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## Michigan Cattlemen Host Successful Beef Expo

E. LANSING – High quality cattle, friendly competition and rapid bidding made the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Michigan Beef Expo a success for Michigan's cattle industry. As the state's largest cattle industry event, the Michigan Beef Expo included seedstock shows and sales for the Angus, Hereford, Chianina, Maine-Anjou, Shorthorn, Simmental and all other registered breeds (AORB's). An indoor trade show featured a wide variety of cattle industry products, services and supplies while youth competed in various skills contests, livestock judging competitions and exhibited cattle at the MSU Block & Bridle Club's Junior Steer and Heifer show.

Breeders consigned over 134 head of cattle from Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Ontario and Pennsylvania. The Supreme Champion Bull was Lot #415, WXC No Reservation, a Simmental consigned by WXC Cattle Company of Delton, Mich. The Supreme Champion Female was Lot #122, Rains Barbara CfTi, an Angus heifer consigned by Rains Angus of Mercer, Penn. Exhibitors of the Supreme Champion bull and female received \$500 courtesy of Rupp Seeds.

The Supreme Champion bull was also the high selling bull at the Michigan Beef Expo. He sold for \$6,500 to Charles Cryderman of Richmond, Mich. The high selling female was Lot #417, the Reserve Champion Simmental heifer consigned by Campbell Farms of St. Johns, Mich. She sold for \$5,100 to Troy Todd of Reed City, Mich. Total consignments at the Michigan Beef Expo grossed \$322,225. The bulls averaged \$3,027 on 47 lots and 69 females averaged \$2,577. Three embryos grossed \$900, one flush grossed \$1,000 and one unit of semen grossed \$275.

## **Breed Champions**

Angus – Rains Angus of Mercer, PA exhibited the Michigan Beef Expo Supreme Champion Angus female. The champion Angus bull was awarded to Barker Creek Cattle Co. of Bath, MI.



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Chianina – The Champion Chi female was consigned by G&G Cattle Co. of Mason, MI and the Champion Chi bull was exhibited by BR Livestock of Davison, MI.
Hereford –Laudeman Farms of Bremen, IN consigned the Champion Hereford female and Sunnyside Stock Farms of Edgerton, OH exhibited the Champion Hereford bull.
Maine-Anjou – Encore Livestock of Gillman, IL exhibited the Champion Maine-Anjou female and Kruger Cattle Co. of Muir, MI exhibited the Champion Maine-Anjou bull.
Shorthorn – Pandora Cattle Company of Perry, MI exhibited the champion Shorthorn female and Dutch Acres Farm of Kendalville, IN exhibited the Champion Shorthorn bull. The Champion Shorthorn Plus female was exhibited by RK Cattle Co. of Moorfield, Ont.
Simmental – J.R. Simmentals of Reed City, MI consigned the champion Simmental female and WXC Cattle Co. of Delton. MI exhibited the Michigan Beef Expo Supreme Champion Simmental

WXC Cattle Co. of Delton, MI exhibited the Michigan Beef Expo Supreme Champion Simmental bull.

All Other Registered Breeds – Lot #817, a Charolais from Holley Land and Cattle Co. of Bowling Green, OH was the Champion AORB female. The Champion AORB Bull was Lot #812 a Limousin bull exhibited by Red Rock Limousin of Ionia, MI.

The Michigan Beef Expo is hosted annually by the Michigan Cattlemen's Association and affiliated breed associations at the MSU Pavilion in East Lansing. The Expo unites various breeds and provides an opportunity to share in a statewide promotional event that showcases Michigan's beef industry through shows and sales, displays of seedstock cattle, and youth educational competitions. The 2017 Michigan Beef Expo is scheduled for March 31-April 2, 2017. Additional details are available at www.MICattlemen.org

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## **Photo Captions:**

**Supreme Champion Bull** - Lot #415, a Simmental consigned by WXC Cattle Company of Delton, Mich. was the Supreme Champion Bull at the 2016 Michigan Beef Expo.



**Supreme Champion Female** - Lot #122, an Angus heifer consigned by Rains Angus of Mercer, Penn. was the Supreme Champion Female at the 2016 Michigan Beef Expo.

