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Reserve Rooms For Winter Conference

Our host hotel for our Winter Conference will be the Ramkota Hotel in Rapid City. The Ramkota has indicated they have no rooms available for the weekend of our conference. However, there are a number of alternate hotels within walking distance or a very short drive to the Ramkota. Please call early as rooms do sell out during the stock show weekends.

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If you are having problems finding a room, please contact Karen Conley at (605) 381-3738 and she will do what she can to assist you.

Holistic Management Workshop

For those of you who missed out on the summer Holistic Management Workshop in Custer State Park, we are pleased to be able to bring back Kirk Gadzia with Resource Management Services to conduct an introductory seminar on Holistic Management.

Kirk will be presenting this seminar on Friday, February 5 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Badlands room at the Ramkota Hotel. The session is open to anyone interested in learning more about Holistic Management. You do not need to be registered for the conference to attend the Friday seminar. If you can only make time for this one event, it's one you will not want to miss!

DTBA is working in conjunction with the National Bison Association and the Risk Management Agency to present this workshop as part of the Risk Management training grant received by the NBA.

Kirk will cover the basic concept of Holistic Management and the theories and practices that work best in this concept. A number of DTBA members are in various phases of incorporating Holistic Management practices on their ranches and on Saturday during the conference, several of them will share their experiences during a panel presentation with Kirk moderating and offering his own input and thoughts on the various presentations.

We are very excited to be able to offer this to our members and this information is something everyone can put to use on their own ranches. Please make time to attend this informative seminar!



Winter Conference Registration

There is a conference registration insert inside this newsletter. Many of you have already registered - THANK YOU! If you have not yet registered, please fill out and return ASAP. You can fax it to (605) 923-5154, leave a message at (605) 923-6383 or email info@dakotabuffalo.com with the details. We need a good head count for meals and breaks by Wednesday, February 3. You are welcome to pay upon arrival, but please let Karen know if you will be attending.





Notes From The President - Bruce Anderson



The recent cold weather was an unwelcome dose of reality. I guess we find our who is really in charge-Mother Nature.

The buffalo calendar is swiftly moving from sale season to convention season. In this region there are three major events in five weeks. The NBA convention the DTBA convention and the NDBA convention. I urge anyone reading this to at least take in one of these events. To connect with other buffalo folks that

believe as strongly as I do about the product is one of the major

Finding Our Sale Location

For those of you who may not know where our show/sale venue is, here's the scoop!

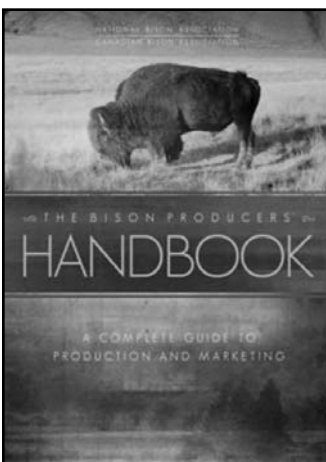
The Pennington County Events Center is located at the intersection of Cambell Street and E. Centre Street in Rapid City, SD. The Events Center is located on the grounds of the Central States Fairgrounds.

From I-90: Take Exit 59 and turn south onto LaCrosse Street. Follow LaCrosse Street south through the intersections of E. North Street and Omaha Streets. Continue south until you reach the four-way stop at E. Centre Street. Turn left (east) on E. Centre Street. You will see a large tan building on your right. The annex is on the west end of the building and buffalo will be penned directly south of the Event Center building.

From Highway 79: Follow Cambell Street (Highway 79 as you enter Rapid City from the south) until you reach E. Centre Street. Turn left (west) onto E. Centre Street. The Event Center is the first building on the left. The annex is located on the west end of the building.

Welcome New DTBA Members!

Richard Gittings, R-M Supplements, Pauls Valley, OK



New Bison Producers' Handbook Available

The all new Bison Producers' Handbook is now available! Over 250 pages of new information from the industry's leading veterans and professionals. More than 30 industry experts have collaborated to develop the useful, readable information on all aspects of bison marketing and production. It is available through the National Bison Association.

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A National Bison Association membership is the gift that keeps on giving all year long with the most up to date information and resources in the buffalo business.

Take advantage of this offer by ordering, or joining the NBA at www.bisoncentral.com in the online store, or call the NBA office at 303-292-2833.

pluses this industry has to offer. I know that the DTBA has a great agenda on tap. Karen and the board of directors has worked hard to make the time here in Rapid City worthwhile. There are rumors of some interesting beer that will be available. Maybe even interesting enough to put one blonde North Dakota association director in the unenviable position of coming up with a better brew.

There will also be some planning for a future Bison Advantage to be held here in our area. We are an industry driven by meat sales. We will need more production to keep up with the growing demand for this fantastic product. We look forward to many of the local buffalo producers help in making this event a success.

We look forward to seeing all of you in February om Rapid City for the DTBA Winter Conference and Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale.

Calendar Of Buffalo Events

February 5 - 6: Dakota Territory Buffalo Assn. Winter Conference, Ramkota Hotel, Rapid City, SD. (605) 923-6383 or www.dakotabuffalo.com.

February 7: DTBA's Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale and Premium Calf and Yearling Sale. Pennington County Events Center, Rapid City, SD. (605) 923-6383 or www.dakotabuffalo.com.

February 20 - 21: North Dakota Buffalo Assn. Winter Conference and Consignment Sale, Mandan, ND. Best Western Seven Seas and KIST Livestock. Contact the NDBA office at 701-252-1122.

March 11 - 13: 14th Annual Eastern Bison Assn. Show and Sale. Harrisburg, PA. For more information, www.ebabison.org or 302-349-5334.

March 12 - 13: Rocky Mountain Buffalo Assn. Spring Conference and Annual Peak to Peak Bison Show and Sale. Renaissance Hotel and National Western Stock Show Auction Arena. For more information, www.buffaloranchers.com or 303-243-0900.

April 9 - 11: Minnesota Buffalo Assn. The Basics Are Back 17th Annual Educational Conference. Rochester, MN. For details, www.mnbison.org or 507-454-2828.

June 10 - 12: Western Bison Assn. Summer Meeting and Ranch Tour. Colorado Bison Co., Hay Draw Ranch, Union Center, SD. 605-985-5400.

June 17 - 19: National Bison Assn. Summer Conference. Shipshewana, IN. See www.bisoncentral.com for details or call 303-292-2833.



Meet The Speaker: Kirk Gadzia, Resource Management Services



Kirk Gadzia owns and operates Resource Management Services, a training and consulting firm located in Bernalillo, NM. He is a certified Educator with Holistic Management International. Kirk has over 25 years experience teaching the concepts of Holistic Management and has taught over 250 Holistic Management training seminars and workshops internationally.

The focus of his work is a holistic approach to agriculture and life, whereby land, animals, crops, wildlife and other resources are planned into the operation and financial picture. The model for making this work is mimicking natural systems

and balancing life style with long and short term goals. The decision making process used to achieve this balance is called Holistic Management.

Kirk works directly with producers to achieve profitability in their operations. He has extensive international consulting experience with many large ranching and agricultural operations throughout the United States and overseas. In addition, Kirk also provides customized training and consulting to a wide variety of public and private business and conservation organizations. Kirk is co-author of the National Academy of Science 1994 publication entitled Rangeland Health, and is working to improve rangeland health monitoring techniques in a wide variety of environments.

Years of assisting people on the land helps Kirk approach the course in an interactive, hands-on style. His courses are known for their relaxed atmosphere, open dialogue and practical real-life examples. He is uniquely qualified to help you achieve your own distinctive learning objectives.

Prairie Edge Will Host Reception

Once again, Prairie Edge Trading Company and Galleries will open their doors to members attending the DTBA Winter Conference. The store, along with Triple Seven Ranch and Western Buffalo Company, will be hosting the welcoming reception and social. The Prairie Edge store is located on the corner of Sixth and Main Streets in downtown Rapid City.

The reception will begin at 5 p.m. on Friday, February 5 and last until 7:00 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served and the chance to visit with fellow buffalo enthusiasts while doing a little shopping will be the highlight of the evening. Please make plans to join us for a fun and entertaining evening sponsored by these gracious hosts.

Fun Auction To Benefit DTBA

Don't forget to bring your Fun Auction items with you to the DTBA Winter Conference. The Fun Auction is slated to begin after the awards banquet on Saturday evening, February 6. Be creative and dare to be different!

The Fun Auction has traditionally been one of the largest fund-raising events for this association and we are encouraging members to keep that in mind, not only when you bring items, but also as you participate in the auction. Through the generosity of our members, we are able to keep membership costs to a minimum and still accomplish many goals.

Remember those Fun Auction items!

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2010 WINTER CONFERENCE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2010

12:00 noon to 4:30 p.m. - Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale entries arrive and unload at the Pennington County Events Center.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2010

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon - Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale entries arrive and unload at the Pennington County Events Center.

11:00 to 3:00 p.m. - Introduction to Holistic Management with Kirk Gadzia. No charge to attend and open to the public. Badlands room.

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. - Ladies Spa Day at Mystique Edge, 509 7th St. in Rapid City. Have a treatment or just join the group for refreshments and fun.

3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. - Consignor's Meeting. Will be held at the Ramkota Hotel in the Executive Lounge.

4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. - Board of Director's Meeting. Executive Lounge.

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - Welcoming Party at Prairie Edge Trading Co. & Galleries, 606 Main St., Rapid City, SD. Sponsored by Prairie Edge Trading Co. & Galleries, Triple Seven Ranch and Western Buffalo Company.

7:30 p.m. - ??????? - Black Hills Stock Show PRCA Rodeo, Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena. Evening on your own. The hospitality room will be open in the Executive Lounge at the Ramkota Hotel.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2010

7:30 a.m. - Registration - Foyer area of the Convention Center II.

7:30 a.m. - Trade show booths open. Foyer area of the Convention Center II.

7:45 a.m. - Continental Breakfast available in Sylvan I & II.

8:30 a.m. - DTBA Business Meeting begins in Sylvan I & II. Call to order, introductions, secretary's report, treasurer's report, old business, nominations of directors and new business. Call for election of new officers.

9:45 a.m. - Coffee Break sponsored by Prorate 48.

10:00 a.m. - Update on the National Bison Association. NBA Executive Director Dave Carter.

10:30 a.m. - Donovin Sprague - A history of Fred Dupris family and buffalo in South Dakota.

12:00 p.m. - Buffalo Sirloin Tip lunch buffet. Sheridan and Pactola Rooms. Dr. Dustin Oedekoven, South Dakota State Veterinarian. Update on animal health issues affecting the buffalo industry.

1:15 p.m. - Holistic Management Panel Discussion. Facilitated by Kirk Gadzia. Sandy and Brodie Limpert, Slim Buttes Buffalo Ranch and Pat Thomson and Bud Knight, Durham Ranch. Sylvan I & II.

2:15 p.m. - Coffee Break sponsored by Custer State Park.

2:30 p.m. - Holistic Management Panel continued.

3:15 p.m. - Election of new DTBA board members and conclusion of business meeting.

5:00 p.m. - Social with cash bar, held in the Sheridan and Pactola Rooms.

6:00 p.m. - Buffalo Tenderloin banquet.

7:00 p.m. - Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show awards presented.

7:30 p.m. - FUN AUCTION!!

10:00 p.m. - Hospitality Room open in the Executive Lounge immediately after the Fun Auction.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2010

Breakfast on your own.

7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - Animal viewing in the pens on the south side of the Pennington County Events Center. Judges will be available to discuss any comments or questions you may have regarding the animals.

10:00 a.m. - Black Hills Buffalo Classic Sale, followed by the Premier Calf & Yearling Auction, Pennington County Events Center.

Throughout the weekend, the Ramkota Hotel offers a free, hourly shuttle service running between the hotel and the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center where the Black Hills Stock Show is held.



Not A Member? No Problem!

If you are reading this newsletter but are not a current member of the Dakota Territory Buffalo Association, not to worry. If you would like to attend our conference and show/sale, you do not need to be a member to attend these events and your conference costs will be the same. Our hope is that once you join in on our activities, you'll find our members to be helpful and friendly and the information you'll learn to be important.

We hope that you will join us for the conference and better yet, like what you see and become a member of the Dakota Territory Buffalo Association, The Producer's Association. Yearly dues are only \$50 and are good from January through December each year. Benefits include our newsletter, inclusion in the Membership Directory, listings and free ads on our website...the list goes on and on!

Please contact the DTBA office for more information on becoming a member or about our events.

Spa Day for the Ladies: Reserve Now

It's back by popular demand! For you gals that need a little pampering during your "vacation" in Rapid City, rest easy. Susan Peterson has once again put together a Spa Day for the ladies attending our conference. Everyone who went last year had an awesome time with a lot of laughs and plenty of "me" time.

On Friday, February 5 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., The Mystique Edge at 509 7th Street in Rapid City will be catering to our buffalo gals. There will be a variety of treatments available, but you don't even have to have one. You are welcome to just join the group for some socializing, beverages, cheeses and sweets.

There are a variety of services and price ranges available. Check out their web site for details: www.mystiqueedge.com.

If you think you might be interested in participating, please contact Susan at (605) 892-4466 or (605) 641-4466. For information on the services offered, call Susan or visit the web site shown above. Appointments need to be made as soon as possible so give her a call today!

USDA Monthly Bison Report Summary Monthly Dec. 2009 vs. Nov. 2009 and vs. Previous Year

	Head Processed	Dec. 09 Weighted Ave	Nov. 09 Weighted Ave.	Dec. 2008 Weighted Ave.	Difference 12-09 vs. 11-09	Difference 12-09 vs. 12-08
WHOLESALE PRICES						
Young Bulls	1,315	\$242.27	\$239.53	\$241.11	\$2.74	\$1.16
Young Heifers	1,234	\$223.67	\$221.90	\$226.38	\$1.77	\$(2.71)
Aged Bulls	87	\$163.29	\$160.61	\$150.70	\$2.68	\$12.59
Aged Cows	1,090	\$164.80	\$159.98	\$143.66	\$4.82	\$21.14

New Board Members Needed

There will be two positions available for the Board of Directors and they will be for three year terms. The election will be held during the DTBA Winter Conference.

If you are interested in volunteering for this important role, please contact a current board member or the DTBA office.



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Bison Exhibit Grand Opening

The bison exhibit will be having the grand opening on Feb. 5, 2010 in the Museum of Geology at South Dakota School of Mines and Technology. The exhibit will include a bison bison bison (Fredrick), a bison antiquus, a bison crassicornis (Kent), a bison latifrons (Harlan), and a bison priscus.

Along with these skulls being presented, the literature associated will be informing the viewer the history of bison, both paleontologically speaking and historically to North America.

What is seen with the evolution of bison is that with the first, priscus, is that bison is a larger version of today's bison, however is not the largest. The next species, latifrons, is the largest bison to ever exist. With a horn span over nine feet. With environmental changes occurring with the rapid climate dynamics, the bison evolves into a smaller sized bison, the crassicornis. The demise of the great continental glaciers prompted bison yet again to adapt smaller as food supply evolved into more grasses, the "ancient bison" bison antiquus. Antiquus would have had a horn span of just over two feet but no bigger than 3 feet; still bigger than today's bison that we are all familiar with. Eventually antiquus evolves into today's bison bison bison (Plains Bison).

I do not have a bison bison athabasca (Woods Bison) skull, or a bison bonasus (European Bison or Wisent) skull available for display, but perhaps with time I will acquire these items and perhaps expand this project to show the sexual dimorphism by incorporating the female skull of each of the seven species.

Jeffrey M. Martin, SDSMT Geology/Paleontology
Phone: (715) 821-1812

NDBA'S 18th Annual Meeting

Make plans now to attend the 18th Annual NDBA winter conference in Mandan, ND on February 19. This year's conference will have an entertaining, yet informative, Friday night banquet followed by the Annual Meeting on Saturday morning.


The conference kicks off Friday evening with registration and social beginning at 5:30 p.m. Back by popular demand will be a buffalo dinner, salad and all the fixings. The National Bison Association has again received a Risk Management grant covering pasture management. Speakers will cover topics such as holistic pasture management, pasture & rangeland management, and finances. Updates will be heard from the NBA, the National Buffalo Museum, North American Bison Cooperative, and Dakota Territory Buffalo Association. An evening of entertainment will follow.

Sponsors are needed for the evening events on Friday night as well as the refreshments on Saturday morning for the Annual Meeting. The three levels of sponsorships available are Gold \$300, Silver \$200 and Bronze \$100. In order to get a more accurate head count for the meal please notify the office if you plan to attend using the form included in this newsletter. Also contact the office at 701-252-1122 if you are interested in sponsoring a portion of the conference.

On Saturday, February 20, the NDBA will hold their Annual Meeting. The meeting will convene at 8 am at the Seven Seas. Room information will be available closer to the date. Elections and the business meeting will occur at this time.

Following the Annual Meeting the NDBA will conduct their winter consignment auction at KIST Livestock in Mandan, ND. The sale will begin at 11 a.m. and is an open consignment auction. All animals must be listed on health papers, have a permanent metal ID tag and NDBA dangle tag.

For more information on the consignment auction, call the NDBA office at (701) 252-1122 or visit the NDBA website at www.ndbuffalo.net.



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2009 - 2010 Buffalo Auctions						
	DATE	LOCATION	# OF HEAD	AVERAGE WEIGHT	AVERAGE PRICE	PRICE PER POUND
HEIFER CALVES						
	Nov. 7, 2009	Eastern Bison Assn., PA	8	305 pounds	\$414	\$1.36
	Nov. 14, 2009	Antelope Island, UT	52	356 pounds	\$561	\$1.58
	Nov. 14, 2009	Oklahoma Bison Assn., OK	7	350 pound	\$457	\$1.31
	Nov. 18, 2009	Maxwell Wildlife Refuge, KS	6	N/A	\$275	
	Nov. 21, 2009	Custer State Park, SD	65	346 pounds	\$526	\$1.52
	Nov. 22, 2009	Ft. Robinson, Crawford, NE	58	346 pounds	\$515	\$1.57
	Nov. 28, 2009	Ron Brown Otter, Aberdeen, SD	93	361 pounds	\$419	\$1.16
	Nov. 28, 2009	Minn. Buffalo Assn. Show, MN	13	428 pounds	\$604	\$1.41
	Nov. 28, 2009	Minn. Buffalo Assn. Production, MN	3	363 pounds	\$510	\$1.44
	Dec. 5, 2009	Western Bison Assn., Ogden, UT	15	374 pounds	\$567	\$1.51
	Dec. 5, 2009	Kansas Buffalo Assn., Salina, KS	69	361 pounds	\$551	\$1.52
	Dec. 12, 2009	Missouri Bison Assn., Macon, MO		363 pounds	\$523	\$1.44
	Dec. 12, 2009	North Dakota Buffalo Assn., Mandan, ND	127	359 pounds	\$504	\$1.40
PEN OF FIVE HEIFER CALVES						
BULL CALVES						
	Nov. 7, 2009	Eastern Bison Assn., PA	4	332 pounds	\$506	\$1.52
	Nov. 14, 2009	Antelope Island, UT	54	377 pounds	\$578	\$1.53
	Nov. 14, 2009	Oklahoma Bison Assn., OK	12	325 pounds	\$441	\$1.36
	Nov. 18, 2009	Maxwell Wildlife Refuge, KS	6	N/A	\$374	
	Nov. 21, 2009	Custer State Park, SD	85	368 pounds	\$581	\$1.58
	Nov. 22, 2009	Ft. Robinson, Crawford, NE	21	370 pounds	\$547	\$1.47
	Nov. 28, 2009	Ron Brown Otter, Aberdeen, SD	59	383 pounds	\$560	\$1.46
	Nov. 28, 2009	Minn. Buffalo Assn. Show, MN	7	457 pounds	\$677	\$1.48
	Nov. 28, 2009	Minn. Buffalo Assn. Production, MN	27	380 pounds	\$571	\$1.52
	Dec. 5, 2009	Western Bison Assn., Ogden, UT	16	444 pounds	\$742	\$1.67
	Dec. 5, 2009	Kansas Buffalo Assn., Salina, KS	50	396 pounds	\$612	\$1.55
	Dec. 12, 2009	Missouri Bison Assn., Macon, MO		329 pounds	\$503	\$1.53
	Dec. 12, 2009	North Dakota Buffalo Assn., Mandan, ND	101	375 pounds	\$552	\$1.47
PEN OF TEN BULL CALVES						
YEARLING HEIFERS						
	Oct. 15, 2009	Ft. Niobrara, Valentine, NE	28	N/A	\$636	\$1.16
	Nov. 7, 2009	Eastern Bison Assn., PA	5	555 pounds	\$650	\$1.17
	Nov. 14, 2009	Antelope Island, UT	10	624 pounds	\$735	\$1.18
	Nov. 14, 2009	Oklahoma Bison Assn., OK	8	679 pounds	\$843	\$1.24
	Nov. 18, 2009	Maxwell Wildlife Refuge, KS	5	N/A	\$600	
	Nov. 21, 2009	Custer State Park, SD	20	622 pounds	\$822	\$1.32
	Nov. 22, 2009	Ft. Robinson, Crawford, NE	2	578 pounds	\$775	\$1.34
	Nov. 28, 2009	Minn. Buffalo Assn. Show, MN	7	590 pounds	\$775	\$1.31
	Dec. 5, 2009	Western Bison Assn., Ogden, UT	5	730 pounds	\$1,100	\$1.51
	Dec. 5, 2009	Kansas Buffalo Assn., Salina, KS	58	611 pounds	\$773	\$1.27
	Dec. 12, 2009	Missouri Bison Assn., Macon, MO		579 pounds	\$689	\$1.19
	Dec. 12, 2009	North Dakota Buffalo Assn., Mandan, ND	12	562 pounds	\$787	\$1.40
PEN OF FIVE YEARLING HEIFERS						
YEARLING BULLS						
	Oct. 15, 2009	Ft. Niobrara, Valentine, NE	28	N/A	\$760	\$1.32
	Nov. 7, 2009	Eastern Bison Assn., PA	5	436 pounds	\$430	\$0.99
	Nov. 14, 2009	Antelope Island, UT	11	748 pounds	\$909	\$1.22
	Nov. 14, 2009	Oklahoma Bison Assn., OK	18	702 pounds	\$930	\$1.32
	Nov. 21, 2009	Custer State Park, SD	40	648 pounds	\$927	\$1.43
	Nov. 22, 2009	Ft. Robinson, Crawford, NE	8	693 pounds	\$843	\$1.21
	Nov. 28, 2009	Minn. Buffalo Assn. Show, MN	4	900 pounds	\$1,206	\$1.34
	Dec. 5, 2009	Western Bison Assn., Ogden, UT	7	1054 pounds	\$2,100	\$1.99
	Dec. 5, 2009	Kansas Buffalo Assn., Salina, KS	29	622 pounds	\$860	\$1.37
	Dec. 12, 2009	Missouri Bison Assn., Macon, MO		654 pounds	\$863	\$1.32
	Dec. 12, 2009	North Dakota Buffalo Assn., Mandan, ND	18	659 pounds	\$909	\$1.38
TWO YEAR OLD BRED HEIFERS						
	Nov. 21, 2009	Custer State Park, SD	10	866 pounds	\$1,420	\$1.64
	Nov. 28, 2009	Minn. Buffalo Assn. Show, MN	1	870 pounds	\$950	\$1.09
	Dec. 5, 2009	Western Bison Assn., Ogden, UT	4	957 pounds	\$1,612	\$1.69
	Dec. 12, 2009	North Dakota Buffalo Assn., Mandan, ND	4	769 pounds	\$963	\$1.25
TWO YEAR OLD HEIFERS OPEN/UNKNOWN						
	Nov. 7, 2009	Eastern Bison Assn., PA	1	715 pounds	\$850	\$1.19
	Nov. 14, 2009	Oklahoma Bison Assn., OK	6	848 pounds	\$901	\$1.06
	Dec. 5, 2009	Kansas Buffalo Assn., Salina, KS	12	798 pounds	\$900	\$1.13
	Dec. 12, 2009	Missouri Bison Assn., Macon, MO		673 pounds	\$828	\$1.23
TWO YEAR OLD BULLS						
	Nov. 14, 2009	Antelope Island, UT	29	1,088 pounds	\$1,293	\$1.19
	Nov. 14, 2009	Oklahoma Bison Assn., OK	5	1,020 pounds	\$1,170	\$1.15
	Nov. 18, 2009	Maxwell Wildlife Refuge, KS	5	N/A	\$960	
	Nov. 21, 2009	Custer State Park, SD	11	1,070 pounds	\$1,677	\$1.57
	Nov. 22, 2009	Ft. Robinson, Crawford, NE	5	1,160 pounds	\$1,340	\$1.16
	Nov. 28, 2009	Minn. Buffalo Assn. Show, MN	3	1,137 pounds	\$1,142	\$1.00
	Dec. 5, 2009	Western Bison Assn., Ogden, UT	6	1,472 pounds	\$2,315	\$1.59
	Dec. 5, 2009	Kansas Buffalo Assn., Salina, KS	16	892 pounds	\$1,001	\$1.11
	Dec. 12, 2009	Missouri Bison Assn., Macon, MO		948 pounds	\$1,327	\$1.40
	Dec. 12, 2009	North Dakota Buffalo Assn., Mandan, ND	2	920 pounds	\$1,175	\$1.28
MATURE COWS BRED						
	Nov. 21, 2009	Custer State Park, SD	6	1,037 pounds	\$875	\$0.84
	Dec. 12, 2009	North Dakota Buffalo Assn., Mandan, ND	15	924 pounds	\$1,036	\$1.12
MATURE COWS OPEN/UNKNOWN						
	Oct. 15, 2009	Ft. Niobrara, Valentine, NE	11	N/A	\$764	\$0.75
	Nov. 7, 2009	Eastern Bison Assn., PA	5	846 pounds	\$890	\$1.05
	Nov. 14, 2009	Antelope Island, UT	26	947 pounds	\$927	\$0.98
	Nov. 14, 2009	Oklahoma Bison Assn., OK	34	824 pounds	\$583	\$0.71
	Nov. 18, 2009	Maxwell Wildlife Refuge, KS	6	N/A	\$688	
	Dec. 5, 2009	Kansas Buffalo Assn., Salina, KS	29	972 pounds	\$1,048	\$1.08
	Dec. 12, 2009	Missouri Bison Assn., Macon, MO		956 pounds	\$880	\$0.92
THREE YEAR OLD BULLS						
	Dec. 5, 2009	Western Bison Assn., Ogden, UT	1	1,968 pounds	\$13,000	\$6.60
MATURE BULLS						
	Oct. 15, 2009	Ft. Niobrara, Valentine, NE	6	N/A	\$1,308	\$0.75
	Dec. 12, 2009	Missouri Bison Assn., Macon, MO		1,723 pounds	\$1,344	\$0.78

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DTBA Winter Conference and Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale Gearing Up For Full Weekend Of Events!

Plans for the Dakota Territory Buffalo Association (DTBA) Winter Conference and Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale are coming together. The conference will be held at the Ramkota Hotel in Rapid City, South Dakota on February 5 and 6. Presentations will include a Holistic Management introduction presented by Kirk Gadzia of New Mexico, which will be coupled with presentations by regional producers who are in various stages of incorporating Holistic Management techniques in their operations. DTBA helped sponsor a Holistic Management workshop this summer and the response was tremendous and with that in mind, conference planners decided to capitalize on the interest and offer more information to more producers.

The conference will feature a Welcoming Reception on Friday night and a general membership meeting and speakers throughout the day on Saturday. The evening will end with an awards banquet for the Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and the always fun and entertaining Fun Auction!

On Sunday, February 7, the Black Hills Buffalo Classic and Premium Calf and Yearling Auction will take place at the Pennington County Events Center, located on the fairgrounds in Rapid City. Show animals will be offered in the following classes: single heifer and bull calves; Top Ten heifer calves (pens of 10) and Top Five bull calves (pens of 5); single yearling bulls and heifers; a pen of five yearling heifers and single two year old bred heifers. There will also be approximately 20 head of performance-tested yearling breeding bulls offered as part of the Young Guns Yearling Bull Challenge.

The Premium Calf and Yearling Auction will feature pens of up to 20 head of bull or heifer calves. Pens of up to ten yearling heifers will also be featured as a new offering this year.

Entries into the show are still open and will be accepted until classes are full. Mid-January numbers are showing approximately 175 head entered into the show in various classes and 60 head of calves consigned to the Premium Auction. More entries are expected before sale date.

For more information, contact the DTBA at (605) 923-6383 or visit our website at: www.dakotabuffalo.com. Email inquiries can be directed to info@dakotabuffalo.com. Entry information is available via mail, email or is posted on the website's home page under the "BHBC Show and Sale Information" button on the left side of the page.