



FALL 2021 NEWSLETTER

FALL!!.... Or as I like to call it the most wonderful time of the year!

With summer wrapping up and fall beginning, we are still quite warm and a touch drier than we would like, but all in all it is shaping up to be a beautiful time of year.

It seems like we cannot kick this COVID-19 issue just yet, but that is not going to stop me from inviting you to the First Annual Michigan Hereford Association Fall Spectacular Bid Board Sale on Saturday, October 2nd, at Ionia Country Fairgrounds. This will be held in conjunction with the Michigan Hereford Fall Spectacular Show. As breeders, this will give all of us a chance to not only show our livestock but to also market our livestock.

In these trying times we have had, being able to get out, show, and spend time with our family and friends has been some of the best medicine for our heart and souls. All of us breeders, new and old, have worked extremely hard this year to produce the best livestock that we can offer. Let us get together on October 2nd and do just that!!!!

I would like to thank Christie Johnson for serving as a board member for a number of years and also want to welcome Kristin Capparelli as a new board member. Thank you to both of you!!!

Please find enclosed both of the entry forms for the Fall Spectacular Show and Bid Board Sale. This day will also include our Annual Hereford Meeting; please bring any questions or concerns you may have that you would like to be addressed at the meeting. This meeting will also give you a chance to meet your 2021-2022 Michigan Hereford Board Members!

We look forward to seeing you in October; have a great fall!!!

Best Wishes MHA President,

Charles Miller

MHA 2021 -2022 Board Members

Elections were held this past spring, here is the new adult board members: (term expires)

President: Charles Miller (2023)

Vice President: Cody Hileman (2024)

Secretary /Treasurer: Adam Gaulke (2023)

Directors: Robin Riker (2024), Jim Steketee (2022), Kristin Capparelli (2022)

2021-2022 Michigan Junior Hereford Association Board

President Olivia Jannert

Vice President Jared Machiela

Secretary Taylor Killebrew

Treasurer Kyle Killebrew

Charlee Klink

Connor McArthur

2021 Upcoming Events

2021 MHA Fall Spectacular Show and Sale

The show will take place October 2 at the Ionia Fairgrounds. NEW this year will be a bid board sale taking place during the junior show and concluding before the open show. See enclosed details on the show and sale.

2021 Annual Meeting The MHA Annual meeting will take place between the Junior and Open Show. Awards will be presented for Hall Merit and the Ellis Garllinger Award.

2022-2024 MHA Directory Ads

We will be updating the MHA Directory this year and will hold the advertising auction during the annual meeting at the 2021 Fall Spectacular. If you are interested in advertising, please let us know!

Junior News
MHA Hereford Heifer and Steer of the Year

The MHA Steer of the year was awarded to Kyle Killebrew. This award comes with a \$150 prize from the MHA and is given to the highest placing Hereford steer at MLE that was bred by a MHA member and shown by a MJHA member. Kyle won Champion Hereford steer. Congratulations Kyle!



The MHA Heifer of the year \$150 award was given to Jared Machiela. He exhibited the MI Point Program Champion Hereford. In order to qualify for the award the heifer must be bred by a MHA breeder and shown by MJHA junior member. Congratulations Jared!



2021 Junior Nationals

Hello, my name is Lucie Ullom and I am the 2021-2022 Michigan Hereford Queen. In July I attended the National Junior Hereford Expo in Kansas City, MO. We started the week strong with stall set ups and cattle check-ins, as well as introductions within the National Hereford Women.

There I met the board as well as the National Hereford Queen and other state queens. Throughout the week we were asked to walk the ring and attend certain activities, one being the Queens Tea. The Queens Tea was so much fun teaching the kids to make friendship bracelets.

There was also a guest speaker that spoke about morals and proper dinner etiquette, and she shared very important life advice and skills. While walking the ring, I had so much fun leading in classes and passing out ribbons, as well as holding awards in the Champion Cow/Calf Pairs photo. It was a great time being able to smile all day and make others smile as well. When I wasn't representing Michigan as the Hereford Queen, I was working/showing my heifer Belle, along with making as many new friends as possible! This week is one of many that I will truly never forget, and I will proudly continue to represent the Hereford breed to the highest degree.

Thank you for your time, Lucie Ullom

Michigan Hereford Queen



2021 NJHE Kansas City, MO Written by: Connor McArthur

What an amazing time and experience we all had in Kansas City this July at the Junior National Hereford Expo! I'm Connor McArthur, a MJHA board member and I had an awesome opportunity to participate at Junior Nationals this year. We participated in many different events and even had a couple juniors bring home banners including Lilly Schut and her first place in individual sales and Katlyn Harfst and her heifer being Reserve Champion Division three polled female.



Our state Fitting team and Senior Beef Bowl team did outstanding jobs in their competitions. Lucie Ullom represented Michigan as our Hereford queen and Andrew Johnston was our Outstanding State Junior Member. This was my first Junior Nationals and one that will be remembered. I loved the way our state worked together, whether it was working as a group fitting before the show or keeping our stalls looking great.

Thank you to our two outstanding State Advisors, Heather Breasbois and Robin Riker for all your guy's hard work to make this such an enjoyable experience. I would also like to thank all of our sponsors because without you we would not have been able to do this. Once again congratulations to all of the juniors and thank you to everyone who made Junior Nationals such an awesome experience.

2021 Faces of Leadership

In July I was able to attend the 2021 Faces of Leadership conference in Oklahoma City, OK. The conference took place over four days and had NJHA members from 22 states in attendance.

The first day we spent getting to know each other and Kelly Barnes spoke to us encouraging us to engage in all the activities and to leave better than we came.

The second day we toured Oklahoma State University and their beef facilities. We attended several sessions including the importance of EPD's, cow efficiency and did some meat tenderness taste testing. Then we headed to Express Ranches for dinner and a tour of the farm.

The third day we went into Oklahoma City to visit the Oklahoma City bombing site memorial. After that we went to the Oklahoma National Stockyards. In one day, they ran 17,000 head of feeder calves through the sale ring and had to finish the cows the next day. That evening we went to the Cowboy Hall of Fame for a dinner and dance. Just before dinner Aric Jackson talked to us about different leadership styles, he was a great speaker.

Faces was a lot of fun. I met people from all over the US. Thank you to the Michigan Jr. Hereford Association and Heather Breasbois for allowing me the opportunity to attend this event. Next year the conference is in Ohio and I would encourage anyone able to attend to do so.

Thank you

Andrew Johnston

