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Juniors across the state of Missouri compete in the coveted Junior National Hereford Exposition

As the temperature rises to the summer months, so does the time spent in the barn preparing for the annual 2025 VitaFerm® Junior National Hereford Expo (JHNE). This year, the annual junior show was held in Louisville, Ky., from July 12-18. Missouri was represented well by it's 27 members that traveled to be "Live from Louisville."

Congratulations to the division reserves in the Owned and Female show. Exhibiting the Reserve Champion Division 13 Polled Female was Madelyn Grace and Brynlee Ann Thompson of Amity, Mo with CW Bonnie 4002 ET. A January 12, 2024, daughter of KJ BJ 58Z Contender D56 ET and TKCC Diamond Club 001 ET as the dam.

Members competed in many contests from photography, to fitting, to sales to showmanship. The annual showmanship contest brought a win back to Missouri – Beau Ann Graves, Chillicothe, was awarded as 5th overall senior showman.

Leadership is one of the foundations of the National Junior Hereford Association. This year, Isaac Rhode of Stewartsville, retired from his term on the NJHA Board of Directors. Following suit was his brother, Gavin Rhode, who was elected onto the board and received his brothers jacket during the coveted "Maroon Jacket Awards Ceremony."

In addition, our recently retired Missouri Junior Hereford Association adviors, Susan and Jeff Rhode were selected as the NJHA Advisors of the Year. What an outstanding honor to be represented by the state of Missouri.

Juniors, your hard work does not go unnoticed. Keep up the great work throughout the year and stay tuned for next year in Madison, Wi!





















Reserve Champion Division 13 Owned Polled Female CW Bonnie 4002 ET Owned by: Madelyn Grace and Brynlee Ann Thompson



5th Place Overall Senior Showman Beau Ann Graves



NJHA Advisors of the Year Susan and Jeff Rhode



Retiring Junior Member Phillip Mueller



NJHA Retiring Director Retiring Junior Member Isaac Rhode



NJHA Newly-Elected Director Gavin Rhode (far left)





