

Policy: North Star Award

Purpose:

To recognize and celebrate those members or farms that have made a significant, sustained, and impactful contribution to the North Central Highland Cattle Association by demonstrating a long term commitment, leadership, outstanding achievements, mentorship, and positive influence to the North Central Highland community.

Eligibility/Selection Criteria:

- Can be awarded to an individual or group of current NCHCA members, in good standing.
- 20-25 year membership
 - Long-term involvement is required.
- Recipient has made contributions to the NCHCA that had a positive long lasting impact, impact, two of three following criteria required:
 - Active participation on board or committee(s) -10 years
 - Hosted events, organized activities, summer picnic, sale, show, gathering educational seminar, annual meeting, farm technology days, etc.
 - Mentorship - Sponsored ten plus farms over the course of their membership

Selection Process:

- The Board annually determines the individual member or farm awards to make in that year
- Board members nominate potential recipients at the November/December board meeting
- Recipients are decided by consensus of the Board at the December/January meeting

Recognition Process

- Recipient receives Plaque
- Recognition at the Annual Meeting
 - If possible, an officer or board member with some connection to the honoree presents the award, or another member with close connection could be asked to speak instead.
- Recognition with photo and write up (if possible) in Hoofbeat and on website
- Recipient earns lifetime membership, no longer needs to pay membership fee.