



# Kansas Charolais News

Nov-Dec 2015



## **The Maurice Rohr Family, Smoky Hill Charolais 2015 National Charolais Show Dedicatees**

### **President's Message**

Dear Fellow Charolais Breeders:

A congratulations, a thank you and a couple reminders...

Congratulations to the Maurice Rohr Family, Smoky Hill Charolais Farm, Hays, Kansas, for being selected as the 2015 National Charolais Dedicatee in Louisville this month. A very well-deserved honor for a man and a family who have been not only pioneers of the breed, but continued strong supporters of the breed as well.

A big thanks to Hubert Charolais Ranch, Oakley, Kansas, for hosting the summer field day. What a great day viewing excellent cattle, sharing a wonderful meal, enjoying some entertainment and having time to visit with fellow breeders and other folks. The website has many pictures and more information. If you have never taken the time to stop and tour the Buffalo Bill Cultural Center in Oakley, you are missing out. Next time you head down I-70 take the time to stop and see it.

Two more items: In the last newsletter, I encouraged breeders to get a heifer in the hands of a local 4-H or FFA member for the local county fair. Keep working on that. Fall is the time when we have the calves weaned and juniors are thinking of projects for the next year.

Also, I want to encourage all our members to find someone involved with the breed in Kansas who is not currently a KCA member and personally ask them to join the association.

Thank you,

**Todd Sheppard**  
**KCA President**

# Trade Mission Opportunity for Kansas Charolais Breeders

**KCA members:** Billy Brown, Agribusiness Development Coordinator with the Kansas Department of Agriculture, would like to invite Charolais breeders on the upcoming beef genetics mission. They have been utilizing Charolais genetics in the project, so it would be a natural fit for any Kansas Charolais breeder to participate if interested in access to export markets. Contact Billy at the addresses below for more information.

1320 Research Park Drive  
Manhattan, Kansas 66502  
(785) 564-6700

Jackie McClaskey, Secretary



900 SW Jackson, Room 456  
Topeka, Kansas 66612  
(785) 296-3556

Governor Sam Brownback

**NEWS RELEASE**  
December 8, 2015

**For more information:**  
(785) 410-0393  
MEDIA@kda.ks.gov

## KDA Seeks Participants for Beef Genetics Trade Mission

MANHATTAN, Kan. – The Kansas Department of Agriculture is seeking individuals to participate in a beef genetics trade mission to Costa Rica on Feb. 22-26, 2016. In an effort to increase market opportunities for U.S. and Kansas beef genetics, this provides an opportunity for Kansas purebred beef cattle producers and allied industry to continue developing relationships with livestock producers in Costa Rica. KDA strives to encourage and enhance economic growth of the agriculture industry and the Kansas economy by exploring and expanding both domestic and international marketing opportunities.

Attendees will participate in a field day showcasing calves sired by U.S. Red Angus and Charolais bulls crossed with local Costa Rican Brahman dams in an effort to demonstrate the advantages of heterosis in a tropical climate. Initial data from this project supports the use of U.S. genetics. Additional opportunities to engage with potential buyers of beef semen and embryos will be arranged as part of the mission. Kansas ranchers and related agribusinesses specializing in producing germplasm qualified for export are invited to participate.

This trade mission is funded in part by the United States Livestock Genetic Export, Inc. Selected participants will be eligible for travel stipends for airfare depending upon number of applicants and fund availability. Participants will be responsible for the cost of hotels, meals and other incidental expenses.

Individuals interested in participating should complete the application forms available on the KDA website at <http://agriculture.ks.gov/divisions-programs/agricultural-marketing-advocacy-and-outreach-team/business-development>

The application deadline is Monday, Jan. 4, 2016.

For more information please contact KDA Agribusiness Development Coordinator Billy Brown at [billy.brown@kda.ks.gov](mailto:billy.brown@kda.ks.gov) or 785-564-6752.

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# 2016-2017 Kansas Charolais Membership Directory

**Ads due February 1<sup>st</sup> 2016**

## **Ad Rates**

Premier Space#1 – (Back cover, inside front or back cover.) 4c: — \$400

Premier Space#2 – (Inside Spread, right or left-hand pg) 4c: — \$400

Full page color: — \$350

Full page B&W: — \$300

½ page B&W: — \$150

¼ page B&W: — \$100

*\*\$50 KCA membership must also be paid to advertise and to be listed in the KCA membership.\* Send your changes/corrections to your member listing with your dues payment. (form below) If no changes noted, member listing will remain the same as 2014-2015 Directory.*

## **Ad Sizes**

Full page: 5.5" x 8.5"

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Please keep all ad copy and graphics ½ inch from all sides, unless your ad is set up as a bleed.

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## **2016 KCA Membership Dues**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Ranch Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Website \_\_\_\_\_

**2016 Dues - \$50**

*Please send to: KCA, 2563 Douglas Road, Grantville, KS 66429*

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# 2015 Kansas State Fair

Charolais Show, September 18, Judge  
Doug Satree, Montague, TX

(for pictures, go to the Kansas Charolais Association FaceBook page)

## Grand Champion Female

Bar S Annie 4905, Bar S Ranch, Paradise

## Reserve Grand Champion Female

MF Kisses 455 LD, Hadley Schotte, Marysville

## Grand Champion Bull

MJ Tiago 1432, Megan Johnson, Beaver, OK

## Reserve Grand Champion Bull

MJR Smoky's Connection 3542, Smoky Hill Charolais,  
Hays

**Produce of Dam** – Bar S Ranch, Paradise

**Junior Get-Of-Sire** – Fancy Creek Charolais,  
Randolph

**Breeder's Herd** – Bar S Ranch, Paradise

**Group of Five Head** – Fancy Creek Charolais,  
Randolph

**Herdsmen** – Fancy Creek Charolais,  
Randolph

*Thank you to the Show Sponsors...*

**Kansas Charolais Association ■ Fancy Creek  
Charolais, Randolph ■ TLC Farms, Easton ■  
Smoky Hill Charolais Farm, Hays**

## KJCA 2015-2016 Officers

President, Hadley Schotte  
Vice-President, Jaid Runft  
Secretary, Payden Barrett  
Treasurer, Payton Runft  
Reporter, Weston Schrader  
Historians, The Harris Family

Directors: Mitchell Duer, Caleb Obermeyer, Taylor Ohlde;  
Advisors: Megan Fink and Spencer Schrader

**For information on the 2016 AIJCA Junior Nationals**  
June 26—July 1, 2016  
Springfield, Missouri:

[http://charolaisusa.com/members/jr\\_national.html](http://charolaisusa.com/members/jr_national.html)

## Welcome new members to the Kansas Charolais Association

Terrill & Sarah Strnad

Formoso, Kansas

Walter Farms, David and Tara Walter

Gardner, Kansas

## Calendar of Events

To be included on the 2016 website calendar, KCA face-  
book page, and quarterly KCA newsletters,  
please send your events/sale dates/etc. to:

**barrettcattle@msn.com**

### May 2016

28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Kansas Junior Charolais Association State  
Show, Hutchinson

### June 2016

26<sup>th</sup> to July 1 AIJCA Junior Nationals, Springfield, Missouri

## 2015-16 Kansas Charolais Assoc. Officers

**President** ..... Todd Sheppard, 785-457-2164

**Vice President** ..... Curtis Ohlde, 913-772-2697

**Secretary/Treas** ..... Anna Barrett, 785-246-3156

**North Director** ..... Danny Forsyth, 785-632-1110

**South Director** ..... Doug Harris, 620-368-4792

**East Director** ..... Megan Fink, 785-410-5559

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**At-Large Director** ..... Russ Lewis, 620-375-2876

**State Fair Breed Rep** ..... Jim Schwarz, 620-830-2297

**AIJCA Area Director** ..... Spencer Schrader, 785-488-2135

**AIJCA North Central Rep** .. Colt Keffer, 765-376-8784

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