

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln Livestock Judging team placed third overall during the North American International Livestock Exposition held in November at Louisville, Ky.

Jay Nordhausen, son of Errol and Patty Nordhausen of Ogallala, is a team member.

UN-L Livestock Judging Coach Matt Ellicott said the team had a great final contest, finishing third out of 27 schools and winning swine for the second straight national contest.

“This accomplishment is the highest for the judging team in almost two decades,” Ellicott said.

The national contest was the final competition for the senior team members, including Nordhausen; Jason Star, North Platte; Shellie Intermill, Alliance; Clint Mickey, Aurora; Tom Murphy, Elkhorn; Mitch Novacek, Schuyler; Todd Ostermiller and Carrie Saur, Wyoming; McKenzie Chambers, Colorado; and Trey Kellner, Kansas.

Kellner was named to the All-America team. UN-L has now placed a student on the All-America team seven out of the nine years.

Individual results follow: Chambers, seventh in swine and 25th overall; Intermill, second in cattle reasons, 17th in cattle, 17th in oral reasons and 20th overall; Kellner, ninth in swine, fourth in swine reasons, 13th in cattle, fifth in performance cattle, 11th in oral reasons and 12th overall; Nordhausen, sixth in swine, 12th in cattle and eighth overall; and Ostermiller, 26th in cattle, 28th in oral reasons and 36th overall.

The team finished second in cattle and performance cattle, second in total performance, first in swine, ninth in sheep, fifth in reasons, and third overall out of 27 schools.

