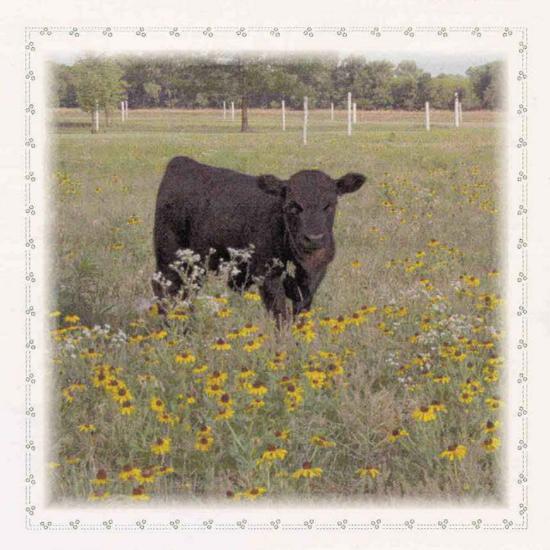


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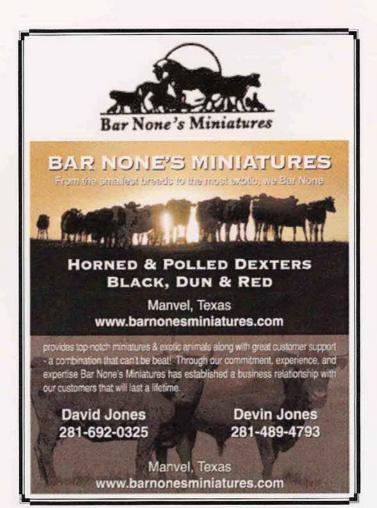
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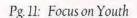


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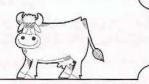
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A little girl encounters her first
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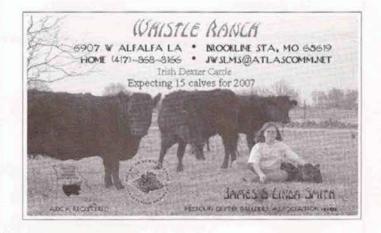
The financial position of the ADCA for 2007 looks very sound. As expected at this time of the year, the revenues are exceeding the expenditures by \$21,336 at the end of April. This is a period when membership renewals and fall - winter calves are being registered and major expenses for the year have yet to be incurred.

The 2006 IRS 990 tax filing, which for the ADCA is due by May 15, 2007, was filed May 3rd.

Financial statements for 2006 will be presented at the AGM in Colorado, along with an update on YTD 2007. See you there.

Hope you are having fine additions to your herd as we are.

James W. Smith ADCA Treasurer



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## From the President

## by Pat Mitchell

## Greetings from the President

Welcome to the Summer edition of the *Bulletin*. I hope that everyone in the world of Dexter Cattle has seen a good spring, with abundant rainfall, good pasture growth and lots of new calves hit5 ting the ground running. As I write this note, we are about halfway through our calving for this spring, and so far the heifers are winning the battle 554. It is extremely enjoyable watching the little guys racing around the pasture with their tails in the air and enjoying life to the fullest.

By the time this Bulletin arrives, the 2007 AGM will be approaching. As you saw in the spring mailing, there are a wide variety of activities tak5 ing place over the four days, and many opportu5 nities to share experiences and "Dexter knowl5 edge" with fellow breeders. The AGM is a won5 derful place to meet new friends and gain new insights into the world of Dexter Cattle.

Thank You to the Board of Directors and the Officers for another good year. It sometimes is hard to get everyone together on issues due to the hectic pace of today's world, but we did make good progress in a number of areas:

- We have accomplished a major goal of changing labs for chondrodysplasia testing, and Pam Malcuit deserves a great deal of credit for her perseverance in following through on this project. Also, a big thank you to all the members who have been patiently waiting the start5up of the new lab.
- All lab testing chondrodysplasia, color and

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- Voluntary listing of carrier status on registra5 tion certificates for animals tested for chondro5 dysplasia. We will address any concerns with this application at the AGM and ongoing as the need arises.
- Improvements in the classification system and scorecard. The work of the Classification Committee should be commended. While a clas5 sification system for our breed isn't perfect due to the distinct type variations, its still a good tool for breeders to utilize to improve their herds
- Upgrades to the on5line pedigree system and the website. Forms are now available on5line to make it easier to register your cattle.
- Approved the by5law amendment concerning the method established for the amendment of by5laws.

I want to thank the Board for the vote of confi5 dence in electing me as your President for the 2006/2007 term. I honestly wish I had the oppor5 tunity to perform the role on a more full time ba5 sis, as there are issues and opportunities abounding that a person with the proper amount of time to dedicate to the cause could address. It is extremely hard to try to do an adequate job of leading the association when also confronted with long hours and short tempers at the regular job. While we did make progress, there are still a number of open items that the board must deal with in upcoming months, including but not lim5 ited to updating rules and regulations, establish5 ing a code of ethics for board members, devel5 oping a number of operating procedures and nu5 merous other activities.

Change and improvement of our Association is a never5ending ongoing process. We will continue to ask you for your input and suggestions on how to do things faster, better and more effi5 ciently. Thanks for helping make the ADCA successful.

#### Pat Mitchell

President, American Dexter Cattle Association



## VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## by David Jones

### Greetings from Texas

As I reflect on the past few months as Vice President, it occurs to me how many things we have accomplished on both a National and Regional level. Your association is an active, productive organization. We voted on and adopted an amendment to bring us into compliance with Delaware regulations for a "non profit" corporation. We have made steady progress to bring the DNA testing to Texas A&M to eliminate the ongoing problems caused by using a lab outside the U.S. Some of us have already received our results from A&M on color testing and I am confident Chondro is just around the corner.

Chuck Daggett, our Registrar, has implemented many changes to the on-line capabilities of the ADCA website. He continues to enhance the site and add functionality while still providing outstanding service with quick turnaround and responses. Jim Smith, our treasurer, has set into motion procedures for individual Regions to report their income and expenses through National to comply with our 501-C5 status. Regions should understand that this in no way affects "your" control of "your" funds. It simply assures we are all in

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compliance on a tax basis. There are all steps to a more efficient and professionally run association.

In addition, much discussion has taken place on topics too varied to list them all; however, several important topics are on the agenda for the 2007 AGM. The agenda for the General Meeting is posted on the website. You should have already received a special mailing of the Agenda and nomination forms. As a member, it is critical that you exercise your voice on topics of discussion as well as volunteering or nominating a candidate willing to serve as a Director, Officer or Committee member.

On the AGM agenda, you will find numerous items of discussion that also need and require input from our members. Two of these items are "Grooming and Show Standards" and "Random Testing". Both of these topics have been discussed in depth and will continue to be a topic of discussion in the following months as we work to formulate policies on both.

Please email me or your Regional Director any input you may have on these two topics. Within this *Bulletin*, you will find an article authored by me but reflecting the views of a group of concerned Dexter Breeders actively showing cattle, who have a very passionate view on "Grooming and Showing Standards". We are all looking forward to an informative presentation by the Grooming Committee at the AGM.

From a regional perspective, I would be remiss not to congratulate Region 7 for an absolutely phenomenal Houston Livestock Show. HLSR is the world's largest livestock show and this was the second year Dexters were invited to participate. A very dedicated and passionate group of Dexter Breeders worked tirelessly to "Raise the Bar" on Dexter Shows with a focus on youth. Premiums totaling \$30,000 were paid to the winning participants, \$25,000 of which went to youth entries.

NEW Deadline for all submissions for the AGM (fall) issue will be August 1st adcaeditor@yahoo.com

## **Region 12 News**

What a great time of year! As the years pass by, I'm starting to enjoy late spring and early summer the most. I enjoy watching everything come to life, pasture, trees, and young calves. It's probably the best stress relief medicine I know. My favorite thing is watching the young calves jumping, kicking, running around and even butting heads. It just gives me that special inner glow.

As you have read in our Region 12 newsletter, I will be hosting the Region 12 annual meeting at my home in Coon Rapids. The meeting will be Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 1:00 p.m. We will have a grill-out following the meeting. A postcard with all the details will be sent to all Region 12 members sometime in July. If any of you have items that you'd like discussed, please e-mail me or drop me a letter.

Agenda items of the meeting will include highlights of the 2007 AGM and a classification presentation. I have signed up to have my herd classified during the meeting so that all Region 12 members have a chance to see what is involved in the classification system.

Have a great summer and please keep in touch, Rick

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Region 6 (KS, NE, OK) -

Region 7 (LA, TX) -

Region 8 (AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN) -

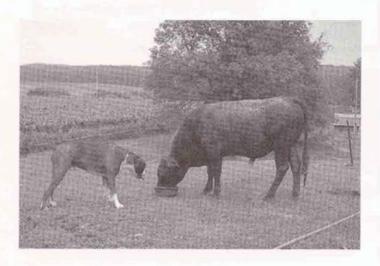
Mail your nomination form to:

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Nominations must be received NLT Aug. 15, 2007

## A Few Photo Submissions

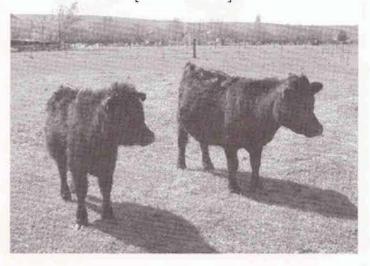
# **DINNER POLICE**Vinnie watching Pogo. [Carol Koller]





FF Sparky
[Sally Coad]

Windy Canyon Clementine and Choice Cut Rosebud
[Linda Lawrence]



## Region 10 News

Indiana, Michigan, Ohio

The 2007 AGM is fast approaching. As your director, please contact me either by phone or email to any questions or concerns you want me to take to the Board.

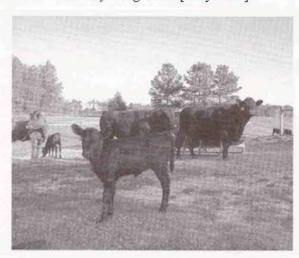
One of the items that will be discussed is a grooming and show attire guideline. There has been a lot of discussion on this and it seems that it will be difficult to make an overall, all climate and region rule. Please, if you have any thoughts or ideas regarding this, let me know. I need to know what the membership wants.

We are about half way through the calves for this year. So far we have seven heifers and seven bulls. Everything has been going great, and we will soon be busy breaking and training the little ones.

I hope everyone is having good luck with his or her calves.

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FF Tiny Margaret [Sally Coad]



# 32 Focus on Youth 3



Lyndsey Edwards and FF OT Bryanna

#### Focus on Youth

It is very important for the Dexter's future to try and open your farm up to the youth in your community. Allow them hands on experiences and share your knowledge to enable them to "catch Dexter Fever"! At Freedom Farms in North Carolina we urge area youth to come "adopt a heifer" to work with. Some of the youth will be showing their heifers in shows, others just come out and enjoy the experience



Lauren Edwards and FF Mini Moola

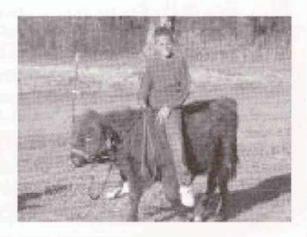
Sally and Warren Coad - FREEDOM FRMS

We are new to the Dexter community. We purchased our first Dexters late last year. We have just fallen in love with the little animals. We were lucky enough to get a red polled bull. He just turned a year old in March. Aslan, is a big baby. We have not put a nose ring in, at this time he is just so gentle I can't make myself do that to him. My son rides him in the pasture. He enjoyed himself so. Really made him think he was a man to ride a bull.

We are enjoying each and every addition to our herd as well. I have included a shot of one of our calves. Little L, born on April Fool's Day, was just a delight to see. My son, Tevin, really took to her. As you can see in the photo, he was up close and personal. She wasn't even good and clean yet and he laid a big kiss on her.

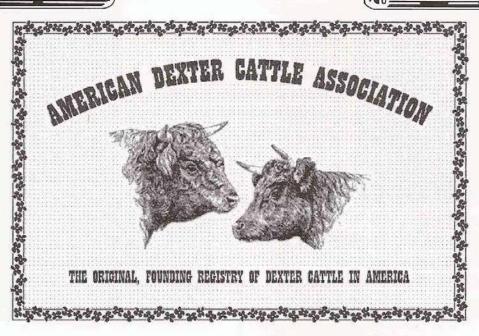
We are located in Winnsboro, Louisiana. We are looking forward to having polled and horned Dexter cattle.

Laurinda Frulla, Arceneaux Farms









Region IV, through the American Dexter Cattle Association, is selling the throw pictured as a promotional item to help fund the 2007 AGM in Grand Junction, CO. You can enjoy it for years to come and it would make a fabulous gift for the family and/or friends. It is a Black & White, 100 % cotton, machine washable throw measuring 50" by 65". Purchase one for \$50 and have it delivered to you for \$50 + postage and handling (to be determined by Zip Code and weight of order).

If you have any questions or wish to purchase one (or several), contact Carol Ann Traynor at (970) 858-1931 or hicountrycat@aol.com.

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## BOOK REVIEW

by Ted Anderson, EMERALD SPRINGS FARM



Book Review: Fundamentals of BEEF MANAGEMENT, U.C. Davis 2006 148 pp

If you have ever sold a Dexter to people who have never owned a cow before, you know they have a lot of questions regarding basic animal husbandry. For some time, I have been toying with the idea of writing an "Owners Manual for Dexter Cattle". The *Fundamentals of BEEF MANAGEMENT*, while not specific to Dexters, is the next best thing. This manual is written specifically for small scale operations, those people who are new to the cattle business or, like many of us, have been away from the business since we were kids.

As you may suspect from the title, it does not address the dairy aspect of the breed, but many of the principles are applicable to all Dexters. The publication is produced by the University of California, Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources. As a result, there is a California slant to some of the forage types, practices and regulations discussed. This is great if you live in California, but you might want to forgo January calving if you live in a cooler region.

Listed below are the topics presented. They are fundamental, but I certainly learned a few things myself. This would be a great publication to provide to your first time Dexter buyers. What a neat marketing tool!

Some of the things I found to be particularly useful were the pictures illustrating body condition scoring, diagrams of normal and abnormal presentations for calving and the appendix covering signs of approaching parturition (time for giving birth.) The nutrition section is based on research and testing, not a feed company's promotional slant. I love good science! The section on economics also gives a good basic perspective of the type of expenses to track, even if you are not running a pasture full of "commercial" cattle.

The bibliography at the end of each chapter provides web addresses for further information.

The publication has been anonymously peer reviewed for technical accuracy by UC scientists and other qualified professionals. Many contributors were county extension agents with lots of practical field experience.

#### Chapters include:

- Beef Breeds (Oops-they forgot to include Dexters!)
- Equipment for handling cattle and corrals
- Fencing needs including descriptions of basic designs and construction materials
- Truck and trailer design considerations, tips for safe transportation, information on shrinkage, and legal requirements associated with transporting cattle.
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WellIllII, I was surely hoping to give you, the membership, great news at this writing, but it seems we are still "on hold" awaiting the whims and pleasures of the University of Sydney Business Office. I know you are all frustrated and disgusted with the unreasonable length of time it has taken (and continues to take) to get the issue of Chondrodysplasia Testing resolved.

I can tell you that the lab at Texas A&M University has done its part to expedite this process. Our wonderful contact there, Dr. Gus Cothran, has been a true gentleman. He has jumped through hoops to help us get all of our testing run through his research lab. Currently his lab is doing our genotyping, and red and dun factor testing. The applications he is using are slightly different from what was used in the past, so it has taken a little time to get all the machines set up and the test data base set up so the testing can be run properly. These newer test procedures should be more precise and far more updated than in the past.

Believe me when I tell you that I realize how unhappy most of you are about the unreasonable length of time this transition has taken. I, too, have animals to be tested. Some of them have been castrated and will be sold as steers. A few are just waiting for the testing so that decisions about their futures can be made. The lack of testing has caused many of us tremendous problems—in breeding and sales. I can only tell you that I have done my level best to try to correct an untenable situation with getting our samples to the previous lab.

My contact with the business office in Australia has been sporadic, at best. I guess we just aren't a big enough cash draw for them to work any more quickly. I do know that there have been personnel problems in the business office, and those are supposedly now corrected. I have been persistent in my quest for answers from them. The last correspondence indicated that papers were being signed and the completion of the deal was imminent.

The very moment that we get the deal completed, I will let Chuck know so he can put it on the ADCA website. Please bear with us for a bit longer. Again, once the testing info has been passed along to Texas A&M, they will be testing daily to catch up on the huge backlog and to take care of us as quickly as possible.

I continue to appreciate your support and patience — and understand your total frustration with this testing situation. I surely hope the end will justify the means......and that we will be rewarded with an excellent testing service after this endless period of waiting.

It is my great hope that I will be able to stand before you at the 2007 AGM and announce that the testing for chondrodysplasia is up and running.....that the wait is finally over! (I guess the alternative would be getting tarred and feathered!)

Thanks much!
Pam Malcuit
Director, Region 7
mornstarranch@cs.com

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Left to Right: Daryl Frank, Craig Rhiner, Jerry Luttropp, Bob Reuter, Dave Kendall, Diane Mills5Frank, Leonard Johnson, Roger Neitzel, Patti Adams, Pat Mitchell, Seth Johnson, Curtis Day, Steve Mills.

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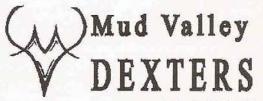
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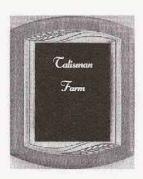
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## 2007 Talisman Award



From the Committee Chairman

In 2005 the Directors of the ADCA established an award to be given in honor of long time members John and Belle Hays. It is called the *Talisman Award* in recognition of their herd name. The award is to be given to a Dexter Family or individual that has promoted the Dexter breed with tireless passion and integrity. The first honoree of this award in 2006 was Diane Mills-Frank. You can read her narrative in the Fall 2006 Bulletin. She has been a wonderful example of just what the Talisman Award is about.

The nominees for this year's award are:

- Marcia Read of Claysville, PA
- Carol Ann Traynor of Fruita, CO
- Carol Davidson of Cassidy, BC

As you can see in these humble accounts of their lives, these ladies have all been diligent in their promotion of the Dexter breed. It was a very difficult decision for the committee to chose from such a group of over- qualified individuals, but we have done so and you can look forward to seeing the announcement of this years recipient at the AGM in Grand Junction CO. If you cannot attend the AGM, then look for the follow-up story in the next Bulletin.

Committee Chair, Joanie Storck, Region 6 Director

## Marcia Read Old Orchard at Stockdale

Claysville, PA

My very first exposure to Dexter cattle was through an Organic Gardening article written by Don Piehota. At the end of the article he listed two other western Pennsylvania breeders, Robert Herman and Bud Callen. I got my first cows from Bud and some years later purchased his remaining cattle.

My first cattle were purchased in 1975 I think. I was a bit disappointed in their temperaments and decided right away I would try and improve on that. I started bottle raising all heifers with my first one. I felt strongly that Dexters should be people friendly and that if they didn't come that way it was my job to make them so. Not only did I feel this would protect the cattle that I sold in their future lives, I also was concerned for my buyers. Many, many of my buyers were purchasing their very first livestock from me. I felt a strong responsibility to make the matches successful and long term!

Once my first heifer freshened and earned the nick name "hook and claw" from the shape of her udder, I was determined to also always try and improve udders. Udders matter whether cattle are used as beef or dairy animals. Dexters are so long lived attention really needs to be paid to the udder in a breeding program.

I used to milk about 10 cows year around. My two daughters showed at two local fairs, where we were given our own shows. The cattle were shown as a dairy breed.

I have sold cattle to buyers all over the US and into Canada and a few made it to Australia. I have been a regional director and hosted an AGM. •

## Talisman Award Nominees

## Carol Davidson Herd HIYU

Cassidy BC Canada

- Member ADCA for 24 years; attended 20 AGM's, six as Director
- Three times imported semen from top English bloodlines (Cornahir, Knotting and Saltaire, all hand selected based on pedigree, and proven high quality)
- Identified and preserved US Bedford herd (from lost English Grinstead and Atlantic lines)
- Exported proven quality semen to England, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand, as well as use in Canada and the United States from seven bloodlines other than my own; of5 fered in total nine different bulls on AI (two half my breeding)
- Exported 16 live animals to New Zealand in a special genetic preservation program, at cost; exported five to Tasmania, ditto
- Hosted three Dexter field days 200, 300 and 700 miles from home; inaugurated Dexter displays at six fairs, ditto classes at two, and organized the first major international Dexter Show at the Calgary Stampede in 1997 with 52 head; displayed cattle at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto, Ont. (like Houston but bigger) four years in a row 2,300 miles from home
- Brought dwarfism out of the closet (1988), and continuously provided up5to5date scientific information on the gene; Chair of ADCA's first herd improvement committee; peripherally in5 volved with chondro research in England and Australia
- Conducted the first genetic DNA study on Dexter coat color, identifying the 'wild' red, and initiated interest in the dun (brown) gene worked on by Dr. Schmutz and J. Potter
- Registered over 100 animals; Hiyu blood5 line in high demand because of proven quality and consistency
- Written numerous articles on classification and genetics for US and international use; de5 signed ADCA brochures; authored the Al Bull Continued in next column.

## Carol Ann Traynor HI-COUNTRY ACHERS

Fruita, Colorado

I am a Colorado 'native' and grew up in a small mountain town. Both sets of my grandparents were involved in agriculture. And while my parents decided the rural agriculture lifestyle was not for them, I could hardly wait to get 'back to the land.' I remember my farmer grandfather in Iowa removing me from the barn and into the house with the comment that he thought "it was going to rain" (I wonder to this day if the cow the bull was covering had a calf)! My ranching Montana grandfather once told my mother that he thought it was "a crime to have that kid (me) growing up in town!"

I was married for 21 years and have three married adult children, ten grandchildren, and two greatgrand children. My children were very involved in 4-H livestock (cattle, dog, horse, sheep) programs while they were growing up and I have continued as a volunteer 4-H leader, encouraging participation of my grandchildren.

- •Received a 20-year Diamond Clover 4-H volunteer leader award in 2004 and am currently an assistant leader of the Enterprise Wranglers Club.
- Currently sponsor a 'Dexter Heifer' for an 11year-old Mesa County 4-H girl. At the end of the summer when she completes her 2007 project, she will get to choose a weanling heifer from my herd as her own.
- ·Served as a member of two different county fair

See Carol Ann Traynor, continued on page 20

- Review; publicly provided independent documentation in support of ADCA's position during the split; created new Bylaws to meet Delaware statutes
- Have over 3,000 Dexter photographs from around the world, extensive reference library of old books and articles, and complete herd books for England, Ireland, South Africa, Aus5 tralia, New Zealand, Canada, and the United States; provided worldwide information and pedigree assistance on request free of charge; trained as a classifier.

## Talisman Award Nominees

CAROL ANN TRAYNOR, continued from page 19

boards (San Luis Valley and Mesa County).

- •Very involved in our local Mesa County Cattlewomen's group (serving as vice-president for four years), Colorado Western Slope Cattlewomen's Council (serving as secretary for four years, president two years, and currently 1<sup>st</sup> vice-president in charge of the scholarship fund).
- •Current committee member of the 'Heritage Gardens' (an interactive historical display revolving around the cattle industry, orchards, mining, farming and irrigation) with the Botanical Gardens in Grand Junction.

I have undergraduate college degrees in Elementary Education, English and Business Education with a Master's degree in Special Education. I retired from my teaching career in 1998, completing 32 years of service in public education in Colorado. My hobby (the farm) has become my job - and my job (teaching), my hobby.

- Participated in Project Food, Land & People program taking agricultural learning experiences into the classroom.
- Currently involved in the Farm Safety for Just Kids program emphasizing safety for students in a variety of settings, both rural and urban.
- •Continue volunteer work for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and am also a member of the Spellbinder Storyteller's Group for the public schools and library....my latest story, 'The Cow in the Silo', is taken from a true event about a cow that became stuck inside a silo and the solution for getting her out.

I first heard of Dexter cattle through an article in Country Woman around 1995.

In 1997, I finally found a small local Dexter herd for sale consisting of an older bull, old cow, and young cow/calf pair. The owners had moved into the area for their retirement, but the man had a heart attack and his wife was afraid of the cattle. The rancher who hauled them for me thought I was 'daft' for purchasing this bunch of 'runt cows'. As a surprise, the old cow produced a nice heifer calf that fall. I sold the youngest cow and the heifer calf the next spring and used the money to purchase three yearling heifers from PaPa Johnson in Kansas. I then purchased one more cow/ calf pair out of Montana. These cattle were the foundation of my present cow herd. In 2003 I purchased my current herd sire at the AGM in Oklahoma. I currently have 15 head of Dexters. My breeding herd consists of six registered black horned cows and a black polled bull. In 2006, I 'up-sized' the farm from just under 10 acres to 26 acres with an additional 35 acres of leased

hay ground.

I became an ADCA Director in 2001 for Region IV, at that time consisting of Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, and Nebraska. During my first term as Director:

- Improved communication to the regional membership by publishing a newsletter, *The Lariat*.
- Worked to establish the first 2001 ADCA Dexter Cattle Exhibit at the Utah State Fair
- Helped coordinate the 2002 ADCA Dexter Cattle Show at the Utah State Fair
- •Exhibited at the 2003 ADCA Dexter Cattle Show at the Utah State Fair
- •Locally, exhibited Dexters at the Grand Junction SouthWest Fest & Chili Cook-Off, Cross Orchards Living History Farm School Days, Mesa County Fair, Palisade Peach Festival, and the Veteran's Day Parade.

I was re-elected Region IV Director in 2003. During that term, the composition of Region IV changed to Wyoming, Utah, New Mexico, and Colorado. I served on the Marketing and Bylaws & Rules and Regulations Committees (assuming chairmanship of the latter for a brief period).

- 'Stood My Ground and Weathered the '04 Storm' within the ADCA retaining my position as a Director for Region IV
- •Exhibited at the 2004 ADCA Dexter Cattle Show at the Utah State Fair

(2005 & 2006 Utah State Fair Shows were run under the auspices of the PDCA)

 Locally, Dexters exhibited at the Mesa County Fair, Palisade Peach Festival, and the Murdoch's Farm & Ranch Days.

I am currently serving as Interim Director for Region IV in 2007 until a replacement is found.

•2007 event coordinator for the ADCA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Colorado Gold Rush Celebration AGM to be held in Grand Junction in June.

I am honored to have been nominated for the Talisman Farm Award in 2007. It is a humbling experience to be included with the slate of nominees from 2006 – individuals whom I consider "Builders of the Breed". Their years of dedication and service to the breed far exceed my own. It is my feeling that all officers and members of the ADCA Board of Directors who remained with the ADCA following the 2004 Pennsylvania AGM should somehow be recognized for their loyalty to the ADCA and their dedication to the preservation of the Dexter breed, allowing for the 50-Year Celebration to happen.

## CATTLE & WOMEN - PART 1

by Laurie Winn Carlson

A cultural link between women and cattle seems unlikely in this age of turbo5powered technology. Yet, cows are all around us as decorative symbols, from the large fiberglass art5cow statues that decorated the streets of Chicago and New York recently, to their wide5 spread presence in gift shops and department stores. Their whimsical countenances appear on a myriad of kitchen towels, coffee mugs, and cookie jars. This surge of interest in all things bovine by giftware manufacturers, who market a plethora of calendars, aprons, refrig5 erator magnets, and so on, all depicting clever or cute cows, is directed at women.

At first encounter, we may think the bovine dé5 cor theme silly and contrived, yet it harks back about 3,500 years, to the beginnings of cattle domestication. Bovine5related home décor has been around since ancient Egyptians, Meso5 potamians, and Etruscans featured horned cattle on their walls, dishes, and jewelry. By tacking up cow calendars or filling cute, cow5 shaped cookie jars, women unknowingly make connections to their ancestral past.

Today's ubiquitous black5and5white cattle im5 ages represent Holsteins, a dairy breed, and the animals are all cows: females. No Texas longhorns or chunky black Angus—animals raised for their meat. Women are attracted to dairy animals that signify the female, the do5 mestic, the mother of all. The roots of such at5 traction are not new; they came about long be5 fore Walmart's kitchen design crew realized that Holsteins appeal to female shoppers. Ages ago, women linked themselves inextrica5 bly and symbolically with cows.

In ancient Egypt, the goddess Hathor, the great mother, was depicted as a cow whose body was the heavens and whose udder spewed out the Milky Way. Every day she gave birth to the sun, the Golden Calf. Other Mediterranean cultures were equally en5 tranced with the power of the cow. The name "Italy," for example, means "calf5land." Milk—latte in Latin—was revered and respected for its power to nurture. Goddesses were adorned with headdresses representing cow's horns. Yes, indeed, today's diamond5studded tiara links back to priestesses who donned head pieces stylized with horns, symbolic of the much5revered cow.

Myths from the Near East, Japan, and India tell of a world created by the curdling action of milk, and of a universe that was "curdled" into being. Some told of human bodies being cur5 dled from the goddess's milk. Renenet, a lady with inexhaustible breasts in Egyptian lore, held out her breasts to nurture the world, her head adorned with a cow's head or horns. Rennet, the enzyme found in bovine stomachs that causes milk to curdle, was sacred. It's still essential in cooking today.

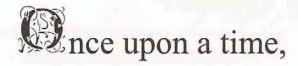
The Romans enjoyed a pantheon of gods and goddesses, including Cornucopia. The cornu5 copia, or horn of plenty, symbolized a cow's horn spilling out the fruits of the earth. The cow, wet nurse to humanity, has a long history. But cows are invoked as symbols of milk and the feminine; meat is another matter all to5 gether. It makes sense that women connect with dairy cattle, whose milk has saved many a human infant. Women have a connection to beef cattle, too, but meat is a more political food. For hunters, obtaining meat and distribut5 ing it reflected power. Meat was a masculine possession—in hunting societies. For cattle keepers, things were different.

The rise of pastoral animal5herding societies changed the gendered roles that suited hunt5 ing societies. The role of meat—and dairy—in cattle5based cultures that existed during the long period between the prehistoric and the present developed a far different society. Fe5 males in herding societies had more equality and more power. The entire social system was built on nurturing skills and attitudes.

Cattle keepers nurtured their stock and em5 phasized breeding and rearing of the young animals, while cooperating as a clan to share the tasks. A lone hunter could survive, but a lone person trying to maneuver and control cattle—well that's a different story. Cattle re5 quire a clan to move them from place to place, as well as to retrieve them when they stray.

Cattle keepers were focused on the future, as hunters were not. A herd meant long5term sur5 vival and a future for one's children. Women easily took up livestock tending, because the animals could be kept near the house—some cultures kept them right *in* the house—and fed

See CATTLE WOMEN, cont'd on page 24.



## A True Cinderela Story

... a Dexter heifer was born March 24, 1997. She seemed no different that the other black calves running around the pasture. A healthy calf with nothing to indi5 cate how special she was to become. She became Thomas' Wilo's Cinderela #10318.

Cinderela moved through her years producing calves on schedule. Of course, the females had to carry on her theme in life...Bibidi, Bobidi, ...



In 2005, she came up with her first surprise to her owners...twin heifers, Astasia & Drizle. This was the first set of heifer twins in the herd...AND one red and one was Black! This was July 4th of 2005.

Her real "Story", however, starts on June 28th of 2006. Just a week shy of one year after the twin heifers, she gave us two black heifers, Sister and Sliper, and a red bull, Prince. The Parentage DNA is back and she's proved beyond a shadow of a doubt, she produced triplets!

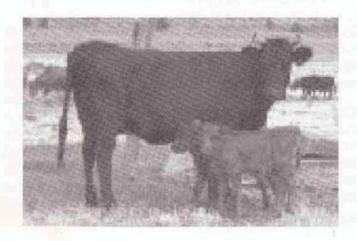
These heifers seem to be identical twins; they came first. She was cleaning the first girl at feeding time that day. She began the birthing of the second black heifer before the chores were finished. The guys went back out to he sure the calves were both up and nursing and observed the birth of the third calf! She had just raised her twins with no problem so we decided to see how she'd do with the three. We penned her up in October because we were afraid she wouldn't be able to keep up with them...she did!

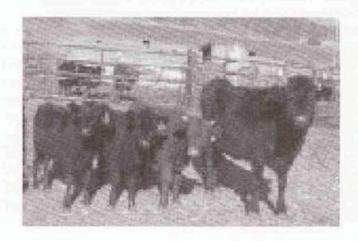
The Vets ultrasound has proved the heifers are Freemartins. (Freemartin = sterile 5 the result of being carried with the brother and chromosomes sharing the same space during pregnancy.)

Cinderela is our first Dexter to repeat multiple births for us. We've had five other Dexter cows present us with twins, but only once each so far. One set of twins (owned by our son Stuart) was a male/female combo but his female has had a calf every year for him! She missed the high 90% predicted for her to be a Freemartin.

We are sooo proud to finally have the test results back so we can share this very special Dexter success story. We've known all along they come from Cinderela but it's so hard to believe! I've read the odds are 1 in 105,000 for beef cattle to have triplets.

by Sandi Thomas







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## REVISED 2007 AGM SCHEDULE

#### THURSDAY, June 21st

→Board of Directors Meeting @ 10 am Country Inns of America 718 Horizon Drive Mesa County Fairgrounds

→Check in animals all day at

→Set up displays and Community Building

## FRIDAY, June 22nd

Mesa County Fairgrounds (Pavilion arena)

10 am DEXTER SHOW &

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Ben Cooley, Judge

Northeastern Colorado Junior College

Animal Science Instructor/Livestock Judging Coach

Lunch Break

VIDEO & PHOTOGRAPHY SHOWS 1 pm

(Community Building)

2 pm ADCA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

(Community Building)

BANQUET & FEATURED SPEAKER

(Community Building - reservation required)

Temple Grandin, CSU Associate Professor

Animal Sciences Dept. and author of

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SATURDAY, June 23rd

Mesa County Fairgrounds (Pavilion Arena)

9 am DEXTER CATTLE AUCTION

Larry McCown, Auctioneer

11:30 am Lunch Break (on your own)

12:30 pm GENERAL PRESENTATIONS (Community Building, Gazebo, Grassy Area)

- Grooming Dexters for Show Demo
- Robbie Baird-LeValley

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Carol Davidson,

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Review of Registration & Transfer procedures & voluntary CD test notations on registration papers

6:30 pm DINNER (reservation required) (Community Building)

Pfizer Cattle Health & Nutrition Elizabeth Fraser, DVM

8:30 pm WHITE DEXTER SALE

(Community Building)

Larry McCown, Auctioneer

SUNDAY, June 24th

→Board of Directors Meeting @ 8 am Country Inns of America

718 Horizon Drive

Mesa County Fairgrounds

NOTE: 40 Rooms Blocked at Country Inns of America (970) 243-5080 – Reservation Deadline 6/7/07! YOU NEED TO RESERVE EARLY - THIS IS A HIGH-USE WEEKEND IN THE MESA VALLEY!

CATTLE WOMEN, cont'd from page 21.

or watered with the help of children and the elderly.

Cows were valued, because they were female and could provide additional stock by bearing a calf every year. Milking cows provided ex5 tensive dietary protein; and milking was an es5 sentially feminine task, until mechanization put it in male hands. Women processed the dairy products that made survival possible: cheese, butter, yogurt, whey. As clans began to base their politics and survival on the nurturing of cattle, women gained respect, ate better, and had clout.

The Celtic Irish people were such a cattle cul5 ture. The Celts were known for their iron5work, especially weaponry. More importantly, they also made iron tools: axes, plowshares, and scythes—tools that made growing and har5 vesting fodder for cattle much easier. They practiced intensive farming and cattle raising and dominated most of Europe for over 400 years, before Rome spread its empire out5 ward, replacing Celtic practices with Roman ways. Culturally, Celtic art and design are the underpinnings of European traditions, but they were pushed to the perimeters of the British isles, mainly Wales, Cornwall, Scotland, and Ireland. They were a fierce, independent, cat5 tle5raising people, who controlled their cattle with whips and dogs and strategically placed salt licks.

Celtic religion emphasized May Day—
Beltaine—the day marking the divide between winter and summer. To purify the cattle, the herd was run through sacred bonfires to sanc5 tify them for the coming summer grazing sea5 son. Celtic feasts, held in the tribal leader's home, included boiled pork, beef, game, and fish, along with honey, butter, cheese, curds and milk, wine, mead, and beer.<sup>2</sup> Celts were the first to use soap, made from beef fat and wood ashes. Celtic currency was in two forms: cattle and slaves. One female slave equaled the value of six heifers or three milk cows. Fe5 males, not male slaves or male cattle, were valued most highly.<sup>3</sup>

The Irish5Celtic goddess Brigit was wor5 shipped all over Ireland. She was a healer and watched over women in childbirth and nursing ewes and cattle. She was a patron of crafts and poetry. When Christianity arrived on Ire5 land, Brigit underwent a change to St. Brigit,

the most important female saint in Ireland. She was said to own cows that gave a lake of milk, which could provide a never5ending supply of food for the poor.<sup>4</sup>

Cattle were currency: children of freemen—who typically held seven cows and a bull, seven pigs and a sow, seven sheep and a horse, and grazing land to feed seven cows for a year—went to live with a foster family, a cultural tradition that lasted through the Middle Ages in Britain. The foster family was paid for keeping and training the child. Boys cost six heifers or one and a half milk cows, while girls' fees were set at eight heifers or two milk cows. Girls cost more to foster out, because boys were thought to be less trouble to raise.<sup>5</sup>

Cattle could be kept easily by women: heifers were kept for breeding, while young bulls were butchered before they grew too big to handle. The environment made it easy for women to build stone fences, tedious work which took stamina, but not great physical strength. Grass hay could be cut with hand scythes, then bun5 dled and stored for winter. Butter and cheese, made by hand at home, were kept cool in pits dug in the ground. The entire process could be handled by females, with animals sent out to graze under the watchful eye of children. Women tended the cattle while the men were absent on long voyages or at war. Cattle5 keeping lends itself to a matriarchy, evident in Africa, another seat of ancestral cattle keep5 ing, as well.

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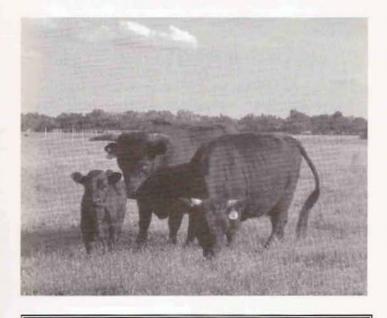
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## **Region 6 News**

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## Welcome 27 New Members!



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- MO James & Kimberly Craig
- . MO Emily White-Gartrell & Nancy Phillips
- MO Karin & Randy Wolking
- NC Chris Nutt
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- NY David Johnson
- ON Marion Clements
- OR Dave Von Heeder
- SK Connie & Emily Pollard
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- TX Claudette Galen
- TX Lee Reaves
- TX Jeff Speck
- TX Larry Watkins
- WA Anita Sue Pritchard
- WI Charles & Rhea Smith

As the summer season is approaching I am pleased to be receiving numerous calls from people looking for cattle. The drought last year curtailed many potential buyers from starting into the business. As you sell your cattle this year make sure that you encourage the new owners to purchase enough hay during the hay harvesting months. From the southern end of Oklahoma to the northern end of Nebraska, there is a marked difference in the length of our winters. So help the new owners with calculations for how much hay they will need, per head, in your area.

By the time this issue gets to you, we will be in high gear for the Annual General Meeting held in Colorado. Carol Ann Traynor and her regional members have already spent hundreds of hours in preparation for our enjoyment during the meeting. Hopefully I will see many of you in attendance. If you cannot attend, please re-read the Agenda that was sent to you (in letter form) near the end of April. If you see anything on the agenda that you have an opinion on, or if you don't see something that you feel needs to be addressed, then please call me and let me take your concern to the meeting for the board to review.

Lastly, make sure that your cattle have adequate shade and a good water supply for the upcoming summer heat. They depend on us to provide these essentials whether it is by way of trees or a simply pole shelter. Also, check on when is the best time to fertilize your pastures and buy your supply of hay for the winter during the haying season...it should be cheaper when purchased right out of the fields.

Good luck with your summer projects and remember the Region 6 breeders when making your choices for your next breeding stock...we raise some awesome cattle in the mid-west.

Blessings from the plains of Kansas, Joanie

Joanie Storck · Region 6 Director 316-524-0318 · storckranch@yahoo.com

## PARASITES PRESENT BIG PROBLEM FOR PRODUCERS

Parasites may be little, but they can cause big problems for beef producers. Gary Sides, nutritionist for Pfizer Animal Health, said the pests cut profits in many cattle operations.

"When you look at parasites from a nutritionist's standpoint, they do two things that are really detrimental: depress feed intake and depress digestibility of the feed cattle do consume," he said. Sides spoke at a seminar cosponsored by Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) last fall.

"When an animal has decreased intake and/or digestibility, one of the first places it shows up is in marbling score," he said. Sides explained that as energy intake drops, so does marbling potential. Even suckling calves that are creep fed or early weaned have a potential for improved marbling at slaughter versus their herd mates that are weaned in the traditional manner.

"The calf on a lower plane of nutrition has enough energy for maintenance and for moderate lean muscle growth," he said. "The next step in energy deposition would be marbling."

It's important not to let energy level drop too low. "There's no compensatory marbling," Sides said. It makes sense to prevent parasites from sapping energy meant for growth and marbling.

Although feed yards may deworm calves, he said the process should start on the ranch.

An Oklahoma State University study compared calves never dewormed to those dewormed upon arrival at the feedyard. A third group included calves dewormed both at the ranch and at the feedyard.

"Those that were dewormed picked up 48 pounds of gain on grass," he said. "In the feedyard, more than 80 percent of all the pulls came from cattle not dewormed on grass."

In the end, those calves never dewormed showed a 26 percent reduction in percent Choice, and gave up 96 pounds of gain compared to calves dewormed at both the ranch and the feedlot. "That's a huge effect," Sides said.

Producers trying to stretch the recommend dosage may also give up carcass quality. Private research by feedlot veterinary consultants took calves that were all dewormed (with an avermectin pour-on) during the backgrounding period, and then assigned to one of three treatments during the finishing phase: no dewormer, a half dose Dectomax injectable or a full dose of Dectomax injectable.

The control group with no dewormer at the feedyard graded 36 percent Choice, while those treated with a half dose picked up just two percentage points. The full dosed cattle graded 52 percent Choice and picked up an additional 22 lb. in carcass weight over both the control and half-dose treatments.

"Even minimal parasite infections can have a huge effect on the animal," Sides said. One decision that might appear insignificant is whether to use pour-on or injectable dewormer. Results can be noticeably different.

"If I want to kill internal parasites, which is our number one economic loss from cattle parasites, then I prefer an injectable dewormer," he said. "In the south [injectables are] pretty common. Up north, a lot of pour-ons are used and I think they give up some performance because of it."

The bottom line, Sides said, is that producers need to worry about the little things—lice, worms and grubs to be exact. But the biggest economic loss from these comes from abomasal worms.

For information on this topic, or to see others related to quality beef production, see the Feeding Quality Forum proceedings available at http://www.cabpartners.com/events/pastevents/index.ph

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## **Region 11 News**

I'd like to wish everyone going to or involved with the AGM a great weekend. I know the people putting on the show have worked very hard to give you a great show. Sadly I am unable to attend this year due to a clash with graduation, so if any Region 11 members have questions to go to the board, let me know and I will take care of that. I'd like to welcome the new members that we have in our Region, please email or call me anytime if you have questions, or just to say Hi. The new website is working for selling and finding animals, if you haven't checked it out, take a look <a href="http://www.freewebs.com/region11dexters/">http://www.freewebs.com/region11dexters/</a> and if you have any ideas for it, let me know.

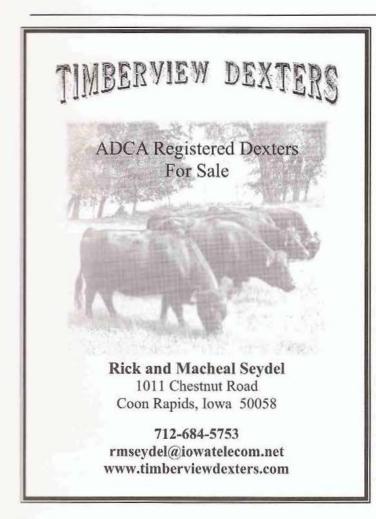
I've had some calls for trained milkers, if you have one for sale let me know so I can send people your way. Hearing from friends in warmer regions that they are mowing already is hard to take, especially when we have to get through "Mud Season" before we get grass. Hopefully by the time you read this your grass will be long and the weather warm, and your calves will be sunning themselves.

If anyone is interested in participating in a Dexter height study please contact me by phone or email and I will send you out the information. It is voluntary and the information is strictly for the use of this study. We are now able to register and transfer cattle online, presently we still have to send in a check but we are working on being able to pay online also. This makes Chuck's job of deciphering bad writing easier, I've already used it and it works great.

Have a great summer, and email me some pics of your calves for the web page and maybe future Bulletins.

#### Carol Koller

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CL. 1 Heifer < 12 mos	Animal	Exhibitor	Owner
01	Block Creek Blossom	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
02	SMD Moria Draco	Jeff Chambers Family	Silver Maple Dexters
03	J&R Dream Bambi	Gail Derrick	Derrick Dexters
04	Big Iron Fiona	Dana Lydon	Big Iron Ranch
05	SMD Medea Navis	Jeff Chambers Family	Silver Maple Dexters
06	Bar Nones Shadow	David Jones	Bar None Miniatures
07	Morn Star Glynis	Ashley Way	Morning Star Ranch
08	J & J Dream Diamond Jiff	John Hinkley	
CL. 2 Heifer 1-2 yrs			
01	Block Creek Duchess	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
02	SMD Omega Navis	Jeff Chambers Family	Silver Maple Dexters
03	Block Creek Meredith	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
04	Fan-C-Noel	Jaynie R. Ecker	100000
05	Fan-C-Summer	Elizabeth Smith	John & Gail Derrick
06	Block Creek Colleen	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
07	Block Creek Rebecca	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
08	Wendy's RY Red Krystal	Dana Lydon	Big Iron Ranch
CL. 3 Mature Cow > 2 yr	s		
01	Hilda of Diamond	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
02	Morn Star Ophelia	Lesley Hersom	Morning Star Ranch
03	SMD Ceti Navis	Jeff Chambers Family	Silver Maple Dexters
04	Rainbow Punkin	David Jones	Bar None Miniatures
05	Morn Star Shannon	David Jones	Bar None Miniatures
CL. 4 Cow/Calf Pair			
01	Block Creek Duchess	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
02	Hilda of Diamond	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
03	Morn Star Ophelia	Lesley Hersom	Morning Star Ranch
04	Rainbow Punkin	David Jones	Bar None Miniatures
05	Morn Star Shannon	David Jones	Bar None Miniatures
CL. 5 GRAND CH.	FEMALE		
01	Block Creek Duchess	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
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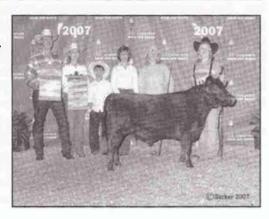
CI. 7	Bull Calf < 12 mos	Animal	Exhibitor	Owner
01		B Moore Sugar Bear	David Jones	Bar None Miniatures
02		Morn Star Rory III	Ashley Way	Morning Star Ranch
03		J & R Dream Colt	Gail Derrick	John & Gail Derrick
CI. 8	Bull 1-2 yrs			
01		Winestock Rufous	David Jones	Bar None Miniatures
02		Fan-C-Neil	Tom Ecker	Jaynie Ecker
CI. 9	Mature Bull > 2 yrs		74	7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7
01		JL Farm Kahn	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
CI.10	GRAND CH.	BULL		1 To
01	11111111111	JL Farm Kahn	Block Creek owner	Dr. Mickey V. Bush
CI.11	RES. GR. CH.	BULL		the many price
01		Winestock Rufous	David Jones	Bar None Miniatures
CI.12	Steer < 12 mos		The Land	
01		Cowtown's Sizzzzlin' Sirloin	John Hinkley	
02		Albert 2	Gail Derrick	John & Gail Derrick
03		Bar Nones Scout Two	David Jones	Bar None Miniatures
04		B Moore Scotty	David Jones	Bar None Miniatures
CI.13	Steer > 1 yr			
01		Levi	Gail Derrick	John & Gail Derrick
CI.14	GRAND CH.	STEER		
01		Levi	Gail Derrick	John & Gail Derrick
CI.15	RES. GR. CH.	STEER	4.0 (00.	
01		Cowtown's Sizzzzlin' Sirloin	John Hinkley	



Emily Derrick with her '07 HLSR Youth Division Dexter Reserve Gr. Ch. Bull:

J & R Dream Colt

Emily Derrick with her '07
HLSR Specialty Open Dexter
Grand Champion Steer:
Levi



More pictures of the 2007 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo winners in the next issue.

### Many have inquired, " What is Legacy?"

The Legacy group was formed by interested breeders searching for original American bloodlines to use in their breeding programs. They discovered that the original American bloodlines of the Dexter breed were rare in their pure form, making these genetics difficult to find in the modern US Dexter herd.

As research continued, so did concerns for the potential loss of the original American bloodlines. Joined by other interested breeders, they began to concentrate their efforts to identify, locate, and preserve the traditional American bloodlines for a seedstock genetic reservoir. "Legacy" became a designation for animals with a pedigree free of modern imported AI bulls. The Legacy group contacted both the ADCA and the PDCA, inviting the associations to participate in the Legacy group project, seen by the founders as a "special interest group," autonomous to both associations, but working jointly in this preservation interest.

One of the founders of the group felt strongly that parentage confirmation was essential to insure the integrity of the preservation project, while another Legacy principal strongly disagreed, believing breeder integrity should be stressed. In the end, the view prevailed that all foundation animals to be used for breeding Legacy offspring, would need to be DNA typed and all progeny would have to be parentage confirmed to be qualified to use the Legacy designation. UC-Davis in California, where a database of Dexter DNA had previously been started, became the designated repository for Legacy samples.

The Legacy group, interested in initiating research on the imported bull, Parndon Bullfinch; asked a member of the British genetics committee, Andrew Sheppy, for information regarding the ongoing Dexter cattle research project at Cardiff University, where the British original population genetics are currently being researched and identified. The contact led to tail hair samples from animals identified by the Legacy group being sent to England for inclusion in the Cardiff project. The results of that research are currently pending. However, interest in Parndon Bullfinch led to Legacy undertaking research on color genetics and the gene that causes white spotting, its beginnings in early Dexters, and it's existence in the modern herd. Legacy members are currently gathering data and photos for this project.



## Share the Legacy

Out of the joint effort with England, Legacy group became aware of the value of an American Dexter DNA database for future research as well as for parentage/ pedigree confirmation. Excited by the possibilities, Legacy set out to encourage American Dexter breeders to participate and help expand the database by contributing additional samples for testing. There are now major breeders from both associations committed to participate.

#### What can YOU do to support the Legacy project?

Please consider maintaining a parentage/pedigree confirmed herd. The cost of the parentage test is \$58.00, a small price indeed to safeguard the authenticity of the American bloodlines and to add additional samples to the research database. Consider that by adding \$50 to the price of a calf for sale, you will cover your costs and some of the foundation expense.

The Legacy group encourages all Dexter owners to consider adding samples to the database, and it is especially important to include your oldest animals. If, as an owner, you find you simply cannot afford to pay for the test, we ask if you would be willing to submit the tail hairs of these animals for future inclusion. Also, if you have had genetic testing on animals in your herd through either association, we ask if you would submit. . . . (1) a copy of the print-out of the genetic testing information/markers with written permission granted to Legacy for inclusion in the Dexter database, OR (5) the identifying information on your animal with dates and tests performed, along with written permission for Legacy to request that information from the current registries.

This is an exciting voluntary project that could help provide important information on the Dexter breed in America for many generations to come. You are invited to join the effort, and . . . SHARE the Legacy! For further information:

www.dextercattleamericanlegacy.info

Judy Sponaugle

DISCLAIMER: This article is the opinion of those associated with the Legacy Group, and not necessarily that of the ADCA. The ADCA supports preservation of heritage bloodlines, but not at the exclusion of bloodlines and animals already accepted to the registry. The Legacy initiative requests testing to be done at a lab with which the ADCA does not currently do business, and we are satisfied with our current lab. Establishing another registry for polled animals and/or animals from imported bloodlines is not in the best interests of the ADCA. Dexter Cattle, as a breed, are represented by black, red, dun, long-legged and short legged, horned and polled animals. Singling out specific bloodlines does nothing to promote the Dexter breed.

## MINERAL INTAKE CRITICAL FOR REPRODUCTIVE PERFORMANCE

By: Dr. Stephen B. Blezinger Ph.D. PAS

The old saying goes "if you don't get them bred, you're not going to accomplish much." Over the years we have addressed nutrition's effect on the brood cow and this factor just cannot be minimized. We know the three sides of a beef operation - genetics, management and nutrition are important. We know the nutritional plane the cow is on directly affects breeding, gestation and parturition (calving). Over or underfeeding are equally detrimental to normal reproductive function. Nutrients out of balance are also detrimental. Protein and energy are the nutrient components needed in the largest quantities and directly effect condition scores and normal reproductive performance and we have covered this on several occasions in the past. For this article, however, we are going focus on another set of nutrients: the major and trace minerals and their importance. Not only will we look at the minerals but we'll discuss the need for a quality mineral supplementation program. One of the most common problems I see on cattle operations I visit and work with is the mineral program. Pound for pound, mineral supplements are the most expensive of all the nutrients we supplement. They are also fed in the smallest quantities. Pound for pound, they also may very well have the greatest impact on cow performance.

#### Mineral Forms and Intake

Free-choice, loose mineral supplementation is generally considered the most common mineral supplementation strategy in grazing beef herds. Unfortunately a lot of mineral blocks are still fed.

These are typically the hard, red 50 lb. blocks that cows simply cannot lick enough of to meet their mineral needs. You will also still find a few ranchers that will put out salt (white or yellow) as a mineral block. These will not adequately provide for a herd's needs. In nearly all cases, however, use of a good quality, palatable, loose mineral product is an effective, cost-efficient means of delivering adequate vitamin and mineral supplementation to the cow. Although formulations vary greatly, the common base mix should contain approximately 8

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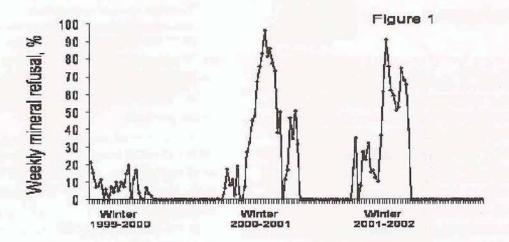
to 10 percent salt, along with 8 to 12 percent phosphorus. The variation in phosphorus content typically creates the greatest influence on overall cost of the product.

Intake is often targeted at two to four ounces per head daily. Achieving this target intake by all animals does not occur. Several animals within a herd will consume very little to no mineral at all. However, on the average, mineral consumption usually meets the desired intake levels. It is this averaging effect, over time, which allows free-choice mineral supplements to be the most practical choice for most cattle producers.

In most areas, seasonal variation in mineral intake is evident. During the summer months, cattle readily consume well designed mineral supplements as they normally do winter months. This can commonly be linked to forage quality. As forage quality decreases, free-choice intake commonly increases. In spring and fall (after rainfall rejuvenates forages), intake may be greatly reduced. In a study by the University of Florida (Arthington, et al) the seasonal changes in mineral consumption were clearly noticeable (Figure 1). Cows were offered a weekly amount of mineral that was equal to their targeted intake of two ounces per head daily (14 ounces per cow weekly). The amount of mineral not consumed was weighed and removed each week. The results show that during the summer months, cows readily consume their two ounce per day allowance; however, during the winter months cows often consumed less than 1/2 of their two ounce allowance. These differences in mineral intake are likely due to several factors, but the most important contributors are probably the moisture content of the pasture forage and the presence of winter supplement. It is important to recognize that this was a pattern noticed in Florida and that other regions may vary on the intake patterns observed. The issue here is to understand that intake variations occur.

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This information is important to consider when evaluating a mineral supplementation program. For instance, during some months cows may consume mineral at a rate that exceeds their targeted intake. In the study referenced above, mineral was offered at the two ounce per day level, but clearly they would have eaten more during the summer. Often this weekly allowance was completely consumed within four to five days. While some authorities will allow that there is nothing wrong with allowing the mineral feeder to remain empty for a couple days I would tend to disagree. Overconsumption of mineral is usually not considered a problem although, there is some evidence of reduced reproductive performance in heifers and young cows that consume too much mineral. The most pronounced impact of mineral overeating is economic, as the producer is receiving no additional benefit from the added costs realized by the additional mineral purchased. One should consider, however, that since mineral intake will vary one cannot assume to manage intake on a week to week basis. Intake should be assessed over a longer period of time (i.e. a month or 6 weeks). Over longer periods of time, assuming the mineral the producer is using is well designed and formulated properly, hitting target intakes are normally not a problem.

During periods when consumption is often reduced, such as spring and fall as mentioned above, try blending your mineral with your winter supplement. If you do not utilize winter supplements, or blending is unfeasible, try mixing your saltbased loose mineral mix with cottonseed meal or soy hulls at a one to one ratio. Remember to double your offer and monitor intake. An increase or decrease in this ratio may be used to control intake to your desired level. If you are purchasing a commercial feed supplement, ask your sales professional about the mineral content of the feed. In many situations, commercial winter supplements are fortified with a sufficient amount of mineral to meet a cow's requirements. When feeding these products the producer may be able to discontinue offering free-choice mineral or only offer stock salt. This may result in a substantial savings in a herd's annual mineral supplementation program.

### Use of a Quality Product

I have had any number of situations where I consulted with a breeding operation (either commercial or purebred) where one of the most rapidly observable problems was mineral deficiency or imbalance. The root of this problem was based on one or more of several factors. These include:

- 1. Use of no mineral supplement at all.
- 2. Use of mineral blocks or trace mineralized salt blocks that do not allow for adequate intake.
- 3. Use of "economical" mineral supplements that, while inexpensive, do not provide the appropriate mineral levels or were low in palatability and subsequently did not allow for adequate intake.

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## Region 7

#### Texas & Louisiana

## Greetings from Texas!

Once again Dexter Cattle Breeders have wowed them at the Houston Livestock Show! Many thanks to the breeders who so carefully prepared their animals for this international show – and made the trek to southeast Texas to participate. Everyone worked hard to put on a great show, to exhibit their animals wonderfully, and to help educate the general public on the many attributes of Irish Dexter Cattle.

Public reaction was all positive. Who could resist these delightful little cattle – especially when they are all groomed up to look their best? The cattle cooperated and were well behaved. Positioned right behind the Texas Longhorns, there was quite a size comparison! Visitors were all properly impressed and wanted to know much more about the breed.

Again, many, many thanks to our regional finance committee: John Derrick, Don Giles, David Jones, Mickey Bush, John Hinkley, and Richard Fennema. These folks raised huge premium money in a very short time – inspired by Chris Odom. He'd be mighty proud of the results. We hope that these same folks – and maybe a few more – will work on raising corporate sponsorship money for the 2008 Houston Livestock Show (yes, we have been invited back again) as

well as for the 2008 AGM which is to be held in Belton, TX.

Our regional membership continues to grow, and we hope more of our new members will take an active interest in regional and national activities. We NEED your help! Volunteers will be needed to work on various committees involved with putting on a fantastic 2008 Annual General Meeting. Please step up and help us put on a real extravaganza...the more people who help, the easier and more fun this will be. Whatever your skill, there is an opportunity for you to help. Don't be bashful if you are a new Dexter owner (or old) as everyone can contribute. We have a great group of people in our region, and we have a good time when we all get together. PLEASE VOLUNTEER NOW!

We'll let you know about our next regional meeting via our newsletter. In the meantime, I hope to see many of you in Grand Junction, Colorado, at our national meeting....!

(Please contact me if you have questions or wish to volunteer for our upcoming events – 936-394-2606 or email at: mornstarranch@cs.com.)

Thanks for your continued support. *Pam Malcuit*Director, Region 7

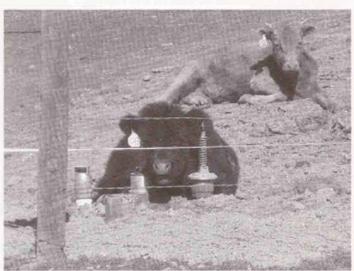
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Here are some things to consider/look for/stay away from in selecting a mineral supplement:

- 1. Color is not an issue. Many producers feel it is necessary to use a red mineral. Normally, red colored minerals include iron oxide to achieve this red color. This provides no nutritional value since the iron in iron oxide is very poorly available to the animal. Other commercial products use coloring agents as well. This may be effective as a sales and marketing tool but the benefit typically ends there.
- 2. Stay away from high salt levels. If high salt is required to get an animal to consume a mineral supplement there are probably other problems present. High salt levels, in many cases are used to reduce product cost.
- 3. Stay away from high Calcium levels (18 percent or more) especially when this is combined with low phosphorus levels Ca to P should be 1:1 to 1.3:1. It's not all that common for a given ranch to be deficient in calcium (it is possible however). Once again this is a cost control issue.
- 4. Look carefully at the supplement tag. Ask about ingredients that you do not recognize. In many cases any number of "bells and whistles" may be added to provide as tag dressing to make the product appear more valuable than it really is. Generally, free-choice minerals for beef cows do not require B-Vitamins (thiamine, riboflavin, etc.) unless some unique situation is present in the area or on your farm or ranch. Beef cows grazing forages normally produce all the B-vitamins they need by the bacterial action in the rumen.
- 5. Use of organic trace mineral sources can be valuable in the right application. Organics are more available to the animal than inorganic sources and can thus improve absorption of those nutrients. However, they are not required year-round. Use of organics is valuable from about 30 days prior to calving through rebreeding. After that they can come out subsequently reducing product cost.
- 6. Trace mineral sources should be from sulfates. Oxides, with the exception of Magnesium oxide are generally poorly absorbed.

Other issues to watch out are processes such as "weatherizing" which adds significant cost to a mineral supplement. Normally, if a product is well designed and palatable, setting up is not a problem since adequate consumption will reduce the incidence of the product getting hard in the feeder. Use of good quality feeders that protect the product from the elements are also helpful.

#### Conclusions

As we've discussed in the past, use of a quality mineral supplement is an important part of a good breeding program. Producers need to be attentive to how a product is designed and the overall product quality when making a choice on a free-choice mineral product.

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### **Region 1 News**

I know of four individuals who are planning on attending the Annual General Meeting in Grand Junction, Colorado. If you can attend I heartily recommend you take the time and spend the money. It is really worthwhile. If you have cattle that you believe are show quality, please consider signing up for the show or if you are interested in purchasing cattle you need to be there. There have always been good quality animals at this national show and sale. I believe there are individuals who will transport back to this area for you if you purchase an animal and need someone to transport for you. You will meet some really nice people and hopefully learn some valuable information concerning cattle in general and Dexters in particular.

The Missouri Dexter Breeders Association is planning on having a show and sale on September 15, 2007 in Lebanon Missouri. If you are interested please contact Steve Cushing at 417-718-4668 or John Foley at 417-833-2186. For more information, go to the Missouri Dexter Breeders Association web site. Information concerning the show and sale will be on the web site in a couple of months. Several individuals have expressed interest in coming to purchase animals already.

The Missouri Dexter Breeders Association had their spring meeting on April 28 and the minutes of that meeting will be on their web site when the minutes are typed and ready.

Again I would like to encourage everyone to attend the Annual General Meeting of the ADCA in Grand Junction, Colorado on June 21 to the 24.

John Foley, Region 1 Director

### Region 2 & 3 News

It's finally looking like Spring this week in our part of the Region. Birds are singing, spring flowers blooming and baby animals everywhere!

We've completed the "Spring Roundup" of our Dexters. Checked all the tattoo's, vaccinated, treated for internal and external parasites, weaned our older calves and welcomed the newest ones to the routine. We pulled tail hair to complete the storage library for each of our animals for future reference. I hope each of you have considered implementing a sample storage program.

We had a bad experience with cougar, coyotes & bobcats all leaving their tracks around some losses. Hopefully the Trapper has the population back in balance and we can feel at ease with the kids playing outdoors without so much worry. Predators have never been a concern with our horned herd in the past 30 years but nature won this last round!

I'm looking forward to the Meeting Show & Sale in Grand Junction CO in June and hope to see many of you there! We always have a great time and enjoy seeing our "Dexter Family".

Please contact me if I can be of any assistance. If you don't hear from me, try again ... I wouldn't want to miss your message!

### Sandi Thomas

Email sthomas@palmain.com Phone 541-489-3385

### **Region 8 News**

Summer seems like it is here in North Carolina. Now into our 3<sup>rd</sup> day of 90 degrees it is a good time to start canvassing for exhibitors for the NC State Fair in October! We would like to see each of the AOB classes (All Other Breeds) littered with Dexters! The more Dexter folks we can get out there in the show ring at this event the more likely the Fair Committee will decide the necessity to add a Dexter Show to the annual venue. But we MUST show and show strong. Put the shout out to your local 4-H or FFA leader – get youth involved. If you want to show that is great..., if not..., let them! If you need information on this event-drop me a line or an email.

I will be missing the AGM again this year (my last year as Director of this region)- simply due to finances and time commitments here on the farm and running our natural meat business. If anyone in this region IS going to make the trip to Colorado – please contact me. I have to keep it short this issue.., like everyone we are very busy this time of year! Get out there and support the youth and the Dexter Breed.., it goes a long way for everybody!

# Highlights from the Recent Missouri Dexter Breeders Assoc Spring Meeting

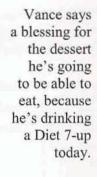
Just one more dollop of Cool Whip and Vicki will have that dessert polished off.





Helen and Steve score an 8.2 in the rumba from Judge Jim.

Buford and Helen are about to retire. Helen wants that new Holiday Rambler, but Buford says she'll have to help pay for it. HELEN IS A WOMAN WITH A MISSION.

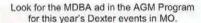






Jeff, Tony and Steve notice a half-finished cake and a Diet 7-up can on the table.

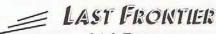
The real story behind these pictures has been changed, because they just simply are not as interesting as this version.





Uh-oh!
Helen has also
spotted that can!
(Steve wonders
if the briefcase
will be sufficient
protection if he
can't get out of
Helen's way
fast enough.)

Many Thanks to Vance & Gloria Mattson for hosting a great Spring Meeting for the MDBA.



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# Submitted by Debbie Davis Lazy J5 Dexters - CO





Submitted by Joanie Storck Rainbow Ranch - KS

### Region 9 News

Well, Spring has sprung and summer is almost here....calves are popping out all over the place. If you are a region 9 member and have calves for sale, please just let me know and I can hook you up with all of the people calling me looking for animals to buy.

Our Annual General Meeting is in Grand Junction Colorado this year, June 22 & 23....If you can get there, it will be a BLAST to see....demos, exhibits and all sorts of information on cattle handling and care. It is also the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ADCA, so it will be fun to take part.

If you need information or assistance with anything to do with Dexter Cattle, please feel free to contact me.

### Robert Seddon, Director

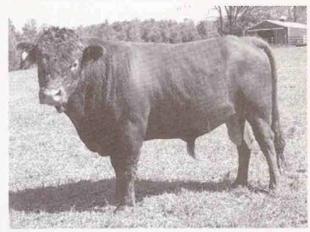
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### CATTLE & WOMEN - PART 2

by Laurie Winn Carlson

Women's involvement in cattle keeping is evident in Irish folklore and myth. The most famous Irish tale describes how warrior5queen Maeve sought only the best bull for mating her cows. The story involving Queen Maeve is called the Tain Bo Cuail5 nge, "The Cattle Raid of Cooley," and was proba5 bly first told about the time of Christ; the manu5 script, written in the eighth century, dates from an earlier oral tradition.

Viking women were cattle keepers, too. They lived near the sea, but their lifestyle centered on keep5 ing livestock, and cattle were their mainstay. They cultivated grains and vegetables, but the harsh northern climate made livestock more reliable. Norse stock raisers kept their cattle and horses in stables during the long winter and fed them from stores of fodder harvested during the summer. Vi5 kings ate mostly beef, some mutton as well, and plenty of dairy products.

Between 800 and 1050 A.D., the Vikings expanded their domain, pushing out into the rest of Europe, going "a'viking" to return with plunder from abroad. They spread out in colonial settlements in North America and Greenland and traveled far into the heart of Europe and the Baltic. Their expansion was possible, because they kept livestock—and took many along with them. Viking cattle were small by today's breed standards, which made them easy keepers, particularly when they were crowded into the longboats along with the family.

The Norse settlements in North America around that time are fascinating, because they reveal so many interesting dichotomies. The Norse settlers were remarkably healthy; their remains show an absence of nutritional deficiencies and much better general health than groups on the Continent. They ate meat and dairy products almost exclusively. They based their lifestyle on livestock keeping, hunting, and fishing. The settlements were based on cattle; the people's lives were centered on their animals, which in the harsh climate had to be kept

indoors most of the year.

They needed ample fodder in order to be able to continue milking through winter. Obtaining that all5 important fodder structured the basic economy of the Viking settlements. The largest and richest farmsteads were—located in grassy meadows that could be cut to provide stocks of hay for winter feeding. It probably took at least a decade for the number of cattle to grow so that newcomers did not have to keep bringing their stock with them. The Vikings, with their emphasis on cattle, were like other cattle cultures, in that women were much the equals of men, with much more standing and free5 dom than in crop5growing patriarchal societies.

American settlers are another example. Most Americans lived on small farms until the 20th cen5 tury, and most women relied on a cow or two for economic stability. Making and selling butter had been a woman's route to financial freedom for cen5 turies, beginning in ancient times when butter was sacred, and moving into the northern European countries where climate made dairying successful. In America, by the mid519th century, making and selling butter had replaced the home spinning and weaving industry of colonial times. Women in rural areas continued the pattern they had learned from their mothers of producing butter for urban mar5 kets.

Butter, a tasty source of energy that traveled well, was in demand to supply sailing ships, the military (margarine was invented to provide a cheap substi5 tute for Napoleon's army), and mining and logging camps. By 1860 Eastern farm families had already come to depend on butter for a cash income to supplement farming, and as the West was settled, making butter became the chief occupation of farm women and girls. In Spokane, Washington, cream sold for 32 cents per pound in 1907, and a woman could earn between \$6.00 and \$10.00 per month from one good cow. The butter money often sur5 passed any other cash crop.

Butter was ideal for women's entrepreneurial ener5 gies: It was a product that kept longer than fresh milk—before refrigeration—because it was salted, and it was easier to transport to market than milk, because it was compact and solid. Country stores took butter in trade, allowing women to barter for items they needed. Women sold garden produce, eggs, and poultry, too, but butter was the eco5 nomic mainstay.8 Butter was a cultural commodity from northern Europe, Africa, and India, but Native American women adopted it, too. The Coeur d'Alene women at the Sacred Heart Mission shipped butter to Walla Walla—by boat across Lake Coeur d'Alene, then by wagon—to exchange for supplies, and the Osages in Oklahoma turned to it as a cash source, producing thousands of pounds of butter each year.9

Women in the United States no longer rely on but5 ter for economic freedom. Nor could they, even if they wanted to: the market has been taken over by industrial giants and threatened by margarine. But throughout most of history, a milk cow represented economic freedom for a woman.

Women and cows share another, more recently discovered bond: hormones. Cows are nature's most protective mothers—they will not hesitate to attack anything that threatens their calf. Scientists have found that the cow's pituitary gland, located next to the brain, contains a powerful hormone that drives maternal behavior. The hormone has been extracted from cow brains at slaughter, then administered therapeutically to pregnant women as oxytocin. Given intravenously, it causes preg5 nant women to go into labor, saving the lives of both women and infants. By the 1970s oxytocin was commonly used to put women into labor who otherwise would have been forced to have cesar5 ean surgery or not been able to give birth at all.

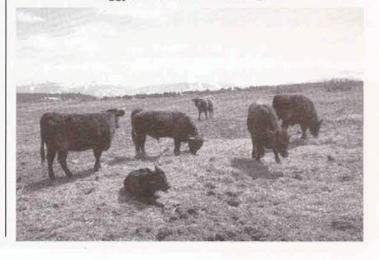
The thousands of women today who raise cattle, and find themselves anxiously waiting up nights during spring calving time, share a maternal bond with their animals. They nurse, and coax, and pull the calves from the mothers if needed to save the

calf or the cow. Linda Hasselstrom, an environ5 mental writer and Wyoming rancher, calls these cattlewomen "midnight heifer midwives." Nancy Curtis, editor and publisher of her own High Plains Press, writes and ranches in Wyoming. She tells about a call from a New York editor that caught her during calving season. She asked her mother to take the call, instructing her, "Don't say I'm out checking on my first5calf heifers. Say I'm meeting with my production staff." Her staff, she reported, turned out some nice calves that year. 11

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A doctoral candidate in the Department of History at Washington State University, Laurie Carlson is the author of Cattle: An Informal Social History (Ivan R. Dec. 2001). from which this article was excerpted; A Fever in Salem: A New Interpretation of the New England Witch Trials; On Sidesaddles to Heaven: The Women of the Rocky Mountain Mission; Seduced by the West: Jefferson's America and the Lure of the Land Beyond the Mississippi; and the award-winning children's book, Boss of the Plains: The Hat That Won the West.

Peggy Howe herd - Montrose, CO



### DNA TESTING UPDATE

As we strive to better serve you, the membership, some changes in testing have been made, and some are still in the process of being made. While we still await Australia's approval of Texas A&M to do our testing for chondrodysplasia (bulldog gene) we have established A&M as our testing lab for **Genotyping** (parentage testing.) This was formerly done by ImmGen, which has closed its doors and is no longer open for business. All samples and results were turned over to the lab at Texas A&M.

A&M will also be doing **dun factor** and **red factor** testing, and is currently up and running on all three of these tests.

The **downloadable forms** for these tests are currently located on our regional website (on a trial basis) and, if this procedure is successful, we will transfer this function to the official ADCA website. Just didn't want to clutter up the ADCA website with these until we were sure they would work as desired.

### www.region7adca

You should be able to pull up the form, fill it out on your computer, and then print it out so that you can mail it with your samples and check and STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE. Typing in your info with the computer should eliminate some of the problems with handwriting that is a bit difficult to read—thus eliminating some possible errors. There will also be a form that can be printed directly onto standard sized envelopes so you can put your samples in regular envelopes, seal them, and mail them along with forms and check and SASE. We will also post directions on the website so that you can go through this process step-by-step.

This eliminates the need for those with computers having to request and wait for a packet to be sent to them. Folks without computers may request forms from *Pam Malcuit*, 17087 *Dixie Farms Lane*, *IOLA*, TX 77861—or call—936-394-2606.

Your completed packets should then be mailed to Pam Malcuit who will hand carry them to the lab. Once the lab has processed your samples, they will print 2 copies of your results—both of which will be marked with a special embossed stamp. These two copies will be mailed to the owner in the SASE (self-addressed stamped envelope) which was sent in with the packet.

It will then be the owner's responsibility to keep one official result for his records and mail the other one to the ADCA for recording. The committee felt that, in this way, all confidential results would go directly to the owner with no middle man. Fortunately, A&M is willing to go the extra mile to accommodate us.

Hopefully, this is not too confusing. The goal was to simplify a bit. We are fortunate to have access to a lab in this prestigious university to do our testing. I fervently hope that, by the time this bulletin reaches you, we have achieved the testing licensing for the chondrodysplasia gene as well.

Thanks to all the folks who have called or emailed and been so kind.....frustrated, but very kind and supportive. It seems we are still victims of red tape!

Pam Malcuit, Director, Region 7, ADCA

### DNA TESTING UPDATE

Continued ...

Test Name	Purpose	Provider	(USD) Cost/Sample	Results sent to:	
DNA Genotyping	ID record for AI Bulls Parentage Identification	Texas A&M	\$25	Owner	
Red Factor (RF)	Registration Carrier Identification	Texas A&M	\$35	Owner	
Dun Factor	Carrier identification	Texas A&M	\$35	Owner	
Color Profile (Red & Dun)	Carrier identification	Texas A&M	\$60	Owner	

As soon as chondro testing is approved, it will be done by A&M for \$35/test sample. If it is done in conjunction with dun or red factor, the factor testing will then be \$25 per test — if on the same sample that is run for chondro.

In order to register a Dexter as RED, it must be tested (DNA verified) as red *unless* it is the offspring of a registered red sire and a registered red dam or at least one parent has been tested as a non-carrier of dun.

The ADCA requires that the DNA Genotype of all bulls used for out-of-herd AI be on file in its Registry Office before calves sired by those bulls can be registered. (While any AI bull whose blood type was on file in the Registry Office prior to January 1, 2003, is exempt from the DNA Genotyping requirement, the person who sells semen from that bull is encouraged to request DNA Genotyping for the sake of future reference or parentage questions.)

Please contact Sandi Thomas or Pam Malcuit with any questions on these procedures. We do appreciate your patience, and we hope that all the info given above is correct. We continue to try to work out the kinks and get all our testing done in one location — a truly excellent facility with state-of-the-art equipment and personnel.

Forms currently available on: www.region7adca

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### Dexter Bulls on A.I.

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Lochinvar 8711 HN E <sup>D</sup> /E <sup>D</sup> B/B	Black	50" @ 8 y	\$25	Н	Shaun Ann Lord · 716-965-2502 1468 Route 39 · Forestville, NY 14062
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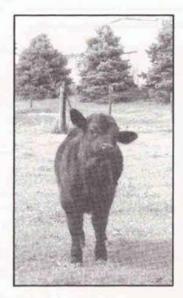


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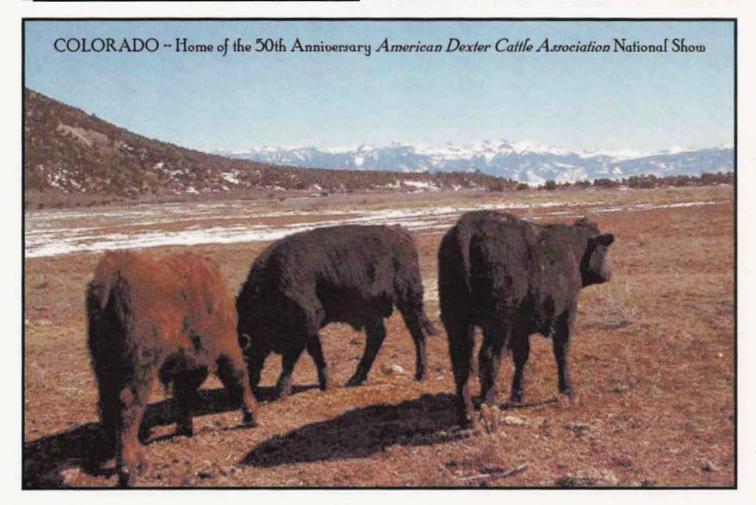
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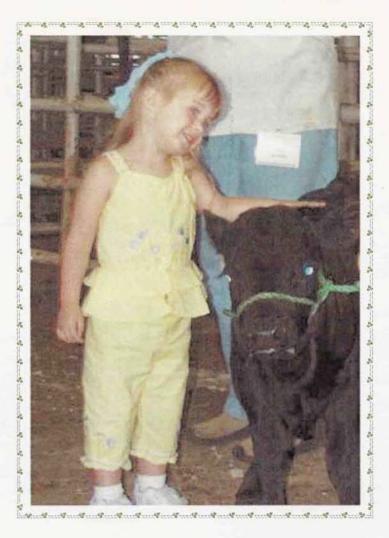




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