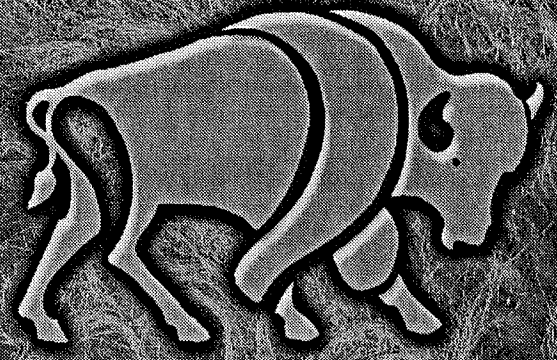


DTBA WINTER CONFERENCE REGISTRATION PACKET



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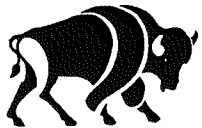
Welcome To The 2000 DTBA Winter Conference

Welcome to the 2000 Dakota Territory Buffalo Association Winter Conference and Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale. We have an exciting lineup of activities planned for the conference and as always, some of the best bison found anywhere are entered into the BHBC Show and Sale. Each year, the DTBA hosts this event and each year, it gets better and better! We hope you will be able to join us for the conference and the show and sale. It promises to be an exciting time in Rapid City, SD the end of January and you won't want to miss it.

The BHBC Show filled up nearly as soon as the entries opened. This tells everyone something most of us already knew. The BHBC is quickly becoming one of the showcase bison show and sale events in the region. With its central location, Rapid City is the ideal setting for this growing bison affair and we're sure you won't be disappointed with the exceptional animals and the friendly atmosphere of the DTBA membership.

We hope you can join us, beginning Thursday, January 27, 2000 as we begin registration for the DTBA Winter Conference. On Friday, the conference gets underway with a lineup of interesting speakers offering something for every producer and their families. The evening caps off with a social, banquet, BHBC awards presentation and a fun auction. On Saturday, the main attraction begins at 11 a.m. with the BHBC sale held in the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena.

Make your plans to attend one of the most exciting and rapidly expanding bison events in the nation. The Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale and the Dakota Territory Buffalo Association Winter Conference. Your registration information is in this packet, so fill it out and send it in TODAY!!



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DTBA 2000 WINTER CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Ranch Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (____) _____ Fax (____) _____

E-mail _____

Number of People Attending DTBA 2000 Winter Conference @ \$95 Per Person _____

Names of Those Attending _____

2000 DTBA Membership Dues Enclosed @ \$25 Each _____

BHBC Sponsorship Money Enclosed.

I am Sponsoring _____ Amount _____

Total Amount Enclosed _____

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO DAKOTA TERRITORY BUFFALO ASSOCIATION

Mail to:
Dakota Territory Buffalo Association
P.O. Box 4104
Rapid City, SD 57709

**ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE
POSTMARKED BY SATURDAY,
JANUARY 22, 2000**



DAKOTA TERRITORY BUFFALO ASSOCIATION 2000 WINTER CONFERENCE AGENDA THURSDAY, JANUARY 27-SATURDAY, JANUARY 29

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2000

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. - Registration and Welcoming Party at Prairie Edge Trading Co. & Galleries. 606 Main St., Rapid City, SD. Sponsored by Prairie Edge Trading Co. & Galleries, 777 Ranch and Dakota Mill & Grain.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2000

7:30 a.m. - Registration - Foyer of Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn meeting rooms.

8:00 a.m. - Breakfast, Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn Salon A.

9:00 a.m. - DTBA Business Meeting begins with call to order and introductions, secretary's report, treasurer's report, old business, nominations of directors and new business.

9:45 a.m. - Darrell Cruea, South Dakota Secretary of Agriculture.

10:15 a.m. - Coffee break, sponsored by ????????

10:30 a.m. - Dr. Sam Holland, South Dakota State Veterinarian.

10:45 a.m. - Newly elected President of the National Bison Association.

11:00 a.m. - Roundtable Discussion with Industry Experts.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2000 Continued

12:00 noon - Buffalo Burger luncheon. Sit down and be served! Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn, Salon A.

1:15 p.m. - Dr. Marlowe Goble: "Bison Musculoskeletal Form and Function".

3:00 p.m. - Coffee break, sponsored by Scranton Equity Exchange.

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

5:30 p.m. - Social with cash bar, held in the atrium.

6:00 p.m. - Prime Rib dinner and banquet, Salon A. Ice sculpture sponsored by ????????

7:00 p.m. - BHBC Awards presented.

8:00 p.m. - Fun Auction.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2000

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. - Breakfast buffet, Salon A., Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn.

9:00 a.m. - Judge's comments on Black Hills Buffalo Classic show animals.

9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. - Animal viewing in pens on the north side of the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena.

11:00 a.m. - BHBC sale gets underway, Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena.

The judging of the animals for the BHBC will begin on Thursday, January 27 at 12:00 noon.

There is a block of rooms reserved at the host hotel, the Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn. You are encouraged to make your room reservations NOW, as there are a limited number of rooms available. The demand for rooms at the hotel is high due to the Black Hills Stock Show being held at the same time as the DTBA events.

To make reservations, call 605-348-4000 and tell them you are with the Dakota Territory Buffalo Association and you will receive a discount on your room.

Roundtable Discussion

During the DTBA Winter Conference this year, we are trying something new. Beginning at 11 a.m. on Friday, January 28, there will be a Roundtable Discussion involving a number of industry experts answering questions from the membership. We are hand selecting a cross section of industry leaders and mentors and they will comprise the roundtable.

At the beginning of the DTBA business meeting, DTBA President Greg Smeenk will call for written questions from the membership. When the roundtable discussion gets underway, those questions will be submitted to the panel for discussion and explanation. Plan ahead and think of questions you would like to ask. Please make sure they are constructive and pertinent, as our time with these experts is limited. Every effort will be made to address a variety of questions and topics, but please understand that not all questions can be answered in the allotted time. Plan on having participants representing the producer, the banking industry, the meat industry and perhaps even the veterinary industry. By having your questions thought out in advance and ready to submit, we can make the most of this roundtable discussion, cover a lot of ground and all benefit from each others experiences and knowledge. Your cooperation with this task is greatly appreciated.

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Important Conference Information

IMPORTANT NOTICE AND REMINDER!!!!

If you haven't paid your DTBA dues for 2000, please include the \$25 membership fee with your conference registration fees. We would like to get everyone current on their dues as soon as possible and it makes it easier during registration if it can be taken care of ahead of time. In this issue, you will find a DTBA Winter Conference Registration Form that has a spot indicated on it for DTBA 2000 dues. If you are including that money in your conference registration, please check the appropriate box on the form so the money can be allotted to the correct area.

BHBC SPONSOR NOTICE!!

If you are sponsoring a trophy for the Black Hills Buffalo Classic or a function for the DTBA Winter Conference, please be sure you have submitted the appropriate payment. There are still a great number of trophy sponsorships that have not been paid and we need to collect the money and get the trophies paid for. The cost for sponsoring a bronze is \$100, a silver is \$200 and a gold trophy is \$300. The Grand Champion awards are \$300 each and the Reserve Champion awards are \$250 each. If you need to submit money for the sponsorships, please do so at this time. There is a spot on the DTBA Winter Conference Registration Form to check if some of the money you are submitting is for this purpose. Please check the appropriate box on the form and enter in the amount being sent for sponsorships.

DTBA WINTER CONFERENCE COSTS:

The cost for the 2000 DTBA Winter Conference is \$95 per person. This fee includes all conference activities, breakfasts, lunch and the Friday evening banquet. There will be NO separate banquet tickets available. You must include full payment with your conference registration in order for it to be processed. All DTBA Winter Conference Registrations must be postmarked by Saturday, January 22, 2000. Registrations postmarked after that date will be charged a \$30 late fee. There will be no exceptions.

FUN AUCTION

Don't forget to bring your Fun Auction items with you to the DTBA Winter Conference. The Fun Auction is slated to begin immediately following the BHBC awards presentation on Friday, January 28. Be creative and dare to be different! Your Fun Auction items are donated to be auctioned off and the subsequent proceeds go back to the DTBA. This is a fun and creative way to do your Christmas shopping, redecorate or just help out the DTBA. Remember, it's YOUR association and you get out of it what you put into it. Let's see who can bring the most creative or unique item to this year's Fun Auction!

SEE YOU THERE!