

## Join Us For Our Winter Conference

Welcome to the 2005 Dakota Territory Buffalo Association Winter Conference and Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale. The events will take place beginning on Friday, January 28 and end with the live animal auction on Sunday, January 30. The conference will take place in the Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn and the show and sale will be held in the adjacent Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, SD.

The weekend's activities begin on Friday afternoon with the Ladies Spa Day at Mystique Edge in downtown Rapid City. Friday evening, everyone is invited to attend the social at Prairie Edge Trading Co. and Galleries, also in downtown Rapid City, just minutes from the host hotel. This social offers attendees the opportunity to not only sample great food and visit with other producers, but to do some shopping as well. The Prairie Edge store is open for shopping during the social and the atmosphere of the entire evening has made this a very popular event.

On Saturday, the conference gets underway with a general membership meeting in the morning where the association's business and future planning will take place. The late morning will be devoted to a planning session for the 2007 International Bison Conference. Rapid City was selected as the host site for this gathering and the DTBA will be helping to host the event. This will be a huge opportunity for the Rapid City area and for our members, so lots of attention will be giving to planning this event of a lifetime. You will want to make sure and be a part of this session.

After the lunch break, attention will turn toward learning about the National Bison Association's Source Verification Program and the National Animal ID program. Lance and Tahma Kuck will present the Source Verification information, while our state veterinarian, Dr. Sam Holland, will talk about the national program. This will be an excellent opportunity for attendees to ask questions and find out more about these programs and how to participate. There will be a mandatory identification program for livestock in the very near future, so this information will be pertinent to anyone in the livestock industry.

Our final session of the afternoon will feature Dr. James Derr from Texas A & M University speaking on buffalo genetics. Dr. Derr is with the department of Veterinary Pathobiology and he is the director of the DNA Technologies Lab at the university. He has been involved in some research with buffalo DNA and he will be on hand to tell us about what they are doing and what they have discovered to date.

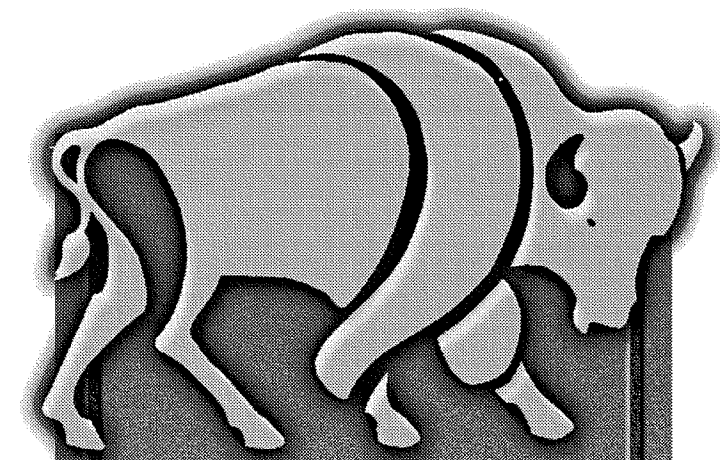
The business meeting will then wrap up with the board of directors election being the last business of the day.

After a short break in the activities, the evening banquet and awards ceremony will get underway with a Fun Auction to follow. This year will feature some special entertainment prior to the Fun Auction. For those of you who were entertained by the board of directors last year, rest easy. They will not be doing a repeat performance!

While conference attendees are being educated and entertained, some serious competition will be taking place. The 2005 Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale is promising to be one of the best industry events of the year. When the judging is finished, the award winners will be announced during the Saturday evening banquet. Winners of the Reality Based Carcass Class will also be announced during the banquet.

On Sunday, the morning gets underway with judge's comments and the Black Hills Buffalo Classic Sale begins at 9 a.m. in the arena of the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center. The sale is open to the public with no admission fee charged.

We hope you will make plans to join us in Rapid City for the 2005 Winter Conference and Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale.



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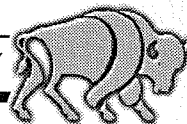
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Dakota Territory Buffalo Association Newsletter

Jan. 2005



## From The President: Scott Peterson



Well, this will be my final opportunity to address you as the president of the Dakota Territory Buffalo Association. I must tell you, it has been an honor serving the association during my tenure. I thank each and every one of you, not only for being a member of this organization, but for your time and talents, input, suggestions and, most of all, your friendships.

I believe things are looking up for our industry. A fast rebound from the low points would not have been good for the business. Instead, we are fortunate to be experiencing a steady climb back to where "normal" should be.

I hope you will all be able to join us in Rapid City later this month for our winter conference and show and sale. We have a great lineup for the conference and over 100 head of animals consigned to the show. The weekend event offers a great opportunity to learn, network and most of all, have fun! Please make every effort to be there. You won't be sorry you did.

I would like to leave you with one final thought. The association needs help from you, the members. I strongly encourage you to step forward and lend your assistance. This is OUR industry and OUR association; if we don't stick together and take charge, we will find ourselves drifting off course.

Thank you again for allowing me to serve on your board of directors. It has truly been a pleasure and a learning experience.

See you in Rapid City

## Time To Pay 2005 Membership Dues

If you haven't paid your DTBA dues for 2005, please include the \$50 membership fee with your conference registration fees. Check on the front mailing label of this newsletter. The year your dues have been paid through is highlighted on the mailing label. If it says "2004", you need to renew your dues at this time. If it is beyond that, your dues are current through the end of the year indicated. It's much easier to take care of this now than to wait until the conference or after.

In this issue, you will find a DTBA Winter Conference Registration form that has a spot indicated on it for 2005 DTBA dues. If you are including that money in with your conference registration, please check the appropriate box on the form so the money can be allotted to the correct area.

If you will not be attending the Winter Conference, please fill out the form and return it with your 2005 dues. I know everyone has filled out the form before, but address changes, email changes and other such information is difficult to update without those forms. Also, if you fill out the bottom half of the information sheet, your ranch information will be included on the DTBA website and is also included in the membership directory and resource guides.

Some of you have already paid your dues for 2005. Thank you! If you have any new changes or updates to your information, please fill out and return the membership registration sheet. You may indicate that your dues are already paid. Thanks!

## 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.

## DTBA Members "In The News"

Congratulations to **Chad and Suzi Kremer**, Keystone, SD, on the birth of their son, Isaac Alan Kremer. He was born on November 30, 2004 and weighed six pounds, four ounces. He joins big sisters Hannah and Grace. Way to go, Chad and Suzi! Congratulations also go out to the **John Preston** family. They own and operate Battle Creek Agency, a real estate firm, in Hermosa, SD. They recently opened up a brand new office near the old location. Best of luck to the Prestons.

On the show and sale circuit, DTBA members **Robert and Colleen Burrows**, Circle B Bison Ranch, Newton, WI, were named Producers of the Year at the Iowa Bison Association Pride of the Heartland show and sale. **David and Gail Griffin**, Rockie Hill Bison, Winona, MN, were named Producer of the Year at the Minnesota Buffalo Association Legends of the Fall show and sale. Other DTBA members picking up awards at the Iowa show included: **Mark and Kathy Gehl**, Gehl's Buffalo Hill Ranch, Prescott, WI. Members picking up awards at the Minnesota show included: **Randy and Milissa Linz**, Shady Creek Bison, Richmond, MN; **Doug Candee**, Antelope Creek Bison Ranch, Dickinson, ND; **Mark and Kathy Gehl**; and **Dennis and Marsha Tuel and Mike and Tricia Vetrone**, Buffalo Pass Ranch, Fergus Falls, MN. Members picking up awards at the Western Bison Association Wild West Buffalo Stampede Show and Sale included: **Merle and Susan Maass**, Colorado Bison Co., Union Center, SD; **Rex and Ronda Snyder**, Snyder Land and Development, Lyman, WY; **Corey Snyder**, North Slope Buffalo Ranch, Lyman, WY; **John Painter**, Montoso Bison Company, Tres Piedras, NM; **Michael and Kathleen Gear**, Red Canyon Ranch, Thermopolis, WY; **Mike Duncan**, Diamond Tail Ranch, Jelm, WY; **Vince Hayes**, Vigilante Buffalo Co., Alder, MT; and **Bryan and Mary Adams**, Arizona Buffalo Company, Buckeye, AZ.

The Western Bison Association recently elected board members and DTBA's **Susan Maass, John Painter, Ronda Snyder, Scott Butcher** (Diamond Tail Ranch manager) and **Vince Hayes** will be serving terms for that association.

Congratulations to everyone and take note of what active members we have in our association. Way to go DTBA!

## Welcome New DTBA Members!

*Editor's Note: My apologies to Margaret and Larry, who both joined the DTBA over the summer. I inadvertently left their names out of the list in the last newsletter. Sorry for the oversight.*

**Margaret Hillenbrand**  
777 Ranch, Rapid City, SD

**Larry Langerock**  
Double L Farms, Marion, SD

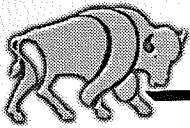
**Howard Bubel**  
Bubel Buffalo Ranch, Center, ND

**Andy G. and Helen C. Gerleman**  
Gerleman Family Ranch, Weston, WY

**Matt Naughton**  
Golden Bison Company, Bondurant, WY

**Boyd and Allison Meyer**  
Poudre Basin Buffalo Co., Windsor, CO

**John Flocchini**  
Durham Ranches, Inc., Gillette, WY



## Volunteers Needed For Animals

The Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale (BHBC) is a huge event for the DTBA. It takes many hours and many volunteers to put all the events together and we can't begin to thank enough, those who step forward and help out.

Once again, with our 2005 event looming around the corner, Show Chairman, Chad Kremer and Sale Chairman, Steve Sutton, would like to have some volunteers step forward and assist with the buffalo. Since the dates are in place, they are looking for people willing to be on hand Friday, January 28 to help unload and pen animals. There is also a need for some extra hands to water and feed the animals as they are penned throughout the course of the day. This will take a number of people, and Steve and Chad encourage consignors to pitch in and help, especially getting water to the animals as soon as possible after they are unloaded and penned.

Throughout the weekend, we will need a core crew that can help with daily feeding, watering and also moving animals while the judges are selecting animals. On Sunday, sale day, volunteers are needed to help sort and pen the animals throughout the day and until loadout is completed for the day. Steve is also asking for a couple of people who could be available the following Monday for approximately half a day to help finish with loading out the sale animals.

It makes for a long weekend and it seems like the weather is too hot or too cold, but we all appreciate the volunteers who step forward to help care for the buffalo.

If you are interested in volunteering your time to help with this, please contact Karen at the DTBA office, 605-923-6383 or e-mail to: info@dakotabuffalo.com. You can also contact Chad Kremer, our show chairman, at 605-255-5636 or e-mail: chad.kremer@state.sd.us. THANK YOU!!

## Prairie Edge Will Host Reception

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

The reception will begin at 5 p.m. on Friday, January 28 and last until 7:00 p.m. During this time, attendees will have the opportunity to register for the Winter Conference and pick up their registration materials. 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.

## Sponsorships Needed For 2005

With our 2005 events right around the corner, we are still in need of sponsorships. There are a few trophy sponsorships available at this time, as we added more trophies and some of our sponsors have switched classes and/or upgraded. We are also looking for cash sponsors for our Carcass Class, as the entry fees do not cover the entire amount of the awards.

Anyone interested in sponsoring other specific items, such as conference folders, signage for our sponsors, etc. is more than welcome to do so. Thank you to those of you who have so graciously stepped forward to sponsor and/or donate up to this point. Your efforts help us to provide a full slate of activities for a reasonable price for our conference participants.

For more information on sponsorships, contact Karen at (605) 923-6383 or email to: info@dakotabuffalo.com.

## 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 are more than welcome. 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, we hope that you will like what you see and become a member of the Dakota Territory Buffalo Association, The Producer's Association.

If you are interested in entering animals in our show and sale, you will need to join the association to do so. However, that's a simple fix and for only \$50 for the year, you will enjoy all the benefits of membership.

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

## 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 entertainment on Saturday, January 29. 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. The Fun Auction has traditionally been one of the largest fundraising 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.

*A Taste Of*  
**The Dakotas**  
*A Collection Of Recipes From Members Of  
 The Dakota Territory Buffalo Association  
 & The North Dakota Buffalo Association*

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## **TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR 2005 DTBA WINTER CONFERENCE**

### **FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2005**

- 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** - Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale entries arrive and unload, west side of Rushmore Plaza Civic Center arena.
- 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** - Board of Directors Meeting. Open to the membership. Will be held at the Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn, Hammonds room.
- 12 noon until finished** - Trade show displays can be set up in the foyer outside meeting rooms.
- 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.
- 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** - Trade show displays open for business (optional).
- 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.** - Consignor's Meeting. For 2005 show/sale/carcass class consignors only. Will be held at the Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn Hammonds room.
- 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 Dakota Mill and Grain.
- 7:30 p.m.** - ??????? - Black Hills Stock Show PRCA Extreme Bulls, Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena. On your own. Or you can choose to "socialize" with fellow producers back at the hotel!

### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2005**

- 7:00 a.m.** - Registration - Foyer of Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn meeting rooms.
- 7:00 a.m.** - Breakfast, on your own.
- 7:00 a.m.** - Trade show booths open.
- 8:30 a.m.** - DTBA Business Meeting begins with call to order, introductions, secretary's report, treasurer's report, old business, nominations of directors and new business. Call for election of new officers.
- 10:15 a.m.** - Coffee Break. Sponsored by Satterlee Real Estate Agency, Steve Satterlee and Tedd Thompson.
- 10:30 a.m.** - Planning session for the 2007 International Bison Conference.
- 11:45 a.m.** - Lunch
- 1:00 p.m.** - NBA Source Verification/National Animal ID panel. Lance and Tahma Kuck will present information on Source Verification and Dr. Sam Holland will address National Animal ID. Time will be allotted for questions.
- 2:15 p.m.** - Coffee Break. Sponsored by Anipro, Rob Fox, salesman.
- 2:30 p.m.** - Dr. James Derr, Texas A & M University, will present information on buffalo genetics.
- 3:30 p.m.** - Election of new DTBA board members and conclusion of business meeting.
- 5:00 p.m.** - Social with cash bar, held in the atrium.
- 6:00 p.m.** - Prime Rib banquet. Babysitting service will be available at the hotel. Call the DTBA office for details.
- 6:30 p.m.** - Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show awards presented.
- 7:00 p.m.** - Entertainment followed by the Fun Auction. (Professional entertainment...not the board of directors!!)

### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2005**

- 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.** - Continental Breakfast available.
- 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.** - Animal viewing in the pens on the north side of the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena. Judges will be able to discuss any comments or questions you may have. Written Judge's Comments will be available after the awards are presented Saturday evening or at the pens on Sunday morning.
- 9:00 a.m.** - Black Hills Buffalo Classic Sale gets underway, Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena.

### **HOTEL INFORMATION FOR THE 2005 DTBA WINTER CONFERENCE/SHOW & SALE**

The host hotel will be the Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn, located right across the parking lot from the civic center where the show and sale is held. To make reservations, call the hotel directly at (605) 348-4000, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and ask for Sarah. She can assist you with reservations. Additional rooms may be available at another nearby hotel, The Howard Johnson Express Inn and Suites. We have not made any arrangements with this hotel for group rates, but you may call them to find out about rates and availability. They are located on the west side of the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center and it's approximately three blocks from our host hotel. Their number is: (605) 737-4656. Other hotel information is available through the DTBA office.





# WINTER CONFERENCE & MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

Mail Registrations by January 22 to:  
Dakota Territory Buffalo Association  
P.O. Box 4104  
Rapid City, SD 57709

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Ranch Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Web Site Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number of People Attending DTBA 2005 Winter Conference @ \$90 Per Person \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Those Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Limit (1) Banquet Only Ticket @ \$45 - Name \_\_\_\_\_

You must purchase a full conference to be eligible to purchase one Banquet Only ticket.

2005 DTBA Membership Dues Enclosed @ \$50 Each \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

*PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE DAKOTA TERRITORY BUFFALO ASSOCIATION*

**REGISTRATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED  
BY SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2005**

*There will be a \$30 late fee charged on any registrations postmarked after January 22, 2005 and for walk-in registrations at the door.*

In order to be of greater service to our membership, the DTBA Board of Directors has authorized a VOLUNTARY questionnaire designed to help our membership. Frequently, the DTBA receives requests on where to purchase buffalo or buffalo-related items. We are working on compiling a comprehensive list of our members who would like their goods and services made available, both in the industry and to those outside the industry. Your participation in this survey will help to publicize your buffalo-related businesses. We will use the information provided by you to compile a list that will be made available at trade shows, auctions, DTBA events and also in upcoming membership directories. The list will be used in the DTBA office to answer questions and direct inquires to the appropriate parties. Please check all that apply to your operation and if you have other bison-related items, please write them in.

Please mark each of the following that apply to your current operation:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Breeding Stock                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Meat              | <input type="checkbox"/> Hides              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bull Calves                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Specialty Meats   | <input type="checkbox"/> Skulls             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Absentee Owner Program                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Concession | <input type="checkbox"/> Leather            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hunts  | <input type="checkbox"/> Gift Boxes        | <input type="checkbox"/> Handling Equipment |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Production Auction - Date _____ Location _____ |  |   |

I agree to allow the DTBA to publish the above information for use in their Membership Directory, Website and Resource Guide.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



*There's Only One!*

# Black Hills Buffalo Classic

## Show & Sale



**Jan. 28-30, 2005 • Rapid City, SD • Rushmore Plaza Civic Center**

Held in conjunction with the Dakota Territory Buffalo Assn. Winter Conference  
**Offering Over 100 Head Of Buffalo In All Classes!**

**SALE DATE: Sunday, January 30, 2005 ¥ 9:00 a.m. MDT**  
**Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena ¥ Rapid City, SD**

**Antelope Creek Bison Ranch** - Doug Candee, Dickinson, ND

**Blue Valley Ranch** - Galloway, Inc., Kremmling, CO

**Buffalo Dance Bison** - Casey Byrd, Ridgeview, SD

**Buffalo Pass Ranch, Inc.** - Tuel & Vetrone, Fergus Falls, MN

**Diamond Tail Ranch** - Mike Duncan, Jelm, WY

**Double S Buffalo Co.** - Steve Schmitz & Dave Staum, Elk Point, SD

**Heart River Bison** - Doug Paulson, Manning, ND

**Horse Creek Bison Company** - Steve & Roxann McFarland, Hettinger, ND

**Mosquito Park Enterprises** - Rod Sather, Vivian, SD

**Nolz Poor Farm Bison** - Ed & Deanna Nolz, Sioux Falls, SD

**North Slope Buffalo Ranch** - Corey Snyder, Lyman, WY

**Prairie Rose Buffalo Ranch** - Heath & Danielle Peterson, Revillo, SD

**Rafter K Bar** - Larry Carr, Prairie City, SD

**Red Canyon Ranch** - Michael & Kathleen Gear, Thermopolis, WY

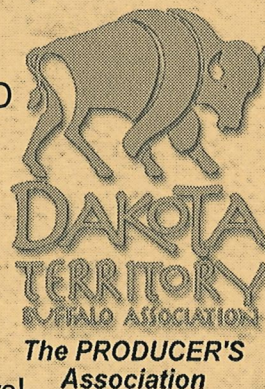
**Snyder Land & Development** - Rex & Ronda Snyder, Lyman, WY

**Trails End River Bison** - Larry & Dixie Byrd, Presho, SD

**777 Ranch** - Margaret Hillenbrand, Rapid City, SD

**Vigilante Buffalo Company** - Vince & Lori Hayes, Alder, MT

New Classes - Pen of 3 Bull Calves; Pen of 2 Two Year Old Bred Heifers!



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## Show & Sale

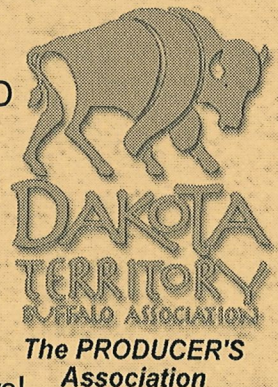


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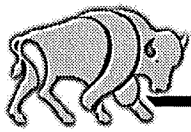
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  - Diamond Tail Ranch** - Mike Duncan, Jelm, WY
  - Double S Buffalo Co.** - Steve Schmitz & Dave Staum, Elk Point, SD
  - Heart River Bison** - Doug Paulson, Manning, ND
  - Horse Creek Bison Company** - Steve & Roxann McFarland, Hettinger, ND
  - Mosquito Park Enterprises** - Rod Sather, Vivian, SD
  - Nolz Poor Farm Bison** - Ed & Deanna Nolz, Sioux Falls, SD
  - North Slope Buffalo Ranch** - Corey Snyder, Lyman, WY
  - Prairie Rose Buffalo Ranch** - Heath & Danielle Peterson, Revillo, SD
  - Rafter K Bar** - Larry Carr, Prairie City, SD
  - Red Canyon Ranch** - Michael & Kathleen Gear, Thermopolis, WY
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**Minutes of the DTBA Board Meeting  
November 20, 2004 • Rapid City, SD**

President Scott Peterson called the meeting to order. Board members present were Jacki Limpert, Jud Seaman, and Rick Knobe. Executive Director, Karen Conley was also present.

The minutes from the July 26, 2004 teleconference were read and Seaman made a motion to accept them. Knobe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Limpert presented the treasurer's report for the association. After reviewing, Knobe made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Seaman seconded the motion. Motion carried. Limpert will work on several revisions to the report for the next meeting.

The 2005 Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale was discussed. The issue of sheep in the same area as the buffalo was discussed. Seaman and Conley met with the Black Hills Stock Show Sheepdog committee and they were very understanding of our need to keep the sheep away from the buffalo during our show. The committee gave permission for our Sale Chairman, Steve Sutton, to pen the sheep in a designated area away from any buffalo that might be remaining following our auction. During the auction, the DTBA will encourage all buyers to load out as soon as possible to avoid any potential problems.

Trophy sponsorships were gone over. Several board members asked if we should downsize our trophies or offer something less expensive, as sponsorships are hard to come by. Other board members felt the bronze trophies are a draw for consignors. It was decided to bring the topic up to the members at the January consignors and general membership meetings and get feedback at that time.

A tentative agenda was discussed for the 2005 conference. We will have speakers on Animal Identification and the NBA's

**Take A Chance At The Fun Auction**

Once again, Larry and Linda Rolfstad, Rocking R Bison Leather, have graciously agreed to donate one of their new bison leather trimmed jackets as a drawing item for us to use during the conference.

What the board of directors has decided to do is this. For each item you purchase at the Fun Auction on Saturday night, you will have your name placed in the drawing. The more items you purchase, the more chances you have to win. When the Fun Auction is over, we will put all the names in and draw out a winner at random. This is a great incentive to purchase items during the auction and you could be rewarded with one of the Rolfstad's beautiful coats. It's a win-win situation for everyone.

Thanks again to the Rolfstads for the generous support of the association through their business. Make sure and visit their booth in the atrium during our conference and you can order your own custom coat/vest or chaps from Rocking R Bison Leather. Thank you Larry and Linda!

**St. Onge Livestock Buffalo Auction  
Dec. 4, 2004 • St. Onge, SD**

Bull Calves: 18 head sold. Average weight was 408 pounds. Average price was \$446 per head or \$1.09 per pound.

Yearling Bulls: 6 head sold. Average weight was 728 pounds. Average price was \$817 per head or \$1.12 per pound.

Two Year Old Bulls: 5 head sold. Average weight was 1,059 pounds. Average price was \$925 per head or \$.87 per pound.

Heifer Calves: 45 head sold. Average weight was 395 pounds. Average price was \$383 per head or \$.97 per pound.

Bred Cows: 4 head sold. Average weight was 920 pounds. Average price was \$800 per head or \$.87 per pound.

Source Verification program. Other speaker ideas were brought up but no final decisions were made. With our auction beginning so early on Sunday morning, the board agreed that we will have Judge's comments out in the pen that morning and will also provide a written synopsis of the judge's comments for better review by consignors and buyers.

Conference sponsorships suggestions were brought up. It was decided that we will try and line up as many sponsorships as possible and go forward from there. Limpert has been working to line up a sponsor for the ear tags for the show and is hopeful that Cammack Ranch Supply will come through on that.

Our Welcoming Reception on Friday night will again be hosted at Prairie Edge in downtown Rapid City. Duane Lammers is setting it up and Conley will work with him to set times and coordinate numbers of attendees.

We will have two vacancies on the board of directors in January. Peterson's term will be finished and he is not eligible to run again. Knobe's term will expire and although he is eligible to run again, he has declined to do so for personal reasons. All directors will work on cultivating potential candidates for the two vacancies.

Peterson filled in the board regarding the upcoming consignment auction in St. Onge. Plans are on track for the auction and Peterson is hopeful that we will have a good number of animals to sell and buyers in the seats. Sale flyers for both the St. Onge and Yankton sales were mailed out with newsletters to 300 non-DTBA members as well as all the current membership. Response for the St. Onge sale has been good so far, but Yankton has not.

There being no further business, Knobe made a motion to adjourn and Seaman seconded it. Meeting adjourned.

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# 2005 DTBA REALITY-BASED BULL & HEIFER CARCASS CLASS

*Held in conjunction with the Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show & Sale*

**Rapid City, SD • January 28 - January 30, 2005**

**Limited To 12 Head of Bulls and 12 Head of Heifers**

**Cash Prizes And Trophies For First, Second & Third Place in Each Category**

*1st Place - \$2,500*

*2nd Place - \$1,000*

*3rd Place - \$500*

## CARCASS CLASS ENTRY INFORMATION AND TERMS

1. Entry fee is \$300 per consignment. One entry per consignor in each class. ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED NO EARLIER THAN OCTOBER 29. ENTRIES POSTMARKED BEFORE OCTOBER 29 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Consignors will be notified by November 30 if their entries are drawn for the contest.
2. All entries will be mouthed when they arrive at Western Buffalo Company on the slaughter date. On that date, only bulls with all their baby teeth will be accepted and heifers can not have more than two permanent teeth.
3. **NEW - PLEASE NOTE:** In keeping with the reality-based theme of this contest, the DTBA Board of Directors has implemented new weight minimums on animals entering this contest. The minimum weight for bull carcasses will be 550 pounds. The minimum weight for heifer carcasses will be 450 pounds. Please keep this in mind as you select animals to bring to the contest. Carcasses not meeting the minimum weight requirements will be disqualified from the contest and there will be no entry fee refund. Western Buffalo Company has agreed to purchase those carcasses at a price of \$1.65 for bulls and \$1.55 for heifers or the consignor may pay the processing fee and take the meat home. All other terms and conditions relating to the carcasses will still apply to those that are disqualified from the contest.
4. No health papers are needed on the animals participating in the Carcass Class.
5. **Bulls and heifers will be delivered live to Western Buffalo Company in Rapid City, SD on Monday, January 3, 2005 only.** Please be aware that, given the work schedule at Western Buffalo Company, the association is trying to work within a set time frame. We will be able to process all entries in one day.
6. South Dakota State University and a State Inspector will be on hand to oversee the testing of the meat cuts. All cuts will be trimmed to 1/4" fat cover and the ground buffalo will be tested for fat content and a sliding scale for value of product will be set up.
7. All buffalo will be boxed separately and frozen. Cut test sheets on each carcass will be developed showing how the cuts or group of cuts affect the bottom line.
8. The winner of the Carcass Class will be the buffalo that yields the most percentage of profit.
9. The winning carcasses will become the property of the Dakota Territory Buffalo Association and will be auctioned off during the Black Hills Buffalo Classic events with the proceeds going to the association.
10. The ribeye from ALL carcass class entries is donated and will be used as the main entree at the DTBA Awards Banquet during our Winter Conference. The cost of the ribeyes from ALL the entries is put into one lump sum and then equally deducted from each consignor's check. If you want the meat back from your animals, be aware that the ribeye area will not be included. There will be **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
11. All other entries will have the option of paying a modest processing fee and taking their carcass home or Western Buffalo Company will purchase the carcass at the price of \$1.75 per pound for bulls and \$1.65 per pound for heifers
12. Consignors will be asked to provide a history of entries, to include items such as days on feed, type of feed, genetics, weaning weight, last available weight at home, etc. Please keep this in mind as you prepare your entries. All entries will be photographed at Western Buffalo Company prior to slaughter.
13. Class winners will receive points that go toward the BHBC Producer of the Year award.
14. Entry fee is not refundable. Consignors must be in good standing with the association to enter.
15. There will be a Consignor's Meeting at 3 p.m. on Friday, January 28, 2005 at the Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn in Rapid City, SD. Your attendance is encouraged at this meeting.



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**ENTRY FORM**

Ranch \_\_\_\_\_

Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

- I would like to Western Buffalo Company to purchase my carcass at the prices listed above in the terms and conditions.
- I would like to have the meat back from my carcass entry and agree to pay the processing fees to Western Buffalo Company.
- I understand that the ribeye from my entry(s) will be donated to the DTBA and the cost of that will be deducted from my check if Western Buffalo Company purchases the carcass or that cut will not be included in the meat if I take the carcass back.
- I understand that there are minimum carcass weight requirements and if my entry does not meet them, it will be disqualified from the contest but will still be subject to the terms and conditions as stated on the entry form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Consignor Required** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**Please make entry fees payable to Dakota Territory Buffalo Association or DTBA.**

**Mail completed entry forms and payment to:  
Dakota Territory Buffalo Association  
PO Box 4104  
Rapid City, SD 57709**

Carcass Class Chairperson • Karen Conley (605) 923-7755 or e-mail to: karen@buffaloheard.com



# 2005 DTBA Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show & Sale

Jan. 28 - Jan. 30, 2005 • Rapid City, SD

Sale: Jan. 30 at 9:00 a.m. SHARP!

Terms & Conditions

Sale Chairman • Steve Sutton • (605) 258-2863

## HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

1. Negative Tuberculosis test (caudal fold) on all animals. Test must have been done within 25 days of sale date.
2. Negative Brucellosis test on all animals. Test must have been done within 25 days of sale date.
3. Negative Anaplasmosis test on all animals. Test must have been done within 25 days of sale date.
4. All females **MUST** be calthood vaccinated for Brucellosis. Show tag numbers, metal tag numbers and BV tattoo numbers must correctly coincide on the Health Certificate.
5. All animals must be treated with INJECTABLE ivermec. *IMPORTANT:* Animals coming from south of the southern Wyoming-Nebraska-Iowa borders must be injected within 10 days of the show date. Animals coming from north of these southern borders must be injected within 25 days of the show date.
6. ALL yearling bulls **MUST** be semen checked and certified fertile. *IMPORTANT!* Yearling buffalo bulls mature later than beef bulls and are often harder to test. Make sure your veterinarian knows this!
7. All two year old heifers must be certified at least 90 days pregnant.
8. All yearling heifers must be certified OPEN.
9. **PLEASE NOTE!** A consignor bringing in two year old bred heifers will be required to have a Teeth Affidavit Form filled out and signed by their veterinarian indicating that the veterinarian checked the animal between November 29, 2004 and January 28, 2005 and the animal had only two adult teeth at the time of inspection. Two year old animals who arrive at the show grounds and do not have a completed Teeth Affidavit Form will not be unloaded and the consignor will forfeit any entry fees for those animals. A National Bison Assn. tooth chart is included in this entry packet for your reference and a Teeth Affidavit form is also included. Any two year old animal that has four or more fully erupted teeth will be immediately disqualified and the consignor will forfeit any entry fees.
10. Three copies must be furnished with the original health certificate. Separate health certificates are required for each animal. Pens of three can be on one certificate with three copies.
11. *Animals WILL NOT be unloaded if the health certificates do not meet ALL of the above requirements. NO EXCEPTIONS! Pregnancy test, semen test, ivermec and mouthing must be written across the bottom of each health certificate with the date and signature of your veterinarian. Keep your test paperwork with you in case it is needed.*
12. Any animal entered in the Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale can not have entered another show and sale in the six months prior to the Black Hills Buffalo Classic event.

## HORNS

Dehorned animals accepted are yearling and two year old heifers **ONLY**. All others must have either two good horns or broken horns which have fully healed. We will work with you in case of a broken horn while at the show. Severe bleeders cannot enter the sale ring.

## EAR TAGS

Show tags, NBA Source Verification tags, metal vaccine/tag and registration button are the only tags accepted to be in the buffalo's ear. Consignors will be responsible for applying the show tags in the **LEFT** ear. This must be done before the animals will be allowed to unload. Any animal that shows up with an extra tag will be charged \$50 to take the tag out.

**SEE OTHER SIDE FOR ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**



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# ENTRY FORM

Please use a separate entry form for each owner. Names and addresses will be printed as completed below.

Ranch \_\_\_\_\_

Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**ENTRY FEES:** Individual Animal - \$50/head. Pen of Two/Three - \$100/entry. Commission Fee - 9%.  
**ENTRY PERIOD:** The entry period will BEGIN on October 29, 2004. Entries will be accepted by mail only and the postmark date will be used as the qualifying factor for the entries. **ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED NO EARLIER THAN OCTOBER 29. ENTRIES POSTMARKED BEFORE OCTOBER 29 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** Entry deadline is November 29, one entry per consignor per class. After November 29, two entries per consignor will be allowed if a class is not full, until a deadline of Dec. 18, 2004.

1. Entry fee includes pen and feed. (Animals may be penned together in their respective classes.)
2. Entry fee is non-refundable.
3. Animals will be unloaded from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 28. These times will be strictly adhered to as a veterinarian will be on site to check health papers. Judging will take place on Jan. 28 and Jan. 29 and the auction will be held on Sunday, Jan. 30. Announcements will begin at 8:30 a.m. and animals will sell at 9 a.m. sharp!
4. Special show ear tags will be sent for each animal entered and must be applied in the left ear. Ear tags will begin mailing the week of December 27, 2004.

## CLASSES

- Bull Calves (2004)
  - Pen of 3 Bull Calves (2004)
  - Yearling Bulls (2003)
  - Two Year Old Bred Heifers (2002)
- Heifer Calves (2004)
  - Pen of 3 Heifer Calves (2004)
  - Yearling Heifers (2003)
  - Pen of 2 Yearling Heifers (2003)
  - Pen of 2 Two Year Old Bred Heifers (2002)

Show ID	#Class (enter each animal)	Sex	Birth Year	NABR ID#	Show & Sale \$50	Pen \$100

Total      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please see other side of this form for additional information and required signature.**

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# Teeth Affidavit Form

This form **MUST** be filled out for ALL Two Year Old Animals Entered In The Show and Sale.  
Please use a separate entry for each two year old animal.

Ranch: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Examination Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Must be between November 29, 2004 and January 28, 2005)

Animal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

BHBC Ear Tag No. \_\_\_\_\_

Ranch Ear Tag No. \_\_\_\_\_

Bruceellosis Metal Test Tag No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Classification:**

Upon visual examination of said animal's mouth, to the best of my knowledge, this animal is two years old and that this buffalo has no more than two fully erupted incisors at the time of examination. I understand that if this buffalo has a third adult incisor erupting at the time of examination, that it cannot be certified to be two years old.

**Black Hills Buffalo Classic Show and Sale Committee reserves the right to inspect any animals and may ultimately disqualify any animal for any reason they deem necessary.**

**ALL DECISIONS OF THE SHOW AND SALE COMMITTEE ARE FINAL.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Examining Veterinarian Required

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Veterinarian

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Remarks: