

**NORTHWEST RED ANGUS ASSOCIATION**  
**FALL 2009 NEWSLETTER**  
**NWRAA ANNUAL MEETING**

The NWRAA Annual Meeting will be held Thursday, November 5, 2009, at 5:00 p.m. in the meeting room upstairs at RLEC. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF SUMMER MEETING**

The NWRAA Summer Meeting was held August 29, 2009 in Salem, Oregon with eight members present.

2010-2011 Membership Directory preparation will begin in September at which time members will have the opportunity to update their advertisements.

Red Angus Association of America: The position of Director 1 West is up for election at National Convention in September. Leonard Wood has accepted the nomination.

National Red Angus Convention will be held September 17 – 18, 2009, in Mahanomen, Minnesota. It was voted that the association pay the candidate's expenses to attend convention, and that we nominate 4 delegates from the Board to attend convention and that their expenses be paid by NWRAA.

National Convention 2012 will be hosted by Area 1 West. It is essential that we begin the planning process immediately as hosting a convention is a (huge project)

2010 JRA Roundup will be held in Oregon and is currently in the planning stage. It was voted that NWRAA contribute funds not to exceed \$1,000.

Red Western Classic: Judges will be Seth Leachman for the junior show, and Dar Giess for the open show. Entry forms will be online. It was voted that NWRAA increase its donation to RWC from \$300 to \$500 to defray expenses.

Bet On Red Sale: Our host location will be the Silver Legacy Hotel & Casino. The group reservation phone number is 800-687-8733, use group code REDANG to receive the special rate of \$49/nt. with exception of Friday & Saturday rate of \$79/nt. Rooms will be held for Red Angus until 10/21/09, so reserve prior to that date to assure those rates.

**READ THIS IF YOU ARE BRINGING CATTLE TO RENO**

A few final reminders for all who are participating in the Bet On Red Sale and/or Red Western Classic Show. Check the website for additional information.

- 1) Official check in is scheduled for Thursday, November 5, from noon to 4:00. All cattle must be checked in by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 5. Please be sure all paperwork and tattoos are correct.
- 2) The blanket health permit to be used for entry of cattle into the state of Nevada is SF 042709-6662. Consult your vet for additional health related requirements to bring cattle into Nevada and surrounding states. The number for the Nevada state vet is 775-353-3718 – contact is Amber or Dr. Rink.
- 3) For additional questions, contact Dale Herboldt Chairman of BOR Sale at 208-818-2050, or Ronda Avery, Chairman of Red Western Classic, at 541-279-1189.

## RAAA 2009 NATIONAL CONVENTION

Annual Convention was held September 17-18 in Mahanomen, Minnesota, hosted by the Northern Plains Area. NWRAA member attendees included Naomi & Leonard Wood, Ronda Avery, Mary Malloy, Merle Eakin & Sue Willhoite, Mark Chriss, and Dale Herboldt.

Elections for open positions were held following area caucuses. The results are as follow:

President: Kelli Brown  
Area 1 West: Leonard Wood  
Rocky Mountain: Forest Dunning  
Montana: Esther Fisher  
Area 8 South East: Tim Whitley  
Area 9 Mid West: Larry Ellison  
Director Region C East: Tommy Coley

### CONGRATULATIONS LEONARD WOOD ON YOUR ELECTION AS DIRECTOR AREA 1 WEST!

As is customary, convention schedule is busy from breakfast meetings through dinner banquet presentations. Concurrent committee meetings, open to all attendees, gave a clear look at the inner workings of our National Association. Symposiums and workshops were offered on varied subjects including genetic defect management, livestock photography, and factors driving changes in the beef industry.

On Saturday attendees toured the beef research and equine facilities at North Dakota State University in Fargo, as well as the Beef Systems Center of Excellence.

Entertainment was outstanding at this year's convention. We were treated to an exhibition by professional Native American ceremonial dancers, a concert by Ian Tyson, lunch entertainment by the Chord Ayres, golf, and even minnow racing.

Convention 2010 will be held September 16-17 in Springfield Missouri at the Ramada Oasis Convention Center, hosted by the Midwest area.

Those who attended Convention 2009 came away with not only knowledge but also exposure to a new part of the country, new acquaintances and connections. For anyone who has not attended a National Red Angus Convention, we sincerely encourage you to do so – it is always well worth it!

