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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

2025 AIJCA JUNIOR NATIONAL

SUNDAY, JUNE 15

- 12 PM Exhibitor Move in Begins/Cattle Can Enter the Barns
 4-6 PM Cattle Check-In
Tattoo Check: Noel Boyd Arena; Paper Check-In: ALC

MONDAY, JUNE 16

- 8 AM Board member candidate meeting - **Show Office**
 8 AM-12 PM Cattle Check-In
Tattoo Check: Noel Boyd and Paper Check-In: ALC
 9 AM-12 PM Leadership Conference Check-In - **Pinegar Ag Learning Center**
 12 PM All Cattle must be on the grounds
 12:30 PM Peer Mentor/Mentee Introductions - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
 1:30 PM Adult, Chaperone and Advisor Meeting - **Ag Learning Center**
 2:30 PM Weaver Livestock Clinic with ProStaff Kirk Stierwalt **Noel Boyd**
 4:30 PM Group Picture/State Pictures - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
 5:30 PM Opening Ceremonies - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
 6:30-7:30 PM Conference Dinner - **Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)**
 6:30 PM Carnival Night & Family Fun for All - **Around the Barns**

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

Sure Champ T-Shirt Day

- 7:30-8 AM Weigh Steers - **Golden Oaks Barn**
 8 AM Prepared Speech, Impromptu Speech & Interview Contests
 Check-in at **Wilson Logistics Arena** for Competition Room Assignments
 10:30 AM Sullivan Supply Survivor Showdown - **Noel Boyd Arena**
 11:30 AM- 1 PM The Greatest Show Lunch - **Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)**
 1 PM AIJCA General Caucus Meeting - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
 followed by Area Meetings
 3 PM Cook-Off Contest - **Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)**
 4:30 PM Sure Champ Prep to Win Workshop - **Pinegar Ag Learning Center**
 6 PM Kickball Tournament - **Noel Boyd Arena**
 Evening on your own

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

- 8 AM Sullivan Supply Showmanship Contest - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
Senior & Intermediate Divisions followed by Junior Division and PeeWee Clinic
- 11:30-1:30 PM The Greatest Show Lunch - **Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)**
- 2-4 PM Leadership Conference - **Bus Transportation Available**
Convoy of Hope - Recommended for Ages 13+
Discovery Center - Recommended for Ages 12 and under
- 3 PM Adult 9-Hole Golf Scramble - **Deer Lake Golf Course**
- 4 PM Area Meetings - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
- 5:30 PM Quiz Bowl - **Meet at Wilson Logistics Arena**
Competition Rooms: Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC) and VIP Room
- 7:30 PM Movie Night: The Greatest Showman - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
- Evening on your own

THURSDAY, JUNE 19**Frontier Embryo Center T-Shirt Day**

- 8 AM Phenotype & Genotype (P&G) Heifer Show - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
- 11 AM Miss Charolais USA Meet & Greet - **Pinegar Ag Learning Center**
- 11:30-12:30 PM The Greatest Show Lunch - **Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)**
- 12:45 PM Team Sales Contest - **Noel Boyd Arena**
- 1:30 PM Weaver Livestock Team Fitting Contest - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
- 5:30-7 PM The Greatest Show Dinner - **E-Plex East**
- 6:30 PM Talent/Skit Contest - **E-Plex East**

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

- 8 AM Bred & Owned Heifer Show, Bull, Steer, Percentage Heifer Shows
Wilson Logistics Arena
- 11:30-1:30 PM The Greatest Show Lunch - **Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)**
- 3 PM Conference Awards Program - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
- 4 PM AIJCA Annual Membership Meeting - **Wilson Logistics Arena**
- 6:30 PM AIJCA Annual Award Banquet Dinner - **E-Plex East**
- 7 PM AIJCA Annual Award Ceremony - **E-Plex East**

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

- 8 AM Owned Heifer Show - **Wilson Logistics Arena**

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

- 12 PM Cattle must be off the grounds



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GATE 6

GATE 4

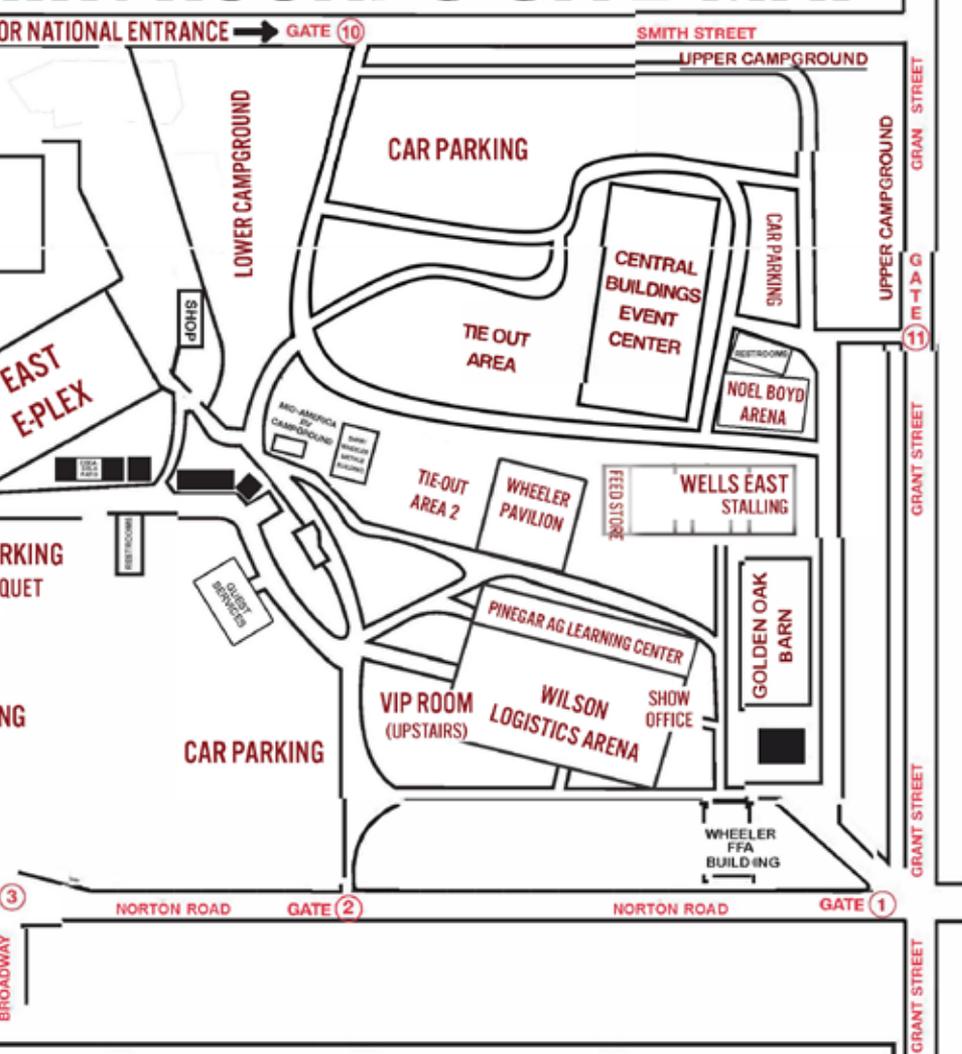
GATE 5



VISIT THE TRADE SHOW

- Frontier Embryo Center
- Elite Show Supply - Weaver Livestock
- BioZyme: Sure Champ & VitaFerm
- Sullivan Supply

AIRGROUNDS SITE MAP



LOCATED IN WILSON LOGISTICS ARENA

Merck Animal Health
Boviteq
Cross Country Genetics
Vitalix

Baden Baldy
Haala Denim
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Western Ideas

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PLANNING COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Fundraising: Jamie Dehan, LaMonte
Show and Facility: Matt Crutcher, Fair Grove
Awards: Melody Simpson, Thayer
Meals: Molly Schoen, Holt
Contests: Amanda Crutcher, Fair Grove
Leadership Conference: Kevin & Jamie Johansen, Lebanon
Decorations: Julia Stone, Clinton
Vendors: Kelsi Peuster, Richmond

PLEASE SAY THANK YOU!

Extend your thanks and appreciation to these individuals as well as the all volunteers you see throughout the week!

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THE GREATEST SHOW

MEAL TICKET MENU

MONDAY, JUNE 16

Conference Welcome Dinner
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)
Cheeseburger Bar: Includes Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles, Cheese, Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo with Baked Beans, Lays or BBQ Chips, and Bottle Water

Cotton Candy, Popcorn and Snow Cones at the Carnival

Sponsored by: BioZyme - makers of Sure Champ and VitaFerm and Windy Hill Charolais

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

The Greatest Show Lunch
11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.

Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)
Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Breadstick, Garden Salad, Ice Cream Sandwich, and Bottle Water

Sponsored by: Trans Ova Genetics and Windy Hill Charolais

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

The Greatest Show Lunch
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)
Ground Beef Taco Bar: Includes Tortillas, Sour Cream, Shredded Cheese, Salsa, Shredded Lettuce, and Jalapenos, Chips & Salsa, Lemon Berry Cake, and Bottle Water

Sponsored by: Windy Hill Charolais, Hankins Farms and Bradley Cattle

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

The Greatest Show Lunch
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)
2 Slices of Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza, Garden Salad, Brownie, and Bottle Water

Sponsored by: Merck Animal Health

The Greatest Show Dinner
5:30-7 p.m.

E-Plex East
Sliced Brisket, Mac & Cheese, Baked Beans, Dinner Roll with Butter, Cheesecake, and Ice Tea or Lemonade
Sponsored by: Frontier Embryo Center and Caprock Cattle Co.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

The Greatest Show Lunch
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Pinegar Ag Learning Center (ALC)
Pulled Pork Baked Potato Bar: Includes Shredded Cheese, Sour Cream, Butter, Bacon Bits, BBQ Sauce, and Jalapenos, Brownie, and Bottle Water

Sponsored by: Double W Charolais, Aces Wild Ranch and Carr Cattle Company

AIJCA Annual Award Banquet
Dinner Served 6:30 PM

Banquet Begins 7:00 PM
E-Plex East

Ribeye, Cheesy Potato Casserole, Sweet Green Beans, Dinner Roll with Butter, Garden Salad, Lemon Berry Cake, and Ice Tea or Lemonade

WELCOME JUNIORS!

THE GREATEST SHOW 2025

CELEBRATING THE 50TH JUNIOR NATIONAL SHOW

AIJCA

The AIJCA Junior Board is excited to welcome you to a fun-filled week of learning, networking, and competition. Whether you're here to meet new people, reconnect with old friends, or sharpen your skills, we have something for everyone. Be sure to check the event schedule for all dates, times, and locations of sessions, contests, and activities.

The General Caucus Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 17 in the Wilson Logistics Arena at 1 PM. We welcome new ideas on how to improve and expand our organization; however, in order to be included in the agenda for the Annual Membership Meeting, those ideas must be presented in writing at the General Caucus. The Annual Membership Meeting will be held on Friday, June 20 at 4 PM in the arena. Items properly presented will be discussed during the General Caucus Report & Action portion of the meeting.

We hope you make the most of your time here—participate, connect, and create memories that will last a lifetime. If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to a member of the AIJCA Board of Directors. We're here to help and excited to get to know you!

Good luck and have a great week!

AIJCA Board of Directors

AIJCA Annual Membership Meeting Agenda

June 20, 2025 • 4 p.m. • Springfield, Missouri

Call to Order – President, Shade Bunker
Roll Call – Secretary, Ethan Shoemake

1. Secretary's Report
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Membership Report
4. General Caucus Report & Action
5. 2026 Junior National Bid
6. Future Junior National Bids
7. 2026 Conference Honoree & Show Dedicattee Selection
8. Other Business



MEET YOUR 2024-2025 JUNIOR BOARD MEMBERS

AIJCA PRESIDENT - SHADE BUNKER, WISCONSIN



Hey All! My name is Shade Bunker, and I have the privilege of serving as The 2024-2025 President of the American International Junior Charolais Association. I grew up on my family's purebred Charolais Operation in Sparta, Wisconsin. I am a senior studying Agricultural Business and Economics at Iowa State University, where I am heavily involved in the agricultural business club and the Sigma Alpha Sorority.

AREA 1 - MAKENNAH TUCKER, COLORADO



Hello everyone! My name is Makenna Tucker and I am your Area 1 director from Briggsdale, Colorado and I am excited to meet and work with every one of you. I just finished my junior year at Oklahoma State University, majoring in Animal Science and Agricultural Education with plans to become an Ag Teacher. I look forward to seeing everyone this week at THE GREATEST SHOW. See you in the ring!

AREA 2 - SARAH MEAD, NEBRASKA



Hey AIJCA! My name is Sarah Mead, I am 19 years old and am from Aurora, Nebraska. I am currently serving as your 2024-2025 Area 2 Director and I just finished first year of college majoring in Animal Science at Northeast Community College in Nebraska. Can't wait to see all of you this week at THE GREATEST SHOW! Get excited for another great Junior Nationals with the best breed association!

AREA 3 - JOSI SCHRADER, KANSAS



Hey! I'm Josi Schrader from Wells, Kansas. I am 18 years old and plan to attend Kansas State University this fall to dual major in Ag Business and Animal Science. I live on a ranch with my family where we run Charolais and Simmental cattle. I love being active in my community and school through extracurricular activities. I am passionate about the Charolais breed, and I can't wait to see you this week!

AREA 4 - LEXI HUSE, TEXAS



Hey everyone! My name is Lexi Huse and I am currently serving as your Area 4 director. I am from Elm Mott, Texas where my family runs H3 Charolais where we raise registered Charolais and Crossbred cattle. I can't wait to see all of y'all this week for the greatest show!!!

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AREA 5 - MACY HOAG, ILLINOIS



Hello everyone, my name is Macy Hoag, I am 17 years old and reside in Illinois City, IL with my parents. I am currently serving as your Area 5 Junior Board Director! This fall I plan to start working to obtain my Bachelor's degree in Agricultural Education. Can't wait to see everyone this week during The Greatest Show!

AREA 6 - TREASURER - TANNAH CASSATT,



Hello everybody!! My name is Tannah an I am your current Area 6 director and Treasurer. I am a junior at Mizzou where I am pursuing an Animal Science degree with the intent to apply to vet school next year! I am thrilled to see everybody this week in Springfield! Always feel free to contact me if you have questions.

AREA 7 - VICE PRESIDENT- NISSA OLSEN, KANSAS



Hi AIJCA!! My name is Nissa Olsen and I am serving as your Vice President and Area 7 director for the 2024-2025 year! I am 20 years old and from Manhattan, KS. I just finished my Sophomore at Kansas State University where I study Animal Science and am on the meats judging team! This is my third year on the Jr. Board and I'm looking forward to a great year full of all things AIJCA. So excited to see everyone this week during The Greatest Show!

AREA 8 - MARIE DOWNEY, ALABAMA



Hey y'all! I'm Marie Downey and I am the area director for all the states in the Southeast! I am a senior at Mississippi State University where I am studying Chemical Engineering. I can't wait to see everyone this week in Missouri for Junior Nationals!

AT LARGE - SIDNEY ALLARD, NEBRASKA



Hi AIJCA!! My name is Sidney Allard and I am serving as an At-Large Director for the 2024-2025 year! I am 19 years old and from Sidney, NE. I just finished my freshman year at Kansas State University where I study Animal Science and Industry! I look forward to seeing each of you this week in Missouri!

MEET YOUR 2024-2025 JUNIOR BOARD MEMBERS

AT LARGE - SECRETARY - ETHAN SHOEMAKE, OKLAHOMA



Hey Charolais Family, my name is Ethan Shoemake, and I'm currently serving as the 2024-2025 AIJCA Secretary and one of your At-Large Directors! I just finished my junior year of undergraduate studies at Oklahoma State University! So excited to see everyone this week at The Greatest Show!

AT LARGE - HAYDEN ENGLERT, KANSAS



Hey my favorite people!!! My name is Hayden Englert, I am 17 years old and I am from Washington, KS. I just finished my junior year at Washington County Highschool. I can't wait to see you all of you during THE GREATEST SHOW this summer with THE GREATEST BREED ASSOCIATION!!!

AT LARGE - BREEZE BUNKER, WISCONSIN



Hello everyone! My name is Breeze Bunker, and I am from Sparta, Wisconsin! I am a sophomore at Iowa State University studying Agricultural Business. I cannot wait to see all in Springfield for The Greatest Show!

EX-OFFICIO- WESTON SCHRADER, KANSAS



Hey! My name is Weston Schrader, and I serve as your Ex-Officio this year. Hailing from Wells, KS, I am a Senior at Kansas State University studying Animal Sciences & Industry with a minor in Ag Economics. In addition to many leadership roles on campus, I competed on the 2023 Livestock Judging Team and National Champion Meat Animal Evaluation Team. I also host the #VoicesofKSUASI Podcast where I get to highlight many great individuals who have made their mark on K-State and the livestock industry. This summer, I'm working as a Management Associate Intern for Cargill Animal Nutrition & Health, all while remaining a major part of my family's seedstock cattle operation, Schrader Ranch.



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MISS CHAROLAIS USA

CASEY CONWAY

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Representing tradition, leadership, and the future of American agriculture, Casey Conway proudly serves as Miss Charolais USA. A native of Canton, Texas, Casey was raised on a family ranch rooted in Charolais genetics, tracing back to her great-grandfather, one of the first to introduce the breed to the U.S. Now carrying that legacy forward, Casey is an advocate for youth involvement, genetic advancement, and agricultural education. As a longtime FFA officer and dedicated showman, she has earned recognition not only for her leadership but also for her commitment to service, volunteering at food drives, mentoring

younger exhibitors, and assisting in livestock events state and national wide. Casey plans to pursue a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree, beginning at Angelo State University and transferring to Texas Tech. She's honored to represent the Charolais breed on a national stage and is passionate about inspiring the next generation of cattlemen and cattlemen across America.

JOIN MISS CHAROLAIS USA 2025 CASEY CONWAY

For a Meet and Greet on Thursday, June 19
at 11 a.m. in the Pinegar Ag Learning Center

Miss Charolais USA Contest to be held at the 2025 American Royal
Applications must be postmarked by July 31!

AWARDS

\$1,000 scholarship and up to \$2,000 travel expenses paid for Miss Charolais USA
\$500 Mary Bonacker Memorial Scholarship to the first runner up

CHAROLAIS PRINCESS

TATUM CARLSON

AIJCA



Tatum is the 14 year-old daughter of Cameron and Jessica Carlson and happily calls both Wyoming and Nebraska home. Tatum is proud to be a third generation Charolais breeder and follow in her grandpa, uncle, and dad's footsteps. She has spent a lot of time alongside these three men working cattle and has quickly found herself in their "Right Hand Man" position. Tatum loves traveling and showing her "Mighty Whites" especially in places where Charolais are not as common. She takes it as an opportunity to show and educate on what Charolais can really do. Tatum is a freshman at Torrington High School, is

an active member of the Torrington/Lingle FFA chapter where she sits on the officer team and is a member of the Showing Rebels 4-H Club. She also is a member of the Nebraska Junior Charolais Association.



Charolais Princess Contest to be held at the 2025 American Royal
Applications must be postmarked by July 31!

Any female AIJCA member age 11 - 14 by January 1st of 2025 is eligible.

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Eliza Downey, Prattville
Jael Downey, Prattville
Marie Downey, Prattville
Lily Downey, Prattville
Kaitlyn Horne, Prattville

ARKANSAS

Emma Evans, Gentry
Weston Evans, Gentry
Marley Godwin, Prescott
Haden Gunsaulis, Siloam Spring
Kale Head, Marmaduke
Huck Plyler, Hope

CALIFORNIA

Cambria Cook, Clovis

COLORADO

Jordyn Dionisio, Pueblo
Easton Hill, Nunn
Sutton Hill, Nunn
Lana Johnson, Fort Collins
Faith Johnson, Fort Collins
Trace Johnson, Monte Vista
Cash Pratt, Pueblo
Reed Pratt, Pueblo
Makannah Tucker, Briggsdale

FLORIDA

Elizabeth McDowell, Frostproof
Sage Revels, Webster

GEORGIA

Miley Carter, Toccoa
Wade Ross, Quitman
Carley Tolbert, Canon
Josey Tolbert, Canon

ILLINOIS

Alex Barnard, Foosland
Brecke Barnard, Foosland
Elsie Bertsche, Flanagan
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Parker Lewis, Salem
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Graham Link, Rio
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Lizzie Schafer, Owaneco
Jenna Setchell, Ottawa
Beau Steinberg, Clinton
Bonnie Steinberg, Clinton
Charlie Thurman, Abingdon
Clay Wadlow, Jerseyville
Laci Wernicke, Lena

INDIANA

Kaleb Crowder, Hope
Elihah Downey, Hope
Logan Downey, Hope
Aubrey Duff, Camden
Kady Graves, Tipton
Parker Haddon, Reelsville
Reed Hendrick, Shirley
Madilynn McCain, Delphi
Carolyn McHugh, Quincy
Hadley Neagle, Fountain City

Hayden Neagle, Fountain City
Aubrey Neagle, Fountain City

IOWA

Chloe Briggs, Chariton
Connor Briggs, Chariton
Eva Chism, Monroe
Bryistol Gerdes, West Point
Hayden Holdgrafer, Bryant
Edward Hoopes, Letts
William Hoopes, Letts
Alyssa Kent, Lucas
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Brylee Means, Villisca
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Cal Pryor, Woodbine
Carver Pryor, Woodbine
Drake Schultz, Chariton
Rylie Smith, Grinnell
Brock Studer, Creston
Owen Weisinger, Fort Madison

KANSAS

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Kole Harris, Hepler
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Maddy Krueger, Bennington
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Crue Larson, Leoti
Isom Marston, Canton
Haylee McKown, Valley Center
Miranda McKown, Valley Center
Sarah McKown, Valley Center
Rylie Meinhardt, Onaga

CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

Juniors

Avery Mengarelli, Hepler
Emery Mengarelli, Hepler
Heidi Mengarelli, Hepler
Claire Norris, Eudora
Nissa Olsen, Manhattan
Kestrel Pitzer, Westmoreland
Braelynn Reed, Louisburg
Kensington Reed, Louisburg
Kolten Rump, Burrton
Madison Rump, Burrton
Raylin Rump, Burrton
Josi Schrader, Wells
Weston Schrader, Wells
Grayson Schwarz, Lacygne
Sutton Schwarz, Lacygne
Jacob Wendland, Barnes

KENTUCKY

Sarah Barron, Mt Vernon

LOUISIANA

Amelie Bergeron, New Iberia
Peyton Dore', New Iberia
Claire Williams, Keithville
Lily Williams, Keithville

MICHIGAN

Dalton Geiger, Bad Axe

MINNESOTA

Cooper Dorn, Henning
Avery Hahn, Winthrop
Georgia Hecht, Grove City
Josie Hecht, Grove City
Avery Kohls, Hutchinson
Brooke Polzin, Darwin
Karsten Schwecke, Gibbon
Mikayla Skiba, North Branch

MISSOURI

Augustus Alsup, Buffalo
Katie Birge, Columbia
Luke Bivens, Kearney
Jaelyn Carroll, Lebanon
Danny Cassatt, Webb City
Tannah Cassatt, Webb City
Zannah Cassatt, Webb City
Tucker Cook, Jamestown
Lucas Crutcher, Fair Grove
Ryenne Crutcher, Fair Grove
Elijah Dehan, LaMonte
Austin Doerhoff, Henley
Henry Doerhoff, Henley
Madelyn Doerhoff, Henley
Payton Dunn, Republic
George Durney, Mtn Grove
Grace Durney, Mtn Grove
Emma Hankins, Springfield
Jessi Hankins, Springfield
Knox Harvey, Lamar
Jalynn Hoover, Carthage
Savannah Hulsen, Mtn Grove
Cody Jedlicka, Koshkonong
Harper Johansen, Lebanon
Danika Kennemer, Camden Point
Atley Kleinman, Wentworth
Lucas Meyer, Sarcoxie
Adler Patrick, Chilhowee
Atley Patrick, Chilhowee
Ben Peterson, Cabool
Cade Peterson, Mtn Grove
Case Peterson, Mtn Grove
Sam Peterson, Cabool
Zella Peterson, Mtn Grove
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Kendall Peuster, Richmond
Bennett Pierce, Goodman
Ellie Pierce, Goodman
Lucas Pierce, Goodman

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Trigg Ridder, Hermann
Gus Schoen, Holt
Oakley Schoen, Holt
Annie Stewart, St Thomas
Jacob Stewart, St Thomas
Jackson Stone, Clinton
Jillian Stone, Clinton
Clara Taylor, Eldon
Kendall Taylor, Eldon

MISSISSIPPI

Beau Parish, Columbus
Haley Parish, Columbus
Eli Pattridge, Batesville

NEBRASKA

Sidney Allard, Sidney
Madison Borg, Concord
Kinley Carlson, Henry
Tatum Carlson, Henry
Cayden Ditloff, Bradshaw
Madalyn Ditloff, Bradshaw
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CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

Juniors

NEW MEXICO

Julia Cacy, Portales
Lexi Thomas, Portales

OHIO

Mackenzie Neal, Lewisburg
Carly Sanders, Leesburg

OKLAHOMA

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Bentley Baldwin, Taloga
Garrison Butler, Idabel
Claire Cunningham, Rose
Darby Darbonne, Duncan
Devri Darbonne, Duncan
Taylor Elmore, Hominy
Kalen Groves, Beggs
Reid Groves, Beggs
Griffin Lewis, Morrison
Mason Marino, Adair
Morgan Marino, Adair
Lilly Mellott, Hulbert
Madeline Mellott, Hulbert
Kamryn Oakes, Taloga
Kyndal Sadler, Perkins
Ethan Shoemake, Warner

SOUTH CAROLINA

John Chandler, Belton
Trey Davis, Iva

SOUTH DAKOTA

Bevin Bertsche, Onida
Briggston Bertsche, Onida
Bentlee Holt, Lake Preston
Cambree Holt, Lake Preston
Hadlee Holt, Lake Preston
Mattisyn Keppen, Volga
Jady LeDoux, Harrold

Khloe Olson, Lake Preston
Kinzlee Olson, Lake Preston
Alivia Rhoades, Erwin

TENNESSEE

Kara Brooks, Brush Creek
Ainsley Coats, Dyer
Samuel Cordray, Mt. Juliet
Christian Derry, Afton
Hailey Foshie, Morristown
Elijah Hancock, Lebanon
John Hancock, Lebanon
Alyssa Meier, Clinton
Hayden Sampson, Afton

TEXAS

Emma Adams, Blossom
Ethan Adams, Blossom
Cason Addington, Rhome
Emily Allen, Huntsville
Aryanna Anthony, West
Noah Anthony, West
Kinsley Atchison, Mason
Brayden Barron, Grapeland
Ryli Bivens, Burleson
Kaycee Clark, Saint Jo
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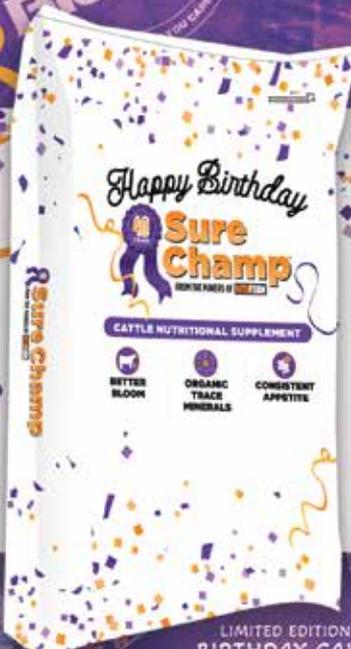
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WEAVER LIVESTOCK CLINIC WITH PROSTAFF 2:30 p.m. - ELC

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Ky grew up in Western Oklahoma showing cattle and enjoyed a successful career with national and state wins. A 2014 graduate of Oklahoma State University, Ky now focuses on raising and selling show cattle and seed stock, conducting clinics and judging. Ky, alongside his wife Hunter, son Stockton, and daughter Sterling, live in Leedey, Ok where he's co-owner in their family business, Stierwalt Cattle & Clinics



CARNIVAL NIGHT & FAMILY FUN FOR ALL 6:30 p.m. Sponsored by: Raymond Hicks Leadership Fund

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10:30 a.m. - ELC | Noel Boyd Arena

2025 Junior National Activities

- **Sullivan Supply Survivor Showdown**
- Bootcamp style event during our typical SSU timetable
- Kids will go through a 5-part Survivor themed obstacle course.
- All kids will receive a "Sullivan Supply Survivor Showdown" buff and a custom SMART scrub.
- One winner will be selected to receive a \$500.00 shopping spree at the trailer.



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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

SULLIVAN SUPPLY SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST JUDGES

Senior Division Judges: Clint and Rachel Hunter



Clint and Rachel Hunter, of Fair Grove, Missouri, are the owners and operators of Hunter Angus. Both Clint and Rachel grew up deeply rooted in the agriculture industry, gaining their start in the show ring through various junior livestock programs. It was through showing cattle that their paths crossed, eventually leading to their shared life and business. Together, they run Hunter Angus, a progressive seedstock operation known for hosting two annual sales, one in the spring and one in the fall, featuring

approximately 20 high-quality show heifer prospects in each offering. Their passion for the cattle industry runs deep, and they take pride in raising functional, competitive cattle that go on to succeed at all levels. Clint and Rachel bring years of hands-on experience, a keen eye for detail, and a strong belief in the value of youth development. They are dedicated to giving back to the industry that shaped them and are honored to play a role in encouraging and mentoring the next generation of livestock enthusiasts.

Intermediate Division Judges: Andrew and Haley Chandler



Andrew and Haley Chandler currently reside in Springfield, Missouri. Together they own and operate Chandler Livestock, a small cow-calf operation consisting of Shorthorn, Maine-Anjou, and Simmental cattle. Andrew is the Farm Manager at Twin Willow Farms, a registered Red Angus seedstock and show cattle operation where they focus

on raising high quality cattle that perform in the show ring and pasture. Haley, a graduate of the University of Missouri, works as a Crop Insurance agent with FCS Financial, where she supports farm families in Southwest Missouri. Both Andrew and Haley were actively involved in the junior livestock industry growing up, competing at national shows and developing a lifelong passion for livestock and youth development. Today, they remain dedicated to giving back to the industry by mentoring young exhibitors and supporting youth livestock programs. They are honored and excited to serve as showmanship judges for this year's National Junior Show, where they look forward to encouraging and inspiring the next generation of agricultural leaders.

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE SESSION

2 - 4 p.m. Bus Transportation Available

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Convoy of Hope Facility Tour - Ages 13+

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Discovery Center Visit - Ages 12 and under

The Discovery Center of Springfield is a hands-on science museum offering interactive exhibits in STEM, health, and innovation. With over 300 exhibits it's designed to spark curiosity and learning in visitors of all ages. During the Juniors' visit, they'll take part in a hands-on DNA extraction activity.



ADULT 9-HOLE GOLF SCRAMBLE

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Tee times start at 3 p.m.

4-player, 9-hole Golf scramble offered for adults.

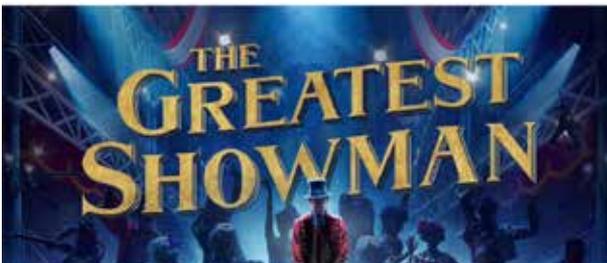
Entry Fee: \$50 per player

Scramble Fee includes: greens fee, cart, goodie bag, snacks and prizes to winning team.



MOVIE NIGHT

7:30 p.m.



THURSDAY, JUNE 19

FRONTIER EMBRYO CENTER T-SHIRT DAY! PHENOTYPE & GENOTYPE SHOW JUDGE

Judge: Parker Henley



Parker is from Stillwater, OK and serves as the livestock judging team coach and Dr. Robert "Bob" Totusek Endowed Chair Fellow at Oklahoma State University. Parker coached the 2021, 2022 and 2023 National Champion Livestock Judging Team and was named the "Coach of the Year" in 21 and 22 and was named 2023 Best of the Barns Best Sr. College Livestock Judging Team Coach.

Currently, along with coaching, Parker serves as an extension specialist focused in beef cattle management and youth livestock selection and education. He received his master's and PhD from the University of Illinois while focusing his research in nutrition and management strategies for heifer and bull development systems. Parker was a member of the livestock judging teams at Butler Community College and Kansas State University where he received a bachelor's degree in Animal Science. Parker was raised in central Missouri where he and family still raise Angus and Charolais cattle. Parker and his family have bred or exhibited several national or reserve national champion Charolais cattle. Parker and his wife Christy have two children Norman and Charlotte. Parker has judged livestock shows in 33 states, Canada, and Mexico.

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WEAVER LIVESTOCK TEAM FITTING CONTEST JUDGES



Sam Wallace resides in Stotts City, Mo., with his wife Morgan and their sons, Beau and Huck. Sam was involved in both the Angus and Simmental junior breed associations. Today, the couple operate Wallace Cattle Co. with Sam's parents. They focus on selling Angus and Simmental show heifer prospects. Sam serves as an independent contractor through Genex where he operates Wallace AI Service. Sam and Morgan are grateful for their involvement in junior programs and plan to raise their sons with the same experiences.



Cash Langford, grew up in Breckenridge, Texas showing steers & currently lives in Fair Grove, Missouri where he has been the Herdsman for Hunter Angus for the last 7 years where he is in charge of the show & sale cattle. They have 2 annual sales a year, one in April & November. He is currently the reigning American Angus Association Herdsman of the year as well. He has a true passion for the industry & loves nothing more than to help the younger junior members learn.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

BRED & OWNED HEIFER SHOW, BULL, STEER, PERCENTAGE HEIFER SHOWS

Judge: Shane Bedwell



Shane Bedwell serves as the Chief Operating Officer and Director of Breed Improvement for the American Hereford Association (AHA). Shane works closely with the AHA's genetic evaluation as well as National Reference Sire Program.

Prior to joining the AHA, Shane was a professor and livestock judging coach at Colorado State University for 8 years. While at Colorado State University, Shane coached many successful and championship teams, including being named the Reserve National Champions in 2012 and winning the American Royal in 2013.

He received an associate's degree in science from Butler County Community College in 2002 and a bachelor's degree in animal science and Industry from Kansas State University in 2004. Shane completed a master's degree in beef cattle nutrition from the University of Illinois in 2007.

Shane has had the opportunity to judge cattle in 33 states including major shows at the National Western Stock Show, American Royal, North American, Fort Worth Stock Show, Oklahoma Youth Expo, San Antonio Livestock Show, Arizona National, Rodeo Austin, Cattlemen's Congress and the Houston Livestock and Rodeo. As well as Shane has been invited to judge International cattle shows in Canada, South America and Australia.

Shane was raised on a cow-calf/stocker ranch near Medicine Lodge, Kansas and helps manage his family's cow-calf operation, which consists of a rotational cross of Hereford, Angus and Red Angus. He and his wife Lacey and two children Cealy Rose and Chisum.

OFFICIAL SHOW PHOTOGRAPHER

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SATURDAY, JUNE 21

OWNED HEIFER SHOW

Judge: Brian Fox



Brian Fox has been the ranch manager at Blind Badger Ranch since 2007. The ranch is located in Fort Morgan, CO and consists of 20,000 acres. The farm ground is utilized for dryland wheat, corn and millet and the other acreage being in pasture to support the 500 cows. BBR's focus is on Maine-Anjou,

Angus and Simmental show cattle production through extensive AI and ET work. They market their females all fall, privately at the ranch and through multiple sales across the country. Yearling bulls are sold in OKC and Denver along with privately at the ranch. Brian has had the opportunity to work with youth across the country while judging shows at multiple levels. Brian and his wife Paula reside in Hutchinson, MN with their three children; Tyson, Hannah and Emery.

Associate: Jeff Paulsen



Jeff is the owner and manager of Paulsen Cattle. Paulsen Cattle is based out of Preston, Iowa and concentrates its efforts on an extensive IVF ET program consisting of 10 donors and 115 recip cows for a complete ET calf program. Paulsen Cattle raises purebred Simmental, Maine and Maine Influence, Angus,

and show steer matings along with hosting one of the premier female events of the year, Divas and Donors The Exclusive, every year on Black Friday. Paulsen Cattle has raised back to back National Champion Simmental Females with a third being Supreme Female this past fall at American Royal and Cattlemen's Congress. Jeff has judged numerous local, state, and national shows.

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DAVID HOBBS

From barnyard conversations to international expositions, David Hobbs has been there – for 43 years - always supporting and promoting the Charolais breed and its breeders.

And, since his first day with the American-International Charolais Association (AICA) in 1982, he has had the privilege to watch both the breed and its breeders grow in sync. A reality that has allowed the AICA to grow into one of the most respected breed organizations in the world.

Cattle and livestock producers around the world can relate to David Hobbs and some may even say his name comes synonymous with Charolais.

Growing up with Angus cattle on his family's farm in Missouri, Hobbs gained experience in selling bulls and showing cattle locally. But it was while serving as president of the Monroe County Junior Angus Association during his high school years that he found his first liking for doing the things he does today.

A few years later, it was a complex series of conversations along with a lot of nodding and head shaking between Dr. Jerry Lipsey, then a meat science professor at the University of Missouri where Hobbs graduated with a degree in Agricultural Economics, and Dr. Joe Garrett, executive vice president of the AICA that led to an interview, and his hiring.

Beginning as a field representative who drove an excess of 100,000 miles a year and working his way through every nook and cranny of the association, Hobbs has served Charolais breeders as manager of the Charolais Journal, through the move of the Association to Kansas City in 1983, and as director of open shows, director of activities and now to his current title as vice president of operations, overseeing nearly everything he has done in the past.

"I've seen evolution of the breed," reflected Hobbs. "I've seen the breed grow, producing a product that is usable in the beef industry, surviving all the changes. Show cattle have become more practical and useable. I believe that's good."

Along with his AICA duties, for the past six years Hobbs has represented the breed

serving on the board of directors of the United States Livestock Genetics Export, Inc. (USLGE), a nonprofit trade association that promotes international market development by serving world markets with superior livestock genetics.

His world-wide travel during this time has taken him to 12 countries while providing a host of memorable experiences. And, in his normal style, Hobbs has maintained his down-to-earth composure while establishing relationships with breeders around the globe. His experiences have included hosting the Charolais Charbray International (CCI) Youth Program during which young cattle producers from Mexico, Australia, Ireland, Scotland and England made stops in Kansas and Missouri. He has also served as USLGE Board Chair.

One of his most memorable experiences, prior to being active in the USLGE, was being asked to judge the National Canchim (a composite of 5/8 Charolais and 3/8 Nelore) Show in São Paulo, Brazil. After working through over 400 show entries, he had the opportunity to spend some time touring ranches in central Brazil, where he saw thousands of Nelore-influenced cows.

However, putting all that aside, for Hobbs, the best satisfaction over the years, has come in watching the AIJCA grow with its leadership, production and show ring experiences. The junior association's national show and leadership conference has grown exponentially over the years from 75-80 head of cattle to 500-plus head shown, representing somewhere near 30 states and around 250 participants.

"Good family values are learned by kids coming up through the program," said Hobbs. "We've had some great junior directors and I just try to stay in the background. I tell them, the fieldmen and I are there to help. I enjoy watching these kids have success. That's pretty gratifying."

As for his overall view of the job... "It's my life, it's what I do," declared Hobbs. "I just really enjoy what I do. Trying to help people. That's what it's about."

By: Linda Eck



David and his daughter Annaleigh at the American Royal circa 2005

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STAN AND MARY BONACKER FAMILY

Stan and Mary Bonacker of Cedar Hill, Missouri, left a profound legacy within the Charolais breed. Their legacy runs much deeper than the cattle they raised. It is evident they instilled their family with honesty, integrity, leadership, and a deep passion for the Charolais breed. These are traits they also passed on to members of the American-International Junior Charolais Association (AIJCA).

Their journey began in the 1960s, when Mary, despite not coming from a farming background, insisted on acquiring registered cattle. In her heart she knew it would become more than just a hobby.

Stan, ready to leave behind the demanding life of dairy farming, embraced her vision with enthusiasm and together, they founded Windy Hill Charolais, which would become the cornerstone of their lives' work.

Stan and Mary's leadership roots run deep in the Charolais breed. In the late 1970s, they played a key role in revitalizing the Missouri Charolais Breeders Association. They created and mailed informational materials, connected with breeders, and dedicated countless hours to helping rebuild and strengthen the organization they loved. Their commitment spurred others and the Missouri association thrived. In 1980, the state hosted its first Junior National, due in part to Mary and Stan's hard work and dedication. This year will be the seventh Junior National to be hosted in Missouri. What began as a small event with fewer than 100 participants has grown to over 500 today, a true testament to the lasting foundation they helped establish years ago.

Stan and Mary were never in this business or leadership roles for recognition, they did it for the cattle and the people. Whether it was helping a junior with feed costs, sponsoring events, or offering guidance to new breeders, especially young members, they gave generously. They believed wholeheartedly that supporting the next generation was simply the right thing to do. Whatever was needed, the Bonackers showed up, time and time again.

Mary, in particular, had a deep passion for supporting young women in the Charolais breed and the agriculture industry. Her dedication eventually led to efforts to sustain

and strengthen the Charolais Queen program. She encouraged young women to speak, to lead, and to represent the breed with pride. She understood that the experience of being Miss Charolais USA was about far more than a crown, it was about building confidence and leadership. That passion lived on through her granddaughter, Rachael Bonacker, who had the honor of serving as the 2016 Miss Charolais USA.

Stan was focused on the cattle and was passionate about performance and carcass quality, challenging long-standing assumptions about Charolais beef; advocating for better marketing and education. His philosophy was grounded in realism and fairness: tell people the truth, and let them make informed choices. He believed in marbling, performance, and consistency, traits not always visible to the eye, but proven in the product.

Even after their own children had grown up, and well before their grandchildren began participating, Stan and Mary kept traveling to Junior Nationals all over the country. They sponsored events, cheered on the youth, and stayed deeply committed to nurturing the program's growth. Their unwavering support was a constant presence.

Despite holding numerous leadership positions, the Bonackers never showed favoritism toward their own children. Their children, Jeff, David and Marsha, worked hard on the farm, juggled responsibilities, and learned alongside their parents. It was not always easy, especially balancing farm life with summer shows. The values of responsibility and perseverance were never negotiable. David Bonacker recalls "There were no gray areas. If you told the truth, you never had to remember how you told it." Their moral compass was unshakable, and they brought that same integrity into every decision, every handshake, every conversation about cattle.

Their impact extended beyond just the organization. For the Bonackers, this breed was more than a hobby, it was family, a way of life and deeply personal. Stan and Mary, passed their passion and work ethic on to their children and grandchildren. Their grandson's, Daniel and Dylan's, first Junior National in 2005, was chaperoned by Stan himself. That trip sparked a chain of involvement that continues today, representing a third generation of Charolais advocates in the family.

The Bonacker children expressed that it is a true honor for their parents to be recognized in the same way that many of their own mentors once were. They shared that their parents' dedication and hard work have not only fostered valuable connections within the industry but have also created a strong sense of family within the Charolais community. This recognition reflects a legacy built on honesty, integrity and the meaningful relationships formed along the way.

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