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2017 4-H BEEF SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

St. Paul, MN (8/26/17) – 628 outstanding young people were honored at this year’s Minnesota 4-H Beef Show for their showmanship ability. The showmanship competition held on Aug. 26, 2017 at the Minnesota State Fair, is based on the 4-H'er’s knowledge of beef production, grooming skills and handling techniques. Because of a large number of participants in the beef projects, some of the age groups were split into multiple classes. The judge for the beef showmanship contest was Jara Settles from Leavenworth, Kansas. The judge for the dairy steer showmanship contest was Matt Smoker from Wanatah, Indiana. The champion winners in each are listed below.

Prospect Calf and Cow/Calf Showmanship
- Champion Intermediate Showmanship: Justin Bente of Rock County
- Champion Senior Showmanship: Adam Bierstedt of Pipestone County

Beef Heifer Showmanship
- Champion Intermediate Showmanship: Ryan Hegland of Dakota County
- Champion Senior Showmanship: Jackson Neil of Dakota County

Market Beef Showmanship
- Champion Intermediate Showmanship: Lauren Verlinde of Murray County
- Champion Senior Showmanship: Nicholas Tate of Martin County

Dairy Steer Showmanship
- Champion Intermediate Showmanship: Annabelle Birr of Blue Earth County
- Champion Senior Showmanship: Lydia Sobeck of Winona County

Use the “Locate Entries and Results” links for specific results information on 4-H youth and 4-H judge biographies. Searches can be done by exhibitor name, county, or division/show for specific story needs.

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