

From Chicago lights to Saskatchewan nights

If someone would have asked me, as an eighteen year old growing up in a suburb of Chicago, where I'd be in twenty years, rural Saskatchewan would have been the last thing I would have said. I remember being a kid and always telling my parents I wanted to live on a farm, however, I never envisioned it consisting of 250 head of cattle, importing and exporting Speckle Park genetics around the globe and raising 4 daughters while my husband and I both worked off the farm to make ends meet. Jason and I meet in Arizona and with-

gone by that I haven't had to learn how to do something new. I can't think of a day I wasn't pushed out of my comfort zone. From figuring out the difference between hay and straw to calving cows in -40 degree weather. I'm proud of what we have accomplished. We are raising four amazing daughters, expanding our cattle operation and land base, earning many awards for our purebred Speckle Park cattle, hosting an annual bull sale in April and playing a role in providing food for the world. I was taken back when approached to be



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ing the agriculture industry flowing. Running a ranch is not easy, so many ups and downs. So many long hours, but so incredibly worth it. I applaud Alberta

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in months I was up in Saskatchewan learning the ropes. Jason was grain farming and had about 20 head of commercial and Speckle Park cattle. We started showing our cattle and growing our herd. Throughout this time I was being taught EVERYTHING. This was all new. I hadn't watched my parent's ranch, so all I knew is what I was being shown. I can't think of a day that has

a part of the Women in Ag special. I said to Jason there has to be someone more deserving. He disagreed and began to rattle off all the things I do to keep this ranch and family afloat; secretary, homeschool teacher, mother, wife, 4H leader, cattle rancher, marketing specialist and the list goes on. I suppose he is right, I am a "woman in agriculture". There are so many women behind the scenes keep-

Beef for taking a moment to spotlight all the amazing women in agriculture. It is my hope that our daughters can continue to carry on in this industry and become "Women in Ag". I couldn't think of a better way to live this life.

"Challenges are what make life interesting and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful."-Joshua J. Marine

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