Mom’s Protein Needs Contribute to Weak Calves

Weak calves can result from multiple factors, but weather and inadequate nutrition are at the top of the list of causes.

“Bad weather and cows with poor nutrition can lead to stressed calves with less vigor,” Karl Hoppe, North Dakota State University Extension livestock systems specialist, said in a news release.

Some calves are born weak, unable to stand or lacking the energy to nurse. The calf may survive if the producer helps it nurse, provides it with another source of colostrum and takes it to a warmer place.

Colostrum is a form of milk that cows produce in late pregnancy. It contains energy, protein, fat, vitamins, and antibodies to protect newborns against disease until their own immune system is functional.

Weak calves can result from disease but usually not immediately after birth. However, placental infections, such as fungal infections from moldy feed, can lead to a reduced nutrient flow to the unborn calf. While this usually leads to smaller calves at birth, research shows it can explain some weak calves.

“Good feeding management that provides balanced nutrition to the cow can help prevent weak calves,” Hoppe said.

A study at the University of Idaho found fewer cases of weak calf syndrome when the mothers were fed a higher level of protein 60 days before calving.

The researchers reported that cows receiving late-gestation rations with more than 10% crude protein had offspring with a 0.6% incidence of weak calf syndrome, while cows receiving rations with less than 10% crude protein had calves with an 8.5% incidence of weak calf syndrome.

Cows with a body condition score of 3 or 4 are more likely to have offspring with weak calf syndrome than cows with more body fat, Hoppe said. The lack of body fat isn’t the only issue involved, although it is a good physical indication.

“When protein content in feeds is low, it indicates other nutrients also may be less than required,” he said. “These nutrients include calcium, phosphorus, copper, zinc, and selenium.”

He encourages producers to:

• Provide pregnant cows with a vitamin and mineral supplement.
• Get the ration they are feeding their cows tested for nutrient value. A feed test will identify if the energy and protein content of the ration is adequate.
• Invite a neighbor or other producer to provide an unbiased evaluation of their herd’s body condition score. The goal should be a body condition score of 5 or 6 at calving, with no ribs or backbone visible.

However, even a healthy, well-conditioned cow fed a balanced ration can give birth to a weak calf in poor weather conditions. Windbreaks, bedding, and barns can help offset some weather stress.

Another issue is that although well-fed cows in good body condition seem to have fewer problems with weak calves, some producers fear calves will be too big at birth and have dystocia, or a difficult birth, when the cows are fed well.

“Usually, that’s not a problem because a well-fed cow can expel the calf quickly and less mortality is observed,” Hoppe said. “If calf size is a consideration, look for bulls with calving-ease traits to solve the problem. Don’t do it with inadequate feed.”

Having a veterinarian necropsy a dead calf can help determine causes of weak calves. Calves with minimal fat reserves are indicative of poor cow nutrition. Muscle color can indicate vitamin E deficiency.
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Gene Raymond “Hall of Fame” Induction

The North American Limousin Foundation (NALF) has recommended the induction of the late Gene Raymond into the NALF “Hall of Fame”. The program and induction ceremony will take place at the NALJA show in Springfield, Missouri, June 29-July 5, 2019.

Gene and his wife, Virginia, began GV Limousin in 1978. He was a pioneer in the Limousin breed, raising high quality cattle for commercial calf producers as well as being a teacher of Agricultural Practices at the Graham School in Garnett, Kansas. He also enjoyed judging state and national cattle shows.

NALF is proud to induct Gene as the seventh member into the “Hall of Fame”. The induction comes with expense; therefore, we are asking that those who would like to contribute a monetary donation, send a check, made out to the “Hall of Fame”, to the NALF office at 6205 S. Main St., Ste. D-280, Aurora, Colorado 80016-5370. In addition, letters of support can also be sent to NALF to be included in a memory book for the family.

A portrait will be presented to the family and another will be on display in the NALF office.

HEARTLAND CALENDAR

APRIL
23 Linhart Limousin "Divas Full-born Online Show Heifer Sale" - L365
27 Pinegar Limousin “Road to Springfield” Sale, at the farm - Springfield, MO
27 “Select Breeds Sale”, at Pinegar’s farm - Springfield, MO

MAY
11 Kansas Limousin Breeders Junior Association Field Day - Eureka, KS
31 Heartland Regional Show Check-In/Welcome Dinner, Westfair Fairgrounds – Council Bluffs, IA

JUNE
1 Heartland Regional Show, Westfair Fairgrounds - Council Bluffs, IA
7-9 Missouri Limousin Breeders Association Field Day, Missouri State Fairgrounds - Sedalia, MO
7-9 National Fullblood Limousin Alliance Show - Murfreesboro, TN
29 NALJA Show, Ozark Empire Fairgrounds - Springfield, MO

JULY
1-5 “A League of Their Own” National Junior Limousin Show & Congress, Ozark Empire Fairgrounds - Springfield, MO
20 South Dakota Spotlight Show, state fairgrounds - Huron, SD
22 North Dakota State Fair Junior Limousin Show - Minot, ND
23 North Dakota State Fair Open Show - Minot, ND
26 Ozark Empire Junior Limousin Show - Springfield, MO
27 Ozark Empire Open Limousin Show - Springfield, MO

AUGUST
12 Iowa State Fair Limousin Open Show - Des Moines, IA
17 Missouri State Fair Limousin Open Show - Sedalia, MO
28 Nebraska State Fair Limousin Open Show - Grand Island, NE
30 South Dakota State Fair Limousin Open Show - Huron, SD
31 Minnesota State Fair Limousin Open Show - St. Paul, MN

Commercial Bred Heifer Sale Slated for November

The Heartland Limousin Association (HLA) will sponsor and endorse the second Annual Commercial Bred Heifer sale. It will be held on Superior Auction with a scheduled date of November 21, 2019. In the most recent November Select Female sale of 2018, we are proud to report that two potloads of commercial bred females carrying 50% Limousin calves topped the market.

The September issue of the Heart Beat will have more information about deadlines and requirements. The HLA commercial committee has set forth recommendations for consignments. Commercial bred heifers need no registration. The requirement is that the heifer will carry a Limousin influenced calf. The recommendation is that the calf should be 50% Limousin but a minimum of 25% Limousin influence is a requirement to obtain an endorsement by HLA.

All vaccinations and pregnancy checked schedules must conform to Superior Livestock Auction protocol. Also, to achieve maximum price for the consignment, spring-calving windows should be no longer than 28 days. Potload lots are highly recommended. A potload of commercial bred heifers may be consigned by two producers, but service sires and calving windows should be similar.

For more information, contact the HLA commercial committee members or our Superior representative.

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T he winter of 2019 will go down as one of the most memorable winters of recent times. It was certainly a challenge. I am sorry to say that I think the unpredictable snows, temperatures, and icy roads had an impact on our bull sales this winter. In one sale run, we drove 351 miles in one day, had a sale, and did not get above 45 mph. That was a rather long day. The sales crew caravaned many miles making sure everyone stayed safe and on the road.

Those who attended the sales were smaller in number because of the road conditions. It seemed that the internet bidding was busier than usual. As usual, good quality bulls sold for good prices. Unfortunately, we did not see the number of buyers who would normally purchase more than one bull like we have in previous years. Weather was not responsible for that phenomena. I did hear that the poor agricultural economy was impacting the ability to obtain operating loans with banks. This situation was not just germane to Limousin sales. The consignment auctions where multiple breeds were sold seemed to affect all auctions. We tend to look at just our breed sales; however, all breeds were struggling a bit at the Expo.

Optimism is needed to revive our sales. I don’t think that our breed has declined in quality. We certainly have improved docility, maintained efficiency, and close-outs indicate that using better sires and harvesting at a higher weight increased the percentage of choice in our fed cattle. Hopefully, late spring sales will perk up our attitude and prices will stabilize and increase.

I would like to congratulate the production sales that did not realize a major decrease in sale averages. In fact, we had sale this winter where the Limousin sale average was significantly higher than past sales. I am trying to critique the reasons for this, I will go back to the old commercial for Ford, “Quality is job #1.”

The rejuvenation of red bulls north of I-90 was remarkable. Even red bulls sold well in the I-80 corridor and north. Many sales had commercial men looking for red bulls. Having acknowledged the improved sales of red, black still is in demand. Remember, Limousin genetics is a valuable asset to any commercial herd. The Limousin community has a great product. Our job is to promote what we have.

We are still battling our past sins of wild, pencil-gutted, and small scrotal cattle. Our ranchers are significantly an older population. They remember and remind me about how we used to be. They have not kept up with our breed improvement. It is a challenge to convince them otherwise. Young cattlemen have stated that they like the new Limousin, but have to wait until grandpa is no longer in the picture. I have seen new customers at virtually every sale. They evidently have bought into heterosis as “free” gain. It is gratifying to see commercial producers who are willing to try Limousin to increase muscle, growth, and efficiency in their herds.

I want to remind the readers of all of what is happening in the Heartland this summer. The Heartland Regional Junior Show will be at the Westfair Fairgrounds near Council Bluffs, Iowa, May 31-June 1. Entries are due May 1 and the entry form was printed in the March/April Heart Beat. Heartland Juniors are also encouraged to participate in the NALJA summer show in Springfield, Missouri, June 29-July 5.

The Heartland Commercial Bred Heifer Sale will be in November on Superior Auction. Please consider your participation by consigning or purchasing the offerings. Deadline for entries will be the end of October. Exact dates will be published in the September/October issue of Heart Beat.

We hope you had a successful calving season and we look forward to seeing you at the various Limousin events this spring and summer.

Mission Statement of the Heartland Limousin Association

The purpose for which the HLA is organized is to serve as a service organization designed to promote and further enhance the Limousin breed of cattle in the seven state area comprised of IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, SD and WI.

The goals for the Association shall include promotion, strengthening state and junior associations within the region; development of a regional publications; improving communication and a unified attitude of breeders; to provide market information and expertise; to serve as a coordinator of events between the Association and the industry; to increase breeder involvement; and to strengthen ties between the NALF and the Heartland Limousin Association.
The branches extending from the SVL Polled Amazing 971Z family tree continue to extend throughout the breed. It has become one of the most consistent breeding families in the breed for all of the right reasons. Our September 12 sale will feature many genetic combinations tracing back to the prolific SVL Polled Amazing 971C family.
I had never heard the song “Hitchin’ A Ride”, but I Googled the lyrics and with a few changes, they fit my travels in the months of February and March. I am going to type the actual lyrics with the changes in parenthesis so that it will match my experiences.

A thumb (phone call) goes up, a car (truck & trailer) goes by
It’s nearly 1 A.M. (6:30 A.M.) and here am I
Hitchin’ a ride, hitchin’ a ride
Gotta get me home (Kearney) by the mornin’ (evening) light.

Ride, ride, ride, hitchin’ a ride
Ride, ride, ride, hitchin’ a ride.

There were two times this year when I needed to “hitch a ride” and I want to thank Tyler Radke and Kaley Nolz of Mitchell, South Dakota, and Jeff and Cheryl Keyes of Knapp, Wisconsin, for coming to my rescue.

Dean and I were in Mitchell, South Dakota, February 19, getting ready to go to the Bar JZ sale. We looked at the weather map and were concerned about snow that was predicted for the Cattlemen’s Classic in Nebraska, my next destination. We made a quick call at 6:30 that morning to Tyler and Amanda Radke, asking when they were leaving for Kearney. They said 11:00 a.m., so Dean went to the Bar JZ sale and I left with Tyler and his sister-in-law, Kaley, for Kearney. I also rode back with them to Mitchell the night of February 21, arriving at 12:45 a.m.

Dean and I had to split again, Dean traveling south to Iowa while I headed east to Wisconsin the first weekend in March. We received 6+ inches of new snow March 1, on top of the 39 inches that fell in the month of February. I was worried about getting in/out of our driveway. The neighbors who plow our driveway were vacationing in the Turks and Caicos in the Caribbean and Dean was on his way to Leon, Iowa, for the Linhart sale on March 2.

I was able to get out of the driveway Saturday morning, March 2, and I drove as far as Menomonie, Wisconsin, where I met Jeff and Cheryl Keyes. I left my car there and rode with them to Sparta for the Wisconsin “Farmer’s Market State Sale” and the Limousin Association of Wisconsin annual meeting, banquet and benefit auction.

I knew the roads were not the best on Saturday morning as I drove to Menomonie because of the bad weather the day before. I decided to stay in the right lane and take the advice from the story, The Hare and the Tortoise, “slow and easy wins the race”. I was glad that I did because I watched a car in front of me try to get in the left lane only to see it fish-tail and end up in the median with snow up to the windows. A few minutes later a car was facing the wrong direction on the shoulder and several more went into the ditch. Needless to say, I was relieved when I finally made it to Menomonie and rode the rest of the way with Jeff and Cheryl.

Again, thanks to these very special people who offered me rides so that Dean and I were able to cover events that took place on the same day: Symens Brothers Sale/Nebraska Cattlemen’s Classic and Linhart Limousin Sale/Limousin Association of Wisconsin State Sale. I do appreciate your willingness to let me “hitch a ride”!

As you can see from the photos in the Heart Beat, the weather in this area, as with most of the Upper Midwest, has been a struggle this year. We have had to contend with lots of snow, ice covered roads, strong winds, white-out conditions, and now rain that is causing flooding. What a winter! I will be glad to finally see green grass, buds on the trees, and spring flowers blooming. I’m not sure when that will happen, but I have faith that spring will arrive.

Andrew Rio proposed to Courtney Treftz at her father’s (Glenn) sale near Wetonka, SD.

Congratulations to John and Sharon Goelz of Franklin, MN, who were married in January of 2019. John is a longtime member of the Minnesota Limousin Association and has auctioned the Minnesota benefit for many years. He is a member of the Minnesota Auctioneer’s “Hall of Fame”. 
In 2017, the Arkansas Beef Bums team: Colte Mosher, Ely Swint, Alison Kitchens, and Tatum Furhman, presented “Beach Tacos” for the judges to evaluate during the NALJA Show Beef Cook-Off competition in Grand Island, NE. After experiencing the long, cold and snowy winter that we’ve all endured this year, I think it would be nice to sit back and enjoy some “Beach Tacos”. Bev Summerbell

**Beach Tacos**

5-6 lbs. Limousin Skirt or Flank Steak

Marinade

- ¼ c. olive oil
- 1 T. cumin
- 1 can beer
- 1 T. lemon pepper
- 1/3 c. lime juice
- 2 T. ground pepper
- 1/3 c. orange juice
- ½ T. salt
- 1 c. water
- 1 T. basil (fresh or dry)
- ¼ bunch chopped cilantro

**DIRECTIONS**

• Mix in Ziplock bag and allow beef to marinate for 3 hours or more.
• Grill steak until medium and let rest for a few minutes.
• Slice beef thinly across the grain.
• Serve on warm flour tortillas with cheese, salsa of choice, and garnish lightly with chopped fresh cilantro.

Feeding Cows After the Flood

The recent flood resulted in loss of feed stocks for herds. Currently, many fellow producers are stepping up to the plate and donating grass hay. For cows that had already calved, but lost their calf in the flood, medium quality grass hay, fed free choice, will likely meet their energy and protein needs.

However, cows that did not lose their calves in the flood and/or had not calved yet, their nutritional requirements will be much greater. To keep the cows and calves healthy and get cows rebred, meeting their nutritional needs is important. Medium quality grass hay cannot meet either the protein or energy requirements of a cow in early lactation.

Here are some ideas of how to supplement these cows using feeds that may be available. If feeding a starch-based energy source like corn, supplementation needs to be done daily. If using distillers grains supplementation, doubling up the amount and feeding every other day is possible. It is a good idea to provide a free choice mineral with calcium (10%), especially if limiting the amount of hay being provided. Free choice minerals will also include salt, which is important for magnesium absorption.

Every producer’s situations may be a bit different, if you need assistance with diets or have nutritional questions, your extension educators and specialists can help.

**“Back in Time”**

Do You Know the Answer?

Dean and I attended a Farm Bureau banquet back in the fall. At the dinner, I picked up an interesting booklet titled “Food and Farm Facts”. I am using information from that book for this “Back in Time”. Bev Summerbell

**Questions:**

1.) In 1855 two states established the first state agricultural colleges. Can you name the states?
2.) The first legislation creating the Department of Agriculture was signed in 1862. Who was the president of the United States?
3.) What year was barbed wire for livestock fencing invented?
4.) Special work projects for farm youth were organized in Illinois in 1900. The name of the organization was changed in 1913 to one that we still use today. What is it?
5.) What year and where was the Future Farmers of America established?

Answers on page 26.
McKenna Richardson of Eureka, KS, led out the champion Lim-Flex female in Ring A and reserve champion in Ring B at the Kansas Classic Heifer and Steer Show February 8-10 in Hutchinson. MRRC Foxy 815F is an 4/20/18 50% Lim-Flex daughter of BCII MLA Next Up 015 out of Riverstone Charmed. Judges for the show were Dr. Mark Hoge of Good Hope, IL, in Ring A; and Garrett Lampe of Scott City, KS, in Ring B. McKenna was also named champion intermediate showman.

Grayhm Beck (right) of Fairfield, NE, is the new National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) elementary school division champion. His sister, Grayce, won the title last year. Grayce took fourth in the middle school division. The elementary team took home the reserve champion title and Sportsmanship Award. Both will attend Nationals in Kentucky May 9-11, 2019.

The girls were having fun at the Flint Hills Choice Sale in El Dorado, KS: Elsa Beikmann (1-1/2) of Linn, KS; Tia (3) and Tara (6) Mueller of Hunter, KS; and Ashley Schrag (10) of Mound Ridge, KS.

The play room at the Livestock Exchange in Napoleon, ND, lost its attraction when Dad is buying a bull at Vaughn’s Sale.

Kendall Ludens (5 mos.) is ready to bid on a bull at Ludens sale.

Baylor Ludens (2 ½) is busy getting things ready for the Ludens sale.

Brooke Falk of Harveyville, KS, was named reserve Advance Beef Showman at the Kansas State University “Little American Royal”.

Tanner Walden of Tonganoxie, KS, purchased a bred heifer from the GV sale.
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Field Day to be Held at Westfair

The 2019 Iowa Junior Limousin Association (IJLA) annual field day will be held in conjunction with the Heartland Limousin Association regional show May 31-June 1 at the Westfair Fairgrounds. The IJLA show will be Sunday, June 2.

There will be a supper Saturday night for all juniors, their families, and other Limousin enthusiasts. In addition, the juniors will hold a meeting to prepare for upcoming shows this summer.

The show will begin the next day, June 2, at 9:30 a.m. Entry forms may be obtained from the IJA website or from Grant and Brenda Anderson, junior advisors.

The headquarters hotel is the SpringHill Suites, 3216 Plaza Drive, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51501. The last date to book rooms under the $89 rate is May 15. Call 712/256-6500 ext. 701 to make your reservation.

State Fair

The 2019 Iowa State Fair Limousin Open Show will be Monday, August 12 at 8:00 a.m. Cattle may arrive by 8:00 a.m. Saturday, August 10, and they must be in by noon on that day. Cattle will be released Monday immediately after the show.

The annual social and meal will be held right after the show, in the Limousin aisle of the barn. Plan to join us for this fun event. It is an opportunity to visit with other breeders and Limousin enthusiasts.

Thank You

We want to thank everyone who helped with the Heartland Limousin Association banquet February 12 and the chili lunch on the day of the Iowa Beef Expo Limousin sale February 13. It was wonderful to have such a wide array of cookies and bars to serve at both events. It is a lot of work to prepare for, serve, and clean up. We appreciate those who pitched in to help.

The weather did not cooperate this year, but those who managed to make it through the snow drifts and icy conditions enjoyed the fellowship with fellow breeders at the Expo. Thanks!

Reminder to Juniors

Applications for the State Fair Beef Heifer Award are due July 1. Juniors are eligible for a $500 award if they fill out an application, take part in a personal interview, and show a Limousin at the Iowa State Fair 4-H or Open Show. The award, sponsored by the Iowa Beef Breeds Council, is to be used toward the purchase of a heifer at the 2020 Iowa Beef Expo sale.

Heifers shown at this year’s 4-H or state fair Open Show are eligible for a $500 prize. The money is awarded to the junior with the highest standing heifer out of all heifers purchased at the Expo.

Lammert Farms Named Iowa “Commercial Producer of the Year”

Ron and Jolene Lammert of Treynor, Iowa, along with their sons, Jacob, Josh and Jordan, were selected by the Iowa Limousin Association as their 2019 “Commercial Producer of the Year”.

They were awarded the Iowa Limousin Association and Heartland Limousin Association plaques at the Iowa Beef Expo Limousin sale in Des Moines February 13.

The Lammert operation maintains a 125-head cow herd of crossbred genetics which includes Limousin, Simmental, and Angus. They begin calving in February from cows which have been artificially inseminated. The natural serviced cows begin calving in March.

They began using Limousin genetics in the year 2000 with bulls that they purchased from Vorthmann Limousin of Troyer, Iowa. When purchasing a bull, they look for three main qualities: performance, disposition, and style. They also look for sires that have a small to moderate birth weight with large weaning and yearling weight along with high marbling, ribeye area, and milk EPDs.

They believe that the use of Limousin sires increases the overall muscle and power of their herd. The quality and docility of Limousin has also improved their calf production.

The Lammerts feed their annual calf production and market them to Greater Omaha Packing. They pay particular attention to feed costs, and they like the efficiency of Limousin to help control the feed intake. They work diligently with a nutritionist to maintain a consistent body condition on their cows at as low a cost as possible.

In addition to their feedlot, Lammert Farms have raised champion 4-H steers for youth in their home county of Pottawattamie. They have received 15 champion plaques in the Market and Breeding Divisions along with two grand champion plaques.

The Lammerts are active in their community serving on several boards including the Westfair board and they are members of a variety of associations including the Iowa Cattlemen’s Association and the Farm Bureau.

Tom Rooney Named 2019 “Friend of Iowa Beef Expo”

Information for the report was taken from an article in the January, 2019 Iowa Cattlemen Magazine.

Tom Rooney of Maxwell, Iowa, was named 2019 “Friend of the Iowa Beef Expo”. He received his award February 12 at the Expo in Des Moines, Iowa. He has been an active part of the Iowa Beef Expo for over 40 years. His support and participation has been a key to the Iowa Beef Expo’s long-term success.

He was a prominent Limousin consignor at the Iowa Beef Expo for many years, and now he spends his time on the other side of the ring, as part of the dedicated ring staff helping other breeders and buyers at the sales.

After graduating from Bondurant-Farrar High School, Tom attended South Dakota State University (SDSU). During his time at SDSU, he was introduced to the Limousin breed of cattle. In 1976 Tom and his dad purchased two heifers from the Dudley and Thompson herd in Hampton, Iowa.

Tom started bringing cattle to the Iowa Beef Expo in 1978 and continued to consign cattle each year thru 2012, a 35-year span. A trio of bulls that he consigned in 1989, 1990, and 1992 not only topped the Limousin breed sale, but all breeds as well.

Over the years Tom has been active in the Limousin breed and on the Iowa Beef Breeds Council. He was on the Iowa Limousin board for many years, serving as president for two terms. He was also the Limousin representative on the Iowa Beef Breeds Council, overseeing the Expo event.

For the past 21 years, Tom has served the Midwest cattle industry as a sales representative for the Midwest Marketer. He travels many miles working as a ringman for production and consignment sales.

Tom, representing the third generation of cattle producers, and his wife, Stacey, reside on the family farm near Maxwell, Iowa. They have two daughters, Shelley and Trisha, and a son, Todd, and three grandchildren.
Iowa Beef Expo Holds Limousin Sale in Des Moines

The Limousin portion of the Iowa Beef Expo took place February 11-13, 2019, at the Iowa State Fairgrounds in Des Moines. Cold and snowy weather greeted the Beef Expo fans. Twelve consignors from Iowa, Minnesota, Washington and Wisconsin brought their bulls and females for the festivities, beginning with the pre-sale parade broadcast on LiveAuctions.TV Tuesday followed by the sale on Wednesday in the sale pavilion. Everyone enjoyed the chili lunch prior to the sale, provided by the Iowa Limousin Association.

The top-selling bull was CWCL Frank 018F, a 3/2/18 double black, double polled 75% Lim-Flex son of LFLC Bank account 701B out of CWCL Gangnam Style 135A consigned by Paul Bartsh, Crazy Woman Creek Limousin of Rushford, MN. Gordy Ludens, Ludens Family Limousin of Viborg, SD, purchased the bull for $4,800.

KTBO Ferdinand 21F, a 2/26/18 black, homozygous polled purebred son of HUNT Credentials 37C ET out of JASB Trixie 2T consigned by Boyer Family Limousin of Weldon, Iowa, was a popular bull. Sam and Sheila Schnedler of Sperry, Iowa, had the final bid of $4,700.

John Sedlacek of Tyndal, South Dakota, purchased RMKR Freedom Forever 816F, a 3/6/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled son of COLE Architect 08A out of RMKR Zappa 201Z consigned by Bosch Farms of Indiana, Iowa, for $4,600.

DJ Limousin of Port Orchard, Washington, consigned DJ Flashback, a 1/3/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 50% son of MAGS Winston out of DJ Dream Weaver. He was purchased by Bob Millerberg of Draper, Utah, for $3,750.

The high-selling open female was DEBV Fashion Queen 805F, a 1/12/18 double black, double polled Lim-Flex 70% daughter of AUTO Lucky Strike 118B out of CJSLS 2269Z. This female was consigned by Deb Vorthmann of Silver City, IA, and sold to Tracy Coffland of Blairstown, IA, for $4,300.

Averages:
13 Bulls .................................. $3,135
6 Open females .......................... $2,617
Embryo package ................................... $250
Auctioneer; C.K. “Sonny” Booth

The top-selling embryo package was the Limousin portion of the Iowa Beef Expo sale in Des Moines.

In Memoriam

David Edward Leih, 66, of New Virginia, Iowa, passed away March 19, 2019. Services were held March 25 at the Overton Funeral Home in Indianola, Iowa.

He was a lifelong resident of New Virginia.

David always said there was no place he would rather be than living on the family farm, raising his family and taking care of the cattle. Over the years he raised row crops and farrow to finish hogs, but his passion was his Limousin herd.

David especially loved helping kids show cattle, including neighborhood youth who needed an animal to show in 4-H. He had cattle at the Warren County Fair every year for 56 years. He also spent decades as the Warren County Fair breeding cattle superintendent. His other passion was his deer sanctuary. He had eight trophy bucks on display in his house.

He served in the United States Army and was a member of the American Legion Post #165 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #4423. David was also a member of the Warren County Cattlemen’s Association, serving as president for many years. He belonged to the North American, Heartland, and Iowa Limousin Associations. In 1999 David was awarded the Iowa Limousin Association “Breeder of the Year” and in 2000 Leih Limousin was given the ILA “Seedstock Producer of the Year” award.

David is survived by his children; Bobbi (Jay) Smith, Steve (Moly) Leih, Julie (Mike) Backstrom, five grandchildren, his mother, Betty, and his special friend, Glenda Siren. 

Limi Lady Classic

The 2019 Limi Lady Classic heifers will compete at the Iowa State Fair Open Show August 12 for a combined purse of $1,800. Breeders who have committed to the “Classic” include Deb Vorthmann of DebV Limousin, Duckett Limousin, Bosch Farms, Linhart Limousin, ATAK Limousin, and Vorthmann Limousin. These breeders need to identify their heifers, owned by junior exhibitors who will show them, by May 1. This is a great incentive for those juniors to show both in the Open Class at the Iowa State Fair and in the Limi Lady Classic, which will be held shortly after the conclusion of the Open Show. There will be a different judge for each show.

For more information about this event, contact Ann Vorthmann at 402/981-1093.
Members Meet in El Dorado

Members of the Kansas Limousin Breeders Association (KLBA) traveled to El Dorado for their annual meeting, banquet, silent auction, and 3rd annual “Flint Hills Classic” state sale March 29-30, 2019. The festivities took place at the El Dorado Livestock Auction.

Meeting

The events began Friday evening with a delicious roast beef dinner with all the trimmings and a variety of desserts prepared by the staff at the El Dorado Livestock Auction café. The KLBA would like to thank Larry and Cindy Hayes of Eureka, Kansas, representing Purina and the Severy Coop, for sponsoring the meal.

Following the meal, Mark Beikmann, KLBA president, welcomed everyone and went over the agenda. The 2018 minutes and treasurer's report were read and approved.

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The major fundraising event for 2019 is the sale of ads for the KLBA herd book. Several ads have already been sold; however, they are looking for people to buy the inside/outside back cover as well as other ads in the book.

The Kansas Junior Livestock Show sent a message saying that they require a minimum of three head in the Purebred and three in the Lim-Flex shows; otherwise, they will be shown together. The juniors need to be aware of this when entering the competition.

Election

The terms of three board members were up at this time. David Campbell will serve for another term and Bruce Schrag was a newly elected member. The members would like to thank outgoing members Ed Anderson and Trevor Gum for their service to the KLBA board of directors.

Silent Auction

There was a silent auction on Friday and Saturday, with the money raised going to support the association. There were several unique items including a handmade sign out of pallets, an iron silhouette farm scene, a corn hole game, and handmade rug. The sale ended just prior to the auction. Thanks to everyone who donated and/or purchased items.

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“Flint Hills Choice Sale” Held in El Dorado

The third annual “Flint Hills Choice Sale” was held March 30, 2019, at the El Dorado Livestock Auction in El Dorado, Kansas. The weather was a bit inclement, but it did not deter buyers from attending and bidding on the consignments of bulls, bred and open females from nine members of the Kansas Limousin Breeders Association (KLBA).

The top-selling bull was SCAS Fabio 335F, a 2/13/18 black, polled Lim-Flex son of PVF Insight 0129 out of Schilling’s Zita. Mark and Deb Martin of Dexter, Kansas, purchased the bull, consigned by Super C Cattle of Altoona, Kansas, for $4,500.

Dave and Kim Lempe of Kingman, Kansas, purchased the Super C consigned bull, SCAS Ferdinand 836F, a 2/12/18 black, homozygous polled son of The Answer 813 out of MNMC U Go Girl for $3,600.

The Lempe family purchased eight lots of fall bred females consigned by Super C Cattle for $1,575 each. A cow-calf pair consigned by Pine Tree Acres of Parker, Kansas, KGUM PTAL Ella 702E, a 2/7/17 homozygous black, homozygous polled purebred daughter of SYES Backstage 466B out of AUTO Pearl 4378 ET was purchased along with her 2/8/19 black, homozygous polled heifer sired by KGUM 613D for $2,250 by Derek Warriley of Leavenworth, Kansas.

Rick and Carol Ricketts, Rockin R Limousin of Clay Center, Kansas, purchased several females including KGUM Drama Queen, a 1/8/16 double black, double polled Lim-Flex 75% daughter of KGUM Aerosmith 304A out of AUTO Andie 258A with her 10/19/18 black, homozygous polled heifer sired by KGUM 613D for $2,250 by Derek Warriley of Leavenworth, Kansas.

The Wiechers of Newton, Kansas, purchased a male and female consigned by KGUM Drama Queen, a 1/8/16 double black, double polled Lim-Flex 75% daughter of KGUM Aerosmith 304A out of AUTO Andie 258A with her 10/19/18 black, homozygous polled heifer sired by KGUM 613D for $2,250 by Derek Warriley of Leavenworth, Kansas.

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Kyle and Teri Dye, Circle D Limousin of Paola, Kansas, JDYE Emery, an 11/24/17 black, double polled Lim-Flex 68% daughter of LVLS Blind Stare 5049B out of ASMA Whirl Wind brought $1,700.

Mark and Deb Martin of Dexter, KS, purchased the high-selling bull from Nancy, Randee, and Randy Corns, Super C Cattle of Altoona, KS.

Mike and Joyce Callahan of Baldwin, KS, purchased a bull at the Flint Hills Choice Sale.

Thank you to the Flint Hills Choice Sale crew: Randy Corns, Teri Dye, and Pat and Jerry Meek.

Average:
Bulls...................................... $2,767
Females.................................. $1,590
Auctioneer: Randy Woodward
Sale Management: Kansas Limousin Breeders Association

In Memoriam

Pam Harris, 58, of Erie, Kansas, passed away February 5, 2019, at her home. Services were held February 11 at Temple Baptist Church in Erie.
She was born in Wichita and graduated from Erie High School. Pam owned the 59 Diner and also worked at Garfield Elementary School. She currently owned R&F Farm Supply with her husband, David.

Pam enjoyed spending time with her family; camping, fishing, growing flowers, and raising and showing registered Limousin cattle. She also kept busy helping with the 4-H community. She was involved in the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life.

She is survived by her husband, David, her son, Tony (Tonya Wiles, fiancé), daughter Tonya (Jeff) Fowler, 4 grandchildren, two brothers, a sister, and many other friends and relatives.

Comfortable Cattle Provide Better Quality Beef

Beth Doran, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach beef specialist, was a speaker at a cattle stewardship conference in northwest Iowa. She said that comfortable cattle perform better and consequently, are more profitable.

She went on to say that the well-being of cattle is a top priority. She featured six topics in her talk; pain management, comfortable cattle facilities, low-stress weaning, processing cattle, managing heart stress, and performing a feedlot assessment.

“Cattle producers are involved in a number of practices ranging from weaning and vaccinating to providing daily care and dealing with day-to-day climate change,” Doran said. “When animal handling is performed correctly and using good stewardship, potential stress on both the animal and the producer is greatly reduced.”

Doran pointed out that comfortable, stress-free cattle result in beef that’s more tender and juicy, important qualities for consumer satisfaction.

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Members Gather in Litchfield for Annual Meeting

Members of the Minnesota Limousin Association traveled to Litchfield, Minnesota March 23, 2019, for their annual meeting, banquet and benefit auction. The weather was much better than last year, when members were not able to travel due to the blizzard that hit parts of Minnesota. This year the members enjoyed the sunny, 45 degree day with a lot of snow melting on across the state.

The day began with a delicious roast beef dinner followed by the annual meeting. Roger Wagner, president, welcomed everyone. A variety of reports were given during the meeting.

Reports

Dean Summerbell discussed the 2019 National Western Stock Show in Denver Colorado. He congratulated Wulf Cattle of Morris, Minnesota, for taking home the grand champion banner with their Pens of Three Purebred Limousin and Lim-Flex cattle.

He highlighted events coming up including the Heartland Regional Show in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and the NALJA Show in Springfield, Missouri.

Another item discussed was the HLA Commercial Bred Heifer Sale. It will be held in November 2019, on Superior Livestock.

Dean expressed his sympathy on the recent passing of Gene Raymond, Garnett, Kansas. He will be inducted into the NALF “Hall of Fame” during the NALJA show this summer.

Don Biscoe talked about the collapse of part of the roof at the state fair cattle barn due to the weight of the snow. He encouraged people to enter cattle in the state fair open show. Entry forms can be obtained on the fair website.

Kevin Bachmeier reported on the 2018 Minnesota Beef Expo. Next year’s Expo will be held October 17-20, 2019. They are looking for class sponsors for the Expo as well as a donation heifer for the MYBEP program.

Featured Speaker

Jerry Wulf, Wulf Cattle of Morris, Minnesota, was the featured speaker for the day. He discussed some of the items that were on the agenda at the 2019 NCBA meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana. He stated that the United States and India are the only two countries that export beef but do not have a method to trace the cattle. Another item of concern was the “fake meat” that is being sold. According to the NCBA, food should not be labeled as meat if it does not come from an animal.

He highlighted the new ways to measure EPDs including IGS which compares genetics across seven breeds of cattle as well as some in Canada. Limousin is now taking part in the BOLT program, which gives cattlemen more information including genomic testing.

Benefit Auction

The afternoon concluded with a benefit auction. Thanks to John Goetz of Franklin, Minnesota, for once again serving as the auctioneer. He always delights the audience with his “Ole and Lena” jokes.

A drawing was held for two $25 gift certificates to be used at the auction. Theresa Bachmeier and Bev Summerbell were the lucky recipients. Among the items on the auction was a farm scene iron silhouette, a solar fencer, a de-wormer and gun, a tube of deer sausage, and a quilt. There were also units of semen, semen collections and other cattle supplies.

Kaiser Farms Named Minnesota Commercial Producer

Don, Janet, Chris, and Ashley Kaiser, Kaiser Farms, of Little Falls, Minnesota, were named by the Minnesota Limousin Association as the 2019 “Commercial Producer of the Year”.

Dean Summerbell presented the Kaisers with a Heartland Commercial Producer plaque at the Minnesota annual meeting in Litchfield March 23, 2019. The Kaisers operate a 400-acre farm near Little Falls. They have 95 high percentage Limousin cows. They calve beginning April 15th, raise, and feed their production to harvest. They market their fed cattle to Tyson, Aberdeen, and Iowa Premium Beef. They market a natural product and sell on hanging weight.

They began using Limousin bulls in the early 2000’s after trying other continental breed sires. They were not satisfied with the production or docility. They purchased their first bulls from Johnson Limousin of Sebeca, Minnesota, and they have also purchased Limousin bulls from Wulf Cattle of Morris, Minnesota.

In addition to their cow herd, the Kaisers run a row crop and hay production, primarily for their cow herd.

Don Kaiser stated that they like the way Limousin calves finish with high yield while still producing a choice carcass. He also appreciates the calving ease and docility of Limousin. His Limousin bulls also have longevity which minimizes their need to replace bulls.

Congratulations to Kaiser Farms upon their selection by the Limousin Association as the 2019 “Commercial Producer of the Year.”

Minnesota Junior members Theodore and Amelia Schatz and Julia Biscoe displayed the benefit auction items at the MLBA annual meeting in Litchfield.

The 2019 Minnesota Board of Directors are Matt Duff, secretary; Merle Anderson, vice president; Dennis Sleiter, treasurer; Roger Wagner, ex-officio and Don Biscoe, president. Not pictured, Casey Fanta.

Part of the roof of the historic cattle barn on the Minnesota State Fairgrounds in St. Paul collapsed under the weight of all the snow early in the morning of March 13, 2019.
Missouri Field Day Set for Sedalia

The Missouri Limousin Breeders Association (MLBA) and the Missouri Junior Limousin Association will hold their annual field day the weekend of June 7-9, 2019, at the Missouri State Fairgrounds in Sedalia. It will be a busy weekend with the MLBA Open and Junior Shows as well as the Missouri Cattlemen’s shows. The junior show will be Saturday following the Cattlemen’s Junior Show and the Open Show will take place Sunday. If you have questions about the event, contact any member of the MLBA board of directors. Additional information will also be posted on the MLBA website: www.missourilimosinbreeders.org.

NALJA Show

Members of the junior and senior associations are busily preparing for the North American Limousin Junior Association (NALJA) Show & Congress to be held the week of June 29-July 5, 2019, at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds in Springfield.

Please let Susie Heavin or Brooke Edwards, junior advisors, know if you are able to assist on any of the committees. As the old saying goes, “Many hands make light work.” This is a huge undertaking, so any help would be greatly appreciated.

NALJA Show Headquarters Hotels

There are two hotels that have been designated as headquarters for the NALJA show. The group rate for both hotels is $99 and you need to book your room by May 29, 2019.

*DoubleTree Hotel
2431 N Glenstone Ave.
Springfield, MO 65803
Phone: 417/831-3131
Group Code: NAL

*Fairfield Inn & Suites
2455 N. Glenstone Ave.
Springfield, MO 65803
Phone: 417/833-9599
Code: Junior Limousin Association

State Fair

The Missouri Limousin Open Show at the state fair will take place Saturday, August 17, 2019. The Limousin FFA and 4-H shows will be held the day before, August 16. We hope to have a large contingent of Missouri members take part in these shows, either exhibiting cattle or watching in the stands. This is a great opportunity to greet fellow breeders from across the state and meet new friends in the cattle business.

Drake Wood Receives Heartland Scholarship

Drake Wood, son of Ryan and Cindy Wood, of Lee’s Summit, Missouri, was the 2019 recipient of the Heartland Limousin Association (HLA) scholarship. This award was announced February 12, 2019, at the HLA annual meeting in Des Moines, Iowa.

Drake is a senior at Blue Spring South High School in Lee’s Summit. He is an outstanding student, ranking in the top 6% in a class of 475. He is active in the high school speech and debate teams, in student government, a member of 4-H, vice-president of the FFA chapter, president of the Missouri Junior Limousin Association, and a member of the Missouri Cattlemen’s Association.

Drake has been actively involved showing cattle at the local, county, regional, and national levels. He enjoys participating not only in the shows but also in the various satellite events.

In Memoriam

Dennis (Denny) Morris, 65, of Ash Grove, Missouri, passed away April 2, 2019. Services were held April 9, 2019, at the Wilson-Griffin Funeral Home in Ash Grove.

He was born and lived all his life in the Ash Grove area. He worked as an electrician before starting his embroidery business in 1985 with his wife, Sue.

Dennis took great pride building up the family farm, raising Limousin cattle, and spending time with his sons, their families, and grandchildren. He also loved restoring old cars as well as watching NASCAR racing.

He is survived by his wife, Sue, sons Dusty and Chad (Sarah), three grandchildren, his sister, Paula, and many other friends and family.
Members Gather in Kearney for Classic

Members of the Nebraska Limousin Association (NLA) traveled to Kearney February 20-21, 2019, for the annual meeting, banquet, benefit auction, show, and sale.

The meeting took place at the Country Inn & Suites, headquarters for the Nebraska Limousin Association, Wednesday evening, February 20. This was held in conjunction with the Nebraska Cattlemen’s Classic Limousin Show and Sale February 21st.

Meeting

Rob Brawner, acting president, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. He introduced the members and thanked those from Colorado, Minnesota, Nebraska, and South Dakota for attending this annual event. He also thanked Dan Hunt for serving as Limousin breed representative to the Cattlemen’s Classic. Gwen Behrends gave the secretary and treasurer’s reports.

Speakers

Dan Hunt, NALF board member, talked about the importance of registering and transferring cattle. He went on to explain the new BOLT system, comparing our EPDs to other breeds in the system, with the exception of Angus and Hereford who are not part of BOLT. He stated that commercial cattlemen are demanding data and that is why this new system is so important, giving them pedigree, performance and genomic information.

Bev Summerbell gave an update on the Nebraska Limousin Association (HLA). She thanked everyone for their support of the HLA and the Heart Beat. She also encouraged juniors to take part in the Heartland Regional Show in Council Bluffs, Iowa May 31-June 1 and the NALJA Show in Springfield, Missouri June 29-July 5th.

Mackenzie Johnston of the Nebraska Cattlemen’s Association talked about the legislative bills supporting agriculture that have been presented this year. She also discussed college scholarships that are available to junior members.

Junior Activities

Jamie Watts explained the opportunities for Nebraska Junior Limousin members. The Nebraska Junior Beef Expo will take place in Norfolk June 8-9, 2019. The satellite events take place on Saturday with the show on Sunday. This is held every year at the Northeast Community College in Norfolk. He also encouraged juniors to take part in the regional and national junior shows as well as county and state fair shows.

Benefit Auction

Kevin Ochsner of Kersey, Colorado, once again served as the auctioneer for the benefit auction. A wide variety of interesting items were on the auction including beef jerky, peanut clusters, a stay at the Killdeer Nook Cabin, a farm scene iron silhouette, a handmade serving tray, and a cowboy silhouette/coat & hat rack. In addition, there were also cattle supplies, semen, and a bull collection.

Thanks to everyone who supported the auction with your donations and/or purchases. We appreciate your support of the NLA.

Hunt Limousin Hosts “Bull Bash 2019”

Hunt Limousin of Oxford, Nebraska hosted the “Bull Bash 2019” Saturday, February 16. This event is an opportunity for them to invite their family, customers, and friends to view their private treaty bulls for sale, have lunch, and then conclude with a banquet that evening.

The focus of this event is a thank you to their customers; however, those in attendance did have an opportunity to purchase bulls by private treaty.

The day started at the ranch, viewing the Hunt bulls. Lunch was provided for those who were there early in the day. The festivities ended that evening with a banquet at the Hilltop Event Center in Oxford. There was a prime rib meal with all the trimmings followed by three speakers.
28th Annual Nebraska Cattlemen’s Classic Held in Kearney

The 28th annual Nebraska Cattlemen’s Classic was held at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds in Kearney February 16-24, 2019. The Limousin portion of the event took place on Thursday, February 21st. The show was held in the morning followed by the show in the afternoon.

Show
Judge Todd Herman of Lima, Ohio, evaluated the bulls and females which were consigned by breeders from Nebraska, Colorado, Kansas, South Dakota, and Washington.

The grand champion bull was DJ Edison, a 4/25/17 black, polled Lim-Flex 50% son of PVF Insight 0129 out of MAGS Miss Roxanne exhibited by DJ Limousin of Port Orchard, WA.

Reserve grand champion bull honors went to Ochsner Limousin of Kersey, CO, with OLIM Franchise 881F, a 2/3/18 black, polled Lim-Flex son of OLIM Capstone 51C ET out of CAIT Annie Oakley.

The grand champion female was MJ Ester 10E ET, a 3/29/17 black, polled Lim-Flex daughter of Six Mile Taurus 519A out of EF A Mess 935A exhibited by J6 Farms of Gibbon, NE.

The reserve grand champion female banner went to DJ Fair Lady, a 3/15/18 black, polled purebred daughter of WZRK Cornerstone 2065C out of MAGS CiCi exhibited by DJ Limousin of Port Orchard, WA.

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Sale
The Limousin sale, auctioned by Bruce Brooks of Marietta, Oklahoma, began at 4:15 p.m. February 21. Bruce has been the auctioneer for all 28 years of the Cattlemen’s Classic.

The top-selling bull was HUNT Framework 131F, a 2/25/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 75% son of LFLC Ace 750A out of HUNT Miss Caren 90C. He was consigned by Hunt Limousin Ranch of Oxford, Nebraska, and purchased by Shane Whiting of Roosevelt, Utah, for $8,750.

Bob Bosch of Indiana, Iowa, had the final bid of $6,000 on HUNT Fredric 26F, a 2/7/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 75% son of DANH Durham 54D out of HUNT Miss Rush 1170 consigned by Hunt Limousin Ranch.

DJ Floyd, a 1/2/18 black, polled Lim-Flex 75% son of MAGS Cable out of DJ Upcoming Attraction, consigned by DJ Limousin of Port Orchard, Washington, was purchased by Wulf Cattle of Morris, Minnesota, for $4,700.

The top-selling female was the grand champion, MJ Ester 10E ET, consigned by J6 Farms. He was purchased by Kevin Smith of Chatham, Louisiana, for $5,000.

David Sasse and his sons, Kaid and Kyle, of Athol, Kansas, purchased NOLZ Felicia 44F, a 2/1/18 black, polled daughter of AUTO Real Deal 150B out of CJSL 2144Z for $3,000. She was consigned by NOLZ Limousin of Mitchell, South Dakota.

Two buyers, Daryl Crook of Rising City, Nebraska, and David Sasse of Athol, Kansas, each purchased two females.

Average:
8 Bulls .................................... $4,506
9 Females ................................ $2,606
Auctioneer: Bruce Brooks
Breed Representative: Dan Hunt

First-time buyers of Limousin females were Kaid, Kyle and David Sasse of Athol, KS, who purchased the consignment from Tyler Radke and Kaley Nolz of Mitchell, SD.

Calm before the storm. NLA members Leon Leishman of Blair and Gwen Behrends of Lincoln relax prior to the Classic sale in Kearney.

Rob Brawner of Wood Lake, NE, thanked Daryl Crook of Rising City and Monte Schultz of Oxford, NE.
In Memoriam

Patricia Wetovick, 87, passed away Saturday, March 30, 2019, at The Monarch by Eastmount in Lincoln, Nebraska. Services were held Tuesday, April 2, 2019, at St. Peter’s Catholic Church in Fullerton, Nebraska. She is the mother of Ken (Karyn) Wetovick, Limousin breeders of Fullerton.

Patricia grew up in Genoa, Nebraska, and taught in the rural grade school. She and her husband, August, farmed for many years in the Fullerton area. She loved exhibiting flowers, baked goods and quilts at the county fair.

Patricia is survived by two daughters, four sons, and sister and brother, 31 grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren, and many others relatives and friends.

South Dakota News...

Summer Spotlight Show

The 2019 South Dakota Summer Spotlight Limousin Show will take place Saturday, July 20 at the South Dakota State Fairgrounds in Huron.

A variety of events will be available for juniors to participate in throughout the weekend. Check out the website for the South Dakota Junior Point Show (SDJPS) for more information about this event.

State Fair

The 2019 South Dakota State Fair Limousin Show will be Friday, August 30 in Huron. More information on the show schedule will be given at a later date on the South Dakota State Fair website.

The state fair is a great time to greet fellow breeders from across the state and meet new friends in the cattle business. The Limousin Association will host a picnic following the show. We hope everyone will come, watch the show, and take part in this annual event. We want to thank those who donate and prepare/serve the food for the picnic.

Congratulations Alexa

Alexa Montagne of Elk Point, South Dakota, was named an All-American Livestock Judge. Only 15 students in the nation receive this award. It is based on their academic achievement at college combined with their performance at intercollegiate judging contests.

She is a student at NEO (Northeastern Oklahoma) A&M College in Miami, Oklahoma.

ACH Holdings at Farm Machinery Show

Stephen, Emily and Carter Haynes, ACH Holdings LLC of Bowling Green, Kentucky, took part in the 2019 National Farm Machinery Show (NFMS) February 13-16 in Louisville, Kentucky.

This is the ninth year the Haynes family have represented the Limousin breed at this show. They set up a booth with informational materials about the breed. Stephen says that this show gives them an opportunity to visit with people from all over the United States and Canada.

In addition to displaying informational material, the Haynes family also sold 100% Limousin Beef Sticks. The Haynes family promoted Fullblood, Limousin, and Lim-Flex cattle while the people enjoyed the beef sticks.

More than 300,000 people attend the NFMS each year. The crowd includes FFA and 4-H groups, students, and teachers who arrive by the bus loads.

National Show

The 2019 FLA National Show will be held in conjunction with the Eastern Regional Show in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, Saturday, June 8. The cost is $25 per show (Eastern Regional and the FLA Show) plus a $30 bedding fee. You will be responsible for your own tie-out bedding. Entries are due to NALF by May 1, 2019.

Any junior who shows their animal at the FLA National Show will received $200 from the FLA junior account. Also, there will be a silent auction during the show to support the juniors.

The association is looking for sponsors for the show. The three levels of sponsorships are: Gold $200, Silver $150, and Bronze $100. The names of the sponsors will be on a banner, plus they will also be displayed on a website banner for one year.

Make checks to the FLA and send to Joe Latendresse, treasurer. If you have any questions, call Ryan Reed, president at 785/418-7067 or Joe Latendresse at 918/639-8438.

Mark Your Calendar

Mark your calendar for the FLA National Show June 8, 2019 in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and the Foundation Sale 5, hosted by ACH Holdings LLC, October 5 in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Fullblood Limousin Alliance News...

People who stopped by the Limousin booth hosted by ACH Holdings at the 2019 Farm Machinery show in Louisville, KY.

Matt Bruner and Sarah Christensen’s son, Isaac, had fun reading the March/ April Heart Beat.

Carter Haynes with a guest at the 2019 Farm Machinery show in Louisville, KY.
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AUCTIONEER - C.K. “Sonny” Booth
Members Attend Annual Meeting & Banquet

Members of the Limousin of Association attended their annual meeting, banquet and benefit auction Saturday, March 2, 2019, at the Club 16 restaurant in Sparta. The new “Farmer’s Market” sales venue took place Saturday afternoon and continued on Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Equity Livestock Exchange in Sparta.

The evening began with a social hour which gave members to visit, meet new members, and rekindle old friendships. Dennis Karlsbroten, president, welcomed everyone and introduced the new members to the association. Following the delicious meal of beef tips with noodles and all the trimmings, the meeting and benefit auction was held.

 Speakers

Deb Garrett of Viroqua, Wisconsin, gave an informative talk about marketing your cattle. She went on to describe her experiences when she was showing and selling cattle for Meado-West Cattle. Deb also discussed the importance of farm signs, connecting with buyers following the sale of cattle, and getting your name “out there” (advertising).

Dean Summerbell gave an update on the activities in the Heartland Limousin Association (HLA). He talked about the sales that he has attended the past few months, the bad weather and roads that have impacted some of the sales, and the upcoming shows. He encouraged Wisconsin juniors to take part in the Heartland Regional Show May 31-June 1 in Council Bluffs, Iowa and the NALJA Show in Springfield, Missouri. He also thanked the members of the Wisconsin Association for their support of the HLA.

 Benefit Auction

Thanks to Gary Ellsworth who served as the auctioneer for the benefit auction. There were a variety of items on the auction including a handmade quilt and afghan, a basket of show supplies, a game night basket and a good morning basket, a farm scene iron silhouette, and a fly fishing kit. In additions, there were also cattle supplies and semen. The benefit auction ended with the sale of the “mystery box, donated by Mill Road Limousin. Warren Enger, Greenfield Crossing, had the final bid on this item.

In addition, there was also a 50/50 cash raffle. Deb Garrett was the winner and she graciously donated her winnings back to the Limousin Association of Wisconsin. The candle table centerpieces were also sold.

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Wisconsin board members for 2019 are: Brett Waldera, Dennis Karlsbroten, president; Ken Schlimgen, secretary/treasurer; Bart Mitchell, vice president; Adam Auden and Nathan Ausen.

Wisconsin Association of Wisconsin Hosts “Farmers Market Sale”

The Limousin Association of Wisconsin held a new sale format the first weekend in March in Sparta, Wisconsin. Calling it the Farmers Market, 50 head of Limousin cattle, consigned by members of the Limousin Association of Wisconsin Limousin, were brought to the Equity Livestock Exchange in Sparta.

Breeders attached a base price on individual lots. Commercial and seedstock cattlemen were given the opportunity on Saturday, March 2 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 3 from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. to come, evaluate and purchase the consigned lots on a “first-come, first-served” basis.

Consignors of cattle to the Wisconsin “Farmers Market” were Kim Jorae, Jeff Keyes, Matt Duff, Bart Mitchell, and Ken Schlimgen.

Wisconsin breeders Warren Enger, Greenfield Crossing Limousin of Ellsworth and Jeff and Cheryl Keyes, Mill Road Limousin of Knapp discussed the cold temps at the Limousin Association of Wisconsin sale in Sparta.

New members of the Limousin Association of Wisconsin are Kristy and John Roehl, JR Cattle Co.of Mayville, WI; Lee and Lynne McDonald, OMG Cattle of Pittsville, WI; and Matt and Steve Duff, Duff Limousin of Hampton, MN.

The banquet area of Club 16 in Sparta was a great place to have the LAW annual meeting and banquet.

Benefit items were very popular at the Limousin Association of Wisconsin annual meeting and banquet.

Deb Garrett of Viroqua, WI was the featured speaker at the Wisconsin annual meeting.
Wisconsin News...

Wisconsin Cattlemen’s Association Summer Tour

Spring Creeks Cattle Company of Wauzeka, Wisconsin, has been selected as one of the stops on the Wisconsin Cattlemen’s Association (WCA) Summer Tour on June 22, 2019. The motto of the WCA is “To promote the Wisconsin beef business through advocacy, leadership, and education.”

Bob Mitchell and his family operate Spring Creeks Cattle Company in southwestern Wisconsin, near Wauzeka in Crawford County. Bob started the operation by purchasing his first farm near Linden, Wisconsin in 1976. In 1991, Bob the Mitchell family purchased the first purebred cattle and transitioned the operation to Crawford County in the early 2000s. Bob and his wife, Rhonda, along with their three sons, Bart, Matt, and Scott, and their families, run the 600-head seedstock and commercial cow-calf operation.

Snow and below zero temps complicated the annual Wisconsin weekend in Sparta.

The weather in Sparta plunged below zero on Saturday and continued into Sunday. The extreme temperatures limited the attendance.

Joe and Lois Flock of Sparta, WI, enjoyed showing their grandchildren; baby Avery Mohn and 2-year-old Wyatt Mohn of Lansing, IA, and 4-year-old Evelyn Flock of Rockland, WI, the cattle at the Wisconsin State Sale.

Joe Keyes of Knapp, WI, visited with potential buyers, the Melbys, of New Richmond, WI.

This unique new marketing structure produced some interesting advantages. The sale expenses were significantly lower. Customers who were looking could come and view the cattle on their own time, evaluate the cattle from a variety of programs, and then revisit the barn to decide what their bids would be.

At this time, not all of the consignors have reported their sale activity. The Limousin Association of Wisconsin board of directors will meet in April for a debriefing session on the success of the project.

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This DIESEL son, TREF Five Star 636F, was a high seller at Tretz’ 2019 sale for his overall balance and thickness. He has an Adj. WW of 766, Adj. YW of 1,286 with an Adj. REA of 17.32 sq. in.

DLVL Five Star 817F was a popular DIESEL son in Vaughn’s 2019 sale. He features an Adj. WW of 762, Adj. YW of 1,291 with an Adj. REA of 16.6 sq. in.

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In Memoriam

Revanne Elizabeth Ducket, 81, passed away April 1, 2019 at the Kennybrook Village in Grimes, Iowa. Services were held at the Grimes United Methodist Church on April 5, 2019. She is the mother of Dana (Becky) Duckett, Limousin breeders of Grimes.

She was born in Des Moines, Iowa, graduated from Cornell College and worked at the Woodward State Hospital. Later Revanne worked as a teacher for the Iowa Department for the Blind. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren as well as attending church activities, reading and listening to music.

Revanne is survived by three sons, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild as well as other friends and relatives.

The Heartland Limousin Association (HLA) held their annual meeting and benefit auction February 12 at the FFA building on the Iowa State Fairgrounds during the Iowa Beef Expo activities. Attendees were treated to a brisket sandwich dinner. A special thank you goes to Mark Leonard of Summit, MO, during the Civil War. Mark Belongs to the Civil War Associations of PA, during the Civil War. Mark Smith took bids from the crowd.

Executive Secretary Dean Summerbell gave a brief overview of 2018 activities and a projected list of planned HLA events for 2019.

Retiring members of the board of directors were honored and thanked for their service to the Heartland Limousin Association. Jim Venner, president from Breda, IA, and director Shaun Edwards of New Bloomfield, MO, retired. New directors to the board are Emmett Edwards of Higginsville, MO, and William Long of Afton, IA.

The Heartland Scholarship of $500 was awarded to Drake Wood of Lee’s Summit, MO.

A spirited benefit auction wrapped up the evening’s activities. Auctioneer C.K. Sonny Booth did a great job of auctioning the many benefit items. Tom Rooney, Andy Rest, and Cole Smith took bids from the crowd. When the last item was sold, nearly $30,000 had been raised. Many thanks to donors, buyers, and the sale staff for a successful auction.

Dean Summerbell presented retiring board member Shaun Edwards a thank-you gift. Accepting for Shaun was his father, Emmett, who succeeds his son on the HLA Board.
A highlight of the HLA meeting in Des Moines was the appearance of General John Buford, a Calvary General at Gettysburg, PA, during the Civil War. He is portrayed by Mark Leonard of Holstein, IA.

Dean Summerbell thanked retiring board member Jim Venner of Breda, IA, for his six years of service to the Heartland Board of Directors, including the last four years as President.

Tom Rooney and Cole Smith were the ringmen, taking bids at the HLA benefit auction.

Your support of the Heartland Limousin Association is greatly appreciated.

Jay Langdeau, South Fork Ranch, Ft. Pierre, SD
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Jerry & Pat Meek, Pine Tree Acres Limousin, Parker, KS
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Vaughn Farms, Cavalier, ND
Venner Limousin, Breda, IA
Vorthmann Limousin, Treynor, IA
William & Sarah Long, Afton, IA
Wulf Cattle, Morris, MN

We also thank C. K. “Sonny” Booth for serving as the auctioneer, and Andy Rest, Tom Rooney and Cole Smith who were the ringmen, taking bids at the HLA benefit auction.
Bill and Kim Priest of Sabetha, KS, visited with Dean Summerbell at the Boyer Family Sale on March 10.

Carl Els has worked for Kokes Farms of Tabor, SD, for three years. He is from South Africa and attended the Wieczorek Sale in Mt. Vernon, SD.

Kelly and Norma Yorga of Flintoff, SK, visited with old friends Herman and Judy Symens of Sisseton, SD, at the Treftz bull sale.

Dean Summerbell presented an iron silhouette to Roger Potter of Braddock, ND in appreciation for his hard work on the Commercial Bred Heifer sale on Superior Livestock last November. Zach and Jordan Leier of Tappen, ND consigned the top two-selling lots. HLA board member Glenn Treftz (far right) serves on the Heartland Commercial Bred Heifer sale committee.

Tom Rooney, center, was exhausted after a rigorous session taking bids at the Heartland benefit auction. Bob Bosch and Jim Venner helped Tom recuperate.

MLBA treasurer Nathan Hunt of Frohna, MO and daughter Lydia attended the Pinegar Sale in Springfield, MO.

Andy Rest, Chisum Peterson, and Glenn Treftz get ready for the Treftz “Where Muscle Still Matters” sale.

Violet, Lily, Reid, Bart, Amy and Brooke Mitchell of Boscobel, WI, held up a new iron silhouette made by Adam Ausen at the Wisconsin benefit auction in Sparta, WI.

Andy Schmalsof of Avon, IL, discussed the Linhart bull offering with David Linhart prior to the video sale on March 2.

An old-fashioned February day after a snow storm at the Symens Bros. farm near Amherst, SD.

What a difference a 65 degree day makes in the life of the cattle herd at the Pinegar sale facility near Springfield, MO.

Kelly and Norma Yorga of Flintoff, SK, visited with old friends Herman and Judy Symens of Sisseton, SD, at the Treftz bull sale.
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Red Reigns Royally at Treftz Sale

Treftz Limousin of Wetonka, South Dakota, held their 8th annual “Where Muscle Still Matters Sale” at the farm Saturday, February 9, 2019. The weather was more conducive to a polar bear being comfortable than to the barn full of salegoers. The temperatures ranged from negative -7 to +7 degrees with a 24-mile an hour producing winds chills in the negative 25 range.

Bidders from eight states and Canada braved the weather to evaluate and bid on the Treftz offering. Internet bidding was available for those unable to attend. Red reigned supreme, topping the sale on many of the lots. The cattle sold into six states.

Those at the sale also witnessed a marriage proposal by Andrew Rios of Lexington, Nebraska, to Glenn’s daughter, Courtney. The crowd cheered when she said “Yes”.

Following a delicious dinner provided by the Hutterite Colony, Colonel Chisum Peterson gavelled the video sale to order.

The top-selling bull was TREF Excalibur, an 8/24/17 red, polled purebred son of TREF Coal Train 707C out of TREF American Honey 966A. Kyle Stern of Garden City, South Dakota, held the final bid of $8,500.

John Ferrat of Toston, Montana, purchased TREF Five Star 636F, a 3/25/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of TOMV Diesel 619D out of TREF X-Ample 636X for $7,250.

Aaron Henley of Britton, South Dakota, purchased two bulls for his father, Doug, including TREF Filthy Rich 918F, a 3/4/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of Wulfs Caper 3303C out of TREF Adelle 918A for $7,000.

Also bringing $7,000 from Casey Dowd of Midland, South Dakota, was TREF Encore 066E, an 8/26/17 red, homozygous polled purebred son of ROMN Zingray 125Z out of TREF Butterfly 066B.

Doug Henley also purchased TREF Forbidden 206F, a 3/8/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of ROMN Tow Truck 111T out of TREF Danica 206D for $5,750.

Also bringing $5,750 from Casey Higgins of Leola, South Dakota, was TREF Falcon 707F, a 2/23/18 black, homozygous polled purebred son of Wulfs Caper 3303C out of TREF Yesterday 707Y.

Dustin Peck, Dustin Limousin of Harrisonville, Missouri, purchased the high-selling bred female. TREF Electra 328E, a 3/19/17 homozygous black, homozygous polled purebred daughter of VL Bruiser 4098B out of TREF 42U bred to LFLC Checking Account brought $4,500. Peck also purchased three other bred females.

Peck Limousin also purchased TREF Everly 309E, a 3/19/17 red, homozygous polled purebred daughter of TREF Zenith 570Z out of TREF Up and Away 409U for $3,100.

Jodi Babcock of Rand, Colorado, was a volume buyer with five bulls.

Averages:
10 Fall Yearling bulls .................................. $4,400
25 2/3 Yearling bulls .................................. $3,924
11 Bred females ....................................... $2,709
Total: 46 2/3 Lots ......................................... $3,739

Auctioneer: Chisum Peterson
Sale Consultant: MC Marketing Management

Glenn Treftz and Lori Hill thank Jim Janisch of Eden, SD, Tom Arnesen of Florence, SD, and Kyle Stern of Garden City, SD, for their purchases at the Treftz Sale. Stern purchased the high-selling bull.

Casey and Brooke Higgins and son, Graham, of Leola, SD purchased a high-selling bull at the “Muscle Still Matters” sale.

Alan Steinke of Idaho, Falls, ID, and Milt Limesand of Marion, ND, each purchased bulls from Glenn Treftz.

The barn temperatures were warm and the salegoers were treated to polka music played 18-year-old Hunter Heinrich, a senior at Eureka High School, Eureka, SD.
LV Bar of Plainville, Kansas, held their annual production sale Saturday, February 9, 2019, at the Plainville Livestock Auction. The operation is owned by Chad Settje, Lonely Valley Seedstock, of Creston, Nebraska, and managed by Mike Smith.

The top-selling bull was LVBR Optimizer 74E, a 4/5/17 homozygous polled, red, Lim-Flex 50% son of CRVL California 505C. He was purchased by Liz VanLoenen of Bogue, Kansas, for $6,200.

Mark Settje of Creston, Nebraska, had the final bid of $5,400 on LVBR Optimizer 42E, a 3/15/17 black, polled Lim-Flex 47% son of RRDC Bobo 4001B.

The top-selling bred female, LVBR 710E, a 3/2/17 black, double polled Lim-Flex 68% daughter of MAGS Bronc Buster bred to MAGS Y-Axis, was purchased by Sullivan Farms of Dunlap, Iowa, for $3,500.

**Averages:**
- 78 Bulls ....................................................... $3,025
- 22 Bred Heifers ............................................ $1,935
- 39 Commercial Bred Heifers ........................ $1,472

**Auctioneer:** Bruce Brooks
**Sale Management:** R&R Marketing
**Sale Consultant:** Grassroots Consulting

LV Bar owners Mike, Chad and Mark Settje and LV Bar manager Mike Smith are pictured with longtime volume bull buyer, Mike Beckman (middle) Hoxie, KS.

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**Thank You!**

We appreciate everyone who showed an interest in our 38th Annual Production Sale.

We thank longtime customers Tom and Susan Betschart of Betschart Limousin, Ashland, KS, for purchasing the top-selling bull and one other bull.

**Additional Thanks!**
- JW Cattle Co., Kearney, NE, purchased the second high-selling bull
- John Ferrat, Toston, MT, purchased two high-selling bulls
- Blake Firestone, Garnett, KS, purchased the high-selling bred female
- Ludens Family Limousin, Viborg, SD, purchased the second high-selling bred female
GV Limousin of Garnett, Kansas, held their 38th annual production sale Saturday, February 16, 2019, at the Anderson County Sales Co. in Garnett. The bleachers were full of commercial and seedstock producers who were on hand to evaluate and bid on the quality set of cattle.

The sale came just a few short weeks after the sudden passing of Gene Raymond. He was a visionary and passionate cattleman, a dear friend to many, and an inspiring mentor. Gene leaves behind a legacy that only he could build, and his spirit will forever be the foundation of GV Limousin.

Arne Hanson greeted those in attendance and expressed his gratitude, on behalf of the Raymond family, for their outpouring of support. He said that they will honor Gene’s memory by continuing to do the work that he loved; breeding, raising, and marketing Limousin cattle.

The top-selling bull was GV Best Buy 323E, a 3/5/17 homozygous black, homozygous polled purebred son of SYE5 Best Buy 316B out of GV MS Unbelievablebull 449B. He was purchased by Tom and Susan Betchart of Ashland, Kansas, for $10,000.

Kelly Jasnoch, JW Cattle LLC of Kearney, Nebraska, purchased GVHL Eagle 411E, a 9/13/17 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex son of MAGS Eagle out of GV HL $General 4429B for $7,500.

The Betcharts struck again with a winning bid of $7,000 for GV Atlantis 342E, a 3/10/17 homozygous black, homozygous polled purebred son of BAR JZ Atlantis 238A out of GV Miss Yankee 342A.

John Ferrat of Toston, Montana, purchased two high-selling bulls. GV Xcellsior 449, a 9/25/17 red, homozygous polled purebred son of GV Xcellsior 817B out of GV Ms X-Man 4462B brought $6,500.

Ferrat then purchased GVHL Xcellsior 401E, a 9/4/17 red, homozygous polled purebred son of GV Xcellsior 817B out of GVHL Ms $General 743X for $6,000. Ferrat was one of the volume buyers, purchasing three bulls.

David Harris of Erie, Kansas, purchased GV Final Answer, a 2/3/17 homozygous black, polled Lim-Flex son of SA V Final Answer 0035 out of GV MS Xerox 502C for $5,500.

The high-selling bred female was GV Ms Amherst 561C, a 3/26/15 red, homozygous polled purebred daughter of HUNT Amherst 71A out of GV Ms Justice 921W bred to LFLC Bank Account. This female was purchased by Blake Firestone of Garnett, Kansas, for $2,200.

Mike Cravens of Lee’s Summit, Missouri, was one of the volume buyers, purchasing a bull and four females.

Averages:
- 69 Bulls .......................................................$3,542
- 25 Bred females ...........................................$1,780

Auctioneer: Bruce Brooks
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**Spring Creeks Cattle Co. Holds Sale on Snowy Day**

_Spring Creeks Cattle Co. of Wauzeka, Wisconsin, held their second production sale Sunday, February 17, 2019, at the Fennimore Livestock Exchange in Fennimore, Wisconsin. It started snowing early in the morning and continued throughout the day. Although the road conditions were not the best, it did not deter a large crowd of commercial and seedstock producers from attending the sale._

The bulls selected for this sale were the top of the Spring Creeks Cattle Co. extensive AI programs. Included in the offering were the bulls that made the trip to Denver, Colorado for the National Western Stock Show. They have worked hard to earn the reputation of “Breed'n the Feed'n Kind!”

The top-selling bull was Spring Creeks Fly Guy 5078F, a 3/26/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled purebred son of Wulfs Conversion 3970C out of Spring Crks Candid Shot 5078C. He was purchased by Wulf Cattle of Morris, Minnesota, for $8,000.

The second high-selling bull was Spring Creeks Flight Pattern, a 3/26/18 red, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 75% son of HUNT Credentials 37C ET out of ENGD V So Fine 1184Y purchased by Chris Ziegler of Bloomville, Ohio, for $5,000.

Dan Guse of Whitehall, Wisconsin, purchased Spring Creeks Fly Over 025F, a 3/25/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 41.7% son of Spring Creeks The Answer 4023 out of NICO Polled Frosty for $4,600.

Robert Hammel of Dorchester, Iowa, purchased Spring Creeks Fight Deck, a 3/28/18 black, polled 79% son of Wulfs DeKalb K357D out of Sprng Crks Car Hop 5101 C for $4,000.

Cross 4 Ranch of Miles City, Montana, purchased Spring Creeks Englewood 2943, a 10/20/17 double black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 25% son of EXAR 263C 1223B out of RVDR Wishmaker 2943W for $4,000.

The top-selling bred female was Spring Creeks Ethel 7013E, a 1/22/17 double black, double polled purebred daughter of SYES Backstage 466B out of Sprng Crks Caitlyn 5044C bred to Wulfs Xcellsior X252XXcellsior X252X. Olivia Horsfall of Fennimore, Wisconsin, purchased this female for $2,800.

Todd and Kelly Groom of Boscobel, Wisconsin, were the volume buyers with three bulls and one female.

**Averages:**
- 25 Bulls ....................................................... $3,362
- 13 Bred females .......................................... $ 2,050

**Auctioneer: Chisu Peterson**

**Sale Management: MC Marketing Management**

**Sale Consultants: Grassroots Consulting & Greg Miller**

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**Bar JZ Holds Successful Limousin Sale**

_The Zilverbergs of Holabird, South Dakota, held their 70th annual Hereford and Limousin Sale at the Thomas Ranch sale facility near Harrold, South Dakota, February 19, 2019. Don, Peg, and Seth Zilverberg brought a quality-laden set of yearling Purebred and Lim-Flex bulls for their customers to evaluate and place bids; in person, online, or on the phone. A good crowd of Hereford and Limousin buyers were on hand to give the Zilverberg family a great sale._

According to the family, Bar JZ founder John Zilverberg, 105, had fewer bulls on his first sale back in 1950. This family ranching operation has continued to hold sales ever since, with Don, Peg and Seth providing all the labor at the ranch and for the sales.

The top-selling Limousin bull was Bar JZ Architect 416F, a 3/17/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 49% son of TMCK Architect 031A out of Bar JZ Black Rose. Jay Langdeau, South Fork Ranch of Ft. Pierre, South Dakota, purchased the bull for $7,500.

Jordan Leier of Dawson, North Dakota, purchased Bar JZ Corvette 457F, a 3/24/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled 87% son of WZRK Corvette 3009C out of Bar JZ Harmony 295X for $7,000.

Tom Opheim of Mound City, South Dakota, purchased Bar JZ Creed 374F, a 3/9/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 51% son of CJSL Creed 5042C out of Bar JZ Heart Throb 749D for $6,250.

Seth Zilverberg thanked Jay Langdeau of Ft. Pierre, SD, for purchasing the high-selling Limousin bull.
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Bar JZ Paladin Too 516F, a 4/16/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 72% son of Bar JZ Paladin 137D out of Bar JZ Joyce 405C was purchased by Wulf Cattle of Morris, Minnesota, for $6,000.

Also bringing $6,000 from Scott Gangle of Lake City, South Dakota, was Bar JZ Ace Ventura 396F, a 3/12/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 54% son of CHR Ace Ventura 129A out of Bar JZ Joyce 420C.

Lee Kindelspire of Harrold, South Dakota, was a volume buyer with three Limousin and three Hereford bulls.

Averages:
45 Limousin bulls ........................................ $4,522

Auctioneer: C.K “Sonny” Booth

Repeat buy Rick King of Philip, SD purchased three bulls.

Kiley McKinna, MC Marketing, and Casey Fanta, Wulf Cattle, attended the Bar JZ Sale where Casey purchased a high-selling bull.

Dave Salathe of Harrold, SD, purchased three Bar JZ bulls.

Seth Zilverberg thanked repeat buyer Lee Kleinschmidt of Harrold, SD, for his volume purchase of six bulls.

Stockman’s Classic Production Sale Held in Lebanon

The second annual “Stockman’s Classic Production Sale” was Sunday, March 10, 2019, at the Laclede County Fairgrounds in Lebanon, Missouri. The firms of Glendenning J Bar J Ranch, Graven Land & Cattle and Lamkins Cattle Co., all of Lebanon, teamed up to bring a quality set of Limousin, Lim-Flex, and Red Angus cattle to the sale.

Jack Glendenning, Terry Graven, and Phil Lamkins, sale hosts, welcomed everyone. Their area of Missouri is well-known for having some of the best cow-calf country in the state. This sale represented some of the most progressive and exciting sires and cow families from each respective breeder.

The top-selling bull was TNGC Empire 736E, a 9/5/17 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 45% son of TMCK Cash Flow 247C out of MAGS Beth ET. He was consigned by Graven Land & Cattle and purchased by Tumbill Creek Farms, New Florence, Pennsylvania; Magness Land & Cattle, Platteville, Colorado; Jones Brothers, Knob Noster, Missouri; Hager Cattle Co., Karlsruhe, North Dakota; M&R Limousin, Bourbon, Missouri; and ATAK Limousin, Avon, Illinois, for $16,000.

Gary Phillips of Adair, Oklahoma, had the final bid of $5,000 on TNGC Ego 745E ET, a 9/8/17 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 46% son of MAGS Cable out of MAGS Blind Date ET. This bull was consigned by Graven Land and Cattle.

A popular pair was LAMK Eastern Star 709E, a 2/27/17 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 43% daughter of MAGS Zodiac out of EBFL San Jose 170X with her bull calf, a 2/6/19 homozygous black, homozygous polled son of MAGS Cable. She was purchased by Glendenning J Bar J Ranch for $3,100.

Averages:
16 ¾ Bulls ................................................... $3,418
14 Bred heifers & pairs .................................. $2,100

Auctioneer: Ronn Cunningham
Sale Manager: MC Marketing Management
Sale Consultants: Grassroots Consulting & Helton Consulting

Benny and Marge Reed of Mount Grove, MO, purchased a top herd-sire prospect for their Limousin program at the Stockman’s Classic Sale.

J.T. and Natalie Kitsmiller of Deerfield, MO, purchased two females at the Stockman’s Classic Sale.
Symens Brothers of Amherst, South Dakota, held their 39th annual production sale at the farm February 21, 2019. The weather turned clear and sunny for sale day following a snowy day on Wednesday.

They have been in the cattle business for 48 years and are committed to incorporating genetic data profiles with the use of DNA testing, genomically enhanced EPDs, along with actual measurements for weights and carcass information.

The sale featured the National Western Stock Show Division III champion pen of Limousin bulls. These lots were popular not only with the buyers in attendance, but also those who were viewing and bidding online.

The top-selling bull was SYES Freeman 104F, a 4/14/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of Wulfs Compliant K687C out of Miss SYES Abbey 304A. He was purchased by J. Yorga Farms of Flintoff, Saskatchewan, for $9,500.

Greg and Candie Stamp of Roundup, Montana, had the final bid of $7,500 SYES Freeport 602F, a 3/26/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of JYF Big Timber 47B out of Miss BASY Worktime 601Y.

Another popular bull was SYES Fire Fighter 91F, a 3/29/18 black, homozygous polled purebred son of Wulfs Xclusive 2458X out of Miss SYES Linebacker 317S. He was purchased by Doug Henley of Britton, South Dakota, for $6,750.

Jeremy Larson of Tyler, Minnesota, purchased SYES Faulkton 229F, a 4/7/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of Wulfs Apostle T343A out of Miss SYES Xpresslane 329A for $6,250.

Larson also purchased SYES Forefront 54F, a 4/2/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of WASY Bakers Man 629B out of Miss SYES Yunt To 254A for $5,250.

The top-selling open heifer was Miss SYES Big Timber 111F, a 4/2/18 red, homozygous polled purebred daughter of JYF Big Timber 111F out of Miss SYES Ransom 110B purchased by Trevor Miller of Perryville, Missouri, for $3,900.

John Mark of Dalton, Minnesota, had the final bid of $2,900 on the top-selling bred heifer, Miss SYES Bermuda 96E, a 4/15/17 red, homozygous polled daughter of SYES Bermuda 559B out of Miss SYES Walk 296A bred to DLVL Bicep.

The undersigned herein applies for membership in the HLA with all rights and privileges outlined in the HLA constitution and bylaws.

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Curt and Leanne Wieczorek of Mt. Vernon, South Dakota, hosted their 39th annual Limousin bull sale February 22, 2019, at their sale facility on the farm. The video sale of bulls began after a hamburger lunch. A good crowd of commercial and seedstock producers were in attendance on a day when roads were not the best. The Wieczoreks offer free delivery up to 250 miles and free wintering of the bulls until April 1st.

The top-selling bull was WZRK Fortress 3045F, a 1/28/18 red, scurred purebred son of COLE Architect 08A out of WZRK Miss Tuff Enuff 3045. The Winckler Brothers of Wagner, South Dakota, purchased the bull for $8,750.

WZRK Flashpoint 3018F, a 2/17/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of Wulfs Apostle T343A out of WZRK Miss Tuff Enuff 3018A was purchased by Marvin Anderson of Arlington, Washington, for $7,100.

WZRK Finish Line 0038F, a 2/8/18 red, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 50% son of H2R Profitbuilder B403 out of WZRK Miss Titus 0038X was purchased by Kyle Schmale of Carroll, Nebraska, for $6,750.

Corey Grimsrud of Sisseton, South Dakota, had the final bid of $6,000 on WZRK Fifth Gear 1015F, a 4/1/18 black, homozygous polled purebred son of COLE Canyon 83C out of WZRK Miss General 1015Y.

Steve Hauser of Dimock, South Dakota, purchased WZRK Foot Hold 5054F, a 4/4/18 black, polled purebred son of CJSL Data Bank 6124D ET out of WZRK Cupcake 5054C ET for $5,750.


### Average:

44 Bulls ...................................................... $3,560

**Auctioneer:** C.K. "Sonny" Booth  
**Sale Management:** MC Marketing Management  
**Sale Consultant:** Grassroots Consulting

Despite a cow-calf producer's best efforts to provide desired herd genetics and ease of birthing through bull selection and heifer development, some cows or heifers still need assistance at calving time.

"It's important to remember that every baby calf has a certain degree of respiratory acidosis, one reason why producers need to keep as close an eye as possible on newborns," Glenn Selk, Oklahoma State University Extension emeritus animal scientist, said in an Extension news release.

Acidosis is the result of oxygen deprivation and accumulation of carbon dioxide that results from passage of the calf through the birth canal. Typically, a healthy calf will pant vigorously shortly after birth, it's body working to auto-correct the lack of oxygen.

"Unfortunately, some calves may be sluggish and slow to begin this corrective process," Selk said. "It's imperative that newborn calves begin to breathe as soon as possible, and that means producers need to be both watchful and knowledgeable about how to render assistance."

To stimulate the initiation of the respiratory process, first manually clear the newborn calf's mouth and nasal passages of fluids and mucus.

"Hanging the calf over a fence is not the best method to initiate breathing," Selk said.

He suggests a better method is to briskly tickle the inside of the calf's nostrils with a straw. This will usually initiate a reflex action such as a snort or cough in the newborn, expanding its lungs and allowing air to enter.

"Expect the calf to pant rapidly for a few minutes after the snort or cough," Selk said. "Again, panting is the natural response, increasing oxygen intake."
Linhart Limousin Holds “Business Done Right” Bull Sale

The Charles Linhart family held their 4th annual “Business Done Right” Bull Sale March 2, 2019, at their sale facility near Leon, Iowa. Charles, Heather, Aaron, Kyle and Kevin offered both yearling and fall yearling bulls to a good group of buyers who ventured out on a very cold day to evaluate and purchase the bulls.

Charles Linhart welcomed the crowd to his annual bull sale at the Linhart sale facility near Leon, IA.

Linhart Limousin stated in the catalog that the bulls offered have been through the rigors of their stringent selection criteria. The influence of their premier donors, elite herd sires, and progressive A.I. program is evident in the bulls on this 4th annual production sale.

The top-selling bull was CELL 8208F ET, a 2/26/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 43% son of MAGS Ali out of LLJB Absolute Style 3056A; Wilder Family Limousin of Snook, Texas; Baker Limousin of Fulton, Missouri; and Red Rock Limousin of Gary, Texas; purchased the bull for $15,000.

Logan Hills Limousin of West Harrison, Indiana, purchased CELL 7430E, a 9/3/17 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 48% son of ADLL AXL 3007A out of CJSL 2090Z for $12,000.

Wulf Cattle of Morris, Minnesota, purchased CELL 8095F ET, a 2/28/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 54% son of MAGS Aviator out of MAGS UR Salina for $7,750.

Long & Sons of Afton, Iowa, purchased CELL 8033E, a 2/5/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 65% son of SSCO Best Bet 456B ET out of CELL 5195C for $6,000.

Chip Youtsey of Wetherby, Missouri, purchased HUBB 1008E, a 9/17/17 homozygous black, polled Lim-Flex 43% son of AHCC Cowboy Kind 0959 ET out of MAGS Zalia for $5,750.

Youtsey also purchased CELL 8099F ET, a 3/1/18 homozygous black, polled Lim-Flex 37% son of BSF-Hot Lotto 1401 out of MAGS Walkin for $5,500. Larry, Lewis, and Chip Youtsey were one of the volume buyers, purchasing seven bulls from the Linharts.

Averages:
21 Fall Yearling Bulls.................................4,757
36 ¾ Spring Yearling Bulls ..........................$4,527
Total: 57 ¾ Bulls.......................................$4,610
Auctioneer: C.K. “Sonny” Booth
Sale Management: MC Marketing Management
Sale Consultants: Grassroots Consulting,
Helton Consulting & R&R Marketing

Eye on Grass Quality Can Help May-Calving Heifers

by Karla Jenkins, University of Nebraska

The breeding season for May calving cows starts in late July and August. A combination of low-quality grass and the increased nutrient demands of lactation and growth for the heifer can result in a nutrient deficiency that reduces the changes of the heifer rebreeding with her second calf.

For example, the nutrient quality of late summer grass might be 9.3% crude protein and 53% total digestible nutrients (TDN) based on research in predominately warm season perennial species area. Cool season pastures would mature and decline in quality ahead of warm season pastures. Knowing the plant composition of your pastures is important and helps estimate diet quality.

A 2-year-old cow weighing 1,000 pounds and nursing a calf is estimated by the 2016 Nutrient Requirements of Beef Cattle to require 690 g of metabolizable protein and 13 lbs. of TDN. Metabolizable protein (MP) is protein that not only meets the nitrogen needs of bacteria in the rumen but also meets the growth and lactation needs of the young cow at the tissue level as well.

Assuming this lactating heifer is consuming 22 lbs. of dry matter from this grass, she is only consuming 489 g MP and 11.7 lbs. of TDN, according to the 2016 NRBC model. Providing 2 lbs. of dry matter from distillers grains to this young cow, in addition to the grass the heifer is grazing, would provide her approximately 673 g MP and 13.9 lbs. of TDN.

Meeting her growth and lactation needs puts this heifer in a much better position to rebreed with that critical second calf to keep her in the cowherd.

What will it cost? The cost of supplementation is dependent on distance hauled and any modifications for ease of handling, such as cubing or bagging. However, for comparison, the assumption could be made that dried distillers grains could be purchased from the ethanol plant for $150/ton, or from a feed supplier who bagged it for ease of storage and handling for $300/ton.

The assumption could also be made a producer wanted to feed lactating heifers for the first 45 days of the breeding season and supply 2.2 pounds of dried distillers grains each day to each heifer. Assuming $150/ton, not including feed waste or deliver to the heifer, this supplement would cost less than $7.50 per heifer for the 45 days. Assuming $300/ton, the cost would be $15 per heifer for the 45 days.

Obviously, if this increased the number of heifers retained in the herd and provided more calves to sell at weaning, then it was a worthy investment.
March 10, 2019, broke abundantly sunny and clear for the 28th Annual Boyer Limousin & Lim-Flex Production Sale held at Jay and Carol Boyer farm’s near Liberty, Nebraska. March 9 was a day when rain created an already critical sea of mud in southern Nebraska.

Despite the muddy conditions, ranchers and farmers gathered in great numbers to attend and support the sale which featured over 50 lots of spring yearling, fall yearling, two-year-old bulls, registered yearling heifers, pairs and commercial females. Kostal Family Cattle of Odell, Nebraska, and Whitwer Limousin of Blue Springs, Nebraska, were guest consignors.

The top-selling bull was Boyer’s Mr. Fame 145F, a 2/19/18 red, double polled purebred son of Wulfs Candy Crush M233C out of JTBO T ow Truck 145Y. He was purchased by Jason Eikman of Chester, Nebraska, for $5,000.

Jason Eikman struck again, purchasing Boyer’s El Dorado 255E, a 9/23/17 double black, double polled purebred son of ENGD Zip line 2515Z out of JTBO Ms Xtra Lode 025X for $4,500.

Boyer’s Mr. Eager Man, a 9/18/17 double black, double polled 80% son of LVLS Feed Wagon out of JTBO Angel 3916A was purchased by Jordan Droge of Pawnee City, Nebraska, for $4,500.

Three bulls brought $4,000 each. Don Kostell of Odell, Nebraska, purchased Boyer’s Elaborate Plan 824E, a 9/21/17 double black, double polled Lim-Flex 50% son of TMCK Camden Yards 195C out of JTBO Ms. Eagle 5237C.

Joe Gyhra of Steinauer, Nebraska, purchased Boyer’s Flip Wilson 969F, a 2/14/18 red, double polled purebred son of Wulfs Candy Crush M233C out of JTBO Ms Believe N Me 4969B, also for $4,000.

Gyhra also purchased the third $4,000 bull, Boyer’s Earmark 245E, a 9/28/17 red, double polled son of LFLC Bank Account 701B out JTBO MS Xcellsior 245Z.

Mike Zales of DeWitt, Nebraska, purchased five open females. Cary Linhart from Wilbur, Nebraska, purchased four females.

**Averages:**
- 13 Fall Yearling and 2 year old bulls $3,519
- 13 Yearling Bulls $3,212
- 5 Pairs $2,140
- 10 Registered open females $1,520
- 15 Commercial open females $1,227

Auctioneer: Chisum Peterson

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Bovine Respiratory Disease (BRD) is a costly disease for the cattle industry, and when it isn’t treated effectively it can lead to repulls and increased treatment and labor costs. Respiratory tract damage can also compromise animal performance for the rest of the feeding period.

There are two questions to ask when thinking about BRD management: First and foremost, what can we do to keep that animal healthy, and second, how do we get the highest treatment success when we do have to treat the animal?

“The earlier we can intervene into a disease process the better,” said Doug Hilbig, DVM, Beef Technical Services, Zoetis. “Think about all of the things that we can do the first day we own that calf to prevent it from ever having a problem.”

Including a veterinarian to assist with BRD management can help bring success to the health and well-being of cattle and the operation, Dr. Hilbig says. Using a product that helps to protect against all BRD-causing pathogens will also help protect against this costly disease.
Pinegar Limousin held their Herdbuilder Twenty-Five Sale Saturday, March 16, 2019. Ed Pinegar along with Ty and Susie Heavin hosted the event at their sale facility, located on the farm near Springfield, Missouri. The weather was perfect for a sale, sunny and 65 degrees. The large crowd was treated to a barbecue lunch of beef brisket and ribs, catered by the Rib Crib.

This sale represents a total of 28 years for Pinegar Limousin in the purebred seedstock business. Their motto in the cattle business has been to have common sense and planned genetics to assure their customers the most predictable product possible. They have laid a foundation with the best and proven donor cows that they could find and/or raise.

The top-selling open female was AUTO First Lady 253F, a 4/25/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled 83% daughter of AUTO Lucky Guy 140D out of AUTO Pia 245XS. She was purchased by J6 Ranches of Gibbon, Nebraska, for $51,500.

The top-selling bull was AUTO King David 120E ET, a 4/17/17 homozygous black, polled Lim-Flex 62% son of AUTO King James 162Z out of PBRS Dutches 790X. The Jones Brothers of Knob Noster, Missouri, purchased full interest and ½ possession for $29,000.

Bradley Teague of Bruner, Missouri, purchased full interest and ½ possession in AUTO Kingdom Kom 131E ET, a 9/10/17 homozygous black, polled 85% son of AUTO Lucky Strike 118B out of AUTO Peyton 206Y for $17,000.

Wilder Ranches of Snook, Texas, purchased AUTO Flore 229F ET, a 3/27/18 homozygous black, polled purebred daughter of TMCK Durham Wheat 6030X out of SBLX Znote for $14,000.

The top-selling bred female was AUTO Errin 262E ET, a 3/13/17 red, horned Fullblood daughter of Harvest Olympus out of EAFF Amber Pearl 419M bred to AUTO Cliff Hanger 194D for an April 18/19 calf. Garrison Limousin of Osceola, Missouri, purchased the female for $10,750.

The Garrisons also purchased AUTO Miss Fleur 275E ET, a 4/7/17 red, homozygous polled Fullblood daughter of Posthaven Polled Tristan out of Mtn Park Perfect Fleur bred to SOGF Special K for an April calf for $10,000.

Bradley Teague also purchased AUTO Rampage 1F, a 1/2/18 homozygous black, polled Lim-Flex 68% son of AUTO Cruze 132X out of AUTO Donella 210D for $9,750.

Circle R Limousin of Jacksonville, Florida, purchased AUTO Bombshell 100F ET, a 1/1/18 homozygous black, homozygous polled purebred son of Riverstone Crown Royal out of CELL Miss Responder 6078D.

William Spradling of Harrison, Arkansas, purchased AUTO Exceptional 410E ET, a 10/1/17 black, polled Lim-Flex 50% daughter of AUTO Power Plus 133B out of SBLX Unknown104U bred to AUTO King David 120E for a September calf for $9,250.

There were several volume buyers including Bells Shool Ranch of Easley, South Carolina, who purchased three bulls and two bred females. Neal and Chris Barnes of Drexer, Missouri, took home four bulls.

**Averages:**
- 6 Open females ........................................ $13,833
- 29 Bulls ................................................... $5,150
- 43 Spring and fall bred females ..................... $4,527
- **Total:** 78 Lots ............................................. $5,474

Auctioneer: C.K. “Sonny” Booth
Sale Management: R&R Marketing
Marketing Team: American Cattle Services, Grassroots Consulting, Helton Consulting & MC Marketing Management

Ed Pinegar and sale manager, Randy Ratliff, thanked Grant and Rachel Jones, Jones Brothers of Knob Noster, MO, for purchasing the high-selling bull at the Pinegar Herdbuilder Sale.

Ron, Shelley, Noelle and Livie Garrison of Osceola, MO, purchased the two top-selling bred heifers from Ed Pinegar at his Herdbuilder Sale.

Ed Pinegar and sale manager Randy Ratliff thanked Bradley Teague of Bruner, MO, for his purchase of the second high-selling bull.

Mark and Logan Haden of Rogersville, MO, visit with Max Burns of Sylvania, GA, at the Pinegar Herdbuilder Sale.
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Vaughn Farms “Genetics for the Future Sale” Held in Napoleon

Vaughn Farms of Cavalier, North Dakota, held their annual “Genetics for the Future Sale” Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at the Napoleon Livestock Exchange in Napoleon, North Dakota. Like many sales in the upper-Midwest, they were forced to reschedule their sale from Saturday, March 16 to March 19 because of extreme inclement weather in North Dakota. The roads were impassable due to the blizzard that hit the area. By Tuesday, the roads had been cleared and a good crowd of buyers were on hand to evaluate and buy the Vaughn offering.

This the 24th year that Tom, Rita, Craig, and David Vaughn have been marketing seedstock through a production sale. Their cattle are bred to have an abundance of volume, fleshing ability and muscle shape that the Limousin breed is known for, structural soundness and a good disposition.

The top-selling bull was DLVL Farmer Jo 821F, a 3/5/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of TOMV Diesel 619D out of DLVL Miss Waldo 173Y. Elliott Smith of Buchanan, North Dakota, purchased full possession and ½ interest for $7,000.

Nick Noot of Kathryn, North Dakota, purchased full possession and ½ interest in TOMV Flashy 805F, a 2/26/18 red, homozygous polled Lim-Flex 75% son of DLVL Bud Ice 4112B out of Miss Tom F10Y for $5,750.

Jeff Lapica of Ross, North Dakota, purchased DLVL Ford 834F, a 3/8/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of COLE Architect 08A out of DLVL Miss Young Gun 431B for $5,250.

Lapica struck again buying DLVL Frogman 894F, a 3/23/18 red, homozygous polled son of DLVL Draft 622D out of DLVL Miss Workhorse 285Z for $5,000.

Jim Thomas of Flandreau, South Dakota, was the volume buyer of bred heifers, purchasing nine head.

Averages:
37 ½ Bulls ................................................... $3,826
25 Bred Heifers ............................................. 1,846
Auctioneer: Chisum Peterson
Sale Management: MC Marketing Management

Jeff and Deena Lapica from Ross, ND, purchased three bulls from the Vaughn offering and their daughter, Logan, bought two bred heifers.

The Leiers of Tappan, ND, purchased several bulls at Vaughn’s sale. Juliann, holding 9-month-old Ellie; Zach, holding 2-year-old Mikayla; and Uncle Jordan, holding the other twin, 2-year-old Addison.

Nick and Samantha Noot of Kathryn, ND, purchased two bulls and one bred heifer from the Vaughns.

Jim Smith of Buchanan, ND, purchased the high-selling bull at the Vaughn Production sale for his son, Elliott.

Dale Limesand of Driscoll, ND, and daughter, Karissa, who is a freshman at Montana State University in Bozeman, purchased bulls from the Vaughns.

Jim Thomas and friend, Noelle Harding, were volume buyers of bred heifers from the Vaughns.

There are more than 800,000 ranchers and cattle producers in the United States.

More than 97 percent of beef cattle farms and ranches are classified as family farms.

More beef is consumed on Memorial Day than any other day of the year. The Fourth of July and Labor Day typically tie for second place.

Source: National Cattlemen’s Beef Association
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Ludens Family Limousin Holds “Pride of the Dakotas” Sale

Gordy and Pam Ludens along with their son, Mike and his wife, Sarah, held their annual “Pride of the Dakotas” production sale at their farm near Viborg, South Dakota, April 6, 2019. Although the area had experienced several heavy rains that week leaving very muddy conditions, it was a beautiful sunny, 70 degree day for the sale.

The flooding creeks and rivers made travel challenging; however, a good crowd of seedstock and commercial producers were on hand to evaluate and buy the Luden’s offering. Several repeat buyers from Nebraska, Iowa, and South Dakota purchased bulls, including those that made the trip for the National Western Stock Show, and a select group of bred females at the sale. Buyers also had the opportunity to view the cattle and bid via the internet.

The top-selling bull was LFLC Front Line 158F, a 4/6/18 black, homozygous polled purebred son of Greenwood Canadian Made ET out of LFLC Debra 158D. Wieczorek Limousin of Mount Vernon, South Dakota, purchased full possession and ½ interest for $7,500.

Drew Abbas of Alexander, Iowa, purchased full possession and ½ interest in LFLC Firestorm 701F, a 4/10/18 red, homozygous polled purebred son of Greenwood Canadian Made ET out of LFLC Dakota Belle 803Z for $4,000.


The top-selling bred heifer was LFLC Email 192E, a 3/17/17 black, double polled purebred daughter of Greenwood Canadian Made ET out of LFLC Yo Go 750Y. Tom Wiebesiek of Davis, South Dakota, purchased the heifer bred to LFLC Bank Account for $3,100.

Lura Limousin of Delavan, Minnesota, purchased the choice of the open females. They chose LFLC Firely 100F, a 4/15/18 black, polled daughter of LFLC Dollar Bill 764D out of LFLC Dakota Belle 602C for $3,400.

Cameron Johnsen of Jefferson, South Dakota, was the volume buyer with three bulls.

Averages:
22 Bulls .......................................................$2,973
1 Open female ............................................$3,400
5 Bred Heifers .............................................$2,460

Auctioneer: Joel Edge

Cameron Johnsen of Jefferson, SD, was the volume buyer of LFLC bulls.

Mark and Marian Nutter, Sandhills Limousin of Thedford, NE, purchased a bull from the LFLC offering.

Gordy Ludens welcomed the crowd to his annual production sale at their farm near Viborg, SD.

Mike Ludens thanked Curt Wieczorek of Mt. Vernon, SD, for his purchase of the top-selling bull at the LFLC “Pride of the Dakotas” sale.

Mike Ludens and his son, Baylor, thanked Tom Wiebesiek of Davis, SD, for his purchase of the high-selling bred female.

Mark and Sharilyn Willette, Lura Limousin of Delavan, MN, purchased the high-selling open female from Pam and Gordy Ludens.
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