

# Minnesota News ...

## Amber Johnson a 4-H Educational Seminar Winner

Amber Johnson, daughter of Russ and Barb Johnson of Sebe-ka, MN (Wadena County), Senior Breeding Beef, was one of 14 participants who took top honors in the 2014 Livestock Interview/Educational Seminar at the Minnesota State Fair.

The educational seminar consists of a learning workshop and an online test, a one-on-one interview and a skill-a-thon. The process is seen as a step to help insure the stability of youth livestock shows and as a positive form of youth development.

This year's winners received a chair sponsored by the Minnesota

Livestock Breeders Association.

### State Fair FFA Results

Congratulations to Becky Church of the Randolph FFA chapter for taking home the grand champion banner with her Limousin heifer. Thomas Duff, also of the Randolph chapter, won the reserve grand champion award with his heifer.

### 4-H Youth Development Interviews

Limousin juniors took top honors in the 4-H Beef Interview competition; Anna Johnson of Sebe-ka and Will Bollum of Northfield won in the Senior Beef Breeding category and Amelia Schatz of

## Heartland Members Nominated for NALF Board of Directors



**Dennis Alt**

Dennis Alt, Double A Cattle Co. of Shawnee, Kansas was nominated to be a candidate for the North American Limousin Foundation board of directors by the NALF nominating committee.

He is a member of the Missouri Limousin Breeders Association, serving as vice-president. In addition, Dennis is also a member of the NALF Commercial Committee.

Dennis and Cole Abele, Abele Cattle Co. of Nevada, MO hold an annual open house and sale the first Saturday in November at the farm in Nevada in addition to selling cattle to commercial cattlemen. They have been very active in the breed, showing cattle at three state fair open shows this year.



**Curt Wiczorek**

Curt Wiczorek of Mount Vernon, South Dakota has been selected by the NALF nominating committee to be one of the candidates for the NALF Board of Directors. The election will take place at the annual NALF meeting January 12, 2015 in conjunction with the NWSS in Denver, CO.

The Wiczorek family have been building their program since 1975 on two simple basics, cattle that perform and exceptional customer service. This year they will be holding their 35<sup>th</sup> annual sale, which is always held the last Friday in February at the Corsica Sale Barn. The operation consists of Curt along with his wife LeAnne, their daughters, their daughters Megan, Emily and Danielle, and his parents his parents, Wallace and Noreen.



*Thank You to the Minnesota Junior Limousin Association members who hosted a beef brisket meal for the exhibitors and members of the Senior Association following the MN State Fair Open Show.*

LeCenter won in the Intermediate Breeding Beef contest. Thomas Duff of Hampton won in the Senior Market Beef category.

Two 4-H livestock exhibitors were interviewed by Sara Koepke for an article titled: Minnesota 4-H: Youth Development More Than a Purple Ribbon. They explained how the educational seminar allows them to utilize and incorporate the information they've learned over the course of the year about their beef cattle. Both of these young people have shown Limousin cattle at the county, state, regional and national levels.

John Weber of Ramsey Co. is from St. Paul and has been in 4-H for 11 years and in the beef project for six years. He has had the opportunity to buy a few steers and show them at the Redwood Co. Fair representing Ramsey County.

John was a 2011 MN State Beef Spokesperson and a 4-H State Ambassador.

His cousin, Alison VanderWal exhibited the reserve grand champion Limousin steer at the state fair this year and was part of the project bowl team for Redwood Co. a couple of years ago. "Being part of the project bowl allowed me to learn more about different species," says VanderWal.

### Thank You, Juniors

We want to thank the juniors and their families for serving the meal after the state fair open show Saturday, August 30. We appreciate the Hoover family of Dundas, MN for providing the beef, the other families who brought items for the picnic, and junior advisors Lonnie and Sue Schatz for organizing the meal.



*The Minnesota Board of Directors met at the state fair. Pictured from L to R are Casey Fanta, Roger Wagner, Sharilyn and Mark Willette, Anna Lyon, Kevin Bachmeier, Sue Schatz and Don Biscoe.*

## Minnesota State Fair 4-H Champion Females



*Rebecca Church of Hastings exhibited the 4-H champion Limousin female at the Minnesota State Fair.*



*Courtney Dohrmann of Dodge Center, MN exhibited the 4-H reserve grand champion Limousin female at the Minnesota State Fair.*

# Herman Farms take Grand and Reserve Females at Minnesota State Fair

The Minnesota State Fair Open Limousin Show was held on Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at the Lee and Rose Warner Coliseum in St. Paul. The Limousin Open Show was one of six breed shows that exhibited cattle over the Labor Day weekend.



Reserve grand champion honors in the female show went to CHHF Beautiful Bonus 403B, a 2/2/14 daughter of BC Lookout 7024 also exhibited by Chris Herman of Herman Farms.



Wulf Cattle of Morris, MN continued their dominance in the bull show, winning the grand champion honors with Wulf's Amarillo 8830A, a 4/15/13 75% son of Lewis Xposition 16X.



Lura Limousin of Delavan, MN garnered the reserve grand champion banner in the bull show with MSTT Alabama 420A, a 12/22/13 son of CHTT Work Time 4925W.

Lura Limousin of Delavan, MN received the "Premier Breeder" and the "Premier Exhibitor" award at the 2014 Minnesota State Fair Limousin Show.

Wulf Cattle was awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall breeds for the Herdsmanship award.

Following the show, The Minnesota Junior Limousin Association hosted the exhibitors, Limousin breeders, friends and family to a brisket and salad dinner on the fairgrounds.



Judge Scott Wall congratulated Wiley Fanta, Wulf Cattle of Morris, MN on his grand champion bull.

Judge Scott Wall of Mason City, IL evaluated the 33 head of Limousin and Lim-Flex females and bulls brought by 16 exhibitors from across the state of Minnesota.

On a day when a whopping 252,092 fairgoers passed through the gates, the Limousin show was enjoyed by a sizeable audience watching the show. The fair, better known as the Great Minnesota Get-Together, lived up to its name on show day.



The grand and reserve grand champion Limousin females were exhibited by Herman Farms of Hastings, MN. Wall named CHHF Zoey Z, a 10/5/12 daughter of DHBO Trey as the grand champion female. She was shown by Rebecca Church of Hastings. This win completed the clean sweep, having won the FFA and 4-H Limousin shows.

## Happy Thanksgiving!



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### AUTO POPPY 421Z

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9/27/12 • HOMO Black • Polled • Purebred

AUTO Cruze 132X x MAGS Manuela

CE BW WW YW MA CM SC DC CW RE YG MS SMTI  
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This tremendous young donor is one of the finest purebred females to ever be produced by the legendary MAGS Manuela matriarch. Visually Poppy is flawless fronted, bold ribbed, stout boned and square hiped. Numerically she ranks in the top 15% or better for WW, YW, MA and is highlighted by a marbling and SMTI EPD in the top 1%. All in all, Poppy's combination of phenotypic quality, legendary pedigree, huge numbers wrapped in a purebred package makes genetic opportunities by her a can't miss investment.



### EF ZEN 344Z

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1/3/12 • Black • Homo Polled • Purebred

CJSL Windfall 9072W x EF Trendsetter 206T

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4 2.5 38 99 24 3 0.3 20 22 57 10 07 46

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