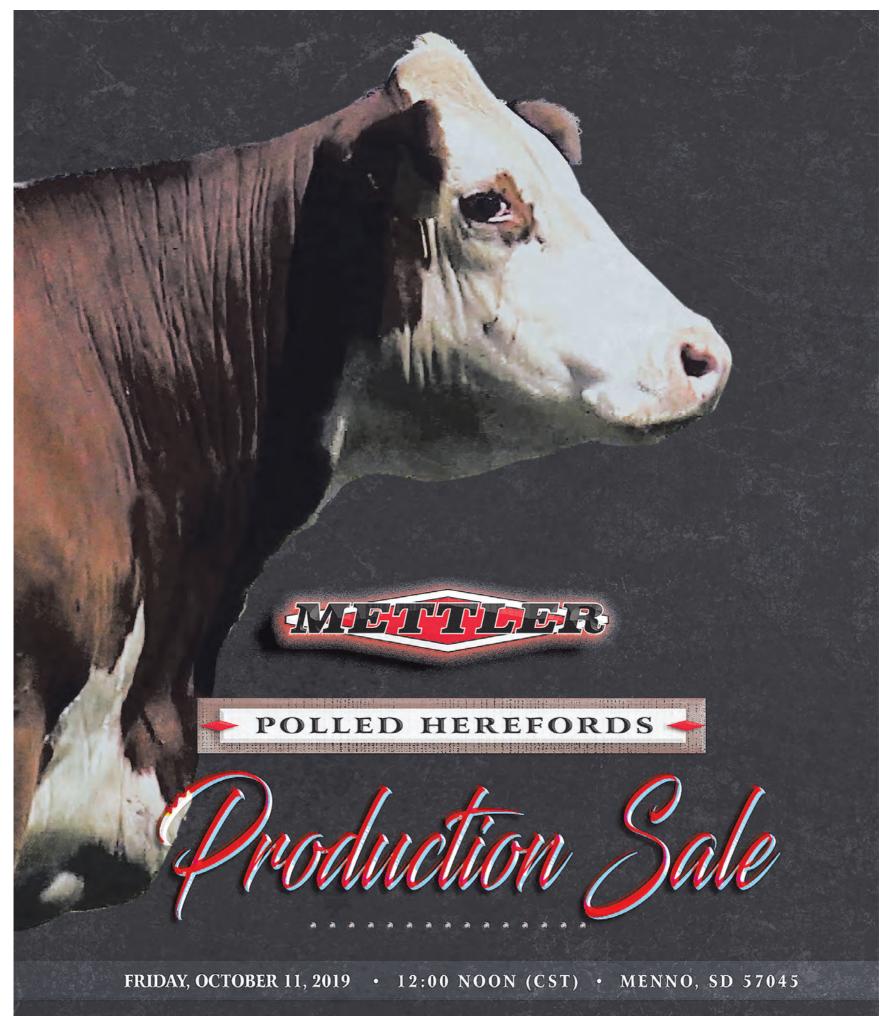
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the owner is 'you've got the best burger I've ever tasted!' I relate this to the fact we are using Certified Hereford Beef[®]."

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was "just okay," William and Stacey decided they wanted to create a restaurant concept that would provide locals in small communities a place to call their own and serve the best burgers in town. The way that best burger is possible? Certified Hereford Beef[®] (CHB).

"The [Certified Hereford Beef[®]] product is great," William says. "Sales are going up for the company as a whole, and the biggest customer comment we get when people find out I'm never-frozen, signature CHB burgers. Coach's also serves Certified Hereford Beef[®] 12-ounce char-grilled ribeyes.

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Louis Latimer To Be Inducted In Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame

Six exceptional Canadians have been selected to join the Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame as 2019 inductees in recognition for their lifelong contributions to the agricultural sector. JoAnne Buth, Marc Comtois, Cynthia Grant, Louis Latimer, Laurent Pellerin and Robert Prestage will be officially inducted into the national Hall of Fame at a ceremony on Thursday, November 28, 2019 at the Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac in Quebec City, QC.

"This was another year of outstanding nominations from across Canada and across all sectors of Canadian agriculture. The individuals being inducted have definitely left their mark on Canadian agriculture," said Guy Charbonneau, president of the Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame Association.

A visionary pioneer, the late Louis Latimer leaves the legacy of developing a global demand for Canadian beef genetics. Louis was a trailblazer in using data-based selection methods and seeing the value of telling the story of his farm with his Remitall Cattle Company brand – a marketing move that was decades ahead of its time. His passion for breeding and marketing premier Canadian Hereford genetics opened market opportunities for elite genetics from his



Louis Latimer

farm, and decades later led to the Canadian Genome Project selecting one of his sires to be the most influential sire genetically in the Canadian Hereford Association. Many other Canadian breeders followed Louis' model, helping elevate the overall quality of Canadian beef genetics. Louis Latimer lived in Olds, AB and was nominated by the Canadian Hereford Association.

The Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame Association (CAHFA) honours and celebrates Canadians for outstanding contributions to the agriculture and food industry.

Pratz Joins American Hereford Assn. as Southwest Field Representative

The American Hereford Association (AHA) welcomes its newest team member, Colton Pratz, Stillwater, OK, as the Southwest region field representative for the AHA and the *Hereford World*. Pratz started his post May 20.

In this position, Pratz will attend Hereford sales and events as well as assist breeders with marketing and genetic selection. He will also contribute to educating members and commercial producers about AHA programs and other beef industry opportunities.

"We are excited to have Colton start as a fulltime fieldman for the states of Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas," says Joe Rickabaugh, AHA director of seedstock marketing. "He comes from a great cattle background and has worked extensively on a Hereford operation since he has been in college. He impressed us in his interviews as being a personable young man with a passion for the Hereford breed. We look forward to him traveling extensively and meeting many breeders in his territory."

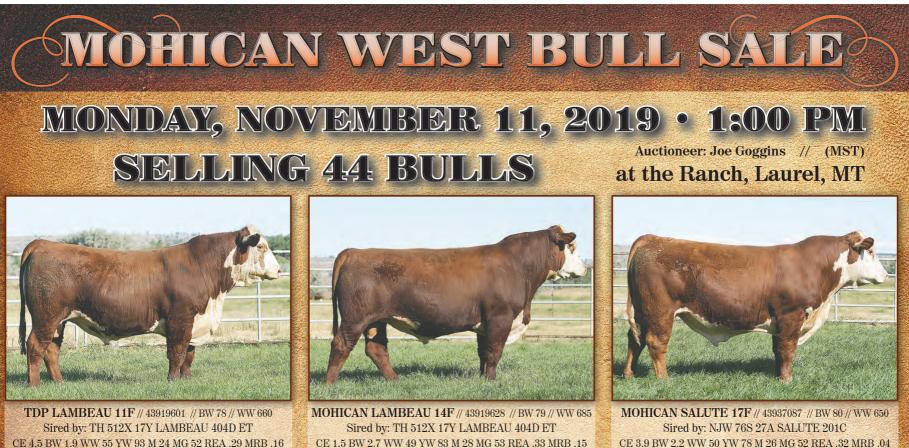
Pratz is a May 2019 graduate of Oklahoma State University with a degree in animal sciences on the business track. He also earned an associate degree in animal science from Redlands Community College. Pratz was a competitive member of the livestock judging team at both institutions, as well as being involved in many other extracurricular activities.



Colton Pratz

His work experience boasts being herdsman at Six Mile Creek Cattle Co., El Reno, OK, where he played an instrumental role in marketing and genetic decisions for the operation. Pratz also gained valuable experience through Bonham Show Cattle and Swinford Equipment.

"I am extremely excited to join the AHA team and start advocating for the Hereford breed," Pratz says. "The Hereford breed has been a vital cornerstone for the cattle industry across the world, but I think most of that is due to the fact there has been a strong belief in the breeders and the will to keep the Hereford heritage strong. I am ready to continue promoting the Hereford breed in my travels, and I look forward to meeting new faces along the way."





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Wayne Weishaar

Wayne Allen Weishaar, age 76 of Lemmon, SD passed away after a 15 year battle with cancer on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at the West River Regional Medical Center in Hettinger, ND.

Wayne was born in Elgin, ND, on August 12, 1943, to Arthur and Bernice (Thompson) Weishaar. He called the family farm in Adams County, ND, home his entire life. He attended elementary school in Beisigl Township and graduated in 1961 from Lemmon High School. During high school, Wayne was involved with FFA and served as South Dakota State FFA Vice President. His love of FFA continued throughout his life and was made an Honorary Member of several local chapters later in life. In 1989, Wayne



Wayne Weishaar

and Gail received the Honorary State FFA Degree from the SD FFA Association.

He graduated from North Dakota State University in 1965 with a degree in Animal Husbandry. While at NDSU, Wayne met his future wife, Gail Johnson. They were married on September 1, 1965, in Beach, ND. After graduating from college, Wayne and Gail returned home to farm with his father. Wayne took over the operation of the farm at the age of 43 following the sudden passing of his father. He took great pride in the fact that both of his sons chose to farm/ranch alongside him as well.

Wayne served in the North Dakota National Guard for six years. In 1970, he was named the North Dakota Outstanding Guardsman. Later in life, Wayne enjoyed his membership in the Smith-Lyman American Legion Post #279 in Thunder Hawk, SD.

In the fall of 1974, Wayne attended Western College of Auctioneering. Wayne became partners with his uncle Reinhold Weishaar and his cousin, Verlyn Weishaar in Weishaar Auction Service. In time, Lyle Steinmetz also became a partner. Wayne auctioned at various sale barns in Hettinger, Lemmon, McLaughlin, Mobridge, Timber Lake and Bismarck. Shortly after



getting his auctioneer license, Wayne became a licensed real estate agent as well.

Wayne and Gail were named the Boss Cowman Honorees in 2011 and the Adam's County NDSU Harvest Bowl Honorees in 2017.

Simply put, Wayne was a very sharp, kind, trustworthy and humble man. He believed in hard work and putting people first. Wayne was very generous with sharing his time and auctioneering skills to help support numerous community events and organizations.

For Wayne, the farm, real estate and auctioning were his passion. He always said, "I would rather wear out than rust out." When he wasn't working, he enjoyed going out for supper with his wife and friends and attending the activities of his grandchildren. Wayne liked hunting, fishing, and following his favorite teams: Bison, Jacks, Twins and Vikings.

Wayne is survived by Gail, his wife of 54 years, his sons, Shawn (Sarah) Weishaar, Lemmon, SD; and Scott (Heather) Weishaar, Sentinel Butte, ND; daughter, Sara (Adam) Kordovsky, Bowman, ND; 7 grandchildren, Aubrey, Madison, Lauren, Sam, and Alyson Weishaar, Luke and Levi Kordovsky; brother, Lynn (Connie) Weishaar, Reva, SD; brother-in-law, William (Ruth) Johnson, Bismarck, ND; and a niece and three nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Arthur and Bernice (Thompson) Weishaar.

Memorials are preferred to your local FFA Chapter or the charity of your choice.

Bertha Kralicek

Bertha Kralicek, 91, passed away peacefully on August 10, 2019 at the St. Benedict Home in Dickinson, ND.

Bertha was born October 15, 1927 in rural Dunn County the daughter of Louis and Mary (Sadowsky) Ficek. She grew up on the family farm and graduated from Model High at the age of 16. She went on to receive her teaching certificate and teach at the local farm school for two years.

Bertha married Anton Kralicek on June 18, 1947. They eventually bought her parents farm. Bertha and Tony farmed and ranched there together until their retirement.

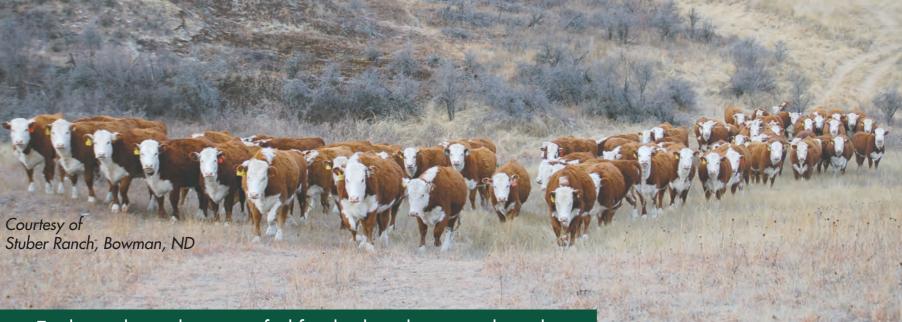
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Alex Acheson joins AHA as North Central Region field representative

The American Hereford Association (AHA) is pleased to welcome its newest team member, Alex Acheson, Elk Point, S.D., as the North Central region field representative for the AHA and the *Hereford World*. Acheson begins his post Sept. 16.

In this position, Acheson will attend Hereford sales and events as well as assist breeders with marketing and genetic selection. He will also contribute to educating members and commercial

Bertha Kralicek

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Bertha worked at Schnell Livestock until they adopted a son and daughter to complete their family.

After starting a registered Hereford herd, she and Tony became involved with the ND Hereford Association and the ND Hereford Auxiliary, being honored with the ND Hereford Woman of the Year, something she was extremely proud of.

Bertha enjoyed gardening, knitting, sewing and was an excellent cook.

She was a faith filled woman who had a deep love of the rosary.

She was a life-long member of St. Patrick Church, Dickinson.

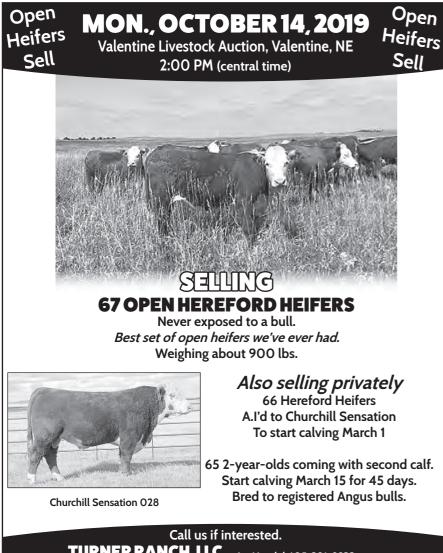
producers about the AHA programs and other beef industry opportunities.

Acheson's previous experience includes a six-year stint as a livestock field representative for Lee Ag Media/ Minnesota Farm Guide, Mandan, N.D. As a field representative he developed marketing plans, provided sale ring service and attended tours, conventions and events. Acheson also gained valuable experience as a management trainee at the JBS USA Five Rivers Cattle

Family meant everything to her and she was at every activity that her grandkids were involved in.

Bertha is survived by her son Curt (Brenda) Kralicek, Manning, ND; daughter Buddine (Harlan) Bullinger of Dickinson; grandsons Jeremy (Jessica) Bullinger; Cade Kralicek; Jared (Bridget) Bullinger; Tyler (Chelsey) Kralicek; granddaughter Jenna (Storm) Sammon; 12 great grandchildren with one on the way; sister Blanche Kovash; sister-in-law Josie Kralicek; brother-in-law Laudie Kostelecky; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Bertha was preceded in death by her parents, husband Tony of 69 years, infant brother Roberts, several brother and sister-in-laws and one nephew.



Feeding® Kuner feedyard, Kersey, CO, and as a herdsman for Mill Creek Ranch, Alma, KS.

"The American Hereford Association is pleased to announce the hiring of Alex Acheson as the new field representative for the states of Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota and central Canada," says Joe Rickabaugh, AHA director of seedstock marketing. "Alex comes to AHA with six years of advertising sales and ring service experience working formerly with Lee Agri Marketing. He grew up raising Herefords in Kansas and has a deep commitment for the Hereford breed."

Acheson graduated from Kansas State University in 2009 with a bachelor's degree in animal science and industry, production management. He also earned an associate degree in agriculture from Hutchinson Community College. Acheson was a member of the livestock judging team at both institutions.

Acheson currently is a member of the Kansas Hereford Association and the AHA.

"I am excited to join the AHA team, covering the North Central Territory to help promote Hereford genetics," Acheson says. "Being a fifth genera-



Alex Acheson, new field rep for AHA's North Central Region.

tion Hereford breeder, I have a great appreciation for the history the Hereford breed has in the cattle industry as a breed backed by good cattle raised by great people. I look forward to meeting more breeders and working to continue to strengthen the Hereford influence in the cattle industry."

Kevin Murnin hired by AHA as field representative for Mountain Region

Kevin Murnin, Worden, MT, joins the American Hereford Association (AHA) as the Mountain region field representative for the AHA and the *Hereford World*. Murnin began his post Sept. 12.

In this role, Murnin will help breeders with marketing and genetic selection, along with attending Hereford sales and events. Additionally, he will contribute to educating members and commercial producers about AHA programs and other beef industry opportunities.

"We are pleased to have Kevin join the AHA field staff," says Joe Rickabaugh, AHA director of seedstock marketing. "Kevin brings a unique knowledge of marketing and genetics to this position. He will be working full time in the states of Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, Wyoming and western Canada. He has an expressed passion for being a fieldman for Hereford breeders and we look forward to him joining the American Hereford Association."

During Murnin's extensive involvement in the beef industry and working with seedstock and commercial cattle producers, he previously served as a beef genomics territory manager for Neogen. There, he was responsible for working with cattle producers on developing genomic plans based on their goals, along with developing DNA testing protocols and providing consultation.



Kevin Murnin, new field rep for AHA's Mountain Region.

Murnin is a Texas Tech University graduate with a degree in animal science. He is actively involved in his family's seedstock and commercial cattle operation and has served as a judge for various livestock shows across the northwest U.S.

"Throughout my career I have developed a passion for the seedstock industry and have recognized the true value genetics bring to commercial cattlemen," Murnin says. "I am excited for the opportunity to help producers reach their goals and continue to build demand for the Hereford breed."

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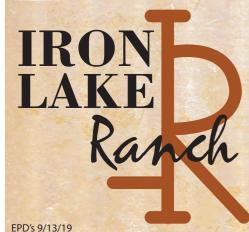
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Champion Senior Showman, Calah Covey (left); Reserve Senior Showman, Sydney Dvorak.



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Champion Bred & Owned Heifer - exhibited by Devon Moore.



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Reserve Champion Steer - exhibited by Chance Blume.



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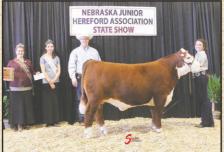
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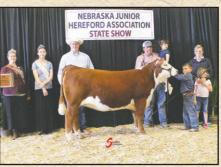
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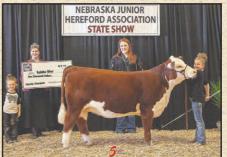
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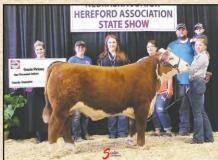
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Grand Champion Futurity Steer & \$1000 Winner - Purchased by Gracie Pickney, Ord, NE. Bred by Huwaldt Cattle Company, Osmond, NE.



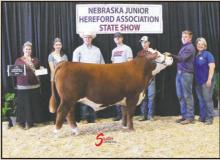
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Reserve Champion Cow Calf Pair -S & S Emerald 571E exhibited by Kaisha Wesley Denton, Blue Rapids, KS. Alber, Guide Rock, NE.



Reserve Champion Bred & Owned Heifer - JLB 240 MS Diana 1872 ET exhibited by Cody Brown, Dwight, KS.



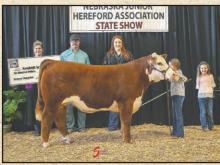


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Reserve Champion Polled Female K Faith 814 ET exhibited by Sage Krebs, Gordon, NF



Reserve Champion Futurity Steer & \$600 Winner - Purchased by Kynsleigh Krebs, Gordon, NE, bred by Bar M Herefords, Hordville, NE.



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Champion Senior Showman Malina Lindstrom (right) Reserve Champion - Whitney Steckel



Champion Intermediate Showman Fletcher Larson Reserve Champion - Wesley Denton





Champion Junior Showman Abby Stallbaumer Reserve Champion - Jaxon Snell

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Foundations For The Future '19 at Walker Hereford Farm Sept. 2, 2019 Morrison, TN

Auctioneer: Eddie Burks

1 Flush — \$10,000 2 Bulls — \$10,125 16 Embryos — \$475 85 Females — \$4,920

Top Bulls:

Lot 10A, WLKR JM Guide 722 333 960G ET, 2/3/19 by F Final Test 722 to 5-Star Polled Herefords, WV, \$11,000, half interest and half possession.

Lot 46, WLKR FAF Elder C776 A16 7120E, 12/6/17 by KCF Bennett Homeward C776 to Greenview Farms, GA, \$8,000, half interest and half possession.

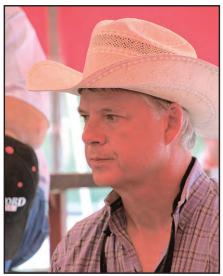
Top Females:

Lot 10B, WALKER JM Beth 722 333 965G ET, 2/5/19 by F Final Test 722 to Barnes Herefords, GA, \$22,000. Lot 4 & 4A cow to Double L, TX calf to Whitehawk, GA and Wooden Shoe Farms, ID, \$17,000. Lot 4, Walker Lady Cat 4248 771T 610D, 1/19/16 by C ETF Wildcat 4248 ET; Lot 4A, WLKR HJF Lady 722 610D 9302, 1/19/19 by F Final Test 722. Lot 7, \$13,700

Cow, AXA W18 Miss Wonder ET 703B, 1/27/14 by SHF Wonder M326 W18 ET to Hady Jack Farm, TN; Calf, Lot 7A, WLKR JH Macy 722 703B 9226 to Dry Creek Farm. Lot 23, \$13,200

Cow, CES Meredity 156T R144, 3/7/16 by CMR GVP Mr Maternal 156T to 4B Farm, NC; Calf, WLKR DRF Meredity Y52 144 9221 by SHF Yankee R117 Y52 ET to CES/ Predestine, GA.

Lot 70A, WLKR JH Washita 72C 6108 8241, 9/15/18 by NJW 79Z 222 Heavy Duty 72C ET to Blazer Farms, GA, \$12,000 Lot 43, \$13,250



Mike McFarlin of Blazer Farms, Franklin, TN bought several female lots in the Walker sale.

Cow, Loewen C&L 88X Miss Roxy B45ET, 2/17/14 by NJW 98S R117 Ribeye 88X ET to Wooden Shoe Farm, ID; Calf, WLKR DRF JH Roxy 6026 B45 9210, 1/6/19 by H FHF Authority 6026 ET to Lewis Hereford Farm and Margie Skaggs, LA.

Lot 73, \$9,600

Cow, Walker DRF JH X51 211 521C, 1/28/15 by KCF Bennett Revolution X51 to Elsmeyer Polled Herefords, IN; Calf to JM Cattle Co., TN. Lot 24 - \$8,300

Cow, WHR RMB Beefmaid 508/446 043D, 1/17/16 by Whitehawk Mr Beefmaker 508A to CES/ Predestined GA; Calf, WLKR JH Maid Y52 043D 9222, 1/27/19 by SHF Yankee R117 Y52 ET to WMC Cattle Co., MO.

Lot 1 - \$7,500 Cow, Walker Tori X51 911 B101 ET, 8/29/14 by KCF Bennett Revolution X51 to Forrest Polled Herefords, SC. Calf, Walker Tori 722

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Section 20

Jeremiah Malone (left) of JM Cattle Co., Lawrenceburg, TN visiting with Roy Barnes, Barnes Herefords, Marietta, GA.



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Idaho Junior Hereford Field Day

Had a great turn-out for the Northwest Regional show on June 9th at Colyer Herefords in Bruneau, Idaho. 72 head were shown by 44 exhibitors from Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Nevada. Terri Barber, Corrales, NM sorted the offering. Rylee Rae Barber Channing, TX represented the NJHA board and Jared Patterson, AHA's NW regional field representative was present. - Katie Colyer





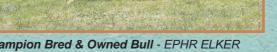
Showmanship Champions



Grand Champion Female and Bred & Owned

exhibited by Piper Colyer.

Champion - C BAR1 BAILEES DOUBLE MILES ET



Champion Bred & Owned Bull - EPHR ELKER HOMETOWN 647F exhibited by Piper Elkington.



Champion Steer - exhibited by Ben Holt.



Reserve Grand Champion Female - SLASH S LADY INTEGRITY 8485F ET exhibited by Ava Shaw.



Reserve Champion Bred & Owned Bull - HDCC DOMINOS FALCON 807 exhibited by Cinch Anderson.



Reserve Champion Steer - exhibited by Madisyn Woodland.



Champion Cow-Calf Pair - KLD MELANIA D76 ET exhibited by Piper & Cruz Colyer.

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Supreme and Grand Champion - LE Elker Homegrown 8Y 645F shown by Elkington Polled Herefords, Twin Falls, ID.



Reserve Champion Hereford Bull - DHR 519 MR DEW 814, shown by Daniels Hereford Ranch, Malad, ID.

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B101 950G, 1/26/19 by F Final Test 722 to Dirt Road Farm, TN.

Lot 45, Pick of the Herd Flush to Shaw Cattle Co., ID, \$10,000. Cattle sold to 20 States and Canada.

More sale results in next month's issue



Top Flush:

Stan Boyle (left) with grandson Tanner Doman and son Steve Boyle at the Walker sale. The Boyles are from Idaho Falls, ID.



Billy Ashe, Selmer, TN and Phil Ellis, Chrisman, IL (foreground) with Wes Ashe and Phil Helms in background.





Part of the McIver female offering. Cattle sold into 13 states and two countries.

McIver's Happy Acres Spring-Calving Cow Sale Farwell, MN Sept. 18, 2019

Auctioneer: Justin Stout 28 Hereford Females - \$2,586 29 Salers Females — \$2,047

Top Herefords:

Lot 20, HA Anxiety B472, 4/23/14 by HA Warrior W936 to Remitall West, Olds, AB, \$4,000. Lot 29, HA Miss Leonard A351, 4/1/13 by HA Trojan T7186 to Wolfe Cattle Co., Oakes, ND and Whispering Pine Farms, MT, \$4,000. Lot 3, HA Miss Remtone D686,

5/8/16 by Remitall-West Esposito, to

Remitall West, \$3,500.

Lot 6, HA Miss Leonard's Amelia 709E, 3/11/17 by Remitall-West Esposito to K-4 Cattle, Hereford Texas, \$3,600.

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Lot 10, HA Lady Holly D648, 4/3/16 by Remitall-West Esposito to David Kowalke, Nevis, MN, \$3,400.

Lot 12, HA Miss Belle D64, 3/30/16 by Remitall-West Esposito to Remitall West, \$3,100.

Lot 13, HA Anxiety D634, 3/27/16 by Remitall -W Start Me Up to Remitall West, \$3,000.

Top Salers Cow:

Lot 80, HA Agness B425, 4/1/14 by TSB Jitterbug 4U to Fox Grape Farm, Amherst, VA, \$3000.





AHA #44025340 JDH AH 45C MS MIGHTY 115G ET

ary daughter of NJW 79Z 22Z Mighty 49C ET x 450



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good crops were apparent as we drove from

ranch to ranch, and the cattle looked good.

The stops included ranches that were hosting

for the first time to historically significant and

generational ranches. The ranch stories are al-

ways interesting, and attendees really enjoyed

the history on this year's stops. Progress in the

genetics on each stop was apparent and truly

showed the progress our breed is making in all

One again, it was a pleasure to serve as guide

for everyone this year and facilitate our annual

tour. A special thank you to Hereford America

& The Livestock Link, KEY Feeds, New Gen-

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for helping to make this year's tour a success

Tom Granzow



2019 Kansas Hereford Association Tour

regards.

Weather on the last weekend of August was less than ideal for conducting a tour in northwest Kansas. The sentiment amongst those attending and hosting however, seemed to be the age old axiom that if it rains in August, better take it and be glad. It never really rained on us as we stayed ahead of it, but Saturday night it cut loose and washed out a couple of roads, causing us to change course a bit to finish the tour.

Stops this year included Coon Herefords at Goodland, 4V Ranch, Stephen Douthit Family Herefords at St Francis, Douthit Herefords (Walter Douthit family) also at St. Francis, Mader Farms at Hoxie, Jamison Herefords at Quinter, Pieper Land & Cattle at Zurich, and VJS Polled Herefords at Hays. Green grass and

Show cattle getting geared up for the Kansas State Fair were on display at Pieper Land & Cattle

VJS Polled Herefords at Hays had this group of bred heifers for folks to view at their stop on the Kansas Hereford Tour.

through their sponsorship.

Some of the cattle were able to stay out of the mud on the Kansas Hereford Tour. These girls were relaxing across the road from the Douthit Herefords headquarters. But of course, wet weather in late August in northwest Kansas is always considered a blessing.



Champion Bred and Owned **Bull** - exhibited by Taylor Lacek

Midwest Classic Junior Hereford Show Pipestone County Fairgrounds,

Pipestone, MN

Champion Owned and Bred and **Owned Heifer - exhibited by Wesley** Dentor



Reserve Champion Bred and Owned Heifer - exhibited by Kinsley Gillig



Champion Cow-Calf Pair - exhibited by **Rilev** Rasmussen



Reserve Champion Steer - exhibited by Madi Stvndl



Champion Steer - exhibited by Wesley Denton

Reserve Cow-Calf Pair - exhibited by

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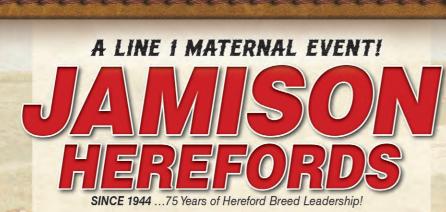


Reserve Champion Bred and Owned Bull - exhibited by MaKayla Simmermon



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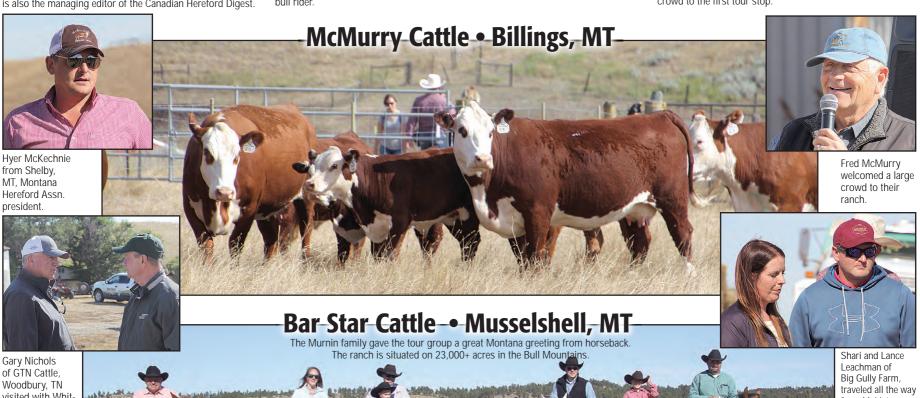
Gary Wall toured the group through the bull barns after everyone donned pull-on boots to prevent spread of germs or infection. Earlier in the morning Dick Beck welcomed the crowd to the first tour stop.



Doug and Judy Finseth of Bar Pipe Herefords, Okotoks, Alberta visiting with Amanda Hartman of K Rose Cattle. Judy is also the managing editor of the Canadian Hereford Digest



The delegation from Mexico enjoyed the tour and went on to visit with other Montana breeders including Coopers and Holdens. Gustavo, second from right is a champion bull rider.



Gary Nichols of GTN Cattle, Woodbury, TN visited with Whitey Hunt, Innisfail Farm, Madison, GA visiting on the tour. Whitey is a candidate for the AHA board.



Zach McKinley of Hop Creek Ranch had a beautiful set of baldy heifers on display at Bar Star.



Marc Hotchkiss with Ned Ward, Sheridan, WY and Cory Duttor Deer Lodge, MT



from Maidstone, Sask., to attend the tour.

Bar Star Cattle is owned and operated by Chad and Stephanie Murnin and their children Harrison and Hennessey. Chad's dad Bert, and brothers Devin and son Corbin and Jared with son Cooper were on horseback with them. Mom Anita wasn't able to make it to the tour that day. Their other brother Kevin is the new AHA field rep and this was his first day on the job. Stephanie's parents Marshall & Barb Ernst were also there from CO.



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26 • www.herefordamerica.com **HEREFORD AMERICA** • October 2019 **Continuing to Connect the Dots with Greater Omaha**

By June Dunn with Jan Ellefson

As you recall our last article was an introduction of our quest to "Connect the Dots" between the producer and the packer. (If you haven't read the article from the September edition, I would highly recommend doing so).

On August 15th we had another great opportunity to meet with some of the members of the ND Hereford Association in New Salem, ND. Chris Peterson, our head cattle buyer, along with David Grant, one of our cattle buyers that works closely with the Hereford program, were on hand to give an overview of how we work closely with the feedyards in the area to source our Hereford influenced cattle that go into our Greater Omaha Hereford and Greater Omaha 1881 programs. Place stores.

Everyone in attendance filled out a card with their contact info on it along with some details about their herds. We compiled a spreadsheet with this information and have distributed it to Brad Ellefson, feeder cattle coordinator, and our cattle buyers.

While we were in the area, we were fortunate enough to make a stop in Medora, ND to experience the Pitchfork Fondue as well as the wonderful musical production that is put on every night in the Burning Hills Amphitheater. This is the first year that Greater Omaha has supplied the Hereford steaks for this venue. The steaks are cut at Buckhead MN in St. Cloud and distributed by Sysco ND. The chef we visited with told us they are working out very nicely and ev-



A large crowd of producers gathered in New Salem, ND to hear the Greater Omaha presentation about the company and how they purchase cattle for the branded Hereford program.

The attendance was overwhelming with roughly 90 people present. We were able to visit with a lot of local producers and then dine on some mouthwatering Greater Omaha Hereford Chuck burgers hot off the grill that was purchased at the Dickinson (ND) Cashwise store. These patties as well as other Greater Omaha Hereford products also under the Four Brother's Hereford label from the Coborn's, Cashwise, and Marketeryone loves them. So far this season they have used roughly 5,000 pounds of Hereford steaks! If you have a chance to get out to Medora this is a "must see" attraction that has been featured on many Food Channel programs.

The message we really strive to get across is that Greater Omaha does not own any feedyards, but we have a much better chance of capturing more of your cattle if they are placed

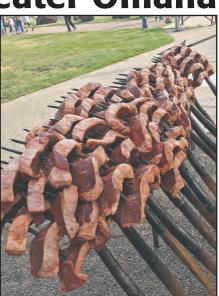


Greater Omaha's Classic Hereford ground chuck burgers were served at the New Salem, ND, producer meeting and were delicious. They are available at Coborn's, Cashwise and Marketplace stores.

in yards within our geographical area that our eight cattle buyers buy from on a weekly basis, (see our monthly ad in *Hereford America* for the map).

There has been a lot of success where there has been organized Hereford influenced feeder calf sales such as in Mitchell, SD and other areas. Marketing your cattle in larger groups makes it more desirable for feed lots to attend the sale and buy larger groups of Hereford and Hereford influenced cattle.

All of these small steps are crucial to the success of both sides of this business. We can't do it alone and meetings like this one are certainly a good way to continue to "Connect the Dots."



Greater Omaha Hereford New York Strip steaks ready to go into the fryer at Medora.



David Grant, cattle buyer for GreaterJune Dunn and Chris Peterson, both withOmaha was one of the presenters along
with June Dunn and head cattle buyer,
Chris "Peter" Peterson, pictured at right.June Dunn and Chris Peterson, both with
Greater Omaha, admiring the Hereford
beef with the chef of Medora's Pitchfork
Fondue.

Albert Sommers Receives Bucholz Conservation Award

Press Release and photo courtesy of Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust, August 6, 2019

Cheyenne, WY – The Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust is happy to announce that Albert Sommers of Pinedale is the recipient of the 2019 Kurt Bucholz Conservation Award. Sommers is being recognized for his



Pictured from left to right: Jennifer Hayward, Jonita Sommers, Albert Sommers, Sue Sommers.

exceptional support of agricultural land conservation, private property, and water rights. Sommers was nominated by his sister Jonita Sommers, Pinedale, NRCS District Conservationist Jennifer Hayward, and Wyoming Stock Growers Association Executive Vice-President Jim Magagna.

The Bucholz Conservation Award is given in memory of the late Dr. Kurt Bucholz, DVM, rancher from Carbon County, and early supporter of the WSGLT. The Bucholz Award winner encompasses the values and stewardship goals that Kurt exemplified in his life. Kurt had a unique understanding of water and land issues and worked to protect the historic water rights that are fundamental to the North Platte Valley.

Jennifer Hayward spoke about his unique view on Wyoming agriculture and conservation, saying, "Albert's fusion of past history along with his vision for the future gives him a perspective that instills respect and

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Wyoming State Fair Hereford Show

August 15, 2019 • Douglas, Wyoming • Photos by Curt Cox, Wyoming Livestock Roundup



Supreme and Grand Champion Bull -K Rock 707 ET, exhibited by Saige Ward, Laramie, WY.



Grand Champion Cow Calf Pair -TS Bombshell 401, exhibited by Gene and Cindy Stillahn, Cheyenne, WY.



Reserve Champion Bull - GCS Bandit 808, exhibited by Gene and Cindy Stillahn, Cheyenne, WY.



Champion Wyoming Pen of Three Bulls, exhibited by Micheli Ranch, Ft. Bridger, WY.



Grand Champion Heifer - K Faith 814, exhibited by Kynsleigh Krebs, Gordon, NE.



Grand Champion Steer - exhibited by Cooper Miller, Newcastle, WY.



Reserve Champion Female - KJ BJ 969A Misty 414F ET, exhibited by Saige Ward, Laramie, WY.



Reserve Champion Steer - exhibited Carson Hornecker, Casper, WY.



2019 Hereford Legends Honorees, George and Ruby Ochsner, Torrington, WY.

Colorado State Fair



Supreme and Grand Champion Bull -GCS Bandit 808, exhibited by Gene and Cindy Stillahn, Cheyenne, WY.

Albert Sommers Receives Bucholz Conservation Award

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confidence for his views on ranching in the Upper Green River Valley. He embodies the spirit that Kurt Bucholz displayed in his life and work."

Sommers is an active participant and advocate for Wyoming agriculture, wildlife, and conservation, representing them in the Wyoming Legislature and on many boards, working groups, and panels regionally and nationally. Sommers has also served as President of the Green River Valley Cattlemen's Association and the Upper Green River Cattle Association, and has been a member of the Wyoming Stock Growers Association for over 30 years.

Rooted in Sublette County, Sommers' passion for ranching has led him to accomplish a multitude of projects in the Pinedale area. The Sommers family, in partnership with Maggie Miller and the WSGLT, protected 19,000 acres of agricultural land and wildlife habitat with the Sommers-Grindstone Conservation Project, which represents one of the largest habitat and public access projects accomplished in Wyoming. Sommers commented on the importance of receiving this award, saying "Agriculture is becoming less and less a priority when it has to produce more and more. The value in this award is recognizing conservation on working lands. Some may think that conservation just happens, but it takes really hard work from really dedicated people."

Sommers' father ingrained in him the idea, "if you take care of the land, it will take care of you." This mindset is evident in the dedication Sommers brings to his advocacy. He frequently attends and presents at Western Landowners Alliance symposiums, serves as a panelist for the Regional USDA Climate Hub on climate issues related to ranching, and he was a founding member of the Sublette County Invasive Species Task Force. This mindset also shows itself in the many awards Sommers' has been given including the 2012 Wyoming Environmental Stewardship/Leopold Conservation Award, the 2013 Landowner of the Year Award from the Wyoming Game and Fish, and the 2012 Outstanding Contributions to Sage Grouse Initiative award.

Sommers is always willing to lend a hand in the community, has par-

ticipated in many interviews, videos, and tours about ranching and wildlife in the Upper Green River Valley, and was a driving force in receiving recognition for the Green River Drift in the National Register of Historic Places. The Sommers family's dedication to the history of Sublette County and the homesteaders who cleared the way for ranchers of today can be seen in the Sommers Homestead Living History Museum, located on their family ranch.

Albert Sommers was presented with a bronze statue sculpted by the talented Wyoming artist Jerry Palen, at the Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust's 18th Annual Roundup Fundraiser and Barbeque at the Rambling M Ranch outside of Cody, WY on August 24th.

South Dakota State Fair Hereford Show

Saturday, August 31 • Huron, SD



Champion Bull, Open Show - exhibited by Fawcett's Elm Creek Ranch.



Champion Steer, Futurity - exhibited by Chance Blum.



Reserve Heifer, Special - exhibited by Hollis Fawcett.



Champion Heifer, Open Show - exhibited by Calah Covey.



Champion Heifer, Futurity - exhibited by Spencer Skatvold.

Reserve Steer, Special - exhibited by

Karly Schaunaman.



Champion Heifer, Special - exhibited by Maggie Holt.



Reserve Bull, Open Show - exhibited by K&B Herefords.



Reserve Steer, Futurity - exhibited by Miles Hoffman.



Champion Steer, Special - exhibited by Gabe Miller.



Reserve Heifer, Open Show - exhibited by Maggie Holt.



Reserve Heifer, Futurity - exhibited by Michael Lindstrom.

South Dakota Hereford Association State Fair Carcass Contest Top 15

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First, Last Name	City, State	Calf ID	Live Wt	Est Carc Wt	Fat	REA	MARB	QG	YG	% Retail Product	Retail Carcass \$
Mason Jervik	Parkston, SD	5449	1220	768.6	0.31	12.7	04.36	Choice-	2.63	50.64	455
Kolt Becker	Oldham, SD	4655	1335	841.1	0.56	15.4	04.24	Choice-	2.67	50.52	455
Jesse Eldridge	Pierre, SD	5424	1255	790.7	0.34	13.0	04.96	Choice-	2.69	50.49	455
Miles Hoffman	Leola, SD	5970	1365	860.0	0.59	15.5	04.32	Choice-	2.78	50.25	455
Braydan Moe	Howard, SD	4787	1265	797.0	0.50	14.0	05.02	Choice-	2.80	50.24	455
Addison Haase	Scotland, SD	3114	1250	787.5	0.55	13.7	04.29	Choice-	2.98	49.82	455
Reed Prickett	Parkston, SD	5450	1190	749.7	0.57	12.9	04.06	Choice-	3.15	49.46	455
Peyton Hellmann	Tabor, SD	3109	1380	869.4	0.64	14.4	04.88	Choice-	3.30	49.06	455
Riley Hellmann	Tabor, SD	3123	1340	844.2	0.62	13.1	04.58	Choice-	3.57	48.44	455
Kelby Dickson	Cavour, SD	4065	1570	989.1	0.59	14.4	04.88	Choice-	3.63	48.23	455
Hollis Fawcett	Ree Heights, SD	5370	1200	756.0	0.34	13.7	02.16	Select-	2.34	51.33	416
Wyatt Brooker	Tulare, SD	4092	1285	809.6	0.32	14.2	02.96	Select-	2.33	51.31	416
Preston Vanderwal	Volga, SD	4083	1415	891.5	0.50	16.2	02.31	Select-	2.45	50.99	416
Tyler Rasmussen	Herreid, SD	4088	1290	812.7	0.47	14.3	02.05	Select-	2.69	50.49	416
Brayden Goehring	Herreid, SD	4188	1255	790.7	0.36	13.1	03.33	Select+	2.71	50.45	416

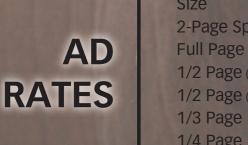
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Ľ	S	Third	Jesse Eldridge	Hughes	\$300	Trevor Johnson	Eight	Peyton Hellman	Bon Homme	\$75	Begalka Livestock
,		Fourth	Miles Hoffman	McPhearson	\$200	Jim Hora	Nineth	Riley Hellman	Bon Homme	\$50	Begalka Livestock
		Fifth	Braydon Moe	Miner	\$100	Roger Liable	Tenth	Kelby Dickson	Beadle	\$40	Jim Hora

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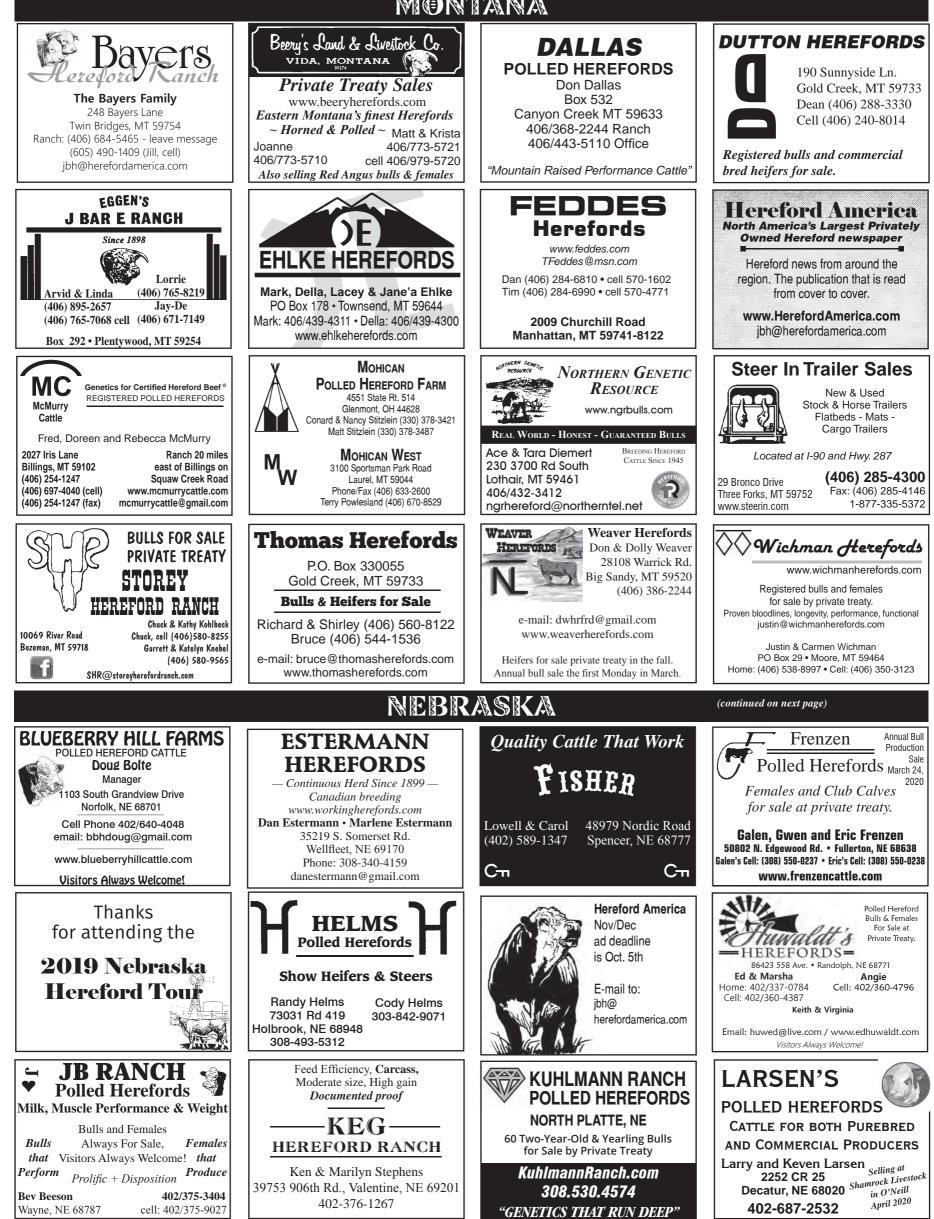
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