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# Block and Bridle 2002-2003 Club Annual

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# Historians Welcome

April 15, 2003

Dear Members, Supporters, and Friends:

Welcome to the University of Nebraska - Lincoln 2002-2003 Block and Bridle Annual. Throughout these pages you will be able to follow along on the enjoyable and successful year with our club.

As you read through our "Year in Review", we hope that you will be able to experience the exciting and meaningful year that the Nebraska chapter of Block and Bridle encountered. This annual is a reflection of our growth, development, and energy for leadership, integrity, scholarship, fellowship, cooperation, and participation in and out of the classroom and in the animal science industry. We hope to better serve the animal science industry by presenting the future with a fresh and new look at the wonderful world of animal husbandry and agriculture through the sharing of our annual.

We would like to thank the Animal Science faculty and our many generous sponsors that have supported us in all of our endeavors. With your help, we are able to continue our work to better our members and the world around us. We hope that you enjoy the annual.

Sincerely,

Kimberly M. Becker 2002-2003 Historian

Nathan Heidbrink 2002-2003 Assistant Historian

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# The Club

### Our Mission

On December 2, 1919, representatives from four animal husbandry clubs met in Chicago, Illinois and formed the National Block and Bridle Club. The local clubs became chapters in the new organization. Nebraska was a charter chapter along with Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri. During this meeting the chapters formed a constitution which included a statement of the club's objectives.

#### They are:

- To promote a higher scholastic standard among students of Animal Husbandry
- To promote animal husbandry, especially all phases of student animal husbandry work in colleges and universities
   To bring about a closer relationship among the men and women pursuing some phase of animal husbandry as a profession



### The Emblem

The Block and Bridle emblem is significant to club members of every age. It represents the principles on which the club is built. Character, sincerity, and moral life are depicted in the straight perpendicular of the "B" and are asked of members when they join. The distinct curves of the "B" are symbolic of the social pleasure, mental energy, and determination of the members.

The meat block represents the material aspects of our life. The bridle stands for the behavior of Block and Bridle members, the control over ourselves that we try to maintain, the mannerisms and respect we show towards others and the way in which we treat our animals.

### Calendar of Events

Honors Banquet

Premier Animal Science Events (PASE)
State Fair Beef Pit
Big Red Welcome
State Fair Herdsmanship
Steak Fry
Little Aksarben
Fall Kids Day
Little MAEC
Holiday Gathering
Big Red Beef Show
Agricultural Education (CDE) Contests

August 31 August 25 September 2 September 6 October 23 November 6 December 6 December 13 March 22 April 3-4 April 25

June 24

### Treasurer's Report

		By: Aaron Fehringer
Activity	Expenses	<u>Income</u>
Pase	\$100.00	\$100.00
Beef Pit	\$0.00	\$0.00
State Fair Herdsmanship	\$0.00	\$0.00
Steak Fry	\$19.35	\$2,983.81
Little Ak-sar-ben	\$370.60	\$150.00
Kids Day	\$199.76	\$0.00
Little Maec	\$0.00	\$0.00
Holiday Gathering	\$162.44	\$0.00
Big Red Beef Show	\$3,271.41	\$4,080.00
State Ag Ed Contests	\$251.48	\$1,500.00
Banquet	*	*
Annual	*	*
Membership Dues	\$500.00	\$1,346.00
T-Shirts	\$1,186.50	\$590.96
Big Red Welcome	\$22.80	\$0.00
Nationals	\$600.00	\$0.00
Sponsorship	\$350.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$491.54	\$0.00
Total	\$7,525.88	\$10,750.77

Estimated End of Year Balance

\$3,224.89

<sup>\*</sup> These figures are without complete expenses/income.

### List of Members

#### Seniors:

Emily Buescher Josh Chrisman Paul Guenther Kristen Hesman Kerry John John Magnuson Don Moss Benny Mote Melody Nelms Megan Voss Joe Wendell Travis Wolf Justan Wynegar

#### Juniors:

Ben Andrews Kimberly Becker Aaron Fehringer Genna Frenzen Adam Hamling Sarah Heidzig Kristina Holt Lynn Jirovsky Bruce Kraeger Kami Marsh Matt McGraw Aaron Naber Lisa Nelson Candice Olson

Tyréll Rousey Jeff Schlechte Mikaleh Shultz Rob Smith Aaron Ulland Nick Weinrich

#### Sophomores:

Ashley Batie Leslie Boeckenhauer Nicole Erickson Nate Heidbrink Cathy Hervert Sabrina Jansma Lindsay Kampbell Lisa Kotas Ashley Lewis Renee Minary Corrina Oltmans Lindsey Volkmer Jennifer Witte Vicki Wray

#### Freshman:

Justin Bolte
Brian Bomberger
Lesha Eggers
Tessa Frenzen
Mollie Grim
Jaclyn Grundman
Tracy Hadenfeldt
Aneta Klekotko

Beau Klug Lisa Kot Rodney Lamb Beth Maricle Brent Nelms Jon Niebuhr Shane Potter Debi Schulz

Alison Stephens Bob Strudl Jessika Uden Amanda Van Hecke Ryan Walrath Jessica Warner

### From the Desk of Dr. Beermann

#### Dear Block & Bridle Club Members:

I congratulate you on your many accomplishments this past year. The Animal Science faculty are proud of the role you play in providing students an opportunity to enrich and broaden their educational experience here at UNL. We are particularly pleased with the contributions you make to the Department and the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

The B&B Club Officers and Committee Chairs are commended for their leadership and dedication in managing a very busy activities schedule and for bringing about some timely improvements to enhance the impact of some of those activities. When this academic year comes to a close, you will take with you many valuable learning experiences and positive memories developed during your membership in Block & Bridle.

I also extend a hearty "congratulations" to the rest of the members for your contributions and participation. I heard many praiseworthy comments about members from the three faculty advisors to the Club, Rodger Johnson, Rosie Nold, and Rick Rasby. They made valuable contributions too, as you know, and I thank them for their dedication and involvement.

The Block & Bridle Club maintains an excellent reputation for fostering friendship, collegial competition, and personal growth among its members. The activities you conduct build knowledge, technical and leadership skills, and confidence; all of which are key ingredients to success. Your selection of Max Kimmerling as this year's Honoree is a special event because members will long remember the many "lessons on life" that Max shared with club members who visited him.

Lastly, I wish you continued success in school or beyond as you define your goals and pursue those aspirations in work and life. I hope those plans include animal agriculture.

Sincerely,

Donald H. Beermann Department Head

### Members =

This years members were quite active and did a great job of continuing to build the club on the values and ideals that Block and Bridle was established on. A complete list of the members can be found on page 7.



### Officers

The officers consisted of: Back-Aaron Fehringer -Treasure, Aaron Naber -Social Chair, Nick Wienrick - Ambassador, Adam Hamling - Marshall, Nate Heidbrink - Asst. Historian, Don Moss - Vice Pres. Candice Olson - Program Chair, Kerry John - Secretary, Kami Marsh - News Reporter, Jen Witte - Asst. Marshall, Megan Voss -President, Genna Frenzen -Ambassador, Kim Becker -Historian.



### =9nitiates=



Some of this years initiates are:
Rodney Lamb, Brent
Nelms, Ryan Walrath,
Amanda VanHecke, Mollie Grim, Tessa
Frenzen, Elizabeth Maricle, and Jaclyn Grundman. The other initiate names can be found on the member list on page
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### Advisors



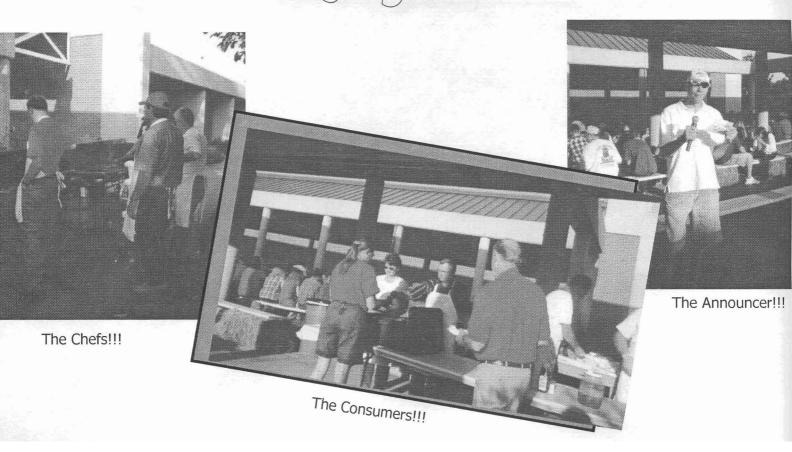
This years advisors are:

Senior Advisor:
Rodger Johnson

Junior Advisor: Rosie Nold

Freshman Advisor: Rick Rasby

# Steak Fry



Each year UNL Block and Bridle helps kick off the new school year with the annual Steak Fry. On September 5, over one hundred and fifty students and faculty from east campus joined the Block and Bridle members in eating a steak dinner prepared by the animal science faculty. The courtyard in front of the animal science building made for a perfect setting.

The steak fry not only serves as a great recruitment event for the club, but also lets students and faculty get to know each other outside of the classroom setting. The steak fry was only one of the nights' events, with the "Prairie Stomp" dance sponsored by the CASNR Advisory Board following.

Sponsors for this event included the University Programs Council, Cattleman's Consulting, Excel Meats, and Nebraska Beef Council. Dr. Beermann, the Animal Science Department Head, welcomed everyone and expressed his excitement for the coming year.

This event was chaired by Aaron Fehringer, Don Moss, Megan Voss and Kimberly Becker. They would like to thank the sponsors, members and all that attended for helping make this event a success and getting the year started off on the right foot.

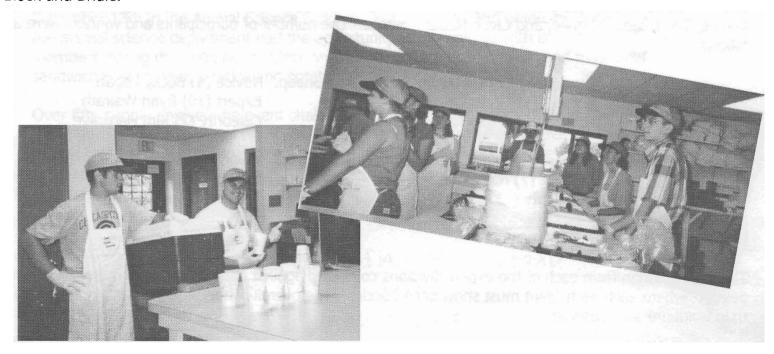
# State Fair

### 4-H Herdsmanship

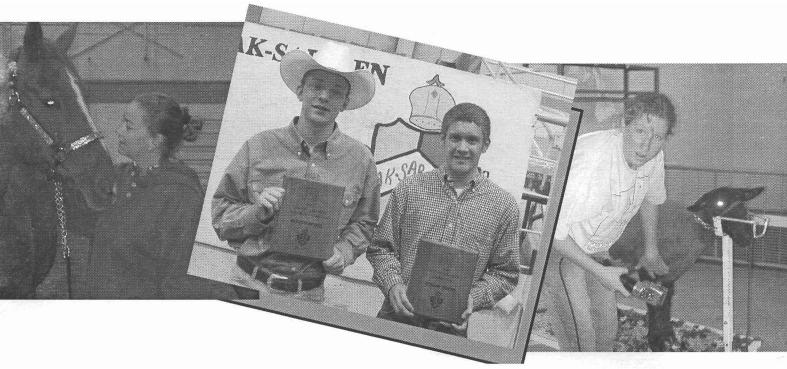
Labor Day weekend club members participated in herdsmanship judging at the Nebraska State Fair. During the three days, Block and Bridle members evaluated the 4-H participants and clubs on the appearance of their exhibit area and care for their animals. We were responsible for judging beef, swine, sheep, and dairy. Through our continued volunteering at the Nebraska State Fair, the club is not only able to express support for the outstanding 4-H organization, but we are also contributing to Nebraska youth.

### Nebraska Cattlemen's Beef Pit

During the Nebraska State Fair, the Nebraska Cattlemen's Association has a "Beef Pit" on the midway. There they serve steaks and barbequed beef sandwiches to State Fair visitors. Annually, they request the help of the Block and Bridle Club to help man the Beef Pit. It has become a tradition to volunteer our services and both organizations look forward to working together. On August 31st several members donated their time to take orders, serve visitors, and clean tables. This is an important contribution to a valuable organization within the beef industry and a strong supporter of Block and Bridle.



### Little Aksarben



This event was held October 24, 2002, at 7:00 pm in the Animal Science Arena. Participants were able to work and fit their livestock from October 22 to the 24. Four species were shown: Beef, Swine, Sheep, and Equine. In each of the species there were the usual two divisions of novice and expert, and this year a new division of celebrity was added. The celebrity consisted of faculty, staff, and graduate students. Each livestock species had a different judge, and they were Deanna Karmazin – Beef, R.B. Warren – Equine, Ted Doane – Sheep, and Clyde Naber – Swine. The number of participants and winners were as follows:

Beef: Novice (6) Lynn Jirovsky

Expert (11) Cathy Hervert Celebrity (4) Kim Hargrave

Horse: Novice (12) Kami Marsh

Expert (7) Nathan Heidbrink Celebrity (1) Dr. Keith Gilster Sheep: Novice (4) Becky Logan

Expert (10) Ryan Walrath Celebrity (2) Kim Hargrave

Swine: Novice (5) Jaclyn Grundman

Expert (9) Ross Nantkes Celebrity (4) Ginger Mills

Overall, there were 75 participants.

The top showman from each of the expert divisions competed against each other in the round robin competition, where each participant must show each species. The overall winner was Ryan Walrath and Nathan Heidbrink won reserve.

The chairpersons, Aaron Naber and Kami Marsh say thank you to all participants, judges, club members and anyone else involved, it was a fun and successful experience for all.

# PASE)

PASE: Premier Animal Science Events is the youth 4-H activities of the Livestock Judging Events that had previously been held during the Nebraska State Fair. This two day event was the sight of a lot of activity from the almost 400 youth participants.

The first night of the contest allowed students to be introduced to Block and Bridle. We rented out the bowling alley of the East Campus Union for the night, where youth could bowl, play pool, and also foosball. This was a great way for student to student interaction between the members and participants.

The chair Megan Voss would like to thank Kim Becker, Don Moss and Kristina Holt for helping at this event.

# Holiday Gathering

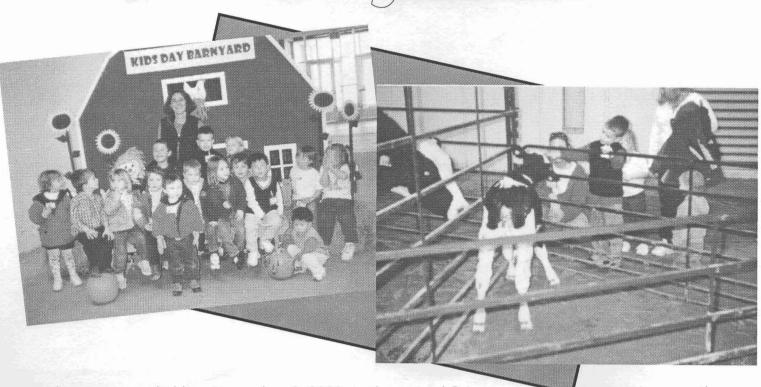
In honor of the holiday season, Block and Bridle held the annual Holiday Gathering Friday, December 13th in the Animal Science Building. Faculty, staff, and graduate students of the animal science department had the opportunity to intermingle with Block and Bridle members during the noon hour. Block and Bridle members served ham and roast beef sandwiches along with a pickle and potato salad.

Over fifty people enjoyed the event chaired by Kimberly Becker, Megan Voss and Aaron Fehringer. The chairpersons would like to say thank you to all of those that attended and helped with this event. A special thanks goes to B & B Bakery for the use of their serving trays and utensils.

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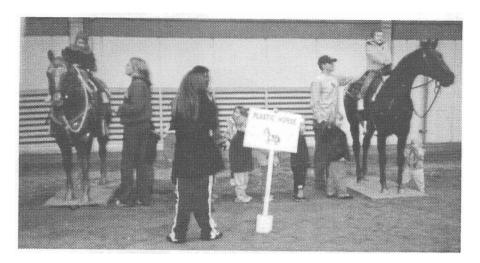
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# Kids Day



This event was held on November 6, 2002, in the Animal Science Arena. Area youth were taken on a tour by a Block & Bridle member, but first a group picture was taken and then the fun in the arena began. There were many different stations positioned around the arena, and each one had their own poster with interesting facts for the children and teachers to read. The different stations included: market cattle, market hogs, market lambs, ponies, horse, dairy cow and calf, piglets, mice, chickens, quail, horse skeleton, wool, and 2 plastic horses for the kids to ride. There were a total of 15 groups, which totaled almost 200 children.

The chairpersons for this event were Kami Marsh and Aaron Naber. The committee would like to thank everyone who helped set-up, lead groups, takedown, and to the provider of the animals.



# Sittle MAEC

On December 6, 2002, numerous University of Nebraska students participated in the Block and Bridle Little MAEC Market and Breeding Division Judging Contest. The event took place in the Animal Science Building Arena. Block and Bridle members were group leaders, helped with registration and scoring, stirred livestock and some also participated at the same time.

Students were entered into three divisions, Senior, Junior, and Novice, and had to judge seven classes of livestock. They were also asked questions and evaluate three classes for carcass characteristics.

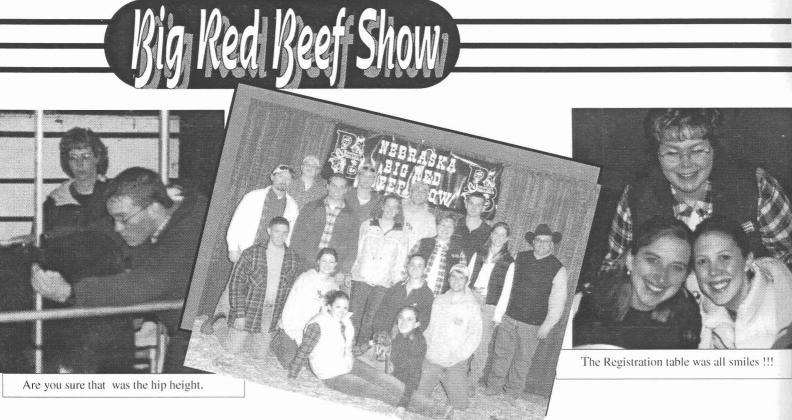
After the scores were tabulated, the results were:

Don Moss

Senior Division Overall 1. Jill Kruger 2. Joe Wendell 3. Dave Uhrig	Beef 1. Joe Wendell 2. Jill Kruger 3. Dave Uhrig	Swine 1. Joe Wendell 2. Jill Kruger 3. Ben Andrews	Sheep 1. Aaron Naber 2. Dave Uhrig 3. Tyrell Rousey
Junior Division Overall 1. Aaron Sindelar 2. Rodney Lamb 3. Adam Hamling	Beef 1. Chris Hanson 2. Rodney Lamb 3. Aaron Sindelar	Swine 1. Aaron Sindelar 2. Adam Hamling 3. Rodney Lamb	Sheep 1. Aaron Sindelar 2. Adam Hamling 3. Adina Choat
Novice Division Overall 1. Sarah Daly 2. Melissa Thompson 3. Clint Burney	Beef 1. Melissa Thompson 2. Brian Meyer 3. Brent Johnson	Swine 1. Clint Burney 2. Sarah Daly 3. Tyler Daly	Sheep 1. Sarah Daly 2. Tyler Daly 3. Brian Meyer
Top Senior Team Aaron Naber Adam Hamling Aaron Fehringer	Top Junior Team Marty Moravec Luke Schmid Curt Rickertson	Top Novice T Sarah Daly Tyler Daly Clint Burney	Team

Jeremy Martin, Dr. Bryan Reiling, and current and past judging team members served as the official judges for the event and Candice Olson and Genna Frenzen were the chairpersons. A big thank you goes out to all of the participants and members who helped make this event successful for another year.

Caleb Harms



The 30th annual Big Red Beef Show was held on Columbus, NE. Larry Hafer from Beatrice, NE evaluated and placed ten different breeds of breeding heifers, market heifers, market steers, and showmanship at the Nebraska Junior Cattleman sanctioned show. There were 129 head of cattle exhibited by 89 4-H and FFA exhibitors from Nebraska and Iowa.

The supreme breeding heifer was shown by Sara Wert, Cody Schulz showed the reserve. Supreme market animal was exhibited by Chelsea Palmer, reserve by Lindsey Sievers. Champion market steer was shown by Chelsea Palmer, reserve by Julia French. The Champion market heifer was exhibited by Lindsey Sievers, reserve by Jacob Bakenhus.

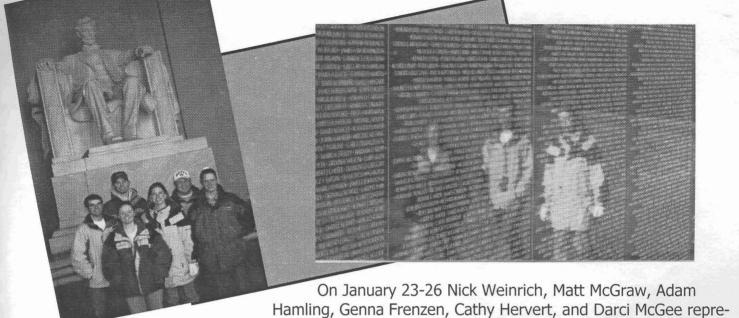
For the second year, a \$500 scholarship to the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln was give to the top senior and intermediate showmen. The champion senior showman was Emily Pohlman with Kenny Palmer as reserve. The champion intermediate showman was Jacob Bakenhus and Jara Settles as reserve. The champion junior showman was Nathan Fillip with Cody Scholz as reserve.

This event would not be possible without sponsorship. This years sponsors include: Galen Frenzen, Julian and Kathleen Canaday, Bull Barn Genetics/Cedar Top Ranch, Wagonhammer Cattle Co., Darr Feedlot, Inc., TWJ Farms, QuirkLand & Cattle Co., Upstream Ranch, A & B Cattle, Huss Platte Valley Auction, Inc., Triple J Club Calves, Monahan Cattle Company, Nebraska Polled Hereford Association, George & Barb Cooksley, Rishel Angus, Nebraska Cattlemen, Loup City Commission Company, Winz Wagonwheel Ranch, Inc., Feller and Company, Blueberry Hill Farms.

The chair, Genna Frenzen would like to thank you to all who helped, attended, participated and helped to make this event possible.

# National Convention

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dle Convention in Washington D.C. This group left Thursday January 23<sup>rd</sup> to make their presence known among the 600 other students in attendance.

the Nebraska chapter at the National Block and Bri-

On Friday morning we awoke early to attend sessions presented in the Double Tree Hotel in which we were staying. Some of the sessions were What Makes A Cow Tick, which dealt with the estrus cycle of a cow. Others were, niche marketing, a success story on the marketing of lambs, and the pros and cons of financing. These sessions were all interesting and we learned a lot about the respective topics. Friday afternoon was on our own, so we took the time to do a little sight seeing. We walked through Arlington Cemetery, walked across the Potomac River, then through the mall, where we saw the Lincoln Monument, the Vietnam Wall, Washington Monument, the White House, and then the Smithsonian Museum. There was a dance that followed later that evening.

Saturday morning we were off to see the surrounding farms and sights. Some of the tours that we attended were the Hanover Shoe Farm, which is the largest standard-bred farm in the U.S., and also the Mason Dixon Farms, which is a large dairy farm on the Mason Dixon Line. Then we were able to tread on the sacred grounds of Gettysburg. After our tours and returning back to D.C., we attended the closing banquet where many members were awarded for their strong embrace on Block and Bridle. There one of our own was recognized for her strong work ethic on both the local and national level, Megan Voss received the National Junior Scholarship Award.

Sunday morning, with our baggage packed and our heads spinning from the knowledge gained from the places we attended and the people we met, we departed to head back to Nebraska.

We would like to thank our sponsors that so generously donated to help with the costs: Animal Science Department (traveling expenses), and the Block and Bridle Club. It was greatly appreciated. THANK YOU!

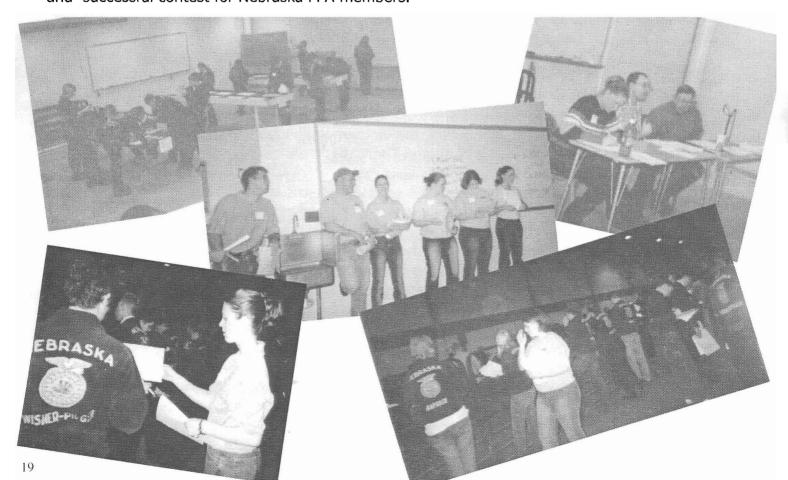
# State 33A

The State Agricultural Education Contests were held April 3 and 4 in the animal science building. As the campus became engulfed with the traditional blue and gold FFA jackets, we could feel the anxiety of the participants and advisors growing. The livestock selection portion took place on the third and was headed up by Kami Marsh and Kerry John. The livestock management portion took place on the fourth and was chaired by Aaron Naber and Kami Marsh.

The participants in the selection contest judged eight different classes including the market swine, beef, and lambs, two breeding classes, a cull/keep class, frame and muscle feeder calf class and questions. The senior division also gave sets of reasons. This year the contest included the use of computerized scorecards, which were a big help when it came to calculating. Hopefully next year all of the little problems will be eliminated. Members were responsible for registration, leading groups, stirring animals, and helping to complete score tabulations.

The participants in the management contest were tested their knowledge of one of six species: beef, dairy, swine, sheep, horse, and poultry. Members of B & B were responsible for registration, leading groups, helping with the different species, and helping administer the tests.

Thank you to all of the club members and faculty who worked together to make this a challenging and successful contest for Nebraska FFA members.



# Honors Banquet

The 2002-2003 Block and Bridle Honors Banquet was held on April 25, 2003. The banquet is a club tradition to mark the end of another successful academic year. Club members, animal science students, and various judging teams are recognized for their outstanding achievements both in the classroom and in extracurricular activities.

The banquet also holds another special tradition of naming the Block and Bridle Honoree. The honoree is an individual who has made a significant contribution to animal agriculture. The banquet is held in their honor and a portrait is presented to be hung in the animal science hall of fame. The Honoree recognized at the 2002-2003 banquet was Mr. Max Kimmerling from Beatrice, NE.

The Block and Bridle Awards given were:

#### Don Geweke Awards (Little MAEC)

Jill Kruger – 1<sup>st</sup> in Senior Division Aaron Sindelar – 1 <sup>st</sup> in Junior Division Joe Wendell – 2<sup>nd</sup> in Senior Division

Mike Cull Award

Kristina Holt

**National Outstanding Senior Award** 

Megan Voss

**Outstanding Junior Activities** 

Kami Marsh

**Outstanding Initiate** 

Ryan Walrath

**Outstanding Junior Scholarship** 

Aaron Naber

**Outstanding Senior Scholarship** 

Megan Voss

**National Junior Scholarship** 

Aaron Naber

**Senior Workhorse** 

Justan Wynegar

**Outstanding Sophomore Activities** 

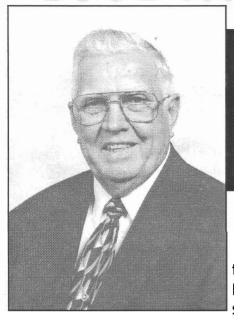
Nathan Heidbrink

This years banquet was chaired by Megan Voss and Don Moss.

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### 2002 Honoree



### Frank Bruning

Family:

Wife: Mary

Children: Fred and Jane

#### **Background:**

Other than years spent serving in the US Marines or on campus at the University of Nebraska, Frank Bruning has spent his entire life in Bruning, Nebraska. He was born on April 21, 1926. He attended school in Bruning, graduating from high school in 1943. Following

high school, he studied at the University of Nebraska for one semester, and then in fall of 1943, he enlisted in the Marines and served in Guam for 14 months. Upon discharge, Frank returned to the University of Nebraska and majored in Animal Science. In 1949 he received a bachelor's degree in agriculture. While at the university, he was instrumental in forming the Rodeo Club, was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, and was active in numerous other activities.

Frank married Mary Reiss. They started a registered Hereford herd in 1950, and in 1975 with son Fred, they added registered Angus cattle to their operation. Recently, they have added a five-breed composite herd of cattle. In their operation, they have both spring and fall calving seasons. All cows are maintained near Bruning and Fairbury and are fed feedstuffs produced in their farming operation. Other cattle are also purchased for grazing and fed for slaughter. Innovative grazing practices have been incorporated into a total life-cycle management program.

In 1961, Frank and Mary created a unique business, Feedlot Fencing, Inc. that grew out of innovative use of oilfield pipe and rods. This successful venture provides steel rods and pipe, along with gates and panels that Feedlot Fencing manufactures, for feedlots, ranches, dairies, buffalo and horse operations across much of the Midwest. Mary and Penni (Fred's wife) handle most of the fencing business management.

In 1891, Frank's grandfather started Bruning State Bank, which was originally called the German Bank. Frank became President of the bank in 1965 and then Chair of the board in 1987. The Bruning family remains the major holders. Fred, who is the fourth generation, is also active in the bank. The central mission of Bruning State Bank has always been promotion and support for agriculture and rural communities. During Frank's tenure with the bank, it has grown from \$3 million to almost \$90 million in assets. He has also been a central leader in the Bruning Community Foundation and is active in the Grassland Council.

Throughout Frank's life, he has been a creator of educational opportunities for both "young and old". He helped create the Farmers and Ranchers College, an annual event supported by area agribusinesses and University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension. He has also been a supporter of area 4-H and local school activities. Frank Bruning will continue to make lasting, positive impressions on youth and our leaders for tomorrow.

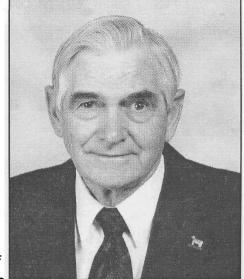
### 2003 Honoree

### Max Kimmerling

Family:

Wife: Viola

Children: Phillip (deceased), Linda Kopp, Kent (deceased), Kathy Strouf, Paul, Kevin



#### **Background:**

A dairyman from Beatrice, NE, Max Kimmerling has given much of his time during the last 25 years to ensure Nebraska's dairy producers

have a market for their milk. He was born June 5, 1927, attended school in Beatrice and graduated from Beatrice High School. He attended the University of Nebraska where he was a member of the Block and Bridle Club and served as secretary/treasure of the Varsity Dairy Club. He also was a member of Alpha Gamma Rho and Alpha Zeta. He received a B.S. degree in Agriculture with majors in Dairy and Animal Husbandry. He and his wife Viola were married while Max was attending college.

After graduating from UNL, Max and Viola returned to the family farm in Gage County. They have been milking cows ever since. By today's standards, their herd is relatively small, 60 to 100 Holstein and Milking Shorthorn cows. But it is truly a family farm. Even today, on days when he is not involved in board meetings, Max is usually at the farm doing a significant amount of the milking and farm chores along with his son Paul and Paul's family. It is evident that Max and Viola place high value on involving the entire family in the farming activities. Their children and grandchildren have been very active in 4-H and Max and Viola readily share pictures of their family showing the prize Milking Shorthorns at county and state fairs and national shows.

Max was very involved in the activation of the Nebraska Dairy Industry Development Board. LB 275, a bill that provided an operative provision for the board, was passed into law in 1992. Through Max's leadership the board was activated in 1998 and Max served as Chairman from its inception to 2001. Max, a Corporate Board Member of Mid American Dairymen, Inc., was involved in the decision to merge Mid American with three other cooperatives to form Dairy Farmers of America in 1998. He served in the reorganization of DFA as one of its first corporate board members from 1998 until 2001. His fellow dairymen consider this service to be how he helped them the most. The work culminated in the largest cooperative in the U.S. More than 22,000 dairy farmers participate, marketing some 38 billion lbs. of milk annually with a value of approximately \$8 billion.

Max has been described as a "take charge" person, a leader, but in a quiet and unassuming way. He is a strong promoter of agriculture and youth activities in the Beatrice community, in Nebraska, and nationally. As a fellow dairyman wrote, "Max has exemplified meeting the daily challenges of operating a successful dairy farm and of spending a large amount of time away from the farm fighting the battles for his fellow dairy farmers as they do the necessary things to have a profitable existence."

#### Scholarship Recipients

ABS Global Ashley Batie

Maurice E. Boeckenhauer Memorial William Pohlmeier

Doane Elizabeth Maricle

Parr Family Scholarship Jill Wardell

Max and Ora Mae Stark Renee Minary

Arthur W. & Viola Thompson Nathan Glaesemann

Lisa Kot

Freshman Scholarships Ashley Benes-Waldo Farms Justin Bolte-Waldo Farms Adina Choat Michael Gordon Jared Hartmann

Baltzell Agri-Products, Inc.

Genna Frenzen

Robert Boeckenhauer Memorial

Lisa Kotas

William J. & Hazel J. Loeffel

Rachel Spatz Sarah Heidzig

Chris and Sarah Raun Memorial

Jordan Spatz

Dwight F. Stephens

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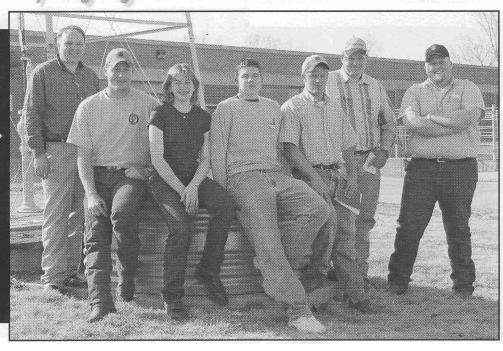


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### From the Desk of Dr. Beermann

#### Dear Block & Bridle Club Members:

I congratulate you on your many accomplishments this past year. The Animal Science faculty are proud of the role you play in providing students an opportunity to enrich and broaden their educational experience here at UNL. We are particularly pleased with the contributions you make to the Department and the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

The B&B Club Officers and Committee Chairs are commended for their leadership and dedication in managing a very busy activities schedule and for bringing about some timely improvements to enhance the impact of some of those activities. When this academic year comes to a close, you will take with you many valuable learning experiences and positive memories developed during your membership in Block & Bridle.

I also extend a hearty "congratulations" to the rest of the members for your contributions and participation. I heard many praiseworthy comments about members from the three faculty advisors to the Club, Rodger Johnson, Rosie Nold, and Rick Rasby. They made valuable contributions too, as you know, and I thank them for their dedication and involvement.

The Block & Bridle Club maintains an excellent reputation for fostering friendship, collegial competition, and personal growth among its members. The activities you conduct build knowledge, technical and leadership skills, and confidence; all of which are key ingredients to success. Your selection of Max Kimmerling as this year's Honoree is a special event because members will long remember the many "lessons on life" that Max shared with club members who visited him.

Lastly, I wish you continued success in school or beyond as you define your goals and pursue those aspirations in work and life. I hope those plans include animal agriculture.

Sincerely,

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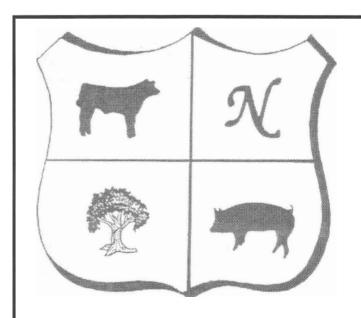
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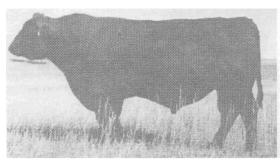
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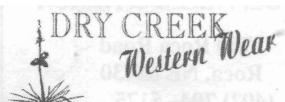


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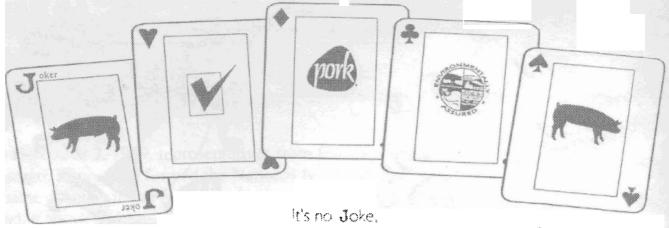


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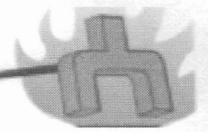
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