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The Wrangler

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A Couple Updates for 2021

In a break from the usual, I want to take a few moments to provide some updates on some happenings since the last issue of the Wrangler was sent out.

The End of 2020

The NMCB officer team decided last year not to have an annual meeting due to restrictions related to COVID-19. The organization did not award a NM CowBelle of the Year. New Mexico Cattle Growers Association did host a virtual conference for members.

New NMCB State Officer Team

The new state officer team has hit the ground running in 2021. The new officer team consists of: Sandra Lacy, President, Jacinda Price, President-Elect, Vonda Frost, Vice President, Michelle Greeman, Secretary, and Stephanie Avent, Treasurer.

On behalf of all NMCB members, I want to thank Past President Charity Underwood-Saulsberry for her year of service to the organization! President Jacinda Price has stated she would love to participate in any local's meetings, even if it is virtually. She hopped on a virtual meeting with Copper CowBelles horseback. Price said all of the NMCB officers would enjoy tuning in and interacting with the locals, if they choose to meet.

Follow along on the NMCB Facebook page to see introductions of the NMCB officers and learn a little more about them and their passion for the beef industry!

The 2021 Legislative Session

Vice President Vonda Frost was an active voice the past few months on

the topic of opportunities for beef producers to sell and market their products in New Mexico. Multiple bills have been introduced on both the House and Senate side to address this exact topic. The NM legislative session is virtual this year so if you would like to follow along with these bills you can go to the New Mexico legislature website at nmlegis.gov.



A Note on the Directory

Hello fellow CowBelles!

Here is the 2021 NMCB Directory with the updates I have received so far.

If there are any additional updates or corrections, please email me at mgreeman12@yahoo.com.

Thank you!

Michelle Greeman
NMCB Secretary

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Treasurer: Stephanie Avent

Message from the President

Greetings CowBelles members,

I would take a trailer hitch to the shin for this to be over. You know what I am writing about, don't ya? We are all in a unpredictable situation.

When can we do this? When can we do that? Emotions are running high, tempers are flaring. I could go on and on. Rather than spending our time on that, let's focus on what we can do.

Right now our biggest asset is one another. Yes, each other. We need to focus on being one big team. In general, to educate the public about beef and agriculture. The endless stream of misinformation that is

plastered all over social media is outrageous. What do they say - "fight fire with fire?" So we need to make a point of posting positive, educational information on our social media.

Some parts of the state are allowing small group functions, and some are not. That's where the Zoom meetings have been very helpful. I was graciously invited to join with the Copper CowBelles a while back. It's very helpful and comforting to see friendly faces, even if it's on a phone/computer screen. All the officers would like join in with the Zoom meetings when possible. If you would

like help setting one up, let us know. We are here to help and support you.

In the meantime, let's keep our chins up and keep pressing forward. Those against the agricultural world are holding their breath waiting on us to fail....let's make sure they suffocate.



Sandra Lacy
NMCB President



NMCB member Anita Hand breaks ice as elk wait in the background for their turn.



Congratulations to Charity Underwood Saulsberry, 2019-2020 NMCB State President, on the birth of her baby girl Audrev Ann!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Follow us on social media!

Facebook: @NewMexicoCowBelles
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TUESDAY, MAY 25 AT 11AM (MT)
POWER HOUR
Karen Ross California Secretary of Agriculture

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26 AT 11AM TO 1PM (MT)
TARGETED CONVERSATIONS
Two 45-minute breakouts, followed by a 15-minute break.
Choose two of four sessions.

YOU MUST MAKE A CHOICE TO TAKE A CHANCE
OR YOUR LIFE WILL NEVER CHANGE.

FREE FOR ALL ATTENDEES

Tidbits from the *Treasurer*

Hello Ladies!

I hope 2021 is treating you all well!

Membership - Local membership packets and non-local letters were mailed out in October 2020. I want to thank all of you who have submitted your membership dues. I have heard from a number on how difficult it has been to hold meetings and collect dues in these unprecedented times. We are still awaiting a few locals to submit dues, but given the circumstances I understand. I will be contacting each local's treasurers to check on the status if we have not received them by March 1, 2021. If you have any questions or did not receive your packet, please feel free to contact me.

Address Update - It is with a heavy heart, I announce that my family and I

have recently moved from New Mexico to just over the border in Texas. I will be finishing out this year as NMCB State Treasurer, but will be passing it along this December. Until then, please send all correspondence and membership dues to the following address:

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Sending my best to all!



Stephanie Avent
NMCB Treasurer



TAKING NOMINATIONS FOR MAN OF THE YEAR



Despite the challenges faced last year, you can probably think of a man or group of men who made a considerable contribution to NMCB and the beef industry. Make sure you nominate them for NMCB Man of the Year!

Each year, NMCB recognizes, a man or group of men who have helped them achieve their mission of beef promotion. Submit nominations to:

Madalynn Lee, MOY Chair
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NOMINATIONS ARE DUE MARCH 15

CALENDAR

MARCH

20 Last Day of NM Legislative Session

APRIL

15 NM Youth Ranch Management Camp Application Deadline

15 May Wrangler deadline

MAY

25 - 26 Women in Agriculture Leadership Conference, Virtual

JUNE

6 - 8 NMCGA Mid Year Meeting, Ruidoso

13 - 18 NM Youth Ranch Management Camp

For an up-to-date list of events going on around the state, visit www.newmexicocowbelles.wildapricot.org.

IN MEMORIAM

Beulah Hittson, age 85, died on Monday, January 25, 2021 at her home in Des Moines, New Mexico.



Beulah Ann (McLaughlin) Hittson was born November 6, 1935 in Clayton, New Mexico to Stanley Loris McLaughlin and Marjorie Ruth (Tennis) McLaughlin. A lifelong resident of Union County, Beulah grew up in the Cimarron Station area and attended school in Clayton and then when they moved closer to Des Moines, she graduated from Des Moines High School. Beulah married William Robert "Billy Bob" Hittson on August 22, 1953 in Clayton, New Mexico and he preceded her in death on May 28, 1999. She loved to garden and loved her flowers. She was a member

of the Folsom Garden Club for many years and a member of the Cow Belles. Beulah was very involved with her community, helping with just about every funeral in the Des Moines area for many years. She was crazy for her grandchildren and traveled many miles attending ball games, rodeo's, stock shows, steer shows and pig shows. She was known by many in the Des Moines area as MeMe. She was a 4H leader for all three of her children. Beulah loved to cook for the branding crews and for other people. In addition to her parents and husband,

Beulah was preceded in death by a granddaughter; Ashli Hittson in 2004, a great-grandson; Luke Hittson in 2014 and by her sister; Reba Kay Garrison in 1993.

Survivors include: one daughter: Barbara Zinck and her husband

Mitch of Amarillo, Texas; two sons: Mark Hittson and his wife Delly of Amarillo, Texas and Barry Hittson and his wife Shannon of Des Moines, New Mexico; six grandchildren: Travis Zinck and his wife Carrie, Amber Zinck and Makenna Hittson all of Amarillo, Texas, Michael Hittson and his wife Lacey of Midland, Texas and Will Hittson and Wes Hittson of Des Moines, New Mexico; four great-grandchildren: Azelynn Zinck and Mayzie Zinck both of Amarillo, Texas and Charlie Hittson and Robbie Hittson both of Midland, Texas.

A memorial grave side service will be scheduled at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Hass Funeral Directors of Clayton, New Mexico.

-Submitted by Marriane Rose



Linda Jean Lee Turner, 69, passed away on Thursday, February 4, 2021 in El Paso, Texas. She was born on April 29, 1951 in Alamogordo, New Mexico to Charlie T. Lee and Jean E. (Althaus) Lee.

Survivors include her mother, Jean E. Lee and brother, Bebo (Madalynn) Lee of Alamogordo, NM; son, Shawn (Nicole) Williamson of Etiwanda, CA; two daughters, Amber (Wade) McClain of Tularosa, NM, Misty (Sean) Orr of Alamogordo, NM; two granddaughters, Morgayne Smith and Kymberlee Orr of Alamogordo, NM; two grandsons, Kamrynne Davis of Alamogordo, NM, Jordan Walker of Tularosa, NM; nephew Colton Lee of Alamogordo, NM.; niece Dalton Lamczyk (Brian) of Alamogordo, NM; aunt Mary Jane McDowell of Missouri and many cousins and an

extended family.

She was preceded in death by her father, Charlie T. Lee and daughter, Heather Rae Davis; her paternal grandparents, Don T. and Charlotte Lee and maternal grandparents, Harry and Emily Althaus; uncle Ray McDowell and cousin, Craig McDowell.

Linda was a resident of Alamogordo, with a few years living in Ohio. She graduated from Alamogordo High School in 1969. When she was younger she was active in the ranch work and enjoyed working with animals; she competed in different rodeo events and horsemanship competitions. She represented Otero County as Fair Rodeo Queen in 1968 and 1970. She was a member of the Otero Cowbelles, where she was the local chapter president from 2007-2008 and

2015-2016. Additionally, she served as the president of the state chapter of the New Mexico Cowbelles in 2011. She was also a member of the White Sands Chapter for the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. She enjoyed making stained glass, educating herself in holistic medicine; researching genealogy lineage and gazing up at the stars. She will be dearly missed by all that loved her, as she has left an imprint on our hearts. She always gave "love and light" to us all and was such a strong woman. She was a true fighter and a free spirit.

Should friends desire, contributions may be made to the following: New Mexico Beef Council, Otero/ NM Cowbelles or National Society Daughter of the American Revolution.

Chat with the *Chaplain*

I was scrolling through some auction groups on Facebook the other day, seeing what kind of stuff had been listed that I might need to bid on. When it comes to buckles and spurs, there are certain ones that catch my eye and certain maker's marks that I look for. There were several different items listed.

I noticed the description of each item had one thing in common, it listed the maker and mark. The mark - the stamp that makes a difference in the value of the item. Some maker's bits and spurs are thousands of dollars

and some are a couple hundred. As most of you know, as you trade these wares, you start to learn what items are more valuable than others. And some are just personal preference. All of these items have value based on the maker's mark and who made them.

We all have a makers mark. All stamped by our Father. All stamped by Jesus' blood. All created for a purpose on purpose. And if you ever doubt your value or worth, look for that maker's mark and know that you are priceless to the Father and He sees you no other way.

So let's live out our lives knowing we are stamped with the ultimate maker's mark and our value is determined by Him. Be blessed y'all!



Corrina Casler
NMCB Chaplain

*Want to include news from your local in the Wrangler?
Submit it before the deadline to Katelin at katelinspradley@gmail.com.*



2021 Pat Nowlin Scholarship Offered by NM CowBelles

Each year the NM CowBelles accept scholarship applications to honor the memory of Pat Nowlin who was instrumental in beginning the first CowBelle organization in Arizona in 1947 followed by the New Mexico organization when she moved to the Cimarron area in 1957. She served as our first NM CowBelle president and was later elected to the position of national secretary / treasurer.

The NM CowBelles will again offer two \$500 scholarships to be awarded to graduating high school seniors and one additional \$500 scholarship to be given to a college upperclassman or adult returning to college to obtain their degree. Applicants must be a paid member of the NM CowBelles,

a junior age member or a child of a NM CowBelle in order to apply. Scholarship applications must also include: 1) The NM CowBelle Local Verification Form signed by the local president and secretary, 2) applicant's photo, and 3) high school transcript, home school record of courses, or an official transcript of the college or trade school the applicant last attended.

Applications can be obtained from the scholarship chair, a NM CowBelle local, on the NM CowBelle website at <https://www.newmexicocowbelles.org/> or the FaceBook page at <https://www.facebook.com/NewMexicoCowBelles>.
The deadline to submit scholarship applications with all attachments is April 15, 2021.

Scholarship applications must be submitted to Shelly Hathorn, the NM CowBelle Scholarship Chair, via mail at the address below or by email to: shporter@nmsu.edu. Contact the chair at 575-447-7447 with questions regarding the scholarship applications or to make a donation to the memorial scholarship fund.

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- Submitted by Shelly Hathorn



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