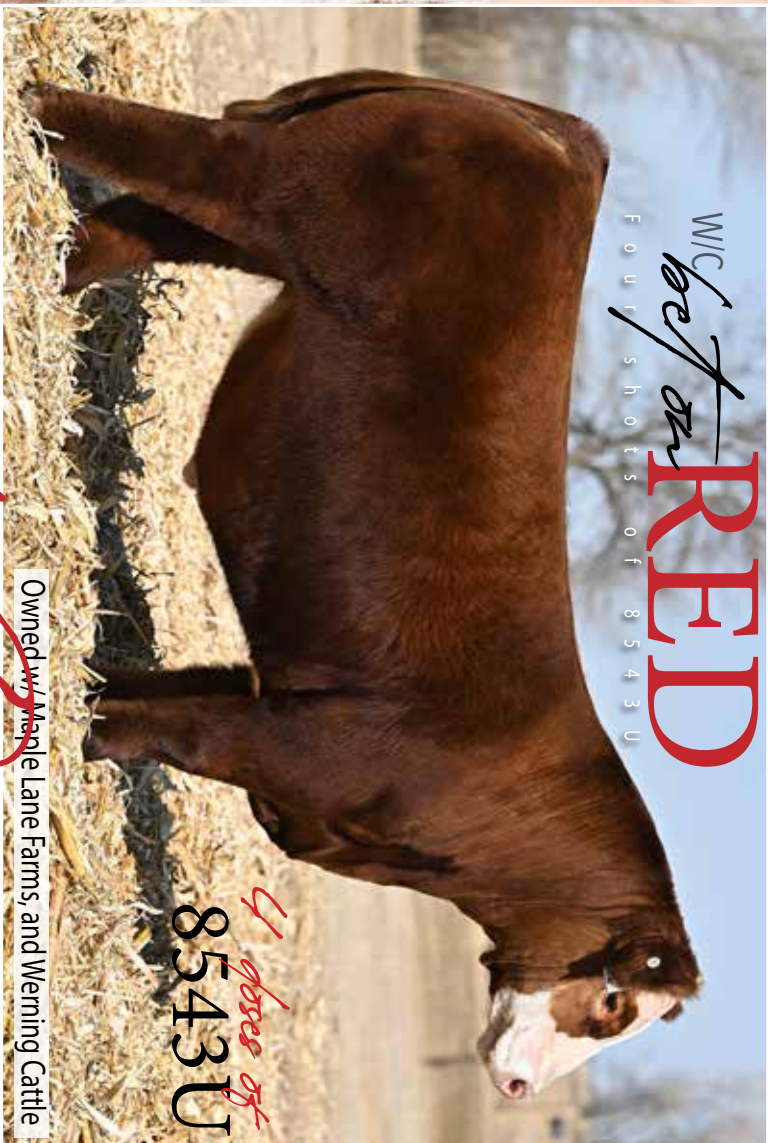




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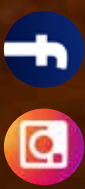


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## *Letter From The President*

Greetings members,

We are one year into what I have called a rebuilding of ourselves and the OKSSA. We have made a commitment to improve, to better serve and to redefine ourselves in the pursuit of promoting Simmental. We are back having a booth at both Farm Shows. We have a great new booth and we want to strive to keep getting better.

There was great discussion and ideas thrown around from different members that were very valuable and much needed at the Annual Meeting at Remington Park. We also have several new Board members that are new faces. I welcome them and greatly appreciate the service of the outgoing members. There is already a committee in place to reach out to see how we as a Breed Association can help build off the Cattleman's Congress and help it grow, look forward to seeing progress there. Simmental continues to dominate the numbers in our state shows and we want to also work on how we can continue to improve growth there as well.

Many of these tasks cannot be done with just a few, we must all reach out where we can to keep this moving forward. The cattle numbers across the country are the lowest in many decades, our Bulls and replacement females are in high demand wherever you look, so we are searching avenues that we as a group can help market your animals. If at any time you have concerns or questions or just want to share an idea, please give me a call anytime. It is a pleasure to be back on the Board serving you.

*Kurt Hamburger*

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# Pepper Elmore

## 2022 Junior of the Year



Pepper Elmore is a junior at Kremlin-Hillsdale High School. She has exhibited and promoted Simmental cattle since a very young age. Her time in the barn along with time spent around cattle began before she could even walk. At just six years old at the Tulsa State Fair, she exhibited the Champion Simmental Female. Getting pulled ahead of her dad in division was without doubt, a fun highlight!

She is currently active in FFA, National Honor Society, basketball and track. This year, she is serving her FFA chapter as reporter and is also on the Junior Board of Directors for the Oklahoma Simmental Simbrah Association. She has been a member of the American Simmental Association since 2012 and the OKSSA since 2014 along with memberships in many other breeds as well.

She has many special memories associated with promoting Simmental cattle that will carry on with her for a lifetime. She has won numerous showmanship competitions at the state level and is also a TWO-TIME NATIONAL CHAMPION SHOWMAN at the AJSA National Classic. The first time she won this honor was in 2019 as a Junior and the second time in 2021 as an Intermediate. In 2019, Pepper won the Tulsa State Fair Owned Show with her Bred and Owned Percentage Female that went on to be the Supreme Bred and Owned Influence Female.



The 2021-2022 show season will be a hard one to match! At the 2021 AJSA National Classic, she had the Champion Bred and Owned Percentage Bull. Pepper with her heifer, Hazel, was Reserve Champion at the Simmental Sweepstakes in Louisville, KY and Reserve Champion again at the NAILE Open Show in 2021. Pepper and Hazel went on to be named Champion Female at the Cattlemen's Congress, both in the Jr and Open Show, the National Western Stockshow in Denver, Colorado and was named the National Champion Female at the Fort Worth Stockshow and Rodeo. All of these wins combined resulted in having the 2021-2022 PTP Purebred Show Heifer of the Year! Then, in March of 2022, she had the champion female at the the Oklahoma Youth Expo, with Malibu her Simmental Influence Heifer who went on to be the Reserve Supreme Percentage Female.



Pepper has never been afraid of hard work whether it's in a barn, at school or in athletics. She works hard at home with her livestock, helps fit her cattle at shows and is hired to help other families and ranches as well. She assists our family with cattle clinics and has taken in numerous heifers to break for shows and sales. She also had the opportunity to work with a local farmer for a summer which helped to broaden her horizons through crop production and harvest.

She also has a deep passion and dedication to athletics. As of her sophomore season, she has made the podium at the State Track Meet six times. Last season, she claimed the State Champion title in the 100 meter and in Long Jump. She was also the State Champion Runner-Up in the 200 meter. Pepper hopes to compete in track and field at Oklahoma State University with plans to pursue Chiropractic Care for both humans and animals.







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# Rylee Williams

Rylee Williams is a Junior at Tecumseh High School where she has maintained a 4.0 gpa and selected to a member of the National Honor Society Member. Additionally, she is currently enrolled in concurrent classes through Seminole State College. Rylee is active within the Tecumseh FFA Chapter where she is a part of Livestock Judging, Beef Show Team, and currently serves as the chapters Vice President. Rylee has played volleyball since being in middle school and is a member of THS Varsity Team.

Rylee has been an active member of the Oklahoma Junior Simmental Association since 2017 and served on the junior board including Oklahoma Simmental Queen since 2021. She is a member of the Oklahoma Junior Cattlemen's Association, Oklahoma Junior Maine Anjou Association, and American Junior Simmental Association. Rylee has been in the show ring at many levels from local to national shows.

Being a fourth-generation cattlemen (cattlegirls) she enjoys every aspect of exhibiting cattle including having an active role in sire selection and day to day operations of the family's herd. Rylee plans on continuing concurrent classes through her Senior year and work towards attending Oklahoma State University to become a veterinarian specializing in large animals. Once complete, she would love to practice in rural Oklahoma and of course help maintain the family cattle operation.





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## **Article I - Name**

The name of this corporation shall be the Oklahoma Simmental Simbrah Association (OKSSA)

## **Article II - Aims & Objectives**

The OKSSA has set as its primary objectives the development and promotions of the Simmental Simbrah breeds of cattle in the State of Oklahoma. It is believed that both these breeds can make important contributions towards the improvement of the cattle industry in Oklahoma. The OKSSA is open to all individuals interested in Simmental and Simbrah cattle.

## **ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**

1. Application for membership must be made in writing to the secretary-treasurer of the OKSSA.
2. The Board of Directors shall have the power to accept or reject any application for membership. The Board shall have the power to suspend or expel any member who conducts himself in a manner detrimental to the OKSSA or fails to comply with OKSSA rules and regulations without refund of membership fees or dues.
3. A member whose membership has been revoked must make a written application to the Board for reinstatement and may be reinstated only after having received a three-fourths (3/4) affirmative vote from the Board.
4. Legal partnerships or incorporated companies shall specify in writing the person(s) authorized to vote or act in their behalf at any meeting of the OKSSA.
5. Active members are those interested in Simmental and Simbrah cattle that pay the membership dues, regardless of residence. They may vote and hold elected office. There is only one vote per membership.
6. Associate members are those interested in Simmental and Simbrah cattle who pay the membership dues, regardless of residence. They may vote and hold elected office. There is only one vote per membership.
7. Associate members are non-voting members who may be interested in the advancement of the OKSSA. They may not hold office nor may they vote.
8. Honorary members are individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the development of Simmental and Simbrah cattle in Oklahoma. They are elected by the general membership of the OKSSA provided they have been recommended for such an appointment by a prior resolution by the Board. Honorary members are not entitled to vote nor may they hold elected office.

## **ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS & DIRECTORS**

1. DUTIES OF OFFICERS:
  - A. The President shall preside at meetings and shall be Chairman of the Board of Directors. He shall issue the call to meeting for all Board meetings. He shall carry on the business of the OKSSA under the Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws, and the instructions of the Board of Directors.
  - B. The Vice President shall, in the absence of the President or at the President's request, perform the duties of the President.
  - C. The Secretary-Treasurer shall assist the President in managing the business of the OKSSA. He shall be the official custodian of the seal and records of the OKSSA. He shall see to the financial affairs of the OKSSA. He shall perform such other duties as may be delegated to him by the president or the Board.
  - D. The Board may employ an Executive Secretary. He shall assume the duties of the secretary-treasurer and the business affairs of the OKSSA in accordance with policy directives from the Board as communicated to him by the President.
  - E. The Executive Secretary may act as the authorized representative of the Board in conducting the business of the OKSSA. He may be responsible for the safekeeping of all securities and monies of the OKSSA and shall direct the keeping of proper books of account. He may perform all duties as may be directed by the Executive Committee of the Board. He may hire and discharge all employees of the OKSSA, with the approval of a majority of the Board.
2. DUTIES OF DIRECTORS:
  - A. The policies and affairs of the OKSSA shall be established and administered by a Board of Directors. The Board shall consist of nine (9) directors: four (4) at large directors, four (4) district directors, and one (1) ex-officio director. The at large directors shall be elected from the general membership at the annual meeting and shall serve a term of three (3) years. The district directors shall be elected by the District caucus at the annual meeting and shall serve a term of three (3) years.

The Districts are as follows:

District 1 (NE): An area bound on the north by Kansas, east by Missouri and Arkansas, south by I-40 and west by L-35.

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District 2 (SE): Bound on the north by I-40, east by Arkansas, south by Texas, west by I-35.

District 3 (NW): Bound on the north by Kansas, east by I-35, South by I-40, west by Texas. This includes this includes the Oklahoma Pandhandle.

District 4 (SW): Bound on the north by I-40, east by I-35, south by Texas, and west by Texas.

- B. Out of state members shall vote in the at-large elections and are eligible to serve as a director-at-large with all the appropriate voting privileges.
- C. If a district fails to elect a member of their own, the newly formed board may appoint a director to serve a one year term.
- D. The Directors shall elect from among their own number a President, Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer. They will serve a one year term and may succeed themselves for one term. This election shall be held at the Annual Meeting.
- E. The immediate past president shall be an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee for one (1) year. The board may appoint additional officers as they see fit in order to carry out efficiently the affairs of the OKSSA. However, only active, paid-up members in good standing may be officers. Ex-officio members are voting members.
- F. In any action, suit or proceeding against the OKSSA, or officers and/or directors in their capacity as officer/director, the Board shall select, hire and pay counsel for said officer/director to defend him in any said suit. The Board shall retain the sole power to settle any and all suits and claims against it and its officers and directors, as it deems appropriate. The OKSSA shall reimburse and indemnify said officers or directors for all reasonable expenses incurred by them in connection with said action, suite or proceeding. This agreement to defend, indem- nify, and hold officers and directors harmless from any judgments applies only to acts performed by said officer or director in the scope of duties as an officer or director of the OKSSA.

## ARTICLE V - COMMITTEES

1. Executive Committee. This committee shall consist of the President, Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer, Immediate past President (Ex-officio), and an additional Director elected by the Board. The President shall serve as Chairman. It shall be this committee's duty to conduct the affairs of the OKSSA between the Board meetings and carry out the instructions of the Board.
2. Financial Committee: Shall be composed of the Executive Committee members. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be Chairman. This committee's purpose shall be to prepare a budget and submit it to the board for approval. They shall also make recommendations to the Board for the investment of available funds.
3. Fairs and Shows: This committee shall make recommendations pertaining to live animal displays.
4. Nominating Committee: The President shall appoint one member to this committee from each of the four (4) districts. The nomination committee shall be appointed annually at least 90 days prior to the annual membership meeting to nominate directors for the OKSSA. Each member of this committee will make his report to his District caucus during the annual membership meeting. Nomination other than those brought by District mem- bers of the nominating committee may be voted on at the District caucus. A simple majority of District members present shall constitute a District quorum. The election of each District's Board member shall be presented at the annual membership meeting.
5. Membership and Promotion: Shall promote and encourage membership in the OKSSA and certify the membership at the annual membership meeting for voting purposes. They shall make recommendations concern- ing the advertising and promotion of Simmental and Simbrah cattle to insure the proper image at sales and in state publications. They shall work in cooperation with the American Simmental Association.
6. Sale Committee: Shall set sale rules, which uphold the performance and quality of Simmental and Simbrah cattle in the state sanctioned sales.
7. Youth Activities Committee: Shall assist and promote the Oklahoma Junior Simmental Simbrah Association.
8. Performance Committee: Shall be responsible for the rules and regulations and their implementation regarding the OKSSA performance testing activities. They shall also assist in forming and enforcing guidelines for performance cattle sales.

## ARTICLE VI - BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

The bylaws of the OKSSA may be amended by an affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the active members vot- ing at any annual membership meeting. Notice of all proposed (10%) of the active OKSSA members. The petition must be in the OKSSA office at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual membership meeting. The Board of Directors may also suggest Bylaws amendments; however, any proposed amendment must be included in the notice calling the meeting.





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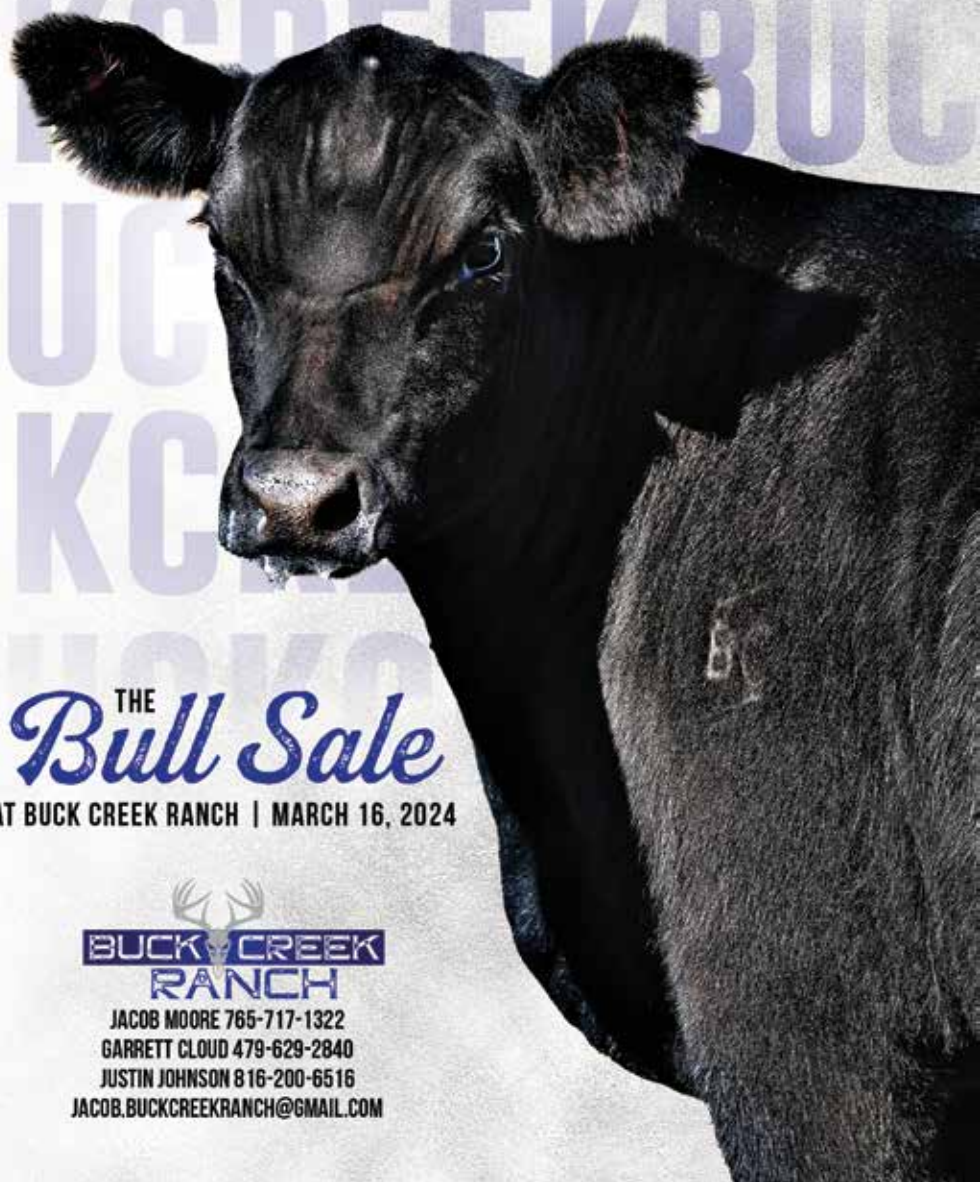
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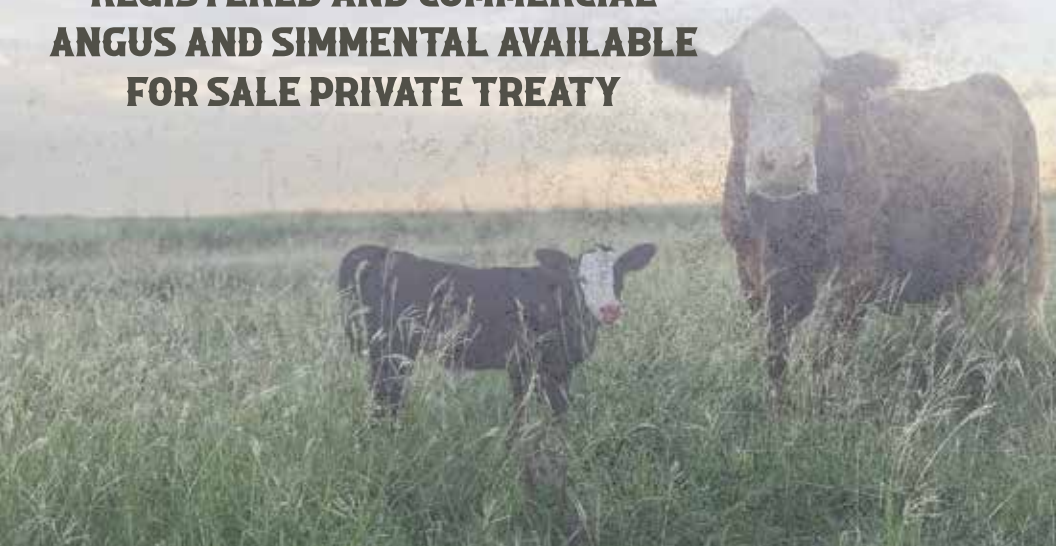
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