



Colorado SimFacts

Colorado Simmental Association ♦ www.coloradosimmental.com ♦ Winter 2019

THANK you for the NWSS help!

Thanks to our “small but mighty” group of Colorado Simmental members who volunteered their time to help put on the 2019 National Western Stock Show breed activities. The successful shows, sales & events ran smoothly, thanks to our outstanding crew. Photo highlights are found on www.coloradosimmental.com, on facebook: www.facebook.com/ColoradoSimmental1, plus some are appearing in the ag media.



Thanks to Sparks & Docheff; congratulations to Bridle Bit

Colorado Simmental Association formally gave its thanks to Bill Sparks (left) and Jim Docheff for their long-time leadership and foresight. The pair, who helped get CSA and the breed off the ground in the 1970s, were honored as *CSA Pioneer Award* recipients at the

2019 Wild, Wild West sale, held in conjunction with the NWSS events.

CSA also recognized youth, and presented the 2018 *Outstanding Breeder Award* during the start of the Jan. 22 sale. Bridle Bit Simmentals, owned and operated by Erroll Cook & sons of Walsh, received the 2018 surprise honor. Congratulations to our recipients; more details are on our website.



Highlights

To keep you in the loop, please note:

- **Directories** – CSA directories will be out soon. Thanks to those who have already paid 2019 dues. Look for it in your mailbox.
- **Marketing** – CSA is running advertising in several regional ag publications. CSA also has a series of stories written by a free-lance writer that feature ranchers who use Simmental. The stories are appearing in numerous papers to help further promote our breed.
- **Fundraising** – Proceeds from the 2019 donation lot at the Wild, Wild West sale again benefited CSA & CJSA. Thanks to the sale consignors for their generosity, and to Todd Cattle Co. for their successful bid on the new Chart tank filled with Simmental semen.
- **PAP** – ASA has teamed up with CSU to develop a PAP EPD. CSA members, please share your PAP scores with: lgieess@simgene.com
- **Sales** – Several CSA members have upcoming bull sales. Dates are posted on the website plus reminders are on facebook.

Youth corner

- **Youth of the Year** – Congrats to Bryce Hill, current CJSA president, who was named 2018 *Youth of the Year*. Hill, who will be attending Northwest College in Powell, WY on a livestock judging scholarship, was recognized for his leadership & help at several 2018 events and shows.
- **Youth grant** – Congrats to Bryce Hill, Bradie Midcap and Riley Maranville, who each received \$500 scholarships. The CSA grant application is due each Oct. 1.
- **County Fair winner** – Congrats to Chelsea Brisendine on winning Baca County Fair breeding beef. Our county fair award details and form are found online at www.coloradosimmental.com.
- **Summer shows** – A multi-breed *Junior Extravaganza* is being planned again for this summer. If you want to help, please volunteer. Watch for details.

