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Editorial Comments...

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Where do I start? It would be an understatement to say, lots of things have happened in the Hereford business since our last issue.

In October the American Hereford Association held their annual meeting and convention. Marc and I went to this event and met up with many old friends and made some new ones. It's always interesting to finally meet people I've been dealing with on the phone for several years but have never met, especially a few that I've worked with over the phone buying bulls. It's great to reconnect with old friends and acquaintances we've known for years but don't see very often.

Overall the event went well, opinions were heard, lots of information presented. One particularly importnat panel discussion on gene editing is still being talked about but sorry, I'm not getting into the details here.

The highlights of the event for me were the Hall of Fame and Hall of Merit inductee ceremonies. These are such special awards and an incredible process for the recipients and their families. To be recognized by their peers for these lifetime awards is a great reward for diligence and dedication to their life's passion of Herefords. I offer a heartfelt congratulations to all of the recipients. I am honored to know them and feel they are truly exceptional people. You can read about all of them in this issue.

Likewise, there were many Junior award recipients, new national (continued on page 9)

HA Honors Hall of Fame Inductees





Vern and Jerry Rausch, Hoven, S.D., were inducted into the Hereford Hall of Fame. Pictured (front row left to right) are Tia Rausch, Bill Goehring (outgoing AHA president), Jerry Rausch, Vicki Rausch, Jerome Ollerich (AHA board member and Committee Chairman) and Kain Rausch.

Pictured (second row left to right) are Clint Rausch, Shellie Melius, Lance Rausch, Wade Rausch and Shannon Rausch.

Pictured (third row left to right) are Owen Melius, Kara Harvey, Trudy Morgan, Dana Rausch, Joel Rausch and Peter Rausch.

Pictured (fourth row left to right) are Joe Morgan, Missy Rausch, Jacob Rausch and Christine Rausch.

(Not pictured are Vern and Sharon Rausch.)

Phil and Joyce Ellis, Chrisman, IL, Hereford Hall of Fame inductees, pictured with family members at the presentation in Kansas City this fall.

Pictured are (front row left to right) Sarah Ellis, Bill Goehring (outgoing AHA President), Joyce Ellis, Phil Ellis, Lauren Ellis and Lauri

Pictured (second row left to right) are Anthony Valente, Lisa Ellis, Matthew Ellis, Cathy Ellis Seward, Joe Ellis and Hannah Ellis.

Marty Lueck, Mountain Grove, MO, pictured with his family at the Hereford Hall of Fame presentation.

Pictured (front row left to right) are Bill Goehring (outgoing AHA President), Arora Lueck, Marty Lueck, Vicki Lueck and Harper Lueck. Pictured (second row I to r) are Andrew Whitson, Tanner Lueck and Tommy Lueck. Pictured (third row left to right) are Sarah Conner and Eric Lueck.

KANSAS CITY. MO - Phil and Joyce Ellis; Chrisman, IL; Marty Lueck, Mountain Grove, MO; and Vern and Jerry Rausch, Hoven, SD,

were inducted into the Hereford Hall of Fame Oct. 21, 2023, in Kansas City, MO, during the American Hereford Association (AHA) Annual Meeting and Conference.

The Hall of Fame honor recognizes leaders and breeders who have influenced the trajectory and advancement of the Hereford breed.

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heifer bull - Dam is the mother of 3 herd bulls we used
on heifers - PAP 33 - BW 77 lbs. - Ratios WR 116 YR 114
REA 110 IMF 77 - EPDs CE 3.3 BW 1.3 WW 63 YW 101 MM
34 MCE 0.8 REA 0.56 MAR 0.06 BMI \$369 BII \$445
CHB \$116



Lot 299K EPHR ELKER BROKER 299K (P44368569)
BD: 3/8/2022 • Will work on heifers • Lots of pigment •
Dark and muscular • PAP 32 • BW 70 lbs • Ratios WR 119
YR 116 REA 97 IMF 96 • EPDs CE 6.5 BW 1.4 WW 72 YW
111 MM 26 MCE 3.0 REA 0.49 MAR 0.11 BMI \$339 BII \$426
CHB \$123



Lot 275K EPHR ELKER PATH 275K (P44370287)
BD: 3/4/2022 • Thick and massive • Will work on
heifers • PAP 37 • BW 70 lbs • Ratios WR 103 YR 105
REA 114 • EPDs CE 71 BW 0.2 WW 57 YW 99 MM 27
MCE 1.7 REA 0.53 MAR 0.03 BMI \$345 BII \$412
CHB \$126



Lot 252K EPHR ELKER BROKER 252K (44369982)
BD: 2/27/2022 · Long big and dark · Great pigment · Will
work on heifers · Dam has 10 calves ratioed at WW 110
YW 105 · PAP 31 · BW 70 lbs · Ratios WR 137 YR 117 REA 128
• EPDs CE 9.1 BW 0.5 WW 65 YW 92 MM 22 MCE 2.8 REA
0.62 MAR 0.04 BMI \$367 BII \$443 CHB \$126



LOT 428K EPHR ELKER PATHFINDER 428K (P44369971)

- BD: 4/9/2022 - Lots of pigment - Dam has a perfect udder - PAP 33 - BW 75 lbs - Ratios WR 100 YR 118 REA 94 - EPDs CE 3.0 BW 2.0 WW 60 YW 105 MM 30 MCE -0.2 REA 0.48 MAR 0.08 BMI \$355 BII \$429 CHB \$131



Lot 295K EPHR ELKER PATHFINDER 999 295K (P44370237)

BD: 3/5/2022 • Deep and muscular • Heifer bull • PAP 33 • BW 75 lbs • Ratios WR 84 YR 119 REA 129 IMF 121 • EPDs CE 4.0 BW 1.8 WW 54 YW 114 MM 32 MCE 1.9 REA 0.55 MAR 0.10 BMI \$339 BII \$407 CHB \$136



Lot 385K EPHR ELKER PATH 266D (P44369992)
BD: 4/1/2022 • Moderate bull • Dark and pigmented
• Heifer bull • PAP 35 • BW 76 lbs • Ratios WR 102 YR
95 REA 100 IMF 111 • EPDs CE 4.1 BW 1.0 WW 56 YW 95
MM 26 MCE 1.8 REA 0.62 MAR 0.11 BMI \$330 BII \$400
CHB \$133



LOT 300K PRE MISS POPIES RETURN 300K (P44369955)

BD: 3/8/2022 • Show heifer out of Piper's Poppie cow
• Dam is a Dam of Distinction with a perfect udder •
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time • Bred natural to 005C from 5/20/2023 till 9/1/2023
should calve first of April • EPDs CE 7.3 BW 0.3 WW 53
YW 93 MM 38 MCE 0.8 REA 0.42 MAR 0.09 BMI \$392
BII \$462 CHB \$122

SOUTH DEVON BULL



Lot 472K EBS ELKER BULLISH 472K (221346)

BD: 4/19/2022 · Heifer bull · PAP33 · BW 60 lbs · EPDs

CE 11.1 BW 1.1 WW 61 YW 92 MM 20 MCE 2.8 REA 0.28

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112 TRUST 8132 x 4EVER 2945 | 44368343 CED 3.4 | WW 66 | YW 114 | MM 21 | BMI 355 | CHB 118



120 DAYBREAK 9165 x 4EVER 3007 | 44365815 CED 0.7 | WW 76 | YW 131 | MM 32 | BMI 345 | CHB 143



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- Hereford Eve in OKC 4 Frozen Genetics Sale Oklahoma City, OK
- 5 Cattlemen's Congress National Hereford Bull Show Oklahoma City, OK
- 5 Hereford Night in OKC Oklahoma City, OK
- 8 Faith Livestock Auction Hereford Influence Feeder Calf Sale Faith, SD
- Bagley Livestock Exchange 11 Hereford Influence Feeder Calf Sale Bagley, MN
- 12-13 National Western Stock Show Hereford Events, Denver, CO
- 12 National Western Stock Show

"Herefords in the Yards" Denver, CO

- 15 Van Newkirk Herefords **Bull Sale**
- Oshkosh, NE 21 **Knippling Hereford** Online Bull Sale
 - www.TheLivestockLink.com
- 22 Delaney/Atkins Bulls and Breds Sale Lake Benton, MN
- 23 Churchill Cattle Co. Annual Bull Sale Manhattan, MT
- 24 Sioux Empire Hereford Sale Sioux Falls, SD
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- 31 Black Hills Stock Show Hereford Show and Sale Rapid City, SD

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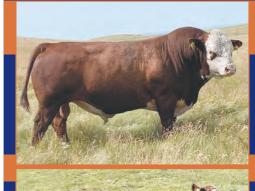
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LOT 2 BW 2.8 WW 74 YW 115 M 49 M&G 86 REA .40 IMF .52 CHB 172



LOT 14 BW 3.3 WW 65 YW 95 M 35 M&G 68 REA .69 IMF .32 CHB 150



LOT 85 BW 2.9WW 75YW 121 M 39 M&G 77 REA .49 IMF .22 CHB 139



LOT 128 BW 3.2 WW 67 YW 106 M 40 M&G 73 REA .63 IMF .36 CHB 151



LOT 136 BW 4.1 WW 75 YW 120 M 38 M&G 75 REA.52 IMF .31 CHB 149



M&G 73 REA .44 IMF .36 CHB 137



M&G 73 REA .75 IMF .37 CHB 152



LOT 233 BW 2.3 WW 76 YW 123 M 39



LOT 235 BW 2.7WW 67YW 110 M 31



LOT 239 BW 2.7WW 61YW 111 M 32 M&G 62 REA .75 IMF .11 CHB 123



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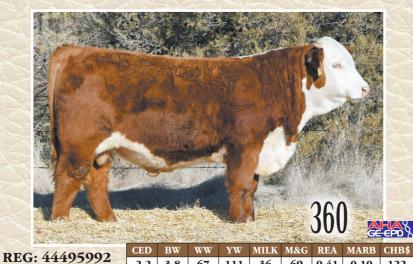
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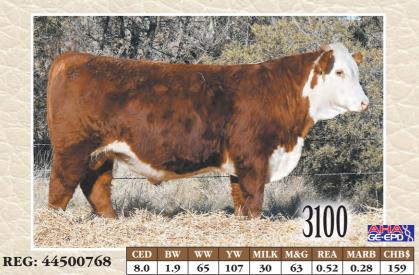
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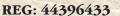
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 - Dvorak Herefords Bull and Heifer Sale Lake Andes, SD
 - Baumgarten Cattle Co. Annual Production Sale Belfield, ND

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- 3 Upstream Ranch Annual **Production Sale** Taylor, NE
- Cattlemen's Choice Sale 5 Pelton Ranch Halliday, ND
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- 9 CX Ranch Annual Production Sale with Dutch Flat Angus Lewiston, ID
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- 9 Topp Herefords Bull Sale Grace City, ND
- Mrnak Herefords Annual 11 **Production Sale** Bowman, ND
- 12 Logterman Family Hereford & Angus Production Slae Valentine, NE
- 12 Fawcett's Elm Creek Ranch **Production Sale** Ree Heights, SD
- 14 Friedt Herefords Annual Production Sale Dickinson, ND
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8 L Bar W Production Sale Absarokee, MT

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11 Holden Herefords Annual Production Sale Valier, MT

12 Cooper Hereford Ranch Annual Production Sale Willow Creek, MT

12 Medicine Hat Bull Sale Medicine Hat, AB

13 Ravine Creek Ranch Annual Sale Huron, SD

14 Bar Star Annual Sale Musselshell, MT

23 Sandhill Farms Annual Sale Haviland, KS

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26 Frenzen Polled Herefords & Angus Sale Fullerton, NE

27 NJW Polled Herefords Sale Sheridan, WY

Editorial....

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queen and scholarship recipients who are just starting their Hereford journey. These awards can be life-changing and so important for the youth in our industry as well as their families. (See coverage in this issue.)

Lively discussions in the hallways, socializing and at meals during the Hereford events made it clear breeders aren't apathetic but encouraged about the direction of the breed. I remember in the not too distant past, there seemed to be overwhelming apathy among breeders and some had reached a point of not caring what was going on although they still had a passion for the cattle. I'm glad to see that turning around. Once again there is a lot of enthusiasm but of course there are some issues that are "actively being discussed out in the country." I guess if it was a perfect world it would be pretty boring.

One of the not-so-perfect things that has happened is a new genetic defect. On November 21, the American Hereford Association (AHA) announced a new genetic defect called Delayed Blindness.

In the AHA's letter to the membership it was stated, "The American Hereford Association (AHA), in collaboration with Dr. David Steffen and Dr. Jessica Petersen at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL), have discovered - Advertisers Index -

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Editorial....

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a novel defect in Hereford cattle called Delayed Blindness (DB). This genetic defect is considered autosomal recessive, meaning an affected calf must have two carrier parents." (Emphasis mine.)

The letter continues as follows: "The AHA has received information from

members over the last few years about cattle that appeared to be blind. Per AHA rules these cases were referred to Dr. Steffen at UNL for diagnosis. In each case, the animal had no apparent deficit in vision as a calf, with indications of vision loss being noted at approximately 9-12 months of age. In a novel setting, the cattle had difficulty navigating their surroundings and would bump into stationary objects. An in-depth ophthalmologic evaluation of suspected to be blind confirmed retinal degeneration, lack of a menace responsive (reaction to something being moved toward the eye), and little to no response to light stimuli as determined by an electroretinogram (ERG). The clinical evaluations confirmed blindness in each case.

Blind animals were reported in several different herds across multiple regions of the U.S. Pedigree records demonstrated a common sire in the pedigree of both the sire and dam of each affected animal, suggesting a new deleterious recessive genetic variant might be to blame for blindness in these cattle. Utilizing wholegenome sequencing, the UNL research team identified a mutation in each blind Hereford consistent with a recessive mode of inheritance. Researchers then developed a singlemarker assay to genotype additional animals to validate the result." (This is *just a portion of the letter.)*

Shane Bedwell, AHA's

Director of Breed Improvement and Chief Operating Officer, has agreed to let us run his article from the December issue of Hereford World which explains the issue, possible genetic probabilities and management. I have quoted part of it and the letter here but the full article will run elsewhere in this issue as well.

Over the past year, I'd heard some rumblings about a new genetic defect but until the announcement by AHA I had no idea what it might be. This announcement came as a big suprise to me and a lot of other breeders. In their defense, the AHA has to wait to announce anything, until they have genetic proof of what the defect is and how to approach it.

There were several big sales in December and it left those breeders scrambling for solutions for their buyers. The sales I attended in early December had guarantees in place should an animal turn out as a carrier. It didn't seem to be a big and type in your membership number. Scroll up and type DB in blank box that says in gray "Enter search field e.g. BW." The DNA section will pop up and you can select Free, Carrier or Potential Carrier. Then click on "Search" right below it.

Designations are DBF for Delayed Blindness Free; DBP for Delayed Blindness Possible; and DBC for Delayed Blindness Carrier.

typical turnaround time for testing.

Bedwell says, "The AHA suggests first testing impacted pedigrees in order to help identify breaks in transmission through the pedigree. Currently breeders should expect typical turnaround time for genotyping when submitting for DB testing.'

As of this writing (Dec. 18), Bedwell tells me they are expecting results of the first week's tests back any day.

> He also points out since this defect is recessive, by using a simple Punnet square, you can figure a carrier bull mated to a carrier female will result in 25% Free, 25% Affected and 50% Carrier progeny. He adds, breeders can mate around the defect and utilize current technology.

> When asked what the implications are for commercial breeders, he told me this genetic defect "only exists in the Hereford population. If they turn a carrier bull out on a set of females of another breed, there will be no affected cases possible."

> Fortunately, we now have ways of working around a genetic defect with tools in DNA tests to identify carriers and potential carriers. I'm not saying it will be easy to get through this one by any means. I'm sure as the test results are completed on a number of animals it will speed the process along and like we have been through with previous genetic defects, it will become easier to get through the process, although additional expense will be involved.

> All of this brought to mind the days of some of the previous genetic defects our breed has incurred. With dwarfism there were no such genetic testing tools available and elimination of some great cattle was the solution at that time. However, it wasn't totally eliminated.

Several other genetic defects have occurred in the Hereford breed in the last 100 years and I'm sure there will be more. Other breeds have their own genetic defects as we know. It might be a long sale season but we will get through it, probably better than we think right

Annette Ulrich

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> issue and those breeders went on to have very good sales.

> Some herds have a fairly high percentage of DB Possible (DBP) animals indicated in their herds through the MyHerd system but this should start changing quickly as test results come

> If you would like to run a report on your own herd, you can run a search for Potential Carriers in your account by doing the following. Go to MyHerd, then "Search Tools," then "Animal Search." Go to the "Owner" section

For a general search of carriers in the breed go into MyHerd, Search Tools, Animal Search, type DB in that first blank box to the left, select Carrier underneath it, then click on Search. In order to sort the list by Name, just click on the Name header in the rust colored heading bar. You can do that with other fields you would like to sort.

I'm sure Neogen is being flooded with DB test requests since the bulk of sales are coming up soon and and breeders are working on advertising and catalogs. AHA says we can expect





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Hall of Fame...

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Phil and Joyce Ellis

(See feature story in this issue.) Phil and Joyce Ellis, Chrisman, IL., are the owners of Ellis Farms (EFBeef Cattle Genetics). Phil was raised on a registered Polled Hereford farm, started by his father. It was there that his love for Hereford cattle began, as he raised cattle and traveled to national shows.

Joyce is a fifth-generation Hereford breeder, growing up on the Lanthus Stock Farm near Lowell, IN.

During a trip to the Lake County Fair in Indiana, their paths crossed. After Phil gave Joyce a tour of Huber Ranch to see their National Champion Bull, the couple began dating and married two years later. During their 62 years of marriage, they have seen cattle change, associations merge, technology advance and markets fluctuate, but their

steadfast commitment to the Hereford breed has never wavered.

EFBeef is the continuation of 141 years of purebred Hereford genetics. The farm held its 75th annual production sale in 2023, on their seven-generation, 1820 homestead surrounded by 1,500 acres of corn, soybeans and hay, along with pastures of Hereford cattle. The couple has three children, Cathy (Joe), Matt (Lisa) and Joe (Lauri), and six grandchildren. Phil and Joyce exhibited high-quality Hereford cattle nationally in the '60s, '70s, '80s and '90s, garnering awards and making connections at national shows across the U.S.

Today, EFBeef is one of the largest contributors to the AHA database for carcass phenotypes and feed efficiency phenotypes; countless cattle have been named AHA Sires of Distinction, Certified Hereford Beef® Sires of Distinction and Dams of Distinction. The operation is heavily involved in research

by utilizing the National Reference Sire Program (NRSP), with 16 of their sires completing the program. Phil and Joyce have maintained a conceptionto-harvest feedout program for more than 40 years, providing access to constant feedback to track and improve carcass traits.

Phil and Joyce are leaders. Phil served on the American Polled Hereford Association (APHA) Board of Directors. Phil was a founding member of the Illinois Junior Hereford Association. Joyce was a founding member of the National Organization of Poll-ettes, a member of the APHA Vision 2000 Committee and was an APHA signatory Board member of the merger for the APHA and AHA Associations.

EFBeef is a two-time nominee of the Beef Improvement Federation's Seedstock Producer of the Year Award, a multi-winner of the Illinois Hereford Association Breeder of the Year and the Hall of Fame winner for the Illinois Polled Hereford Association. Phil and Joyce are both involved in their community, from school boards and 4-H clubs to state beef associations and the Hopewell Friends Quaker Church.

"I feel because of their leadership, vision of the future for Hereford cattle and their true American beliefs, they deserve to be inducted into the Hereford Hall of Fame," writes Randy McCaskill, former APHA field representative, in his letter to the selection committee. "While this would be an honor for the family, the Hereford breed would also be honored to have a family like the Ellis family."

(See feature story in this issue.)

Marty Lueck

(See feature story in this issue.)

Marty Lueck, Mountain Grove, MO, grew up in Minnesota and is the oldest of seven children.

Lueck got his start in the livestock industry at an early age, raising game birds

Lueck graduated from high school and moved to Springfield, MO, to attend Baptist Bible College before transferring to Missouri State University, where he met his future wife, Vicki. They married and had two sons, Eric and Ryan.

Lueck's introduction to the Hereford breed came from Dr. Joe Viebrock, and his wife, Gail. Throughout college, Lueck worked for the couple, assisting with Dr. Viebrock's veterinary practice and their herd of Hereford cattle. He went on to take the herd manager position at Eagle Claw Ranch, Branson, Mo. In 1981, Lueck was hired as the Journagan Ranch manager by Leo and Jean Journagan. With guidance from Lueck, the Journagans made major changes to their herd and hosted their first production sale in 1985. Over the decades, the ranch continued to build its cow herd with Lueck at the helm.

In 2010, Leo and Jean Journagan gifted the ranch and the registered Hereford herd to Missouri State University. The donation of the ranch to the university transformed the Darr College of Agriculture; students now have access to a unique educational site and more opportunities to pursue careers in beef production or natural resources and wildlife management. The ranch hosted their 32nd sale in October. Lueck's influence on the university runs deep, from mentoring students to maintaining one of the best Hereford herds in the country.

"I have witnessed Marty providing lectures to large classes, to visits with individuals having all expertise levels, all with the same degree of high energy and enthusiasm," writes Anson Elliott, Dean Emeritus, Darr College of Agriculture, in his letter to the selection committee. "He demonstrates being a lifelong learner who is constantly in the



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FH 261J DOMINATE 309 • 44516202 • DOB: 2/08/2023

Short marked with plenty of pigment, tight uddered mother.



	BW	2.0	
	WW	58	
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	СНВ\$	125	

FH 908 ADVANCE 326 LC • 44516199 • DOB: 2/03/2023 First calf out of a heifer, really thick made, calved unassisted.



	BW	4.0
	WW	61
	YW	103
	М	35
A C	MG	65
	REA	0.51
	MRB	0.22
	CHB\$	141

FH 908 ADVANCE 331 MD ET • 44516195 • DOB: 2/16/2023

ET calf with lots of depth and natural thickness, extra pigment.



BW	3.1
WW	50
YW	85
М	38
MG	63
REA	0.60
MRB	0.30
CHB\$	141
	WW YW M MG REA MRB

FH 928 MARK DOM 315 ET • 44516197 • DOB: 2/12/2023

ET calf that is a herd bull prospect.



RM	4.0
WW	61
YW	103
М	35
MG	65
REA	0.51
MRB	0.22
CHB\$	141

FH 908 ADVANCE 330 MD ET • 44516201 • DOB: 2/16/2023 ET calf that is super attractive and thick, will sire some good feeder cattle and females.

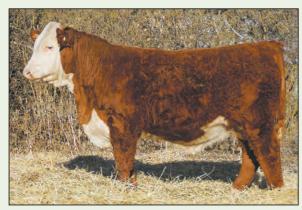


BW	2.0
WW	54
YW	92
М	40
MG	67
REA	0.45
MRB	0.43
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44516198 • DOB: 2/19/2023

38

50

3.1

85

Another well put together ET calf, there is consistency in his dam.

MG

63

REA

0.60

MRB

0.30

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28 MARK DOM 343 ET	FH 261J DOMINATE 345 AF

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Attractive and smooth made, thick quarters.

MG

62

REA

0.55

MRB CHB\$

144

0.33



B 83 180 ENDURE 371 44468316 • DOB: 3/03/2023

Good capacity and thickness, muscled up well.

REA

MRB

FH 765 NAVARRO 381 HJD 44516562 • DOB: 3/08/2023 • Long sided and thickness is outstanding, 5 year old with 3 sale bulls and 1 replacement.

BW	WW	YW	М	MG	REA	MRB	CHB\$
2.9	52	86	31	57	0.43	0.12	116



B D29 180 ENDURE 387L 44468355 • DOB: 3/09/2023 Long sided and thick, sound uddered female.

BW	WW	YW	М	MG	REA	MRB	CHB\$
2.6	65	109	30	62	0.77	0.29	162



44516385 • DOB: 4/03/2023 Great side profile with extra heavy rear quarter.

BW	WW	YW	М	MG	REA	MRB	CHB\$
4.9	59	97	33	63	0.62	0.13	117



FH 1040H INSPIRE 2136 AF 44414813 • DOB: 4/25/2022 Moderate framed extra denth and thickness

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BW	WW	YW	М	MG	REA	MRB	CHB\$			
3.6	63	103	40	71	0.64	0.24	135			





MG

REA

0.41

CHB\$

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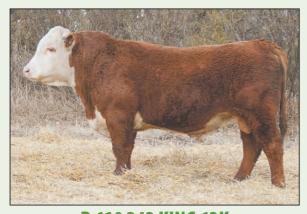
MRB

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FH 049 ON POINT 2150 MD 44414825 • DOB: 5/25/2022 Attractive with pigment and extra thickness from front to rear.

BW	WW	YW	М	MG	REA	MRB	CHB\$
1.4	45	77	25	48	0.22	0.19	114



B 610 242 KING 62K 44402307 • DOB: 3/10/2022 Short marked and red to the ground with thickness.

BW	WW	YW	М	MG	REA	MRB	CHB\$
2.8	51	87	34	59	0.55	0.09	117

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process of improving every aspect of a successful ranch."

Beyond the ranch, Lueck has judged national shows from Reno, NV, to Harrisburg, PA, and many state and regional shows. He has served in leadership positions for the Missouri Hereford Association, Missouri Cattlemen's Association, Missouri Show-Me Select Heifer Program and Missouri Beef Industry Council. He is constantly working to improve the world around him.

Lueck was voted onto the APHA Board of Directors in 1988, and in 1995, he was appointed to the committee for the merger with the AHA. In 2009, Marty was elected to the AHA Board of Directors. He is one of the only individuals to hold a position on both Boards.

Additionally, Lueck was an instrumental part of hosting the 2014 AHA Genetic Summit at Missouri State University.

For 42 years, Lueck has managed the Journagan Ranch. There's no doubt his leadership, guidance and dedication to the Hereford breed has impacted countless lives and will be felt for years to come.

Vern and Jerry Rausch

(See full feature story in our November/December issue)

Vern and Jerry Rausch have been partners in Rausch Herefords, Hoven, SD, since they were 10 years old. Faith, family and Herefords are three things synonymous with the Rausch family, which now welcomes the fourth generation of cattlemen into the operation. The ranch's Hereford roots trace back to 1946, when Vern and Jerry's parents, along with their older siblings, sold their flock of sheep and bought their first registered Hereford cows to form-Rausch Herefords. At 10 years old, Jerry and Vern both received their first Hereford heifer as a reward for doing

chores and taking care of the farm animals. They earned more heifers in lieu of wages until they were 21.

The first Rausch bull and female sale was held in 1959, and in 1965, Vern and Jerry merged their small herds with their father's and joined in the management of Rausch Herefords. Their sons and grandsons now manage the operation. This year marked the ranch's 65th annual sale.

Jerry has been married to his wife, Vicki, for 56 years, and Vern and his wife, Sharon, have been married for 58 years. Vicki and Sharon are sisters. Jerry served in the National

Guard for six years after high school, and Vern attended South Dakota State University and studied agricultural management. Vern and Jerry are trailblazers. They were the first Hereford breeders in South Dakota to utilize sale videos and video auction services. Their father was one of the first to use scales to weigh cattle. The Rausch families have had the most cows to qualify for the AHA's Dams of Distinction list each year since 1980, with more than 1,000 Rausch females receiving the honor. Moreover, bulls with the 'R' prefix have made significant contributions to the breed, siring thousands of

As dedicated as the pair is to the cow herd, Vern and Jerry have served the Hereford breed and their communities in a variety of ways. Vern and Jerry

both have served on the South Dakota Hereford Association board of directors. Jerry is active in the local American Legion and has been a member of his church choir for 60 years. Both have served several years on local medical and hospital boards. Vern was a member of the first newly merged Horned and Polled AHA Board of Directors and helped create the current bylaws. He also served on the committees to merge the separate junior programs and auxiliaries, and helped develop Certified Hereford Beef®, serving as the first chairperson. Both brothers have served on the local "Cathedral of the Prairie" St. Anthony Catholic Church board.

"Vern and Jerry Rausch have poured their hearts and souls into their family and cow herd," writes Matt Zens, South Dakota Hereford Association president, in his letter to the selection committee. "Their attention to detail and demand for excellence is second to none. They have provided the framework for their family to place the right person in the right job for the entire operation to excel."

Herefords are Vern and Jerry's passion. The brothers work together, combining their own unique talents and abilities to raise and manage one of the largest registered Hereford herds in the U.S., while bringing the next generations of hard working, talented family members into the fold.

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Daniel Ray Daniels, 60, of Malad City, Idaho was called home on October 29, 2023, while surrounded by his family at home after a courageous battle against cancer.

Danny was born on February 9, 1963, in Malad, Idaho to Rex and Gloria Daniels. He grew up on the family ranch where he spent his time working side-by-side with his father and siblings. He attended Malad High School where he enjoyed activities such as FFA, Ag, and the automotive department. He graduated from Malad High School in 1981 and continued his education at Bridgerland where he was certified in diesel mechanics.

In high school, Danny met the love of his life, Teresa Ann Tracy. They were married on October 8, 1982, and later sealed for time and eternity in the Idaho Falls, Idaho temple. They started their life together in Park Valley, Utah while Danny worked for Rose Ranch. After a summer there, they settled back in Malad where they started and raised their family of four children: Krichele, Kooper, Kelly, and Kyle.

Danny began working at Hess Pumice driving truck and was the mine foreman in Daniels and also continued helping his dad on the ranch. He then began his 24-year career with Idaho Transportation Department where he was known as "Herf." While there, he put in the

hard work to earn multiple awards including District 5 Truck Rodeo finalist, Economic Opportunity for Improved Truck Routes, and became the foreman for several years. He enjoyed his time there with his crew, pushing snow, fixing guard rails, and maintaining the highways. Due to his battle with cancer, he made the difficult decision to retire in October 2022.

Danny's love for ranching became a reality when he purchased the family ranch. He carried on the tradition of raising, showing, and selling registered Hereford cattle. He took pride in raising quality herd bulls and replacement heifers. Dad made it a priority to teach and share his love of cattle to his children and grandchildren. Together over the years, they have raised and shown multiple champion bulls, heifers, and steers. Dad also had a love for driving tractors and producing quality crops including alfalfa, barley, and wheat.

He was a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He held many callings including Sunday School president, teacher, Scout Master, and Ward Clerk.

He is survived by his wife, Teresa, his four children: Krichele (Jason) Smith, Kooper (Lacey) Daniels, Kelly (Kaylie) Daniels, and Kyle (Nicole) Daniels along with ten grandchildren, three sisters, and three brothers. He was preceded in death by his parents, father-in-law Ross K Tracy, and mother-in-law Mary Ann Tracy.

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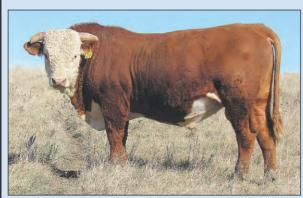
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Hawkins, McClintock Inducted Into Hall of Merit



David Hawkins, Ph.D., East Lansing, Mich., was inducted into the Hereford Hall of Merit. Lisa and Dan Moser accepted the award on his behalf. Pictured (I to r) are Bill Goehring, AHA president; Lisa Moser, Dan Moser, and Jerome Ollerich, Hall of Fame/Merit committee chair.

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KANSAS CITY, MO — David Hawkins, Ph.D., East Lansing, MI, and Mark McClintock, San Angelo, TX, were inducted to the Hereford Hall of Merit Oct. 21 at the American Hereford Association (AHA) Annual Meeting and Conference in Kansas City, MO. The Hall of Merit recognizes two inductees each year who have heavily influenced the Hereford breed.

David Hawkins, Ph.D.

David Hawkins, Ph.D., East Lansing, MI, is an industry leader. Dr. Hawkins was raised on a farm in southwest Ohio and received his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Animal Science from Ohio State University (OSU). In 1965, he enrolled in a Doctorate program at Michigan State University (MSU). Upon graduation, he joined the MSU animal science faculty where he served in many roles during his career.

Dr. Hawkins led the MSU livestock judging team for seven years and served as the coordina-



Mark McClintock, San Angelo, TX, was inducted into the Hereford Hall of Merit. Pictured (front row I to r) are Bill Goehring, AHA President; Mark McClintock and Brilev Mc-Clintock. Pictured (back row I to r) are Mason McClintock,

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tor of undergraduate programs in Animal Science for 21 years. He also served as a professor and advisor. From 1973 until his retirement in 2007, Dr. Hawkins oversaw the MSU Purebred Beef Cattle Center, which maintained Hereford and Angus herds. Under his leadership, the MSU Angus and Hereford programs became recognized as a source of worldrenowned cattle. Dr. Hawkins worked to produce elite genetics for the Hereford breed, leading the university to exhibit more than 60 Grand or Reserve National Champion Bulls and Females.

Dr. Hawkins has been invited to judge most of the major beef cattle breed shows in the United States plus national shows in Australia, Canada and Denmark. He has judged cattle in 36 states, seven national breed shows, six junior national breed shows, and is the only person ever to have twice judged national Angus shows at the North American International Livestock Exposition and National Western Stock Show.

At the university, Dr. Hawkins taught nine courses and, over the years, served as an advisor for almost 2,000 students. He authored or co-authored 42 papers and abstracts in peer-reviewed journals, 81 papers in experiment station reports, 11 Extension publications and 80 articles in other publications.

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David Hawkins, Ph.D.

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Additionally, Dr. Hawkins served on the Michigan Hereford Association board of directors and was a founding member of the Michigan Beef Expo, Michigan Purebred Beef Breed Council and Michigan Bull Test Committee.

Dr. Hawkins' portrait hangs in the Saddle and Sirloin Gallery in Louisville, KY, and his list of honors and accolades is long, with awards from the American Society of Animal Science, MSU and OSU, among others. He served as superintendent of the National Senior College Judging Contest for 10 years.

He and his wife Kathleen have two daughters, Lisa and Jennifer.

Dr. Hawkins is a friend, teacher, mentor and leader to many, and his impact goes far beyond any showring or classroom.

"Dr. Hawkins has a deep passion for the livestock industry, and in particular Hereford cattle, but perhaps most importantly, his unparalleled desire to help shape and mold the next generation of agricultural leaders is second to none," writes Cody Lowderman, livestock marketer and auctioneer, in his letter to the selection committee. "His ability to embrace new technology and trends, while still blending the core values and principles known in the agriculture community is a true gift."

Mark McClintock

Mark McClintock, San Angelo, TX, has spent a lifetime working in the Hereford breed, with stints at Bright Bros. Herefords, California; Lone Star Herefords, Texas; and Rocking Chair Ranch, Texas.

McClintock's roots trace back to a racetrack on the outskirts of Los Angeles, where his father was a horse trainer and jockey. However, from an early age, he knew he preferred bovine over equine. McClintock grew up showing cattle and attended Cal Poly University, where he studied animal science and even cut his long, beloved locks to judge on the livestock judging team. Since then, he has traveled the world to evaluate cattle of every shape, size and color.

After college, McClintock worked for Bright Herefords in California before becoming the herdsman for Lone Star Herefords. While on the road fitting and showing cattle, he met his wife, Teresa, at the National Western Stock Show (NWSS), and she joined McClintock at Lone Star. The couple has two sons, Ryan and Mason.

The McClintocks went to west Texas to work for the Rocking Chair Ranch (RCR) in the early '80s. There, Mc-Clintock was tasked with building a herd of elite Hereford cattle.

McClintock won Hereford Herdsman of the Year in 1981 and over the next 25 years, built and maintained the RCR Hereford herd. Patience paid off, and RCR raised the Grand and Reserve Champion Horned Females at the 2000 Junior National Hereford Expo in Tulsa, OK, and the Reserve Champion Female (continued on page 22)

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		WW							
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SHR L1 DOMINO H 2130									
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-1.7	4.9	67	105	30	64	116			

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Mark McClintock...

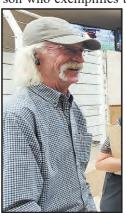
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at the NWSS. In addition to raising elite females, McClintock was an essential part of establishing a market for RCR's bulls, often selling Hereford sires to Brahman breeders to create the ultimate Southern cross

After finishing his tenure with Rocking Chair Ranch in 2009, McClintock continued marketing cattle and started a consulting business. From coast to coast, McClintock has assisted Hereford breeders of all sizes with their marketing efforts, while continuing to judge major cattle shows.

Today, McClintock is still a tireless supporter of the breed. He lives and breathes Hereford cattle.

"Mark McClintock truly loves Hereford cattle and the people within this breed," writes Jason Hoffman, Hoffman Ranch, in his letter to the selection committee. "I couldn't think of a better person who exemplifies the Hall of Merit



qualifications than Mark. He is respected by breeders around the world and has devoted his life to creating the best cattle he can with his natural ability."

Performance Matters:

What to Know About DB

Learn more about a recently identified novel genetic abnormality.

by Shane Bedwell
Chief Operating Officer and Director
of Breed Improvement for American
Hereford Association
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Hereford World magazine

The American Hereford Association (AHA), in collaboration with Dr. David Steffen and Dr. Jessica Petersen at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL), have discovered a novel defect in Hereford cattle called Delayed Blindness (DB). This genetic defect is considered autosomal recessive, meaning an affected calf must have two carrier parents.

Overview

The AHA has received information from members over the last few years about cattle that appeared to be blind. Per AHA rules these cases were referred to Dr. Steffen at UNL for diagnosis. In each case, the animal had no apparent deficit in vision as a calf, with indications of vision loss being noted at approximately 9-12 months of age. In a novel setting, the cattle had difficulty navigating their surroundings and would bump into stationary objects. An indepth ophthalmologic evaluation of the

cattle suspected to be blind confirmed retinal degeneration, lack of a menace response (reaction to something being moved toward the eye) and little to no response to light stimuli as determined by an electroretinogram (ERG). The clinical evaluations confirmed blindness in each case.

Blind animals were reported in several different herds across multiple regions of the U.S. Pedigree records demonstrated a common sire in the pedigree of both the sire and dam of each affected animal, suggesting a new deleterious recessive genetic variant might be to blame for blindness in these cattle. Utilizing whole-genome sequencing, the UNL research team identified a mutation in each blind Hereford consistent with a recessive mode of inheritance. Researchers then developed a singlemarker assay to genotype additional animals to validate the result. Genotyping of additional animals identified other Hereford cattle that were homozygous for the variant. Upon investigation, those animals were confirmed to be blind, supporting the identified variant as causative of the condition. The gene in which the mutation was identified is known to be important to retinal health and function. In humans, mutations in the same gene lead to similar clinical

observations and progressive blindness.

It's important to note this condition is not associated with the amount of pigment around the eyes; the appearance of the eyes is normal (they do not become cloudy or white). However, researchers believe the blind animals are at a greater risk of injuring their eyes due to difficulty navigating their environment. Carriers of the mutation appear to be healthy.

AHA and the UNL worked with NEOGEN to develop a commercially available test so breeders can submit DNA for testing or test previously submitted samples on file at the AHA. This test is a standalone test. It is not part of any current genotype panels used to test animals. The cost of the DB standalone test is \$20. If DB is ordered in conjunction with a genomic profile the add-on charge will be \$13.

Identifying and managing

The AHA suggests first testing impacted pedigrees in order to help identify breaks in transmission through the pedigree. Currently, breeders should expect typical turnaround time for genotyping when submitting for DB testing.

To aid in determining which animals to test, breeders can utilize the "potential carrier" search tool in MyHerd. It is located under the DNA tab on the MyHerd search platform. Simply login into your MyHerd account, and you will have search access to your active registered

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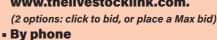
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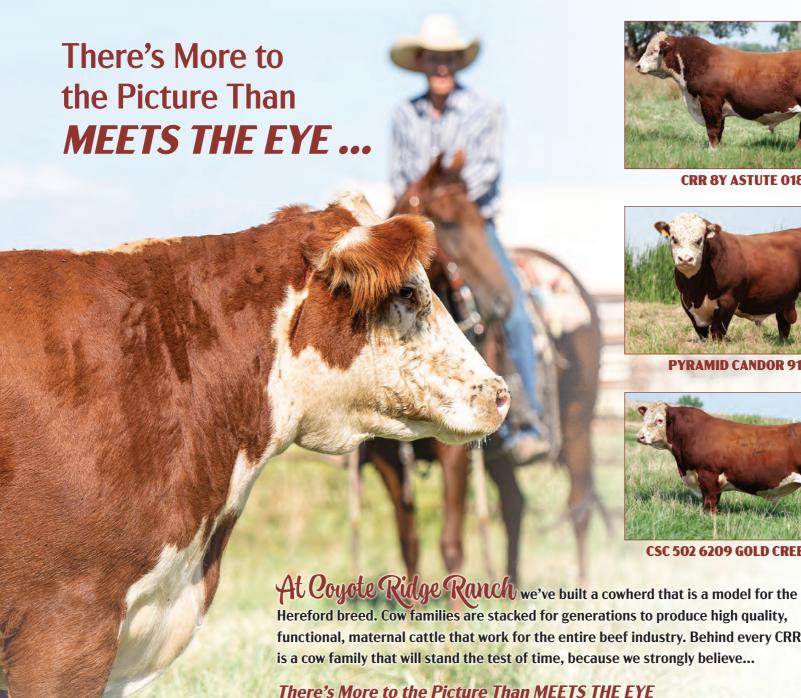
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2023 Hereford Hall of Fame: Phil and Jovce Ellis

Phil and Joyce Ellis of Ellis Farms, Chrisman, IL, have been inducted into the National Hereford Hall of Fame. With a heritage running deep in Hereford cattle, Ellis Farms and EF Beef continue to be a family operation.

The farm is located in the Wabash River watershed on the eastern edge of Illinois, where the rough country pasture carries around 200 mother cows. They also grow row crops on approximately 1200 acres of farm ground.

"This area along the Illinois/Indiana line was one of the first concentrations of Hereford cattle in the country," Phil said. "The first National Hereford office was at Beecher, IL, which is just up the road from here. Joyce's great-

What to Know About DB...

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animals and dams under the owner tab. It is important to realize that the MyHerd search is a real-time platform. Therefore, the AHA recommends breeders run the search periodically over the next couple months as pedigree relationships will be broken as more animals are tested and identified as either carriers or free from the condition, which could implicate animals in other herds. Breeders can find animals that have been tested for DB at https://www.myherd.org/web/ USHF/AnimalSearch/List.

The AHA, on Nov. 21, 2023, published lists of animals directly involved in the DB cases submitted to UNL for research, and subsequently identified as Delayed Blindness Affected (DBA), Delayed Blindness Carrier (DBC) or Delayed Blindness Free (DBF).

If you suspect a calf may be affected by DB, please alert the AHA or Dr. Steffen at the Nebraska Veterinary Diagnostic Center. Both parties can assist with proper diagnosis and parentage verification for this or any other abnormalities you may encounter. If you identify suspect calves in your herd, be alert for testing availability as screening at-risk animals in the breeding population is critical to prevent future losses.

The AHA appreciates your cooperation with reporting cases of affected calves in order to identify this novel defect. Truly, it was ateam effort between breeders, UNL and AHA staff to address this genetic condition. Fortunately, with new technology and advancements, breeders can work around this defect to continue to breed carrier animals if they choose, as opposed to culling affected genetic lines. We appreciate our strong membership and thank breeders in advance for their patience and cooperation.

grandfather, one of the first Hereford breeders in the country, imported a bull from England to his Lowell, IN farm. They were really true Hereford breeders; he must have been an interesting man.

"When Joyce's grandfather was 18, his father put him on a cattle car with a load of bulls from this area that he was shipping to Livingston, MT. He also travelled with a load going to Virginia. He said it was well below zero on that trip to Montana and he about froze to death."

Joyce did some research and learned that her great-grandfather's bulls went to the Swan Ranch, which is still in business as a now "mostly black" commercial operation.

"I remember horn branding for iden-

The Ellis herd runs in rough country pasture that carries around 200 mother cows.

tification in the days of my childhood, and I remember my grandfather going to Denver where he bought polled bulls from Alfalfa Lawn Farms. It was ironic that Phil's family also bought a bull from the same place!"

Phil and Joyce have called this farm their home for 61 years.

"It joined the home place where I grew up, and it's about 100 miles from Joyce's home. I didn't know the history her family had with Herefords when we got married." Phil said.

Phil's father and older brother invested in a Hereford bull and cow in 1947.

"I was just a little feller," he said. "My brother showed that cow, but she hated me; if she saw me she would come through the fence after me. We had a railroad track running through the place and one day she got on the railroad and got hit by the train. I was kind of happy about that!"

Phil's father later bought some good CMR Mischief Domino cows out of Iowa, and when his brother went to Colorado State, they purchased a bull

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Joyce and Phil Ellis with their kids all loaded up and ready to go.

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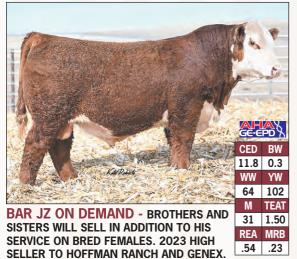
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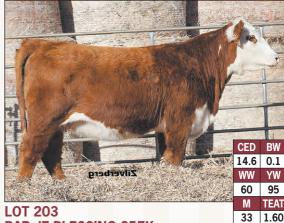
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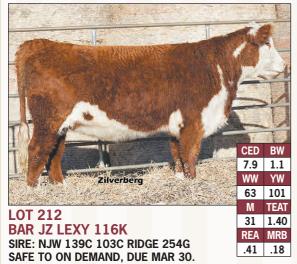
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SAFE TO NJW ENDORSEMENT, DUE MAR 30.

34 1.60 **BAR JZ VIVIAN 220K** REA MRB SIRE: RV VALOR 9444G SAFE TO NJW ENDORSEMENT, DUE MAR 30. 65 .12



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Ellis...

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from Alfalfa Lawn Farms.

"That's what got us started," Phil said. "We were young and decided to show a little bit, and we had some success with that bull.'

After Phil graduated from high school, Hubert Glascock asked him to come along to the Lake County Fair in Crown Point, IN, to help with his show cattle. He said Phil could bring something along to show and suggested that there might be some "good looking Bailey girls" at the fair as well. Phil and Joyce got acquainted at the fair.

"I tried to date her a little and after a few years she said she'd marry me," he said. "We got married 62 years ago November 4th. I found one that'd have me and I just kept her."

Showing cattle was a big part of Phil and Joyce's lives for many years and they achieved many awards in the show ring from county and state fairs to the National Hereford show and the Denver Stock show. But through many changing times in popular cattle phenotype, they still wanted to produce functional cattle.

"We run this place like a glorified commercial operation," Joyce said. "We're mainly a spring calving outfit but we don't calve very early. We collect all the data we can, but the cattle are not pampered. We're a no creep operation. We hope we can keep breeding problem free cattle, cattle that produce the right kind of beef, what people want to eat."

'We've been through every form of cattle there's been in my lifetime, from the little short ones to cattle that were extremely tall. After showing for many years, I decided they were getting too big and we went a different direction with our program," Phil said. "We were going to go broke trying to keep up with show ring."

Every year, they finished out a load or two of fat cattle. It seemed like every year when the order buyer came, he would insist that the cattle needed another 30 days on feed.

"We all know that those last 30 days are the most expensive weight to put on," Joyce said. Now they direct market their fat cattle, selling on the grids offered by Greater Omaha Packers or



Joyce and Phil Ellis talking to a tour group a few years ago

Tyson Packers.

Phil served on the national Hereford board through several turbulent years.

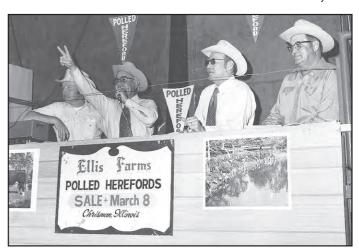
"I was at the meeting when the Horned and Polled associations split," he recalled. "We had some serious problems to deal with during my term."

Joyce was also elected to the Board four years after Phil.

"She was one of the first two women to serve on what had previously been a men's board," Phil said. "She was an original signatory of the merger when the two associations rejoined.'

One of Joyce's experiences prior to her time on the board was participating in the Vision 2000 committee.

"They really made us look at some future things," she said. "One of the first assignments we had was to ultrasound all of the bulls showing at Nationals that year. I came home and said, 'We've got to do (cont. on pg. 28) One of the early Ellis Farms' sales.





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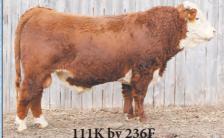










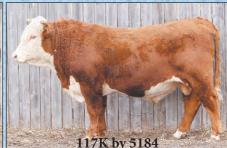


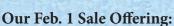












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Ellis...

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this; we need to see what's under the hide on some of these cattle.'

Since 1991, they have collected usable ultrasound data. They had originally used ultrasound in 1971 but the usefulness of it for a genetic evaluation was not there yet.

"We thought we could visually see enough to select the best cattle, but we found that was erroneous," Joyce said. "Technology is gradually evolving, and people need to learn to trust the data. There is a lot of old traditional thinking still prevalent, and some of it needs to give way to trusting sound data.

"We decided we were going to raise cattle we could sell on the rail for maximum profit," Phil said. "We started including carcass data in our cattle selection, and our harvested cattle have consistently brought

a premium for us."

A recent load sold to Greater Omaha graded 68% Prime, and the rest of the cattle graded upper 2/3 Choice.

"We needed to do better," Phil said. "We started trying to stack pedigrees with more carcass traits. There's a point where you've gone as far as you need to go; now we're kind of excited to send loads of 90% Prime cattle for harvest."

Ellis Farms still owns the best marbling bull in the breed, EFBeef BR Validated B413.

"That's the plan for this operation: breeding high performing carcass cattle

with maternal longevity," Phil said. We try to keep it simple," Joyce added.

They gather all the performance data on the bulls they sell from birthweights to weaning weights to feed efficiency testing. People from all over the world have come to sit at their kitchen table and

> talk about cattle, and they have shipped semen from Australia to South Africa, Canada to Uruguay.

"I've always been a shy person, but I always enjoy talking to cattle people," Phil said.

Phil said that they do run about 20 head of black cows, and their goals for them match their goals for the Herefords.

"We try to use semen from the higher marbling genetics with



- L to R, front, Joyce, Lauren, Audrey, bride Halea, groom Christopher, Lisa, Matt, JD Seward, Cathy Seward. Back row, Phil Ellis, Joe B, Lauri, Hannah, Sarah, fiancée Anthony & Joe Seward.

the least defects that we can find," he said. "Disposition is very important. We do have some black cattle that will hang quite well too."

At their production sale, held the second Saturday in April every spring, they strive to sell "the kind of cattle that the beef market wants.'

They're still a bit in shock over the Hall of Fame induction.

"It was such a tremendous honor," Phil said. "When Joyce told me the news I said, 'I don't believe it.' I still can't believe it, but we have the banner hanging in the house now."

Phil and Joyce are mostly retired, although Phil still helps with some dayto-day things on the farm and Joyce does the bookkeeping. Most of the decision making and work is now done by their sons Joe and Matt and grandson Chris. Their daughter Cathy's husband Dr. Joe Seward did most of the veterinary work for years. Their grandchildren are now the sixth generation of Hereford breeders on the ranch.

'They all help out if need be around here," Joyce said. "Joe makes most of the genetic decisions, and Matt does the farming; Matt's son Chris fits in both the cattle and farming."

"We have tried to instill in our kids a love for agriculture and livestock, and I think we've accomplished that," Joyce said. "We hope the next generation will carry on with this thing we've spent a lifetime building."



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Hereford Crossroads #9 Held in Chadron

by Linda Teahon

Nebraskans for Hereford Heritage, Inc. held its annual Hereford Crossroads reception and dinner in the Chicoine Atrium of the Sandoz Center on the Chadron State College campus in Chadron, Nebraska the evening of October 7th.

This event is held to honor bulls and producers that had an impact on the Hereford cattle industry of Nebraska throughout the years.

After touring the historic Sandoz Center, guests enjoyed a wonderfully prepared beef dinner by Peggy Fox of Ardmore, SD.

This year inducted into its Herd Bull Hall of Fame was the bull Domino Lad C. He was purchased from the TO Ranch in Raton, NM by Virg Kennedy of Harrison and the Buffington Hereford Ranch of Crawford for \$38,000 soon after the Great Depression.

He was never turned out to pasture to breed cows. Cows were brought to him to allow his service on the largest possible number of females. Therefore, he lived to the ripe old age of 18 years. After Domino Lad's death, Virg Kennedy had the bull placed in a piano box and buried in the yard.

Also inducted into the HC Hall of Fame was the Chadron Hereford Show which started in 1930 and lasted through 1954. It was a huge event bringing together local and out of area Hereford breeders. It was often quoted in the late 1940s that there were more purebred Hereford herds within a 100-mile radius of Chadron, NE, than any other ranching



JD Smith of Crawford told the story of Domino Lad C. His father worked for Virg Kennedy 42 years and took special care of the bull.



Con Marshall of Chadron researched the Chadron Hereford Show for the event and told stories that he remembered as a youth.

community in America.

Crawford and Chadron businesses provided many great and useful door prizes for the attendees.

The event brought together former Hereford breeders as well as current breeders for an evening of fun and reminiscing.

Next fall Hereford Crossroads #10 will be held in Thedford where the event started from.



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Joana's passion for the livestock industry far exceeds most. She is well known for Friesz Livestock's herd of Hereford Cattle and multiple breeds of the highest quality breeding sheep. Not only has she raised cattle and sheep, but has previously been successful on the swine and goat production side of animal agriculture as well.

Even though her boys have aged out of the junior show ring, she has still seen much success in several open shows across the country, including several Fleece champions. Joana proves that showing livestock isn't the only way to promote animal agriculture with Friesz Family Farm where she promotes wool products as well as homegrown lamb and beef.

What Joana is likely most known for is her willingness to serve at various levels of the agriculture community. She has served as an advisor for the North Dakota Junior Hereford Association, been a local 4H leader, been a Morton County Fair Board Member, a past president of the American Corriedale Association, a past vice president and board member of the North Dakota Lamb and Wool Association and has mentored MANY youth that are wanting to get involved with a livestock project.

Joana has been known to toss a few extra kids in for a national show to give them an experience they may not get anywhere else. She currently serves as the Secretary for the North Dakota Hereford Association and a member of the New Salem Almont Vo-ag Advisory Committee.





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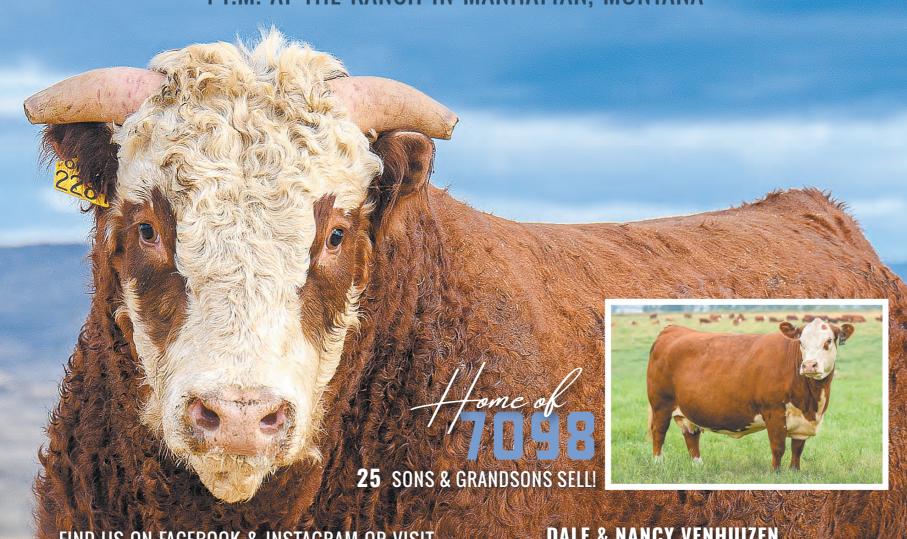
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Hereford Breeder Liz Shaw, Future Advocator for Agriculture

Elizabeth Shaw's agricultural roots run deep. She grew up on her family's seedstock cattle ranch in Parma, ID and was active in FFA, including serving as Idaho FFA state vice president. As an agricultural science, communication and leadership student at the University of Idaho, Shaw is gaining experience to achieve her goal of advocating for the industry that has given her so much.

Discovering Her Passion

Shaw initially planned to follow in her mother's footsteps and become a teacher. She saw the impact that her mother had on the lives of her students and the close relationships she built.

During her first year at U of I, Shaw took a course that required spending eight hours in an elementary classroom. Although she loved the experience and working with children, she knew that being inside all day was not

the right path for her.

"I'm a fourth-generation rancher, so being in a classroom all day, every day wasn't necessarily what I wanted to do," she said. "I'd love to be out in the industry and meeting new people and advocating for the importance of Idaho agriculture."

Once Shaw realized that her true passion was advocating for agriculture, she decided to switch her major to agricultural science, communication and leadership in the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences.

Narrowing Her Focus

After making the decision to focus her career on agricultural communications, Shaw knew she needed to gain more experience to narrow down her focus. She accepted an opportunity to serve as a public information officer intern for the Idaho State Department of Agriculture during summer 2023.

"Communications is such a broad field, it's kind of endless opportunities," she said. "This internship helped me narrow my ideas of what I was good at and what I was wanting to do with my career."

In her role, Shaw worked under recent CALS alum and current ISDA Public Information Officer Sydney Plum ('22, agricultural sciences, communication and leadership). She helped coordinate monthly newsletters, social media posts, pesticide compliance promotional materials and efforts to revamp the ISDA website. She even had an article about the ISDA Weights and Measures department published in the *Idaho* Farm Bureau Quarterly magazine.

"My favorite part was getting to work with all the people," Shaw said. "We traveled

a lot and met people from different departments. Everyone was so genuine and intentional about their job and liked what they did."

Completing an internship with only one year of college under her belt was a little intimidating for Shaw, but the experience helped her learn more about her strengths and weaknesses.

"I've never felt like I was a very strong writer so going into the internship, I was super nervous," she said. "But every project that I did, Sydney would give as many edits back as possible. She wouldn't take it into her hands and fix it. I was able to make those edits and learn about what it really takes to be perfect in the communications world."

The experience has solidified Shaw's decision to pursue a career in agricul-

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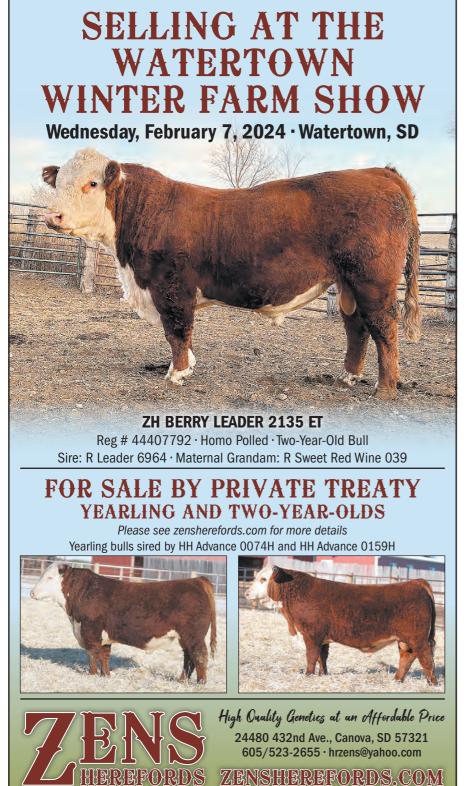
Liz Shaw's internship at University of Idaho helped her decide to be an advocate for agriculture with a career in ag communications.

tural communications. She hopes to return as an intern with ISDA next summer to complete projects that she began this summer.

But first, she plans to get more involved on the U of I campus. Her obligations as an Idaho FFA state officer left her with little time to join clubs and organizations other than her sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta.

"There are so many opportunities. It's kind of overwhelming but also incredible to see all the different options," Shaw said. "I feel like everybody is involved in something in some sort of way."

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Marty Lueck: God Opened Doors and I Walked Through

by Ruth Wiechmann

Marty Lueck 2023 Hereford Hall of Fame

Marty Lueck says that out in the middle of nowhere is the perfect place to be. The 2023 inductee into the Hereford Hall of Fame has a story different than many other Hereford breeders, but his passion for land and livestock, and particularly for Hereford cattle matches that of the most dyed-in-the-wool rancher.

"God opened doors and I walked through," Lueck says of his journey from city kid to cattleman.

Growing up in the suburbs of Minneapolis was a far cry from any cattle ranch. The closest he came to farm life was "a couple of weeks every summer on my aunt and uncle's farm in northwest Iowa, walking bean fields and picking, washing, sizing and boxing eggs."

Lueck came to Missouri in 1973. While in high school, he had planned to pursue a degree in architecture, but quickly decided that "It wasn't for me."

He opted to attend Baptist Bible College in Springfield, MO. A year later he transferred to Missouri State University to study pre-veterinary medicine. His first job in Springfield was a factory job working for Zenith Corporation, a short stint that ended in a case of walking pneumonia. Not wanting to return to that job, he decided to seek other employment. Lueck walked into a local vet clinic one day to enquire about a job.

Dr. Joe Viebrock and his wife Gail had four kids and a herd of Hereford cattle. Dr. Joe told Lueck to come back and if he liked the work he could have the job.

Not only did Lueck like the work — essentially doing the job of what we call a vet tech today — he fell in love with Hereford cattle.

"I couldn't get enough," he said. "He was a really good vet and a great teacher. I started picking people's brains on how to do this or that. Everyone was gracious and I listened and applied what I learned, both from Dr. Joe and other Hereford breeders I met."

Dr. Joe had a master's degree in dairy science, and frequently made rounds with a copy of Hoards Dairyman on the



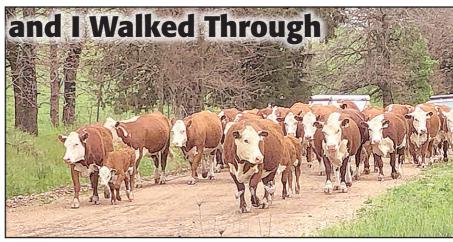
Marty and Vicki Lueck met in college and married in 1978. They have two sons and several grandchildren.

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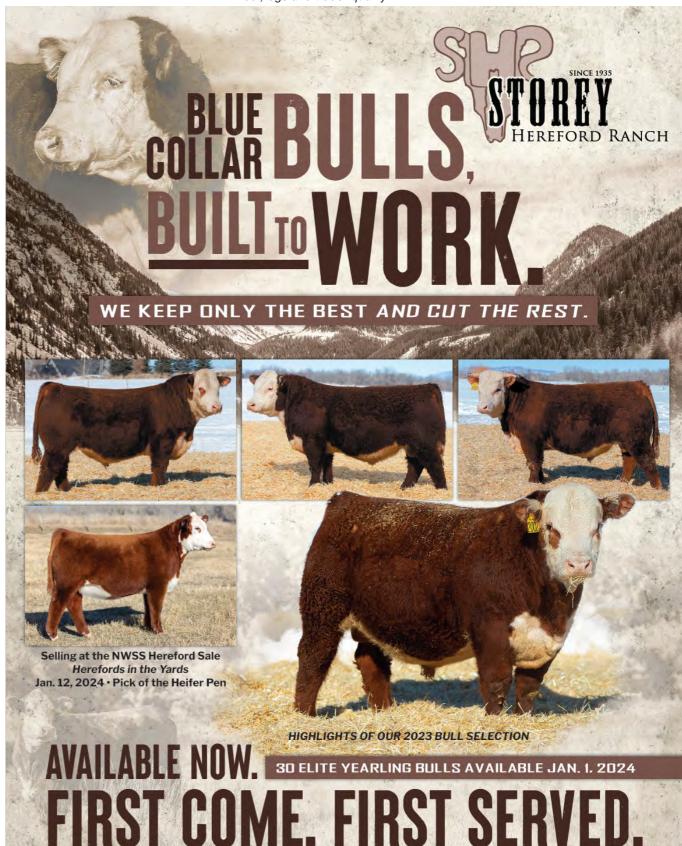
"He came to the ranch several years ago, and said, 'Man you've got good set of cows, they all have really nice udders.' I said, 'You educated me.' He taught me about sphincter muscles, attachments and udder floors. Good udders are one of the things people notice our cattle for."

One thing led to another. Lueck fitted a heifer calf belonging to one of Dr.

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Marty Lueck strives to breed cattle that do well on grass, breed back and have good feet, legs and udder quality.



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Joe's children to a first in her class at the Polled Junior National. He progressed from there to other shows and sales. Clipping cattle and sleeping in his car for a week at a sale paid for his college tuition, one semester at a time.

"It was just like all this was supposed to happen," he said. "I was like a jet on the runway; I took off and I haven't come down since."

Lueck and his wife Vicki married in 1978. After college, Lueck worked for Wayne and Barb Leatherman at Eagle Claw Ranch, for whom he exhibited their home bred and raised Reserve National Champion Heifer and National Junior Champion Bull at the National Show in Louisville in 1979.

"They put up a set of cows for sale in the Springfield paper and Leo Journagan came down to look at them. He tried to hire me before he left, and a year later I went to work for him. I've been here on



Leo and Jean Journagan gifted their ranch to Missouri State University in 2010. It is the largest Hereford seedstock program in the state of Missouri and they have the longest running Hereford production sale in Missouri.

the same ranch 42 years."

Under Lueck's management, the Journagan Ranch grew to be the largest Hereford seedstock program in the state of Missouri and is now the longest running Hereford production sale in Missouri. They held their 32nd

sale this year. The ranch is now also the largest seedstock program owned by a university in the United States; Leo and Jean gifted the ranch: land, livestock and equipment, to Missouri State University in 2010

Lueck says he has come full circle: from the inexperienced young college graduate taking over the management of the ranch to now sharing his decades of experience with Missouri State students both on the ranch and in the classroom.

"Now is my time to give back," he said. "It's fun to share my experiences and work with students through internships and research programs. It is very rewarding. I never thought I'd be doing that, but when Journagans gave the ranch to the university I got a new role."

Lueck's job has given him the opportunity to wear many different hats over the course of 42 years.

"When you're working on the ranch you learn so many things, but you may never be master of any one thing," he said. "The weather has the ultimate say in a lot of things. The first winter I was here we had 50 below zero windchills for over a week; it froze our pipes underground. That was quite the experience.

"I learned how to weld by repairing a couple of tore up hay rings, and learned how to repair vehicles. It is a lot of hard work and long days, but the best part of this business is that it challenges me every day. Every day, I learn something new. That keeps me enthused and keeps my brain working."

Coming from a non-ag background, Lueck describes himself as "marching to a little different drummer."

"I didn't have father or grandfather telling me what to do. I didn't have it in the back of my mind that you couldn't do it this way or had to do it their way. I came to ranching with a blank slate so I had to build my own hypotheses, mostly through trial and error, and find my own way. I feel blessed in that way."

Whatever differences exist, the commercial cattlemen who come back year



Pigment anyone?

after year to buy bulls must think something is working. Although showing was part of what drew Lueck into the Hereford cattle business, his philosophy is driven by functionality.

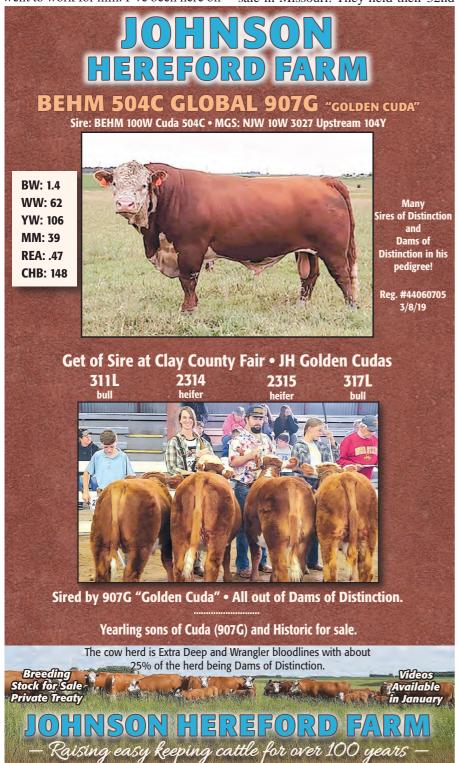
"There was not a good market for Hereford bulls when I started; we would just keep a handful every year," he said. "Now we market around 100 bulls every year, about 30 through our sale and the rest private treaty. Sixty percent of our customers are repeat buyers. We don't have to educate them to our pro-

gram. You know when they call that you're going to sell them a bull."

When Lueck came to Journagan Ranch, the program included both spring and fall calving herds.

"All the employees quit when I started, they were not going to work for a 26 year old

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Lueck...

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college kid," he recalled. "I knew I was in over my head; for a long time it was just me and the man I hired after everyone else quit. I decided to get rid of the fall calving herd and moved them to January calving. It seemed like we were always breeding, calving or weaning. We had hay to make and fence to build. Taking care of 300 cows is a lot of work for two people."

Now heifers start calving at the end of January and cows follow, with the goal of having everything done calving by March. With all the challenges of heat, humidity, and ranching in fescue country, Lueck wants his cows to be bred by June 1.

"If a cow doesn't breed she gets shipped," he said.

They hold an annual production sale every October.

"Our first sale was held in 1985. We went every other year until 1995. We did this to be able to share our top genetics and continue to build our herd. The biannual sale was the best way to accomplish those goals.

"I didn't want to sell myself out of business," Lueck said.

When the Journagan family approached Lueck about their plan to donate the ranch to Missouri State, he was excited.

"Leo told me that the reason they

wanted to donate the ranch was that someday, students would be coming in from the suburbs with no ag experience. He said, 'I want the ranch there for them to be able to experience agriculture firsthand. That's the best way to learn.' I was on board from that point forward. And now? We're getting students from the suburbs who have no ag experience, and we have lots of jobs available in the ag industry."

Although Lueck says that he "raises cows, not show heifers," students do have the opportunity to learn how to fit cattle and frequently will take heifers to the pen show at Denver or take cattle to the national Hereford sale or the State Fair. Student labor is also incorporated in preparing the sale cattle.

"They are part of the whole process," Lueck said. "We have a lot of good students come through. I enjoy being around them."

Lueck calls himself a "big breed improvement guy." He served on many boards over the years at both state and national levels. Since the merger of the two associations, both of which he had served as a board member, he has enjoyed being a part of continued improvement for the Hereford breed.

"I learned so much it made my head hurt," he laughed. "When I was in college and learned about DNA, they said that someday it might play a role. I never thought we'd be where we are now.



What we can do with DNA and genomics is awesome. It has really become a useful tool in breeding cattle."

With all of the technological tools at his disposal, Lueck still places a high value on good stockmanship.

"We used to have cowboys who knew how to breed cattle without EPDs," he said. "Now people think they can sit at a desk and not look at feet, legs, structure and economically relevant traits. EPDs are just a tool; the thing that proves my bulls is when commercial breeders tell me 'this is the best bull I've ever had' and then they come back for more. We want to make sure we still have animals that meet their needs. Marbling is important. We have ultrasounded our cattle for 23 years. We want cattle that do well on grass, breed back and have good feet, legs and udder quality."

Lueck feels that networking is one of the most important things he can do.

"We call this the cattle business, but it's really a people business. Without people we would have no business at all."

Although he didn't mention the word retirement, Lueck is looking at options for how to continue the management of the ranch when he's not at the helm.

"Now my challenge is to figure out a way to exit and still keep the ranch vi-

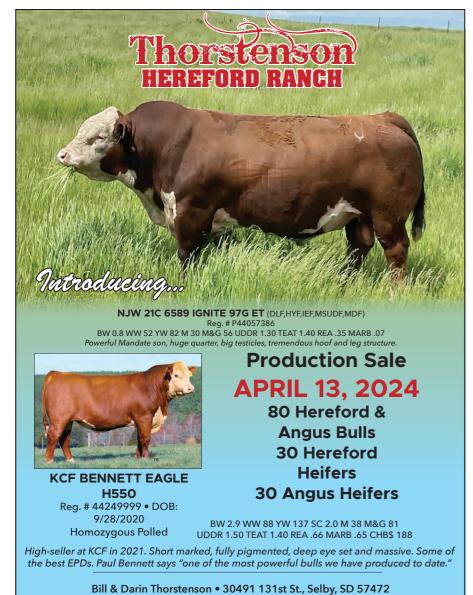
able and going forward. I was fortunate to grow into this job, now someone is going to have to step in and do it. I think it will take a couple of people to do everything we cover here. Right now I feel good, so I'll keep banging away."

Dreaming and planning for the next calf crop keep Lueck excited for the future.

"I'm still trying to make better cows," he said. "That's the best challenge for me; my Christmas is when calving season starts and I get to look at the results from the past year's matings."



"Now is my time to give back," said Lueck. "It's fun to share my experiences and work with students through internships and research programs. It is very rewarding."



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Obituaries

Betty Jo Mayes Walker

McMinnville, TN, resident and War-

ren County native Betty Jo Mayes Walker, age 89, was born September 8, 1934 and died suddenly September 25, 2023 at her residence.



A retired secretary with Tennessee Department of Human Services and a member of Central Church of Christ, she was the daughter of the late Oscar and Mary Pearson Mayes. She was married to Sam Eugene Walker on August 16, 1958 who preceded her in death on July 21, 1997. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by sisters, Carrie Blanks, Edna Woodlee, Frances Bell, Charlene Smith and Lucille Blankenship and brothers, George, Willie and Howard Mayes.

Mrs. Walker is survived by son, Eric (Rhonda) Walker of Morrison, TN; two grandsons, Cody (Trisha) Walker and Casey (Martha) Tomberlin, both of Morrison, TN; four great-grandchildren, Hayden Spears, Westin Walker, Kimber Walker and Bo Tomberlin, all of Morrison, TN and several nieces and nephews.

Robert L. (Bob) Harrell (Sr.)

Robert L. (Bob) Harrell passed away peacefully November 12, 2023 of nat-

ural causes, following several years of overcoming the effects of strokes in his later years.





OR the son of Lyle Harry Harrell, an Oregon State Police officer and his mother, Frances Marie Harrell. At the age of 10 Bob, sister Barbara Mae and family moved to Baker City, OR, where he graduated from Baker High School with many lifelong friends and fond memories.

After graduating from Baker High School, Bob attended Stanford University on a football scholarship. He married his first wife Edna Rogers in 1959, then after graduating in 1960, he realized his dream of joining the Air Force, undergoing training at Travis Air Force Base. He graduated first in his class at Williams AFB, then the leading pilot training program in the U.S. His favorite movies were always the "Top Gun"

Bob's Air Force career included Vietnam War missions and flying for the 354th and 356th "Green Demons" Tactical Fighter Squadrons, based at Myrtle Beach, SC. He flew the fastest jets of the time, including the T-33 and T-38 trainers, the F-101, F-104, the F-100 Super Sabre, and the F4 Phantom. He was posted all over the world, including Aviano, Italy and Incirlik, Turkey.

Honorably discharged in 1965, Bob continued to fly for the Nevada Air National Guard and beyond, including classified missions. He earned many commendations, including the Silver Star citation for valor.

In 1966, Bob began flying for Pan Am, the premier commercial airline at the time. He flew the Boeing 707 as first officer, graduated to the 747 for years flying the Pacific routes, but the highlight of his career was flying 727's as a captain out of Berlin, Germany when it was divided by the Berlin Wall and partly under Soviet control. He flew all over Europe, thrilled with the short trips that allowed more takeoffs and landings. When the wall finally came down in 1989, Bob retrieved pieces of it for family members and friends.

In 1968, Bob had a vision and in 1970, Bob and his wife Edna founded Harrell Hereford Ranch outside Baker City with the purchase of 100 cows from TT Herefords. The ranch grew in size and scope by adding additional ranches and purchasing an additional 50 cows from the Stone Dispersion. The ranch exhibited numerous champions from Cow Palace to Filer, ID to the National Western Stockshow in Denver, CO, where they had the 1984 Reserve National Champion with L1 Challenger. Today the ranch consists of over 15,000 acres and consists of Hereford, Angus, Commercial Cows and Ouarter Horses. It was always a family affair, which included their three kids Beth, Bob Jr. and Linda — helping with ranch duties, starting and training horses, AI and embryo transfer with the cowherd, and farming operations. This year will be the 45th annual Production Sale held each spring at the ranch facilities. Now run by Edna and Bob Jr. & family, and an enormous source of pride for Bob Sr., the ranch has become one of the most respected purebred Hereford operations in the country, being listed as one of the top 10 Sale Averages for sales selling over 100 bulls.

After the 1988 bombing of Pan Am's flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, which led to the ultimate collapse of the airline, and no longer able to fly for his beloved Pan Am, Bob, like so many of his fellow pilots, sought other cockpits. He joined Korean Airlines as a captain, and later United Airlines. He flew for United until it, too, suffered the impacts of the 9-11 terrorist attacks in 2001

Bob remarried in 1988 and he and wife Deb had two children, Doug and Kelsey, and made their home in Bellevue, WA. Bob continued to find a way to stay connected to the airlines. He became a flight instructor with United

(737s) based in Denver, and later a pilot training consultant for Boeing Commercial Airlines.

After retiring from United Airlines at the age of 65, Bob suffered a stroke in 2009 and another two followed. But the man who had built a ranch and remodeled the family home went on to earn certifications as a property manager, managing a large condo complex on the Eastside.

Yet his love of planes remained. Bob started volunteering at the Seattle Museum of Flight in December 2012. He graduated from the March 2013 docent class and became a volunteer docent until two days before he died. He had 2,357 volunteer hours and received the museum's 2,000-hour "Barnstormer Award" in 2021.

Bob was a man of many interests in his life, including hunting, hiking, sailing, skiing, rafting, photography, as well as flying and ranching, attending numerous cattle sales and shows. He was also active in his community and believed in giving back. He served on the Baker School Board, local Rotary Club, was a Boy Scout leader, and belonged to the Order of the Elks. Bob was instrumental in the formation of the Anthony Lakes Ski Resort and served on the board at the time of the first chair lift and new lodge which is still in use today. He also helped rescue a derelict narrow gauge steam engine from Skagway, Alaska, spearheading an effort to restore it as the "Steam Engine" for the Sumpter Valley Railroad in Baker County. He was very active in his church and enjoyed singing in the choir for the First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue, helped restore cars with the nonprofit Auto Angels and worked with men experiencing homelessness.

Through it all, Bob was a loving father who earned the respect of all his kids and both wives. He adored his blended family and will be remembered above all for his spirit and determination. Despite suffering many losses, he retained a positive attitude, a big heart and an unshakeable faith in God.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Debera Carlton Harrell; first wife Edna Rogers Harrell; sons Robert Harrell Jr. (Becky) and Douglas Harrell (Kiersten); daughters Beth Mackenzie (Wannie); Linda Anderson (Walt); Kelsey Harrell and five grandchildren: Duncan Mackenzie; Lexie Harrell; Maggie Mackenzie and twins Matt and Marti Anderson.

The family requests that remembrances be made to the Museum of Flight, https://www.museumofflight.org/or Porchlight (formerly Congregations for the Homeless), https://porchlightcares.org through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel at 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. Obituary courtesy of Grays West & Co. Pioneer Chapel.

Frank Borman

Astronaut Frank Borman, commander of the first manned flight to circle

the moon, died Tuesday (Nov. 7) in Billings, MT. He was 95. Borman spent almost 20 full days in space over two missions and later



served as the leader of Eastern Airlines. He was a committed general aviation pilot, very active in the effort to promote safety among the Mitsubishi MU-2 pilot community.

Along with his time as an astronaut and pilot, he was also known in the livestock industry. Circle B LLC, Big Horn, MT, was recently named Commercerial Producer of the Year by the American Hereford Association. The ranch which is in eastern Montana was founded by the father-son duo Frank and Fred Borman in 1998. Frank Borman was known as an astute businessman. The Bormans breed their 1,600 straightbred Angus cows to Hereford bulls to make uniform, high-performing baldy calves that are the epitome of Hereford heterosis.Circle B is an eastern Montana commercial cattle operation owned by the Borman family and run by just over a dozen cowboys and their families.

Borman was the oldest living astronaut, a distinction now passed to Jim Lovell, who is also 95, but 11 days younger. In a statement, current NASA administrator Bill Nelson said, "Frank began his career as an officer with the U.S. Air Force. His love of flying proved essential through his positions as a fighter pilot, operational pilot, test pilot, and assistant professor. His exceptional experience and expertise led him to be chosen by NASA to join the second group of astronauts.

"In addition to his critical role as commander of the Apollo 8 mission, he is a veteran of Gemini 7, spending 14 days in low-Earth orbit and conducting the first rendezvous in space, coming within a few feet of the Gemini 6 spacecraft."

Jack Pelton, chairman and CEO of the Experimental Aircraft Association, said, "We at EAA came to know him for more than 30 years as an enthusiastic aviator and supporter of programs that would build on the legacy of Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo. We were honored in 2018 when Frank donated his personal archives to EAA, which are now on display at the EAA Aviation Museum, and always welcomed him back to Oshkosh when he could join us here. We express our condolences to Frank's family and many friends, and say to Frank, Godspeed, and thank you."



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- BRIAN METTLER -

generation of breeders. The herd has been performance testing since 1959. They were awarded the Golden Hereford Breeder award by the American Hereford Association in 2004 and have exhibited and sold cattle at the local, regional and nationl levels. The Mettlers held over 30 annual bull and bred heifer sales at the farm until 2009 when the sales went to private treaty. They have since held several female production sales. Currently they are in a name transition to "Mettler Cattle" to allow diversification for the next generation.

Brian found the love for Herefords early in life when he bought his first heifer for \$900 when he was 9 years old. He learned how to artificially inseminate cows at the age of 15 and was having embryo transplant calves at the

Mettler Polled Herefords is in its fifth farm at the age of 19. Before he was 21, he sold cattle in the National Sale in Denver. They currently have four bulls of national and international recognition that are semen sellers: MPH 10H Juice Box Z3, owned with ABS Global; MPH Z3 Box Top C16; MPH Z311 Rampage D1; and MPH 2103 Eastwood G3 ET, who was named Supreme Champion at the 2021 South Dakota State Fair.



MPH 2103 Eastwood G3 ET

— KEITH FAWCETT—



SDHA Honoree was Keith Fawcett (left), Fawcett's Elm Creek Ranch, Ree Heights, SD. The award was presented by his son Danny who was an SDHA board member at the time of the event.

Generations of hard work, generations of promoting our youth and a lifetime of promoting Hereford cattle has brought us to our next honoree. Keith Fawcett has been as devoted to Hereford cattle and to Hereford people as anyone can be. Keith and family operate Fawcett's Elm Creek Ranch and have an annual female sale in the fall and a production sale every year in February.

Keith has been very active in the Hereford association over the years not just in South Dakota but also on a national level. Here's a bit of a recap and a few highlights from over the years.

Keith can remember back in 1966 when they won the Champion Overall Steer with a Hereford at the American Royal in Kansas City and in 1975 Keith exhibited the Reserve Champion Hereford Steer at the American Royal. (continued on page 46)

SEEDSTOCK PRODUCER OF THE YEAR Blacktop Farms



SDHA Seedstock Producer of the Year was the Repenning family, Blacktop Farms of Mitchell, SD. Pictured are SDHA directors Lori Peskev and Danny Fawcett, Lori and Steve Repenning, Kelsey and Connor Powell and daughter Veya and Abby and Andrew Heine and son Carter.

Blacktop Farms, Steve and Lori Repenning, of Mitchell, SD, added registered Herefords to their registered Angus operation over 20 years ago due to customer demand. Originally, both Nebraska natives, an agronomy wholesale job with Farmland and a veterinarian job landed them in Mitchell in 1992.

"I grew up with commercial Herefords," Steve said. "When Lori and I got started, we had registered black Angus from Lori's family. We were selling bulls and three guys in a row came and looked at our bulls and then went and bought Hereford bulls. So, we figured we should diversify. We were at a place where we were ready to expand anyway and how lucky we were to pick Herefords. Our first purchases were bred cows picked from Curtis Polled Herefords and Beeson Herefords and bred heifers from Mettler Polled Herefords. A few heifers were also added from Topp Herefords. Our vision

is very production oriented. We strive to produce bulls for our customers that will sire calves that can grow and feed as well as make daughters with maternal traits including great udder quality.

Steve and Lori's daughters, Kelsey and Abby, were young at the time, so the family figured they had a lot of show years coming up for the girls. They attended most Junior Nationals from 2008 to 2018. Kelsey also served on the National Junior Board from 2014-2017. Kelsey and Abby did well during their show years, including a Division Reserve Champion heifer title at the Junior National Hereford show in 2016 and Champion Junior Calf Division at the 2013 American Royal in Kansas City.

Though they have moved on to their own careers, the girls are still involved to some degree on the farm like helping to video the sale bulls. Kelsey works at

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COMMERCIAL PRODUCER OF THE YEAR - Hasper Family -



SDHA Commercial Producer of the Year was the Hasper family of Herreid, SD. Pictured are Danny Fawcett, SDHA board member (left), Wyatt and Jaxon Hasper, Brayden Goehring (in back) and Ashley and Jason Hasper and Matt Zens, SDHA

Dakota Border Cattle Company, Herreid, SD, is operated by Jason and Ashley Hasper and their three sons, Brayden, Wyatt and Jaxon, and are the fourth and fifth generation of Haspers to operate land straddling the North and South Dakota border. A diversified operation consisting of grain, cow-calf backgrounding, yearlings, a handful of registered Hereford cows and the boys dabble in a few Boer

Over the past decade Hereford and Hereford-influenced cattle were purchased yearly through local sale barns for their backgrounding and yearling program. Hereford bulls are used to make baldy calves in their commercial cow operation.

What started out as a heifer grant to purchase a heifer at the SD Excellence Sale turned into a small herd of registered cows, mostly owned by their three sons. The boys have enjoyed showing Herefords, having success in the ring and in the carcass contest. In 2022 Brayden had the privilege of bringing home a buckle from the Fed Steer Shootout for Reserve Champion Individual Commercial Steer and brought home a banner for winning the Highest Commercial Marbling Score at the Fed Steer Shootout.

The Haspers really appreciate the docility of the Hereford breed as Ashley and the boys usually do all the tagging of the calves in the spring while Jason is busy farming. They believe Herefords have the efficiency, longevity and sustainability to carry their operation into future genera-





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— KEITH FAWCETT—

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There have always been Herefords at the ranch now known as Fawcett's Elm Creek Ranch.

Keith has served on the SD Hereford Association board and the American Hereford Association board in which he was the chair of the Show and Sale Committee for two years. He was also a Junior Advisor for roughly 10 years.

Not only was he a part of getting Hereford steak sandwiches served at Dakotafest in Mitchell he was also an instrumental part of starting the Hereford Heifer Special in South Dakota to be shown alongside the steers.

Danny said, "we can go on chatting about the things he has done but the thing that would be impossible for me to describe to you is how he bleeds Hereford. His daily thoughts, his passion and his life literally revolve around his love of Hereford people, cattle and his family."

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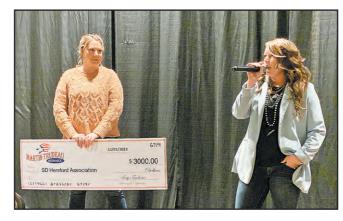


Tyler Rasmussen was the recipient of the \$1,000 Michael and Cynthia Schlosser Scholarship

ENTHUSIAST OF THE YEAR — Jarrid Herrmann —



"The gold standard for Hereford influence sales in the United States is right here in South Dakota at Mitchell Livestock Marketing," said SDHA President Matt Zens. They have housed the largest Hereford influence sale in the entire country for the past several years. In fact, Mitchell Livestock won the SD Hereford Association award for commercial business of the year a few years back. Since then, Jarrid Herrmann has purchased the barn and has taken the previous success in stride and advanced it to another level. He has been a true enthusiast for the Hereford breed adding a fall Hereford influence sale in 2023 as well as a Hereford influenced female sale in December of 2022. "As we know, the success of these newer sales won't happen overnight," says Zens, "but we also know that when we work together to coordinate our marketing strategies, good things can happen. I only see these additional sales growing over time as he already has the recipe for success."



Martin Trudeau Insurance presented a \$3,000 check to SDHA.

FED STEER SHOOTOUT TOP 3



Jayna Blume, Pierre, SD was one of the top three finalists in the Junior Division of Contestant of the Year in the NJHA Fed Steer Shootout.

SCHOLARSHIPS



Addison Haase was the recipient of the \$1,500 John Leibel Memorial Scholarship.

SEEDSTOCK PRODUCER OF THE YEAR — Blacktop Farms —

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Dakotaland Feeds as a nutritionist, her husband Connor is a BASF rep. They have a daughter Veya, born in 2022. Abby is an ag engineer who designs and permits confinement facilities for Pro Ag Engineering. Her husband Andrew and his family own Heine Seed in Vermillion. They have a son, Carter, born this spring.

Every heifer and cow is AI'd each spring. Embryo transfer has also been utilized. When they started doing embryo work about 15 years ago, they purchased three embryos, had three live heifers (should have bought a lottery ticket) and sold one of the resulting calves to Jirl Buck in Oklahoma. In 2011, that calf won Reserve Champion Heifer at the Denver Stock Show and one of her daughters was Grand Champion Polled Heifer at the 2014 Hereford Junior Nationals.

Lori, who is also a veterinarian, has been teaching Animal Science at Mitchell

Tech for 12 years after practicing in the Mitchell area for 20 years. Mitchell Tech Students have volunteered in the Hereford ribeye booth for the last four years as well.

Repennings will host their 26th annual Paving the Way Bull Sale, the third Friday in February at their farm, Mitchell, SD. The sale is hosted on The Livestock Link and features about 70 Hereford and Angus Bulls. They have also both purchased and consigned to the SD Excellence Sale for 20 years. They served as SD Junior Advisors for many years and were awarded SD Hereford Enthusiasts of the Year in 2017.

Both, Steve and Lori said that the people in the Hereford business are what keeps them in Herefords. They have made many good friends and appreciate the customers that have purchased their bulls and heifers through the years. And finally, they want you to know, Blacktop Farms is on a gravel road! The farm name was inherited from Lori's Dad.

SDHA BOARD



Matt Zens, President (left), Lori Peskey and Danny Fawcett.

Not pictured are Jeff Gerlach, Cody Williams, Eric Scott, Brooke Bieber and new board members Jacob Rausch and Michael Blume.

Peskey's and Fawcett's terms were completed at the end of 2023.





Wednesday, February 14, 2024

at Stockman's West · Dickinson, ND · 1:00 p.m. MT



CED	4.3
BW	3.1
WW	67
YW	115
MILK	29
M&G	63
REA	.51
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B 83 180 ENDURE 371L

Sire: F Endure 180 • 44468316 • DOB: 3/03/2023 Great muscle pattern on this polled Endure grandson. Lots of volume and capacity here.



B D29	180	ENDU	RE 387L	
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Long sided, thick polled bull out of a sound-uddered female.



CED	-2.1
BW	4.9
ww	59
YW	97
MILK	33
M&G	63
REA	.62
Marb	.13
СНВ	117

B JBH 710 NAVARRO 3150

Sire: FH Navarro 765 · 44516385 · DOB: 4/3/2023 Super thick horned bull with an extra heavy hind quarter and nice profile.



CED -1.2 2.8 BW WW 51 YW 87 MILK 34 M&G 59 REA .55 .09 Marb CHB 117

B 610 242 KING 62K

Sire: FH Navarro 242 MD • 44402307 • DOB: 3/10/2022 Short marked horned bull — thick, red to the ground and pigmented.

For more information contact:

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Sale Roundup

Jensen Bros. Female Sale October 19, 2023 Louisburg, KS

Auctioneers: Dustin Layton & Cody Lowderman

29 Spring Opens — \$11,530 10 Bred Heifers — \$5,600 2 Fall Pair/Cows — \$11,375 24 Embryos — \$1,959



Jensen Bros. High Seller was Lot 6, KJ 746D Coco Madonna 201L ET at \$70,000 to Ella Weldon, Piedmont, OK.

Top Lots:

Lot 6, KJ 746D Coco Madonna 201L ET, 03/30/23 by KLD RW Marksman D87 ET to Ella Weldon, Piedmont, OK, \$70.000.

Lot 33, KJ 215F Country Girl J47 ET, 08/16/21 by JDH AH Benton 8G ET to Pierce's Hereford Haven, Baraboo, WI, \$14,000.

Lot 43, KJ 055H Trust 750K, 03/12/22 by SCC 167Y Trust 1701 to Lorenzen Farms, Chrisman, IL, \$8,000.

Ladies of the Royal Sale October 21, 2023 Kansas City, MO

Auctioneer: Justin B Stout

11 Females — \$4,318 37 Embyos — \$984



Ladies of the Royal Top Seller Lot 11, SRR Miss B413 Validated 2053ET.

Top Lots:

Lot 11, SRR Miss B413 Validated 2053ET, 07/15/22 by EFBeef BR Validated B413 consigned by Sand Rock Herefords, Benton, WI, to Genoa Livestock LLC of Minden, NV \$10,000.

Lot 10, K7 Lady Valor 2306, 01/24/23 by RV Valor 9444G ET consigned by K7

Herefords, Lockridge, IA, \$5,500. Lot 14, SAS Ms Kallon 16K, 03/07/2022 by BNT Propel 803 consigned by TS Cattle Company, Centerville, IA, \$4,500.

South Dakota Excellence Sale November 11, 2023 Brookings, SD

Auctioneer: Chisum Peterson

Heifer Calves — \$4,500 Prospect Steers — \$2,589



SD Excellence Sale High seller consigned by Ty Bergh, Florence SD. Lot 1, Lot 1, TB Miss Jackie L364, 2/21/23 by H Front Runner 1495 ET.

Top Heifer Lots:

Lot 1, TB Miss Jackie L364, 2/21/23 by H Front Runner 1495 ET consigned by Ty Bergh, Florence, SD, sold to Iowa Buyer, \$14,000.

Lot 17, SM-KE Miss Benton 311 ET, 03/18/23 by JDH AH Benton 8G ET consigned by Muller Cattle, Davis, SD, sold to Brentwood Farms, Cherokee, IA, \$10,000

Lot 21, LP Lindy L312, 03/09/23 by Chez/Pugh/Hara Logic 8 consigned by Peterson Cattle Company, Highmore, SD, sold to Schuette Land & Cattle, Highmore, SD, \$5,250.

Lot 11, ESF 0343 Bonnie 370, 04/14/23 by RV Cuda 0343 consigned by Eggers Southview Farms, Sioux Falls, SD, sold to RaeAnna Knock, Tulare, SD, \$5,000. Lot 16, LLH Miss Red 307, 03/05/23 by ECR Redemption 5575 ET consigned by Laible Herefords, Howard, SD, sold to Tim Timmons, Castlewood, SD, \$5,000.

Top Steer Lots:

Lot 44, SQCF D56 Gravy 350, 05/02/23 by KJ BJ 58Z Contender D56 consigned by Stenberg Herefords, Colman, SD, sold to Ashley, Kohls, Hutchinson, MN, \$3,700.

Lot 31, EXR 238 Fort George 3576, 04/04/23 by NJW 84B 4040 Fortified 2 consigned by Fawcett's Elm Creek



Beautiful Day for a sale at Jensen Bros. Herefords.

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Circle B Named AHA Commercial Producer of Year

KANSAS CITY, MO – Circle B LLC, Big Horn, MT, was named the Commercial Producer of the Year at the American Hereford Association (AHA) Annual Membership Meeting in Kansas City, MO, Oct. 21.

Circle B is an Eastern Montana commercial cattle operation owned by the Borman family and run by just over a dozen cowboys and their families. The Bormans breed their 1,600 straightbred Angus cows to Hereford bulls to make uniform, high-performing baldy calves that are the epitome of Hereford heterosis.

Circle B was founded by the father-son duo Frank and Fred Borman in 1998. Patriarch Frank Borman was known as an astute businessman not afraid to shoot for the moon — literally. Borman commanded Apollo 8, the first mission to fly around the moon. And when it comes to Circle B, the Borman family is equally as pioneering and progressive. For more than two decades, Circle B has served as a textbook example of a profitable cow-calf operation, mixing management, good ol' fashioned stockmanship, benchmarking metrics and complementary genetics.

Fred's wife, Donna, was the one in the family first taken with the latter. She read about the power of crossbreeding in "Storey's Guide to Raise Beef Cattle" when the family first began their foray into Big Sky Country. Today, Circle B's F1 cattle

reflect the family's commitment to artfully melding progressive ideas with proven tactics and business savvy with industry tradition. And the operation's use of Hereford genetics pays off in the bull pen, at feeder calf sales, for their repeat buyers and in their budding replacement female market.

For more than 20 years, Feddes Herefords, Manhattan, MT, has served as Circle B's bull supplier. The resulting black baldy calves are uniform, fast-growing, efficient, healthy and manageable, the feeder cattle are also backed by Circle B's progressive management. Circle B calves are enrolled in the following value-added programs: Non-Hormone Treated Cattle (NHTC), Where Food Comes From CARE Certified, Superior Verified, VAC 60, Superior Progressive Genetics, Beef Quality Assurance (BQA), IMI Global Certified and Hereford Advantage.

Through its involvement in the Hereford Advantage program, Circle B has seen improvements in its feeder cattle. Each year, the Circle B F-1 feeder calves sell in the Superior Livestock Bellringer sale, and there is no shortage of interest. You could say their lots really do ring buyers' bells. Year after year, their calves fetch premium prices, and the number of repeat buyers underscore their value. Hagemann Farms, Five Rivers, Beller Feedlot and Adams Land and Cattle Company have repeatedly purchased feeder cattle from Circle B, and their continued



Circle B LLC, Hysham, MT, was named the Commercial Producer of the Year at the 2023 AHA Annual Meeting. Pictured (I to r) are Bill Goehring, AHA president; Brent Morrison, Lisa Morrison, and Chad Breeding, commercial programs committee chair.

interest serves as a great testimony.

While not all buyers offer Circle B carcass data, the figures that do roll into eastern Montana are impressive. Adams Land and Cattle purchased more than 400 steers and reported that the lot gained 4 pounds per day with just over 91% grading USDA Prime and Choice. These bald-faced cattle making the grade further prove the merit of the F-1 cross' profitability from gate to plate.

This year, for the first time, Circle B re-

tained all their F-1 black baldy females to market as bred heifers. Their progressive management and the Hereford-influence shine in this set of replacements who spent their summer grazing at the ranch's Miles City, MT, location.

Circle B stands as a stellar example of how progressive commercial cattlemen can increase profitability through Hereford's added heterosis and the baldy advantage.



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Ranch, Ree Heights, SD, sold to Blum Ranch, Reliance, SD, \$3,000.

Lot 33, Grace W Thunder 10L, 03/11/23 by SQCF 33Z Storm Chaser consigned by Grace Herefords, Humboldt, SD, sold to Travis Johnson, Montrose, SD, \$3,000.

Mohican West Annual Bull Sale November 13, 2023 Laurel, MT

Auctioneer: Joe Goggins

38 Coming Two Year Old & Fall Yearling Bulls — \$3,520 Top Lots:



Mohican West High Seller, Lot 7, Mohican The Boss 24K sold to Watt Ranch for \$7.250.

Lot 7, Mohican The Boss 24K, 1/31/22 by NFW 78P 88X Cowboys 199B to Watt Ranch, Brusett, MT, \$7,250.

Lot 14, Mohican 54K, 2/11/22 by WLKR MW JM Decree 333 G91 to Davenport Ranch, Forsyth, MT, \$6,500. Lot 3, TDP Masterplan 2K, 12/25/21 by TH Masterplan 183F to Jarrett Hadley, Baker, MT \$5,250.

Lot 30, Mohican Surefire 86K, 3/7/22 by Mohican Sure Fire 76G to Madison Peck, Ballantine, MT, \$5,000.



Getting ready to start the sale at Mohican West are Meg Foran, Auctioneer Joe Goggins and Terry Powlesland, manager.

Ad Deadline for the next Hereford America is January 5th!

Hoffman Ranch Fall Bull Sale November 13, 2023



Hoffman Ranch High seller — Lot 100, H Benton 2205 ET sold to Upstream Ranch for \$52,000.

Thedford, NE Auctioneer: Rick Machado 58 18 Month Old Hereford Bulls — \$9,056

31 Bred Hereford Heifers — \$10,991

82 Ylg Angus Bulls — \$11,375 38 Bred Angus Heifers — \$6,682 290 BWF Bred Heifers— \$2,888 60 Commercial Angus Bred Heifers — \$2,500

Top Hereford Bull Lots:

Lot 100, H Benton 2205 ET, 04/11/2022 by JDH AH Benton 8G ET to Upstream Ranch, Taylor, NE, \$52,000.

Lot 158, H GO Distance 236X ET, 03/06/2022 by H B Distinct to Trademark Genetics, Hempstead, TX, \$39,000.

Lot 107, H WMS High Time 2195 ET, 04/08/2022 by Gerber High Time H65

to Stellpflug Cattle Co LLC, Glenrock, WY, \$26,000.

Lot 102, H Benton 2203 E, 04/09/2022 by JDH AH Benton 8G ET5 to ABS Global, DeForest, WI, \$22,000.

Top Hereford Bred Heifer Lots:

Lot 2223, H Southern Bell 2223 ET, 03/01/2022 by Gerber High Time H65 to Ollerich Bros. Herefords, Clearfield, SD, \$16.000.

Lot 2229, H Southern Bell 2229 ET, 03/04/2022 by Gerber High Time H65 to R B M Livestock LLC, Florence, SD, \$11,500.

Top Angus Bull Lots:

Lot 25, Stellpflug Summation 2417, 08/23/2022 by K C F Bennett Summation to Duppong's Willow Creek Angus, Glen Ullin, ND, \$50,000.

Lot 59, Hoffman Iconic 2577, 03/06/2022 by DB Iconic G95 to Kenny Elwood, Belle Vista, CA, \$42,000.

Lot 1, Hoffman Thedford 2394, 08/03/2022 by Hoffman Thedford to Hilltop Angus Ranch, Denton, MT, \$41,000.

Lot 44, Stellpflug Clarity 2420, 08/17/2022 by Connealy Clarity to Miranda Holdings, NE, \$35,000.

Top Angus Bred Heifer Lots:

Lot 2222, Hoffman Elballa 222, 03/01/2022 by Deer Valley Optimum 9246 to Upstream Ranch, Taylor, NE, \$17,500.

Lot 263, Hoffman Ann 263, 02/11/2022 by Hoffman Thedford to Stellpflug Cattle Co LLC, Glenrock, WY, \$16,000.

American Hereford Association Board of Directors



Pictured is the 2023-24 AHA Board of Directors. Front row (I to r): Bob Schaffer, Spotsylvania, VA; Lou Ellen Harr, Jeromesville, OH; Jerry Delaney, Lake Benton, MN; Cindy Pribil, Hennessey, OK; Scott Sullivan, Grannis, AR; Austin Snedden, Maricopa, CA; and Jack Ward, AHA executive vice president.

Back row (I to r): Wyatt Agar, president, Thermopolis, WY; Travis McConnaughy, Wasola, MO; Hampton Cornelius, LaSalle, CO.; Jerome Ollerich, Clearfield, SD; Jim Coley, Lafayette, TN; and Chad Breeding, vice president, Miami, TX.

Agar Elected AHA President

Wyatt Agar, Thermopolis, WY, was announced as the new president of the American Hereford Association (AHA) during the Annual Membership Meeting Oct. 21, in Kansas City, MO.

Raised on a multigenerational operation based in eastern Oregon, Agar serves as a manager and a partner in Durbin Creek Ranch, Thermopolis, WY, and Washakie Feeders, Worland, WY. The seedstock division runs 500 head of females and uses AI and embryo transfer (ET) technologies. At weaning, half of the heifers are retained for the cow herd while the other half are marketed as bred females. Bulls are sold as 2-year-olds in a February production sale, which also includes baldy replacement females and ranch geldings. Calves that do not make the bull pen are fed and used to collect data on the sire groups.

The commercial division runs 1,200 Angus and Red Angus cows that are exposed to Hereford bulls to produce F-1 calves. The program collects data from birth to harvest on sires used in the seedstock division. At weaning females are sold in the February production sale.

Light steers go to the operation's stocker program in Oregon, and heavy steers are backgrounded at Washakie Feeders along with 5,000 to 6,000 of the ranch's bull customers' calves. These steers are fed to 900 pounds and then finished in Colorado. Agar and his brother grew up on the family's cow-calf and stocker operation in Oregon, which they later expanded to include the Wyoming divisions. Agar and his wife, Joey, strive to raise their children, Rylee, Taylor and Cooper, in the same manner — working side-by-side with family to produce high-quality beef cattle off the land and backed by the cowboy ethic.

Largent & Sons Prime Demand Sale November 16, 2023 Kaycee, Wyoming

Auctioneers: Joe Goggins

13 Fall Yearling Bulls — \$6,346 84 Coming 2 Year Old Bulls — \$7,514



Largent & Sons Highseller — Lot 1, L3 B413 Desert Value 219 by EFBeef BR Validated B4.

Top Lots:

Lot 1, L3 B413 Desert Value 219, 03/15/22 by EFBeef BR Validated B4 to Bayers Hereford Ranch, Reva, SD, \$17,000.

Lot 2, L3 B413 Desert Value 289, 04/20/22 by EFBeef BR Validated B4 to Lawrence Ranch, Buffalo, WY, \$16,000. Lot 9, TP MR. Final Test 204, 03/21/22 by UPS Final Test 9027 to Keenan Ranch, Ismay, MT, \$14,000.

Lot 7, L3 B413 Desert Value 268, 04/09/22 by EFBeef BR Validated B4 to Lawrence Ranch, Buffalo, WY, \$13,000. Lot 6, L3 9002 Desert Toro 267, 04/11/22 by KL Desert Toro 9002 to Empire Ranches Inc., Moorcroft, WY, \$12,000.



Bulls getting ready to sell at Largent & Sons.

Logterman Female Dispersion Sale December 1, 2023 Valentine, NE

Auctioneers: Matt Lowery, Joe Goggins

529 Total Lots — \$3,513 305 Hereford Females — \$3,360 220 Hereford Bred Cows — \$3,388

85 Hereford Bred Hfrs — \$3,287 224 Angus Females — \$3,722 163 Angus Bred Cows — \$3,731 61 Angus Bred Heifers — \$3,696

Top Hereford Lots:

Lot 1, L 33Z Victoria 9187, 4/25/2019 by JDH Victor 719 T 33Z ET, \$8,250. Lot 11, L=MS 5211 Churchill Gal 7124,



High seller in the Logterman female dispersion was L 33Z Victoria 9187, 4/25/20, by JDH Victor 719 T 33Z ET. She sold for \$8,250.

4/19/2017 by Churchill Gallatin 5211 C, \$7,250.

Lot 174, L Ms 0186 Domino 2007, 3/3/2022 by CL 1 Domino 0186H, \$6,500. Lot 5, L 33Z Victoria 9152, 04/24/2019 by JDH Victor 719T 33Z ET \$6,250.

Lot 76, L Ms 704 Domino 0416, 05/11/2020 by CL 1 Domino 704E, \$6.000.

Lot 175, L Ms 0186 Domino 2115, 04/18/22 by CL 1 Domino 0186H, \$5,750.

Top Angus Lots:

Lot 361, DL Ms 9214 Four Corners 6431, 05/23/2016 by VDAR Four Corners 9214, \$10,000.

Lot 360, DL Ms 1068 Aberdeen 7168, 04/22/2017 by TR Mr. Aberdeen 1068Y, \$7,750.

Lot 474, DL Ms 8060 Atlantis 1478 ET, 09/08/2021 by Square B Atlantis 8060, \$7,500.



Dwight Logterman welcomed the crowd to their dispersion sale. Sale manager Don Ravelette in background.

Frederickson Ranch Annual Bull Sale December 2, 2023 Spearfish, SD

Auctioneer: Roger Jacobs

17 Yearling Hereford Bulls — \$11,588

51 Hereford Two-Year Old Bulls

— \$7,852

13 Hereford Bred Heifers — \$5,192

48 Yearling Angus Bulls — \$9,479 31 Angus Two-Year Old Bulls— \$9,096

Top Hereford Bull Lots:

Lot 88, FR Thomas County 3522 ET, 02/12/23 by H WMS Thomas County 1443 ET to Coyote Ridge Ranch, La Salle, CO, \$27,000.

Lot 84, FR Daybreak 3514 ET, 02/10/23 by SHF Daybreak Y02 D287 ET to Perez Cattle Company, Nara Visa, NM, \$25,000.

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Lot 112, Pyramid Manifest 2557, 03/26/22 by NJW 133A 6589 Manifest 87G ET to Thorstenson Hereford Ranch, Selby, SD, \$19,000.

Lot 82, FR Daybreak 3509 ET, 02/08/23 by SHF Daybreak Y02 D287 ET to Scott Woolfolk, Jackson, TN, \$15,000.

Lot 90, FR Kingsley 3527 ET, 02/13/23 by UU Kingsley 7241E to Thorstenson Hereford Ranch, Selby, SD, \$14,500.

Top Hereford Bred Heifer Lots:

Lot 151, FHF ILR D287 Rita 9K ET, 02/17/22 by SHF Daybreak Y02 D287 ET to Spaeth Farms, Cadott, WI, \$10,000.

Lot 153, FHF 0179 Rita 71K, 04/16/22 by Pyramid Historic 0179 ET to Kyle Kuelbs, Grey Eagle, MN, \$7,000.

Lot 155, FHF 84E Rita 74K, 04/19/22 by S16 782B Highland 84E to Gary Romey, Hot Springs, SD, \$6,500.

Lot 154, FHF 0179 Lyda 57K, Pyramid Historic 0179 ET to Lavonne, Kinsley, Murdo, SD, \$6,000.

Lot 156, FHF 84E Sarah 54K, S16 782B Highland 84E to Lavonne, Kinsley, Murdo, SD, \$5,000.

Top Angus Bull Lots:

Lot 36, FR Dignity 3027, 02/10/23 by SITZ Dignity 599J to Steppler Ranch, Brockton, MT, \$19,000.

Lot 34, FR Dignity 3019, 02/07/23 by SITZ Dignity 599J to Steppler Ranch, Brockton, MT, \$15,500.

Lot 1, Pyramid Stellar 2083, 03/10/22 by SITZ Stellar 726D to Commercial Producer, WY, \$13,500.

Lot 19, Pyramid Coal Train 2087, 03/13/22 by Pyramid Coal Train 0005 to Commercial Producer, MT, \$13,500.

Lot 13, Pyramid Coal Train 2102, 03/20/22 by Pyramid Coal Train 0005 to Commercial Producer, WY, \$13,000.



Frederickson Ranch High Seller was Lot 88, FR Thomas County 3522 ET.



Making sure to get the important notes down on Frederickson's sale day.



Amdahl's dispersed the Hereford herd at their December sale.

Amdahl Fall Bull & Female Production Sale Plus Complete Hereford Herd Dispersion November 7, 2023 Rapid City, SD

Auctioneers: Doug Dietterle, Wes Tiemann

25 Hereford Bulls — \$4,860 45 Bred Hereford Heifers — \$3,513 5 Hereford Fall Pairs — \$3,480 18 Hereford Open Heifers —

70 Yearling Angus Bulls— \$5,340 7 Angus Bred Females — \$5,393 Top Hereford Bull Lots:

\$2,370



Amdahl High selling Hereford Bull Lot 73,TA Historic 329.

Lot 73, TA Historic 329, 01/04/2023 by Pyramid Historic 0156 ET to Mark Cooper, Ewing, NE, \$10,500.

Lot 90, TA Historic 320, 12/30/2022 by Pyramid Historic 0156 ET to Orwick Ranch, Newell, SD, \$7,000.

Top Hereford Bred Heifer Lots:

Lot 184, TA L1 Dominette 704E, 1/13/2017 by CL 1 Domino 2121Z to Dot Diamond, Hobson, MT, \$6,250. Lot 175, TA Dominette 349H, 01/30/2020 by UPS Sensation 2504 ET to Wyatt Schaack, Wall, SD, \$5,000.

Top Hereford Fall Pair:

Lot 199, TA L1 Dominette 0102H ET w/BCC Uproar 946G Heifer Calf, 09/8/2020 by CL 1 Domino 6104D to Engelhaupt Herefords, Butte, NE, \$3,700.

Top Open Hereford Heifer:

Lot 120, TA Dominette 3082, 12/18/2022 by Pyramid Historic 0156 ET to MW Herefords, Fredonia, ND, \$3,750.

Top Angus Bull Lots:

Lot 1, Amdahl Flagstone 2243, 08/14/2022 by Baldridge Flagstone

to Mollman Ranch, Morristown, SD, \$12,500.

Lot 4, Amdahl Flagstone 3054, 12/29/2022 by Baldridge Flagstone to Hunter Peterson, Buffalo, Wy, \$9,000.

Top Angus Bred Females:

Lot 114, Amdahl Dixie 979, 01/23/2019 by LD Capitalist 316 to Lynden Smith,



Neil Johnson giving opening comments as the Gopher sale manager.

Hay Springs, NE, \$7,000. Lot 107, HUWA 6017 Know How 0529, 09/15/2020 by Hoover Know How to Kern Cattle, Visalla, CA, \$6,500.

> Gopher the Purple Sale December 9, 2023 Hutchinson, MN

Auctioneer: Matt Printz

Bred Femaless — \$3,500 Open Heifers — \$2,900 Bulls — \$3,500 Steers — \$1,600

Top Lots:

Lot 12, JDH ND AH Ms Land Grant 56L ET, 01/29/2023 by KSU Land Grant 153 ET, consigned by Delaney Herefords to Grassy Run Farms, Winfield, WV, \$7,000.

Lot 53, LW 114J Sally 36L, 03/12/2023 by Churchill Majestic, consigned by Wirth Herefords to Matthew Wirth, New Richmond, WI, \$6,100.

Lot 9, DAE 56F Entice 21K, 03/03/2022 by UPS Entice 9365 ET, Consigned by Dandy Acres Enterprises to Chad Spanier, Brooten, MN, \$5,300.

Lot 46, SF Rita Genesis Myla 2315 ET, 02/02/2023 by Loewen Genesis G16 ET, consigned by Spaeth Farms to Charles Lundeen, Cokato, MN, \$5,200.



Gopher Sale High Seller consigned by Delaney Herefords. Lot 12, JDH ND AH Ms Land Grant 56L

More pictures on next page.

GKB and Barber Ranch "The Female Event Sale" December 9, 2023 Desdemona, TX

Auctioneer: Dustin Layton

26 Open Heifers — \$15,817 5 Fall Yearling Heifers — \$9,850 20 Spring Bred Heifers — \$7,838 20 Spring Bred Cows — \$10,025 29 Fall Pairs— \$11,483

Top Selling Donor Female:

Lot 103, BR Amber H025 ET, 03/16/2020 by BR Belle Air 6011 to Hair Trigger Farms, Springfield, TN, \$100,000.



Top Selling Donor Female at the GKB and Barber Ranch Female Sale was Lot 103, BR Amber H025 ET by BR Belle Air 6011 selling for \$100,000 to Hair Trigger Farms.

Top Selling Spring Pair/Cow:

Lot 45, GKB 22C Pokerface 8680 ET, 11/07/2018 by JTH SC Playmaker 22C ET to T/R Cattle Company, Glencoe, OK, \$47,000.

Top Selling Fall Pair/Cow:

Lot 46, GKB 8123 Brooklyn F071 1803, 10/03/2021 by BR Belle Air 8123 to Burns Farms, Pikeville, TN, \$18,500.

Top Selling Bred Heifer:

Lot 120, BR Grace KO15 ET, 01/05/2022 by BR GKB Trending 0104, \$27,000.

Top Selling Spring Open:

Lot 8, GKB D87 Isabelle 3215, 03/20/2023 by Kld Rw Marksman D87 ET to Coyler Herefords, Bruneau, ID, \$70,000.

The Berry's Bull Sale December 11, 2023 Cheyenne, WY

Auctioneer: Joe Goggins

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Top Lots:

Lot 60K, B Superadvance 60K, 03/29/2022 by HH Advance 8392F ET to Mueler Ranch, Carpenter, WY, \$16,000. Lot 11K, B SuperAdvance 11K, 03/14/22 by HH Advance 8392F ET to Lowell Fisher Herefords, Spencer, NE, \$15,000. Lot 119K, B SuperAdvance 119K, 04/19/22 by HH Advance 8392F ET to Allnutt Ranch, Walden, CO, \$15,000. Lot 21K, B Final Test 21K, 03/17/22 by F Final Test 722 to Bedtick Ranch, Douglas, WY, \$14,000.

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Sale Scenes...

The Jensen family prior to their sale, The Chosen. Pictured from left to right are Ben Jensen, Sheila Jensen, Kalen and Brooke Cromwell, Brady and Allie Jensen and children.



Eggers family at the SD Excellence Sale. Pictured are Jon, Phil, Tim and Natalie Eggers with kiddos.



Tim and Marcia Amdahl welcoming a good crowd to their Hereford dispersion.



Tami and Tim Feddes (left) with his sister Marvanne Logterman and many Logterman family members at their complete dispersion in Valentine, NE

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Contestants of the Year, Winners in the 2023 NJHA Fed Steer Shootout Recognized in Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, MO — The National Junior Hereford Association's (NJHA) Fed Steer Shootout contest teaches juniors about the opportunities and challenges of the cattle feeding industry. In the 2023 contest, hosted at HRC Feed Yards LLC, 67 members from 18 states entered 207 steers in the program. This year's winners received more than \$15,000 in cash prizes and awards from the Hereford Youth Foundation of America (HYFA) on Oct. 20 at the American Hereford Association's (AHA) Annual Membership Meeting and Educational Forum in Kansas City.

Each year, accompanying the cattle performance awards, the top three junior members, in both the junior and senior age divisions, are recognized for their efforts and knowledge of the cattle feeding industry. Those top three in the age divisions gave speeches and went through an interview process with a panel of judges prior to the awards ceremony.

This year Jarrett Worrell, Mason, TX, was named the contestant of the year in the junior division and Abigail Billing, Newton, N.J., earned the contestant of the year title in the senior division.

This year's award winners are as follows:

Contestant of the Year - Top Three Finalists - Junior Division:

Jayna Blume, Pierre, SD

Jackson Chastain, Arlington, TX

Jarrett Worrell, Mason, TX

Contestant of the Year - Top Three Finalists - Senior Division:

Abigail Billing, Newton, NJ

Dellana Muck, Caledonia, Ill.

Pecos Worrell, Harper, TX

Overall Champion Steer - Kathryn Coleman, Modesto, CA

Champion Pen of Three Purebred Steers - Teegan and Tiernan Frederickson, Spearfish, SD

Reserve Champion Pen of Three Purebred Steers - Jackson Chastain, Arlington, TX

Champion Individual Purebred Steer - Connor McArthur, Pittsford, MI **Reserve Champion Individual Purebred Steer** - Madeline Braman, Refugio, TX

Champion Pen of Three Commercial Steers - Luke Daniels, Dalhart, TX **Reserve Champion Pen of Three Commercial Steers** - Mahaya Jones, Ansley, NF

Champion Individual Commercial Steer - Kathryn Coleman, Modesto, CA **Reserve Champion Individual Commercial Steer** - Kathryn Coleman, Modesto, CA

Special recognition awards went to:

Highest Marbling Score Purebred Division - W. Zeb Murphree, Hamilton, TX **Highest Marbling Score Commercial Division** - Kathryn Coleman, Modesto, CA

Highest Average Daily Gain Purebred Division - Grayson McArthur, Pittsford, MI

Highest Average Daily Gain Commercial Division - Kathryn Coleman, Modesto, CA

About the contest:

Contestants collected feedyard performance and carcass data on their pen of three and individual entries of Hereford and commercial Hereford-influenced steers, while gaining comprehensive industry knowledge on topics such as animal health, nutrition and marketing. All steers were fed at HRC Feed Yards, Scott City, KS, and were hauled to and harvested at National Beef Packing Co. in Dodge City, KS, as candidates for the Certified Hereford Beef® brand. Industry partners such as Merck Animal Health, Allflex Livestock Intelligence and Neogen played a vital role in the success of the program as well as involvement from Cargill Inc. in the educational portion of the program and generous sponsors such as Texas Stardance Cattle and Bar One Ranch.

Furthermore, contestants entered performance portfolios from data reports they received throughout the feeding period and answered short answer questions summarizing what they learned while participating in the program. The top three contestants, in both the junior and senior divisions, were selected from the submitted portfolios and had the opportunity to compete for the NJHA Fed Steer Shootout Contestant of the Year title.



Champion Pen of Three Purebred Steers, (From left) Teegan and Tiernan Frederickson, Spearfish, SD, and Reserve Champion Pen of Three Purebred Steers, Jackson Chastain, Arlington, TX



Contestants of the Year — From left, Contestant of the Year in the junior division, Jarrett Worrell, Mason, TX, was joined by other top three finalists in the junior division, Jackson Chastain, Arlington, TX, and Jayna Blume, Pierre, SD, Contestant of the Year in the senior division, Abigail Billing, Newton, N.J., was joined by the top three finalists in the senior division Dellana Muck, Caledonia, III., and Pecos Worrell, Harper, TX.



Champion Overall Steer — Kathryn Coleman, Modesto, CA, received the banner for the Champion Overall Steer.

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Century and Golden Breeders Recognized by AHA

KANSAS CITY, MO – To commemorate 50 years in the Hereford business, 12 farms and ranches were named Golden Breeders for their steadfast commitment to the breed during the American Hereford Association (AHA) Annual Membership Meeting in Kansas City, MO, Oct. 21.

This year's Golden Breeders are:

B&C Cattle Co., Miami, TX
C&L Hereford Ranch, Ixonia, WI
Double OO Herefords, Eugene, OR
Everhart Farms, Waldron, IN
High Country Farm, Sanford, NC
Hutton Ranch, Ainsworth, NE
Madsen's Herefords, Saint Ansgar, IA
Leroux Herefords, Hotchkiss, CO
Rhyneland Farms, Charlotte, NC
Phil and Chris Rottman, Fremont, MI
SCH Polled Herefords, Hagerstown,

Williams Hilltop Farms, Rushford, MN

B&C Cattle Co., Miami, TX

B&C Cattle Company is a dualpurpose operation located in Miami, TX, specializing in registered Hereford cattle for both the commercial cattle ranchers and seedstock producers. B&C Cattle Co. is owned and operated by Bill and Edie Breeding, along with their son, Chad Breeding: grandson, Austin; and wife, Abby; Blayke, Wyatt, Lillian and Blair. B&C Cattle Co. has been raising registered Herefords since 1957 and has accomplished many milestones along the way, including numerous national champion titles at the National Western Stock Show and Cattlemen's Congress.

C&L Hereford Ranch, Ixonia, WI

C&L Hereford Ranch began with Charles and Lorna Folkman. The couple built their cow herd with daughters of the RWJ K9 bull from Calderon Curran in Grass Lake, MI, and female purchases from regional state shows and sales. They shared herd sires with Arnold Jorns, who ran his herd alongside theirs. The Folkman family's first exposure to AI was purchasing six packages of semen of the breed icon Enforcer 107H. Eventually, the ranch began exhibiting at state and regional shows, and relocated its cattle to the ranch's current location in Ixonia, WI Steve Folkman currently operates the ranch, and has served the Hereford breed in multiple capacities. Jill Folkman, Steve's wife, served on the National Hereford Women (NHW) board. The most important aspect of the ranch is family. Steve and Jill's children, Nicky, Ali, Curtis and Austin Folkman are involved in all aspects of the daily

Double OO Herefords, Eugene, OR

As a junior high school student in the early 1960s, Mike Owen and his father, Don, started Double OO Herefords in Eugene, OR Mike began raising Hereford steers and heifers as 4-H projects. After graduating college in 1969, the operation expanded with the purchase of more property. Mike began working with Willard Wolf from the AHA to find and purchase herd bulls. When his children, Jessica and Jed, were growing up, he became a 4-H leader of the same club he belonged to as a youngster. He has mentored countless kids, taking pride in ensuring there were quality Hereford steers in the club each year. As demand grew for Double OO's bulls, Mike began taking them to the Red Bluff, National Western Stock Show and Klamath Falls bull sales. Mike is still a consignor at Klamath Falls today, having exhibited many champion pen and halter bulls. Mike has been honored as Consignor of the Year as well.

Everhart Farms, Waldron, IN

Harry and Betty Everhart knew if they were going to raise six children the right way, they should invest in Hereford cattle and put the kids to work. In 1968, Harry bought a bull and two heifers at the Indiana State Sale. Even though they raised commercial cattle and hogs when they were first married, these were the first registered animals the couple ever owned. In 1971, Harry and family became lifetime members of the AHA and each of their children showed their Hereford heifers at state and national events. The cattle were an important part of utilizing less productive Indiana soil not suited for record-breaking state corn production and giving responsibility to their children. Betty and Harry consider their children, Katrina, Bruce, Chris, Cindy, Diana and Tim, to be their greatest accomplishments. A lifetime of Hereford friends continue to follow their family and herd as their legacy lives on with Hereford cattle and through their 14 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchil-

High Country Farm, Sanford, NC

High Country Farm began with Claud Austin and his daughter, Claudia. Claud owned commercial cattle for several years but bought his first purebred polled Hereford cow in 1969. Claud started showing cattle in 1971 at the Caldwell County Fair and did not miss a year until the fair stopped having an open show in 2009. Claudia joined him in the showring at the age of 10. After that, Claud preferred to work the chutes and let his daughter do most of the showing. After Claudia graduated from North Carolina State University, they expanded their show circuit to include shows in eastern Tennessee and North Carolina. With only 12 brood cows, they had several grand or reserve champions at these fairs over the years. When Claudia became too old to show at junior shows, Claud lent many show heifers to juniors over the



AHA's Wyatt Agar (left) and Bill Goehring (right) presented Jack and Lynne Johnson with their 100 year award.

In celebration of 100 years in the Hereford business, one Hereford breeder was honored for their centennial commitment during the AHA Annual Membership Meeting in Kansas City, MO.

This year's Century Breeder is:

Johnson Hereford Farm, Milford, IA

The Johnson family has raised Hereford cattle for 105 years on their farm near Milford, IA. E.O. Johnson and his wife, Esther, started the breeding program in 1918. They purchased 10 registered cows and a bull and walked them home 30 miles from Sioux Rapids, IA. E.O.'s son, Dale, went into partnership with his dad in 1941. Jack, E.O.'s grandson, showed champion steers at the local county fair in the early '60s. Jack graduated from veterinary school in 1970, and he and Lynne got married that summer. In 1977, he moved home and went into partnership with his dad, Dale. He and Lynne have four sons, Jim, Chris, Louis and Tom, who grew up taking care of the cows and calves and showing Herefords at the county fairs. The cow herd presently consists of around 50 cows of which 10 are AHA Dams of Distinction (DODs) and many others are daughters or granddaughters of DODs. Today, Jack's grandkids are now involved in showing the Hereford cattle. Grandson, Wyatt, won the AHA Shootout contest in 2018 with a set of Johnson steers.

following 30 years. Claudia has continued that tradition after Claud's passing in 2014. Claudia still maintains a small Hereford herd in the North Carolina mountains and plans to carry on High Country Farm as long as she can, fulfilling Claud's dreams.

Hutton Ranch, Ainsworth, NE

Ed and Rovern Hutton purchased their first registered Hereford heifers in the early 1970s. They raised registered Herefords through the years, and maintained a successful commercial Hereford herd. All five of their children showed Hereford cattle. Ed served as a past president of the South Carolina Hereford Association and served for many years as the association's treasurer. After Ed and Rovern passed, their son, Jim, and his wife, Susan, continued to expand the herd. Currently, Jim and Susan's sons, Houston and Harrison, the third generation, are

running the day-to-day management of the ranch.

Madsen's Herefords, St. Ansgar, IA

Lester Madsen's first Hereford heifer was a homebred daughter of an Anxiety 4th Bull purchased from Carroll Iverson in Colo, IA. She won a purple ribbon at the Mitchell County Fair in 1960. Lester graduated with an agricultural business degree and an army ROTC commission from IA State University in 1968. After a tour of duty in Vietnam and two tours in Korea, he was discharged having obtained the rank of captain. He returned home and began operating and managing the family farm. Lester expanded the farming operation and focused on producing hard working, problem-free Hereford breeding stock. Madsen's Herefords continue to produce the hard working,

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Obituaries

Jerry Delker

Jerry Delker, age 84, passed away on Tuesday, November 21, 2023, at the Dougherty Hospice House in Sioux

Falls, SD. He was born on June 28, 1939, to John and Anna (Geist) Delker in Tolstoy, SD.

Jerry's journey began in 1957 when he completed his high school



education at Hoven High School. While serving at Offutt Air Force in Omaha, Nebraska, he pursued his bachelor's degree in business administration at the University of Nebraska, Omaha. It is there that he developed his passion for leadership and entrepreneurship. His love story with his soulmate, Darlene Arbach, began on September 30, 1958, and they raised a family of seven children together.

In 1962, Jerry and Darlene returned to Hoven, South Dakota, where they established their entrepreneurial spirit by opening the "Blue Valley Bowl" bowling alley. Their hard work and dedication led them to Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where they rooted themselves and created a life for themselves. Jerry was not afraid of new challenges and took on various roles, serving as a crop hail specialist and marketing/sales manager. He also contributed significantly to his community as a member of St. Michael's Parish, a Legionnaire, and the Sioux Falls Knights of Columbus.

Jerry had a zest for life and enjoyed outdoor activities such as fishing, hunting, baseball, and softball. He was known for his great sense of humor and his witty personality. Jerry's selflessness was evident in his willingness to lend a helping hand to anyone in need, going above and beyond to assist others. He treasured his roles as a father and a grandfather who enjoyed attending his children's and grandchildren's sporting events. He created many special memories fishing on "Darlene's boats" and hunting with his family and friends. He and Darlene shared a love for bowling,

which they did for many years together.

Jerry's legacy lives on as a kind, confident, and enthusiastic leader who brought joy into the lives of those he encountered.

Grateful to have shared his life are his wife of 65 years, Darlene Delker; children, Jeff Delker, Sue (Brian) Sweet, Julie (Jim) Ignowski, Shelly (Steve) Wyatt, Mary (Tim) Jurgens, Sandy (Mike Wetrich) Delker-Holbert, and Jim (Deb) Delker; siblings, Orville Delker and Joleen Delker; grandchildren, Travis, Taylor, Taci, Jennifer (Shawn), Wade, Kalyn (Donnie), Elizabeth, Joe, Anthony, Michael, Zach (Tasia) Brooke, Morgan, Alexis (David), Gabbi, Ross (Tascha), Grace (Bryce), Hannah and Katie; 15 great-grandchildren; brother-in-law, Ron Sjodin; numerous family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and sisters, Vivian Sjodin and Joan (Wendy) Lange.

Gordon "Cobbie" Magness

Gordon Earl "Cobbie" Magness, Jr., went to be with the Lord Nov. 5, 2023. Cobbie was born in St. Lawrence, SD,

on June 23, 1933, to Gordon "Cobb" and Novella Magness. Cobbie was a fourth generation Magness auctioneer and learned the auction business from his family.



He graduated from St. Lawrence High School. On Oct. 22, 1951, Cobbie married Viola Beckett, the love of his life. In 1954 they moved to Huron for Cobbie to attend college where he played basketball. Cobbie and Vi's love for the game continued throughout their lives.

While he was in college, Cobbie worked at the Mitchell, Miller, and Bales auction markets. He and Vi then took the opportunity to purchase a small sale barn on Commercial Street in Huron. He graduated from Huron College with a B.S. in Chemistry in 1958. For several years, Cobbie and Vi had an additional market in Faulkton. In 1969, they had their first sale at the new facility located on the east side of Huron.

Cobbie's priorities were the Lord, his family, friends, and work. He continually thanked his heavenly Father for His many blessings. Cobbie valued Vi not only as his wife but also as his business partner. He appreciated Vi and family members for all their hard work throughout his life. He was also grateful for the kindness of many. He would say, "People have been so good to us." Cobbie had an inexhaustible love for people. He cared about every aspect of their lives.

Most of all, he cared about where they would spend eternity. He shared his testimony from many church pulpits and everyday encounters. He played an integral part with the Billy Graham Association in bringing the film The Hiding Place to Huron. Cobbie was also instrumental in the Bill Glass Crusade and The John Wesley White Crusade coming to Huron. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church where he had served as a Sun-

day school teacher and elder. Cobbie valued Christian education. He supported Sunshine Bible Academy, James Valley Christian School, For His Glory School, and Byron Bible Camp many years.

Cobbie was a man of character. He was a man of his word. He would say, "If your word isn't any good, you don't have anything." He was a kind man who knew how to comfort and encourage people with his gentle, wise words, sweet and contagious smile, strong hugs, and where there was a need, he was generous.

He received many honors and awards for his service to humanity. Among them were his many appointed terms on the SD Animal Industry Board, Heartland Saddle Award, Huron College Distinguished Alumni Award, Plainsman Lusk Award for Outstanding Voluntary Community Service in Agriculture, Huron Area Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Civic Service Award, FFA Degree of Honorary Chapter Farmer, and Recognition for Meritorious Service to 4-H. Throughout the years, he served on the Huron Board of Education, Huron College Board of Trustees, and Huron Parks and Recreation Board.

Cobbie is survived by Vi, his wife of 72 years; his children, Brad (Lori) Magness of Huron, Julie (Rick) Bauer of Harrold, and Becky (Greg) Klein of Dallas; 11 grandchildren; 17 greatgrandchildren; sister, Kay McBrayer of Georgia; brother, Jack (Sue) Magness of Nebraska.

He was preceded in death by his parents; infant brother, Jimmy; sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary Lou and Brice Clegg and Joan and Don Dennis; and brother-in-law, J.D. McBrayer.

Scott Lyle McGee

Scott Lyle McGee, 70 of Fairbury, passed away Friday, November 10,

NE 2023. Scott was born April 25, 1953 in Hastings, NE to Curtis and Delores (Vahle) Mor-Scott gan. was 5 yearsold when they moved to Ord and



later, at age 11 he and his two siblings were adopted by their new step father, James McGee, and moved to Oxford, NE.

Scott graduated from Oxford High School in 1971 and attended UNL for two years. He later moved back to Oxford, NE. where he met his future wife, Judy Jantz. The two were married June 15, 1975 and resided in Alma, NE. To that union, three children were born, Melissa, Blake, and Darci. Scott worked at McGee Food Market in Oxford and Judy was an RN in Alma. They lived in Alma until 1990 when the family and entire cow herd moved to Fairbury, NE.

Scott loved raising registered Hereford cattle and was proud of the accomplishments of Valley Creek Ranch. His passion for livestock began as a small boy working with and learning from

SDHA Heifer Grant Winners



Seventeen \$600 grants were awarded before the South Dakota Excellence Sale. These grants can be used at the Watertown Winter Farm Show Hereford Sale or the SD Excellence Sale.



Three sponsored grants were also awarded before the South Dakota Excellence Sale.

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his grandfather, Harry Vahle. The entire family grew to love the cattle and have been involved in the operation. Now a fifth generation of grandchildren is carrying on the family tradition. Scott's passion for animals carried over to his interest in raising registered quarter horses for 30 years and, also Boer goats for 10 years.

Scott attended auctioneer school in 1990 and enjoyed auctioning and ring service ever since, along with working for Haddan Excavating for 10 years. Later he completed his real estate license, joining Kettelhut Real Estate in 2000.

Scott was baptized as a youth and attended the Christian Church in Alma and became a member of the Jansen Bible Church once moving to Fairbury, serving as a Sunday School teacher and singing in the men's quartet. He served as the Jefferson County Fair beef superintendent for 25 years and the Nebraska Hereford Association board filling roles as president and area representative. He received the Nebraska Outstanding Hereford breeder award and was honored with the Golden Breeder Award for 50-year membership in the American Hereford Association.

Scott was known for his sense of humor. He never met a stranger and could strike up a conversation with anyone and will be remembered for his ability as a story-teller.

Scott is survived by wife, Judy of 48 years, children Melissa (Brandon) Buehler, and Blake of Fairbury, and Darci (Mick) Pesek of Western, NE and four grandchildren, Blair, Landon, Lawson, and Brock, and mother, Delores McGee, Alma, brother Tracy (LesLee) McGee and family, Oxford, NE, sister Candace (Larry) Gibson and family, Alma, NE. He was preceded in death by his grandparents Harry and Velma Vahle and stepdad, James McGee.Memorial funds will go towards youth development programs designated by the family at a later date.

Odell Wesley Gelvin

Odell Wesley Gelvin, a longtime Fairland (OK) Area Herdsman passed away at his home on November 1, 2023, he was 95

Odell was born on November 8, 1927, in Morris, OK to Elmer and Clara Gelvin. He married Anna Kathryn "Kate" Heatley on February 23, 1946, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. They moved to Fairland in 1965. Odell was a Herdsman at heart. He worked in Ranching and Farming all his life. Odell was a member of First United Methodist Church in Fairland. He loved his family and enjoyed sports. He rarely

missed one of the grandkids' ballgames. After Kate's passing Odell married Betty (Walker) Gelvin. Mr. Gelvin is preceded in passing by his parents Elmer



and Clara Gelvin, his wife Kate Gelvin, his son Ron Gelvin.

Those left to share Odell's memories are his wife Betty Gelvin, his daughters, Linda G. Wilmoth and her husband Steve of Fairland, and Susan D. Spencer and her husband Junior also of Fairland, his daughter in law Beverly Gelvin of Willow Springs, North Carolina. Also surviving are his grandchildren, Michelle Martin, Heather Gelvin, Misty Moncada, Laci Couch, Amber Spencer, Cody Lewis, Juliana Caldwell, and Brian Wilmoth, fourteen great grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren

Friends and family may send the family notes of encouragement by viewing Mr. Gelvin's Tribute Page at www. brown-winters.com.

To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Odell Wesley Gelvin please visit our Sympathy Store.

Judith A. Fiedler

So sad to see you go...... yet our hearts are filled with peace!

Judith A. Fiedler, 88, of Stanford, MT, traveled over the "Great Divide" on Friday, December 15, 2023, with her daughters by her side. Judy was born on April 18, 1935, in Salinas, CA, to Armin and Marion Neubert, and joined older brother, Armin Jr. to complete the family. She spent her early childhood in California where her family owned a produce cold storage facility. In 1950, she and her

Folks moved to their "RW Ranch" out of Stanford, M on t a n a . Judy spent all but a few years of her life on the RW, in the foothills of the Little Belt



Mountains, always able to see her beloved "Baldy" and "Sleeping Lady".

She graduated from Stanford High School in 1953, and then headed to Montana State University where she was active in the Alpha Omicron Pi sorority and the Rodeo Team. She won an all-around title and became the MSU rodeo queen in 1956. Always proud to be a Montana State Bobcat, she attended several MSU reunions, the last being in 2017, her 60th! With an elementary education degree, she proudly spent one year teaching first graders at Whittier Elementary in Great Falls.

On December 10, 1959, she married James Fiedler. They made their home on the Neubert homestead where they ranched and raised their three kids, Jan, Jimmy and Jean, and instilled in them the strongest work ethic and love for their cattle and the land. Always available and willing to help on the ranch, she was our "weed warrior", spending many hours spraying weeds, as well as be-

ing a miracle worker for sick or injured animals and riding with her family. She was a perfectionist in everything she did, from her home, to cooking and baking, her penmanship, ranch bookkeeping and to the way she presented herself. Mom was a spectacular cook and baker. Many meals were made with love and pride for family, friends and ranch employees. She loved shopping for and refinishing antiques, the Western Art show, a new batch of kittens or puppies, a faithful dog, a good-looking grey horse, her yearly hike in Glacier Park with friends, wildlife, wildflowers, good food, and an uncontrollable tear-filled laugh. Baba, as she was known by her grandchildren, had absolute joy being with them. Always the schoolteacher, she loved to read books to them and take them on a nature adventure! Our Mother was very private, soft-spoken and kindhearted. She possessed strong moral values and lived her life faithful to God.

Survivors include daughter, Jan (Ned) Ward, and their daughter, Bell Ward, all of Sheridan, Wyoming; her late son, Jim's children, Frank (Kirstie) Fiedler, Garth (Shelby) Fiedler all of Stanford, and Addie (Will) Held of Townsend; daughter, Jean (Todd) Klick, of Simms and their children, Katy Griffen (Aaron) of Fort Shaw and Nora Klick of Simms; and her daughter in law, Pam Fiedler of Stanford; eight grandchildren, Heidi, James, and Lane Fiedler, Zoey, Lexi and Tate Fiedler, Knox Held, and Ruby Griffen.

In addition to her son, James Armin Fiedler, she was preceded in death by her parents, Armin and Marion Neubert; and her brother, Armin Neubert Jr.

A service will be Saturday, December 23, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. at Stanford Presbyterian Church, followed by a short graveside burial at Stanford Cemetery. A gathering to celebrate Judy's life will be at the church fellowship hall after burial.

Condolences may be shared online at www.SchniderFuneralHome.com.

Golden Breeders....

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problem-free Hereford breeding stock demanded by today's commercial breeders.

Leroux Herefords, Hotchkiss, CO

Leroux Herefords is owned by Mike and Ann Leroux, and their two children, Laura and Daniel. In 1965, the Roy Leroux family began registering Hereford cattle as Leroux Herefords. In the 1950s, Roy and his children ran registered Hereford cattle with the Leroux children all being members of the junior Hereford association. The two youngest children, Linda and Mike, continued raising, showing and selling Hereford cattle. Roy, Lucille and Mike continued buying small herds. Bulls and additional cows were purchased from the Ferry Carpenter herd as well as other well-known producers. In 1976, Mike began purchasing the ranch and completed the purchase in 2008. Mike has been using AI since 1976. In 2010, Mike, Ann, Daniel and Laura formed an operating company, Leroux Land and Cattle LLC, but still register cattle as Leroux Herefords. In

2008, they sold their commercial cattle and purchased more registered Hereford females.

Rhyneland Farms, Charlotte, NC

Bob Rhyne skipped class one day during high school in 1953, and went to the North Carolina State Hereford Sale and purchased his first registered horned Hereford heifer. While he and his family already had some commercial Hereford cows, this was the beginning of his registered herd. From there, Rhyneland Farms continued to grow. Bob served as president and secretary of both the North Carolina Cattlemen's Association and the North Carolina Polled Hereford Association. He bred sought after cattle, and continued to build his reputation as a respected cattleman. Today, the farm is primarily operated by Bob; his daughter, Kim Eudy; and granddaughters, Alexis and Courtney Eudy. Bob instilled his love and passion for the breed in the girls. They currently run around 150 brood cows and continue to utilize AI and ET methods.

Phil & Chris Rottman, Fremont, MI While at Michigan State University, Phil Rottman had the privilege of being a member of the winning livestock judging team at the 1967 American Royal — coached by Dr. Harlan Ritchie and Dr. David Hawkins. Upon graduation he was instrumental in starting the polled Hereford herd at the Cummings Farm in Fremont, MI Phil and Chris married in 1971 and began their polled Hereford herd in 1973 with the purchase of 10 bred cows and rented ground from Chris' parents, which is now the home farm in Fremont. The couple has three children and six grandchildren.

SCH Polled Herefords, Hagerstown, MD

SCH Polled Herefords owner, Sam Hunter, has Hereford roots that begin as a young kid from northern Pennsylvania. He caught the "bug" for the bald-faced breed after winning a Hereford steer calf at a high school livestock judging contest. From there, his passion for livestock and the cattle industry only grew. By 1974, he found himself in Maryland to manage Huckleberry Hall Farm, where part of SCH Polled Herefords currently sits. Following Huckleberry Hall Farm's dis-

persal sale in the mid-1980s, Sam had about 20 head of Hereford cattle, and SCH Polled Herefords found its home on a part of the acreage. Now raising Hereford cattle on approximately 70 acres, Sam and his wife, Linda, breed around 35-40 cows each year.

Williams Hilltop Farms, Rushford, MN

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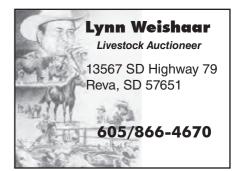
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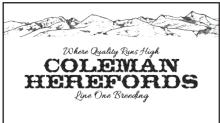


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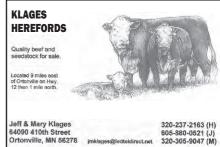
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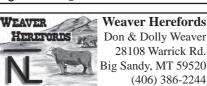
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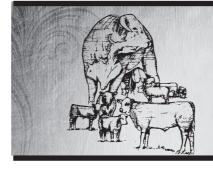
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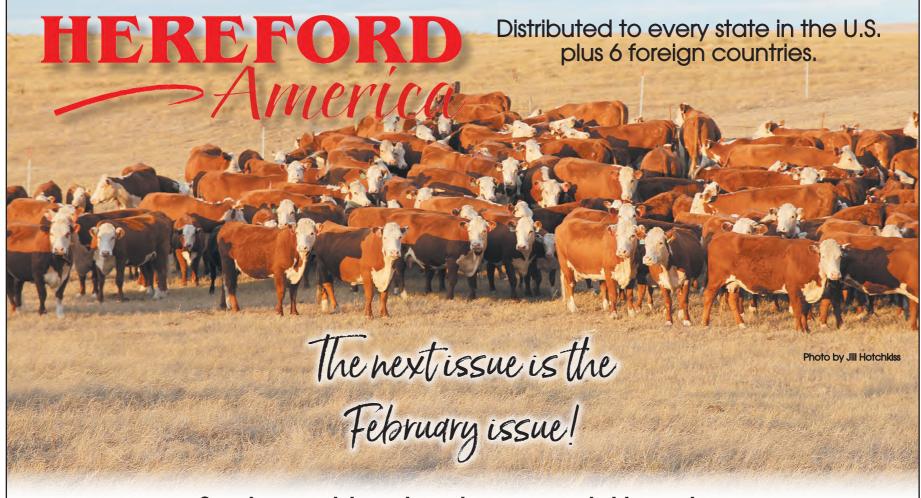


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