

## **Minnesota Youth Beef Experience Program**

One of the highlights of the Minnesota Beef Expo, held every year in October at the state fairgrounds, is the presentation of donated heifers to qualified juniors as part of the Minnesota Youth Beef Experience Program (MYBEP). This year eleven heifers, donated from breed associations and the Minnesota State Cattlemen's Association, were given at the Expo. There were over 80 applicants for these MYBEP heifers.

Since this program began in 2004, over 100 heifers have been donated. The requirements for the program state that juniors must be between the ages of 12-16, be a 4-H, FFA or junior breed association member, and live in Minnesota, Iowa, North or South Dakota or Wisconsin.

Juniors who receive the heifers are responsible for raising, breeding, and maintaining complete records on the care of the animal while providing monthly progress reports to the original owner and the Minnesota Beef Expo. The breeders who donated heifers will serve as mentors to the MYBEP youth.

The recipients not only receive a heifer but also two straws of semen from Minnesota Select Sires, an Andis cattle clipper, a show stick, and 100 pounds of Purina Show Chow.

### **Wulf Cattle**

The Minnesota Limousin Association would like the **THANK** Wulf Cattle of Morris for donating a Limousin heifer. Wulf Cattle has been a seedstock supplier for more than half a century selling Limousin cattle across the United States and Canada. Lim-Flex and Angus cattle were added later to the herd.

Wulf Cattle registers 1,500 cows with A.I. and embryo transfer programs being extensively used for each calf crop. Their goal is to produce quality beef, to increase heterosis, and target specific markets. They market 650 bulls and 100 females in addition to selling more than 50,000 value-added fed cattle annually.

Their feed yards are located in Minnesota, South Dakota and Nebraska. Wulf Cattle is fully invested in proving genetics through extensive feeding operations and carcass data collection. Their goal is the same today as it was decades ago, to create opportunities for the customers to succeed using Wulf Cattle genetics.

### **MYBEP Recipients**

Congratulations to Julie Biscoe, daughter of Billy and Heather Biscoe of Cottage Grove, Minnesota and granddaughter of Don and Kathy Biscoe. She received the Limousin heifer donated by Wulf Cattle.

Gavin Rohner of Pennock, Minnesota received a check from the Minnesota State Cattlemen's Association. He used this money to purchase a heifer from the Expo sale. Gavin selected and purchased a Limousin heifer consigned by Moser Farms of Morris, Minnesota.