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Greetings from Texas

Message from the President

Welcome to the latest edition of *The Dexter Bulletin*. By the time you are reading this, the holidays will have passed and a New Year begun. I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season and prosperous 2007.

Elections for regional directors in four of the 10 regions were completed recently. Welcome to both new and returning directors. I am looking forward to a busy but productive second half of our 2007-08 term. Thank you all for volunteering to serve.

2008 will be a very busy year for Region 7

(Texas and Louisiana), as we will be hosting two great Dexter events this year. We will be returning

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for the third year to the Houston Livestock Show. This is a very well-attended Dexter event and gives us a great venue in which to spotlight our great cattle.

The third week in June will be the 2008 Annual General Meeting (AGM) show, sale and meeting. This year's expo will be held at a great facility located in Belton. Belton is centrally located in Texas, and we anticipate record numbers of cattle and attendees. Mark your calendars and consider a family vacation centered around the AGM.

Texas A&M has been providing our DNA testing for chondrodysplasia, color and parentage for six months. My personal
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A common goal

Message from the Vice President

First of all, I want to wish all the members a happy New Year, or as some breeders have said, "Happy Moo Year." May you all have a healthy, safe and prosperous 2008.

Winter has finally decided to show up in Michigan. The temperature was in the teens last night as I was putting out round bales for our cattle. The mud holes haven't

fully frozen yet, so it was "an adventure" moving 1,000-pound bales through the slop with my old John Deere. My wife cringed a couple of
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Message from the President (cont. from p. 1)

experience has been that the process is quick and efficient. Thanks, Pam Malcuit, for continuing to be the liaison with the lab as well as the “courier service” for delivering the batches.

One of the most important projects for the Board of Directors is in process. We have retained a law firm in Delaware that specializes in the corporate law of this state, in which we are incorporated.

We have asked the firm to review and advise us on any potential rules and regulations and bylaw changes that will help us operate more efficiently

as well as assure our members that we are in compliance with Delaware corporate law.

We continue to make addi-

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tional information available to our members on the official ADCA web site, www.DexterCattle.org. I would encourage everyone to utilize this site to

its full potential. As the official site, rely upon it as the voice of the ADCA.

We will continue to explore ways to open the communication channels to our members who wish to offer valid, constructive comments or questions. We will not offer dialogue which is damaging to Dexters in general or prejudicial to the ADCA.

Please let your regional directors or officers know if there is anything we can do. Also, consider volunteering to serve on a committee of your choice.

David Jones

Message from the Vice President (cont. from p. 1)

times when the front end of the tractor lifted off the ground as I came rolling out of the mud hole! She thinks I'm a crazy tractor driver.

I wish to thank the regional directors whose terms have expired for their dedication to the ADCA and to the breed in general. Joanie Storck and Sally Coad provided great insight and ingenuity to the Board of Directors, and their contributions of time and talent were very welcome.

As vice president, it is my responsibility to preside over the election process for those regions requiring elections. I am very pleased with the responses from the membership in Region 6 and Region 7 – the ballot count exceeded my expectations.

Based on the election re-

sults, my congratulations go to Clay Adams, who is the new director for Region 6, and to Pam Malcuit, who was re-elected in Region 7. I would also like to thank Gene Pittman from Region 6 and

Good decisions are made by your Board of Directors.

John Hinkley from Region 7 for seeking the director's positions.

In addition to the election process, the board has appointed two other people to fill regional director positions in regions where there was only one candidate interested. Congratulations to Warren Coad in Region 8 and Bill Kirkland in Region 3. Thank you for step-

ping up and offering your expertise to the board.

I look forward to working with the new board members, as well as the existing members of the board, in the coming year. We have a diverse cross-section of members on the board and a lot of differing opinions on what to do, when to do it and how it should be done.

One thing I'll say, however, is in the end, after lots of discussion, some arguing and maybe a bit of “give and take,” good decisions are made by your Board of Directors. It's not an easy position, and it requires dedicated people who can work effectively TOGETHER for one common cause – Dexter cattle.

Pat Mitchell

A year of growth

Report of the Treasurer

Hello, ADCA members and Dexter owners, merry Christmas and a happy holiday season.

Last year, 2007, was a very good financial year for the ADCA and hopefully for the members. Registrations were running well ahead of the previous year's numbers, and the numbers had surpassed 2006 with two months left to go in the year.

Transfers were on track with the previous year's activity. Membership continues to grow,

and renewals are strong.

By the end of the third quarter, registrations and dollars associated with them had reached the level that was budgeted for the full year, so the breed must be growing in numbers with new births being registered.

This will present a new type of challenge for budgeting for 2008: What will the new growth be? The committee will have a budget proposal to the board by the end of January so the

budget for 2008 can be approved by Feb. 15.

My hope for the breed in 2008 is continued growth and for all members to meet their breed management goals for the year.

In the next issue of the *Bulletin*, I will advise you on the results for 2007.

James Smith

While Sally and Warren Coad, Freedom Farms, Louisburg, N.C., were spending an early holiday with family in Tennessee, the calves started arriving: Rosey (born Dec. 18), Abbey (Dec. 19), Cushy (Dec. 21) and Sissy (Dec. 22).

"Luckily, our caretaker was here to record the births but was not needed to assist them. Gotta love Dexters."



Sissy



Cushy



Rosey



Abbey

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Arizona, California, Nevada, Hawaii (Next election: 11/2010)

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Region 4

Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming (Next election: 11/2009)

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Region 6

Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma (Next election: 11/2010)

Clay Adams

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Region 7

Louisiana, Texas (Next election: 11/2010)

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Region 8

South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Tennessee (Next election: 11/2010)

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Indiana, Michigan, Ohio (Next election: 11/2008)

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Region 11

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Region 1 Director's Message

There is not a lot to report on for Region 1. The Missouri Dexter Breeders Association did have a display at the Ozark Farm Fest the first weekend in October and also had a meeting on that Saturday. The Farm Fest was very successful with 16 animals on display. There was a lot of interest shown in the cattle.

A short Region 1 meeting was held prior to the Missouri Dexter Breeders Association

meeting on that Saturday, and the Annual General Meeting was discussed.

Right now, it is COLD; we are wanting spring. It can start any time. I hope everyone has enough hay to make it through until the pastures start growing.

John Foley

Tattoo Letters and Their Years

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1999	J	2011	X
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2001	L	2013	Z
2002	M		

Region 2 Director's Message

Hello to all from Region 2!

We're getting hit with unusual weather here this year,

not unlike many of our Dexter friends across the U.S. With feed costs high and supplies low, the challenges of keeping up with the stock are tremendous! I hope you and your animals are surviving and thriving.

I'd like to welcome our new editor, Anne Feltus. Please share your stories and photos with her. It takes all of us contributing to have a successful publication.

Be sure to contact me if you have any cattle for sale. I'd love to share your ADCA-registered animal listings with folks inquiring about purchasing Dexters.

If you have any ideas or you're interested in hosting our regional meeting this year, let me know. I'd be glad to have a new location for us to meet and share our love of the Dexter breed.

Let's get together and discuss ways to promote and improve ways for us to serve the membership.

Sandi Thomas

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Region 4 Director's Message

Hello to all!! Effective Oct. 1, I became the director for Region 4 of the ADCA. I accepted this position with much enthusiasm. I immediately began reading rules and regulations and by-laws and all the documents associated with this great organization.

Then they told me I had to have a director's message for the next *Bulletin*. I thought, "Oh my, what can I possibly write about that would be of interest to everyone who would be reading this publication?"

After much thought, I decided this would be a great opportunity for me to introduce myself to all of you. So, here goes.

I was born and raised in Ohio. After high school, I enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and served four years. I then went on to work for the federal government for 27 years, retiring in 1995. I had many different jobs with the government, my last being the accounting supervisor for the Disbursing Office at Wright Patterson Air

Force Base, Ohio.

In 1974 I met and married Scott Nocks. We have been married for 33 years and have one son, Christopher, and daughter-in-law, Stephanie. After Scott retired from the Army in 1988, we went into business on our own. We owned and operated an aluminum foundry for 12 years,

**I will make sure
your thoughts
are heard.**

making such things as beaters for the Kitchenaid mixers.

Then in 2000, we took the plunge. We decided we wanted to move west. So we sold the foundry and our house, moved to Parachute, Colo., and built a new home on our 150-acre ranch.

Something was missing. We needed to have some cows on our ranch. After a lot of research, we decided to get into the Dexter business.

In 2001 we purchased our

first Dexters from PeeWee and Brenda Anderson here in Colorado. We bought three bred cows and four young heifers, and that's when CJS Farm got started.

We traveled all over the country, adding different bloodlines to our herd. Our herd now numbers in the 80s, and we have red, black and dun animals, each one having a special place in our hearts.

We've added a second farm this year, a 350-acre ranch not far from Parachute. Our spoiled Dexters have lots of green grass to enjoy in the spring and summer and lots of hay for winter.

I am truly looking forward to representing my region on the ADCA Board of Directors. I encourage all members in Region 4, or anywhere else for that matter, to please contact me and express your concerns, questions and ideas. I, in turn, will do my part in making sure your thoughts are heard.

Thanks!

Judy Nocks

Region 6 Incoming Director's Message

First, I want to thank Joanie Storck for her six years of tireless service as the Region 6 director. Many changes have taken place with our association over this period of time, and Joanie has been there through all of them, welcoming prospective members, educating the new ones and promoting the Dexters we love.

Joanie and Don were two of the first Dexter breeders we met when we starting looking at raising Dexters on our ranch. They made a positive impression on us, extolling the virtues of this special breed of cattle as we visited their ranch. Many thanks to Joanie for her work as our director.

As the Region 6 director, I

will continue to promote communication with our members and increase marketing opportunities through the use of the printed Region 6 newsletter and to enhance this with a Region 6 web site. I will provide the option for members to sign up to a regional e-mail list, which will allow me to share information and ask for feed-

back on issues that come up between publications. I truly believe the more effective communication between the regional director and region members, the better-informed and involved our members will be.

For those members interested in showing their animals, I will continue to promote participation in state fairs in Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma, as these are excellent opportunities to expose others to our association. I would like to provide opportunities to learn about showmanship by enlisting youth from local 4H programs to give demonstrations at the state fairs.

On the personal side, my wife, Patti, and I have been married for 30 years and have two daughters, Laura and Claire. In 1991, we purchased my parents' farm, where I had assisted in their cow-calf operation for many years.

Patti and I have been raising and breeding Dexter cattle since December 2004. We currently have a herd of more than 40 registered Dexter cows, bulls, steers and calves on our ranch in northeast Kansas. Our stock was acquired from herds located in Kansas, Texas, Ohio, Iowa, California, Pennsylvania, Colorado, Washington and Canada.

We are pursuing the goal of maintaining the quality of Dexter breeding stock through research, careful selection for breed type traits and extensive A.I. breeding. We also market and sell custom-processed grass-fed/grass-finished beef.

Clay Adams

Region 6 Outgoing Director's Message

I BELIEVE. I believe I am going to enjoy my retirement from this job, but I also believe I am going to miss the one-on-one connection with the members. You have been the greatest group of people to work with, and I pray that I have met all of your expectations as your director.

I believed in 2001 when I took office that the possibilities for this region were endless. You members confirmed my belief. We grew so large in numbers that the region had to be split to assure proper representation to all the members. We hosted the 2003 Annual General Meeting, which still has the record for the most "Dexter curious" in attendance, and we had the largest number of animals shown and sold in one gathering. We now have Dexter shows in two state fairs, and we continue to raise and sell quality cattle to owners all over the United States. I could go on and on, but the fact is, the Region 6 members are the believers. I know they will continue to promote the breed and provide the public with the best bovines in the world. I have been proud to serve as your director.

I believe that the two gentlemen who submitted their names for consideration to be the new director for this region were both dedicated individuals with the propensity to handle the job. The regional members participated in the election process by casting their votes (50 percent of you voted), and that again is a reflection of the involvement of our membership. Only one

could win, but both are to be congratulated for their commitment to the region. Clay Adams came out the winner, and I believe the region is also a winner.

Clay and his wife Patti will make a terrific team. She is already serving on several committees, and he has an abundance of knowledge in working with groups of people. Please show your support for the new director and the region. And, continue to believe in the quality of our product.

Congratulations to Clay Adams, the new Region 6 director

Joanie Storck

Gene Pittman, who ran for Region 6 director, wrote:

I would like to thank all of the members who encouraged me to run, who voted for me, but especially all of those who voted at all for either of us. Your concern and support for our cattle and organization give me a feeling of pride and confidence in the continued growth of the ADCA and interest in our cattle.

Region 6 is a strong region and is continuing to grow. With all of the great members in this region, Dexters should be more in demand as time passes.

I would encourage all members to talk to your directors with any ideas, concerns, tips, words of encouragement and offers of aid and let them know of your animals, your breeding directions and your support. The ADCA and Region 6 can only grow with the support and effort of members. Please be a doer for the ADCA.

Region 7 Director's Message

Howdy! Our region has gone from unusually cold to unseasonably warm weather – now expecting more winter-like temperatures again. We have dodged the snow shoveling, but our trees are very confused . . . try to bloom and then the blooms get frostbitten. Not complaining as long as we get enough moisture with the weather changes. Cattle and livestock are thriving!

I want to take this opportunity to thank John Hinkley for a good race. Because of his enthusiasm, we know who to tap for some of the hard tasks coming up in 2008.

Many thanks, too, to the folks in our region whose unfailing support makes this such a great and active region. They forgave my failures over the last half of the year when I couldn't seem to get newsletters out and the web site updated.

Frankly, I spent most of the time from the end of June to December flat on my back. Two major back surgeries hopefully have made me a new woman.

Am finally feeling human again and trying to catch up on the many projects – both ADCA

and our ranch – that slipped a bit over those months. The newsletter is cooking, and the web site has been rebuilt – and the web hosting service that made our site unreachable for a couple of weeks has corrected the problem (which the service first denied was *its* problem).

Our third annual show at the Houston Livestock Show and

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about these wonderful
little cattle we love.**

Rodeo takes place on Saturday, March 15. Our cattle will be in place on Friday evening and will remain on exhibition through the day on Sunday. Don't know exactly how many exhibitors we have yet, but we are hoping for a great show.

Please come and see us and lend your support if you can. We always have a great time, and we answer thousands of questions from the folks who come to see the exhibition and the show. You are welcome to join us and help spread the word about

these wonderful little cattle we love.

This year, the big event for our region will be hosting the ADCA Annual General Meeting (AGM). This will take place at the Bell County Expo in Belton, Texas (just a bit south of Waco), and will stretch from board meetings on Thursday, June 19, to Sunday, June 22. The Dexter Cattle Show will be at 9 a.m. Friday, seminars that afternoon, fun auction that evening. The Dexter Cattle Auction will be on Saturday at 10:30 a.m., followed by the general membership meeting, with the banquet and guest speaker that evening. Animals will be checked out on Sunday while the board has its follow-up meeting.

We had a meeting Jan. 19 to tie up loose ends for HLSR and more planning for the AGM and will probably have at least one more meeting in April to pull together our exciting plans for this AGM. It is going to be a great event, and we want all of you to be a part of it.

Thanks so much for your trust and confidence.

Pam Malcuit

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Region 8 Incoming Director's Message

With the New Year come resolutions, and as the new director of Region 8 for the ADCA, one of my resolutions will be to take the time needed out of my schedule to support and represent you, my region's members, so that Region 8 does not go unrepresented in the upcoming years.

I hope I can meet and exceed your expectations as your director and look forward to talking to you and hearing your concerns and goals for your cattle and our association.

I will be sending out a ques-

tionnaire to Region 8 members to try and assess what you are hoping for in the next few years from your director and what

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your plans and goals are for your farms and your Dexters. Please fill it out and return it. This will help me set goals for my term as your director and will enable us to publish the

general results of the questionnaire in the *Bulletin* so that you will be familiar with what other members in your region are doing.

I am hopeful that this will be the beginning of becoming a more active region working together toward the positive future of our unique and outstanding breed of cattle. I look forward to working with all of you. Happy New Year.

Warren Coad

Region 8 Outgoing Director's Message

As the year 2007 has wound down to the end of its term, so has my term as your regional director. I have enjoyed the many years of serving on the board with its ups and downs and through some of the roughest times that this association will (hopefully) ever have to deal with.

The end of my term is somewhat bittersweet. I will miss some of the interaction between

other directors, but it certainly will not mark the end of my quest to promote and awaken the Southeastern Dexter population.

I look forward to the opportunity to spend more time doing what I love, promoting Dexters and meeting other Dexter breeders and, perhaps most of all, working with area youth to hook them sufficiently onto our breed of cattle.

Without the time commitments that were needed to keep up with board responsibilities, I will be afforded hours upon hours of "free" time to pursue all of the things about Dexters that I thoroughly enjoy

and am SO looking forward to in this, the New Year 2008.

One of the many exciting things to look forward to and get involved with in 2008 is the North Carolina Junior Beef Roundup – currently slated for the last weekend in May – at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds in Raleigh, N.C. This will be perhaps the first North Carolina show to have a Dexter division. The show is open to all youth (not just North Carolina residents).

Another exciting thing about the North Carolina Junior Beef Division is that we are working toward having a \$500 jackpot prize for the youth who shows the winning Dexter heifer in the Dexter Division Female Championship. This will be a jackpot that is sponsored by several companies, organizations and individuals

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interested in promoting the youth and the Dexter cattle. A mailing list will go out shortly (or possibly has gone out before publication of this bulletin) that will outline the classes being offered, rules for entry, etc.

If you do not have any youth in your family who are interested in showing but you want to promote this event, contact your local schools or extension agents to find an interested youth to come to your farm and work the animal(s) and to show in this event. It is a win-win situation for you, the youth and the Dexters.

So as I close my last director's message and hand the reins over to my husband, Warren Coad, to take over as the Region 8 director, I thank everyone in this region for your support and urge you to become involved in this association and with area youth . . . our future leaders.

Thanks again. Hope to see you soon.

Sally Coad

Region 9 Director's Message

We have made some recent progress with DNA testing going as well as it is, and membership numbers are up in uncharted territory, so things look good from your director's point of view.

Gene Pittman from Tahlequah Okla. (918-456-4732, hepjr@intellex.com), and I are beginning an unofficial Dexter beef project to collect data on beef carcasses so we can get an informative cross-section of data for other members to reference when trying to figure out just how much beef from a Dexter they will get in their freezer. While this is not a definitive official study from a lab or university, it will deliver numbers that can be used as a general rule of thumb to gauge what you will get in very tasty beef in your freezer at the end of the line. Information such as various animal ages at slaughter, etc., will be available from this study.

The information we are looking for includes geographic location, age at slaughter, feed regimen, live weight, hanging weight, weight of finished prod-

uct, butcher type (bone in-bone out) if known, carrier or non-carrier, short-leg body type or long-leg body type, sire and dam (only if you want to include) and any other data we can get that are relevant to beef production using Dexters.

If you have information we can use but do not have (or remember) a particular number for some reason, please send it in anyway! The spreadsheet will ignore the missing number/data, so that will not affect the overall results negatively.

So far, ALL of the animal data we have gotten are within the established Dexter guidelines, and the numbers look pretty darn good to me. You guys and gals must be getting pretty fat eating all of the good beef! (It's what's for dinner!) <GRIN>

Please send your data to Gene (at the above) or me at (540) 894-5571, Robert5721@firstva.com.

Robert Seddon

Region 10 Director's Message

As you read this message, the holidays have come and gone. I do hope everyone had a wonderful time with your loved ones.

The Region 10 annual meeting was held in October with a small but very interested turnout. Many of those attending got their first taste of Dexter burgers and thought they were

wonderful. Some stated they couldn't wait to get their own beef. We talked about breeding

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programs, nutrition, chondro carriers and the events at the 2007 AGM. I do hope more of you will plan to attend in October 2008.

As we get into 2008, the prices of hay and corn continue to rise. This can become a financial strain on many livestock breeders. We recently had to

purchase some straw at an average of \$2 per bale. Thankfully, we have enough hay put up, but I feel for those who don't. At the sale barn, any good hay is bringing \$4 to \$5 a bale.

We also need to remember that during cold weather our animals may need a little more food for energy. Please be sure to see that your cattle are fed properly and have plenty of water.

We recently had a farm call at the vet clinic where I work stating the cattle were sick. After checking the animals over, the veterinary determined the main cause of the problem was malnutrition.

Some people think all cattle need is pasture and many do okay on this program. However, when the pasture is gone, there isn't any nutritional value in very short grass. The chance of picking up parasites becomes greater when cattle have to scrounge for food.

These beautiful creatures didn't ask for us to own them, and they are dependent on us for proper food, water, shelter and vet care. Make sure you do your job.

I look forward to helping you in any way I can this year. Please feel free to call, write or e-mail me with any questions or concerns you may have. If I don't know the answer, I'll certainly try to find it.

Take care, and have a great spring calving season. We are days away from our first calves in February with 25 cows bred for 2008.

Roberta Wieringa

Region 11 Director's Message

I hope the holidays were special for all in Region 11. I know for me personally it was the first Christmas in my new home. Please note my new phone and e-mail: (716) 938-9272, MidhillDexters@yahoo.com.

If you are interested in entering animals in the Houston Livestock Show, the late registration deadline is Feb. 14. You can find more information at www.region7adca or our own ADCA web site. I am still getting requests for trained milk cows, so please, if you have one

for sale, let me know.

Hopefully, winter will be short and over with quickly, and we can look forward to spring and calves and grass.

Also, please remember to check the Region 11 web site: <http://www.freewebs.com/region11dexters/>.

I'd like to hear from anyone in our region who would like a regional meeting and what you would like to see covered at the meeting.

Carol Koller

Monica Dexter sent these photos of her cows in her pasture in Monroe, Wash., blanketed with snow.

"We don't get much snow around here," Monica noted.



Region 12 Director's Message

In late August, Macheal and I hosted a Region 12 meeting at our home in Coon Rapids, Iowa. We had a great turnout with about 35 members and guests who attended. It was wonderful to see old friends and meet new members.

Leonard Johnson from the Brown Swiss Association came to demonstrate how to classify Dexters by using the classification system adopted by the ADCA. His presentation was very interesting and prompted much discussion. A special thank-you goes to Leonard for the time he spent with our members throughout the afternoon.

We also had a demonstration on the correct way to measure the height of our cattle by using the measuring stick and the correct way to pull tail hairs for DNA testing. (Remember that if you would like to request the measuring stick to use on your cattle, please contact me, and I will send it to you.)

A few of the other items that were discussed throughout the afternoon were how to register and transfer animals using the online payment system on the ADCA web site, highlights of the 2007 Annual

General Meeting (AGM) in Colorado and the updated grooming and showmanship standards that were passed at last year's AGM.

I sent out a letter to all the Region 12 members awhile back asking that you take the time to read it so that committees could be organized well in advance of the 2009 AGM. I've received a few back but ask that if you haven't returned it, please do so as soon as possible.

In order for the 2009 AGM to be a success, we need many volunteers. Please take the time to review this letter, and if you have any interest on being on a committee, let me know.

I've had two people send in ideas for speakers for the AGM, but I would like a committee to investigate the options. If any of you have ideas for speakers, let me know as soon as possible. Again, if anyone wants to head this committee, please contact me.

A reminder to send in your 2008 membership dues to Chuck Daggett before Feb. 1. By doing this, it guarantees your name along with your herd to be printed in the 2008 membership book.

Hope everyone has a great year in 2008.

Rick Seydel



Life is good at RossFeltus Farms, wrote Lorna Ross (left, with daughter Kyla) and Anne Feltus, neighbors, friends and co-owners of a Dexter herd in Manvel, Texas.



Talisman Award Nominations Accepted through April

In 2005, the directors of the ADCA established an award to be given in honor of long-time members John and Belle Hays. It's called the Talisman Award in recognition of their herd name.

The Talisman Award is given to a Dexter family or individual who 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*. Diane has been a wonderful representative of the Talisman Award.

In 2007, Carol Davidson became the second honoree to receive this award. Her acceptance article is in the Summer 2007 *Bulletin*. She also is a perfect example of what the award

is truly about.

Please be thinking of whom you would like to nominate for this very honored award in 2008. The nomination committee will be accepting nominations from Feb. 1 through April 30.

The award will be presented at the 2008 Annual General Meeting in Belton, Texas.

ADCA Board in Action: WorkYoke Motions

Listed below are motions that have been voted on recently by the ADCA Board of Directors. For more information, view the monthly topic discussion summaries on the ADCA web site.

Payment of attorney's bill (June 14)

John Foley moved that the ADCA pay the attorney bill from Jeff Blaylock for consultation with Sandi Thomas on Carol Davidson's proposed amendment to Article VI-Bylaw 6.0.

Seconded by Seydel, Traynor, Malcuit.

Motion passed at June 24 Board of Directors meeting.

Secretary stipend for 2006-07 duty (July 12)

Pam Malcuit moved that the ADCA pay Bonnie Boudreau \$250 for service rendered as secretary.

Seconded by Traynor, Seydel, Seddon.

Motion carried 8 to 1.

Voting guidelines for use of WorkYoke (July 28)

Robert Seddon moved that we adopt and use the updated guidelines for use of the WorkYoke Website UPD 2007.

Seconded by Seydel, Malcuit, Thomas.

Motion carried 8 to 1.

Payment of attorney bill (Aug. 7)

Robert Seddon moved that Carol Davidson be reimbursed for the outstanding attorney bill if she has already paid it or that we pay it directly to the attorney if it has not been paid.

Seconded by Malcuit, Koller, Seydel.

Motion carried 8 to 1 (1 abstained).

CD testing fees for members and non-members (Oct. 1)

Pam Malcuit moved that only ADCA members be allowed to do chondrodysplasia and DNA testing at the member rate of \$35 and that they may test

animals other than Dexters at this same rate.

Seconded by Seddon, Seydel, Thomas.

Motion carried 9 to 1 (1 abstained).

Report 2007 Annual General Meeting (AGM) membership meeting minutes and monthly WorkYoke activity on the ADCA web site (Oct. 11)

Sandi Thomas moved that we amend the vote already approved to report WorkYoke activity in the *Bulletin* to include a monthly addition of WorkYoke business on the ADCA web site and that the AGM Membership Meeting minutes of 2007 be posted as well ASAP.

Seconded by Seddon, Seydel.

Motion carried 10 to 1.

Replace editor (Oct. 14)

Robert Seddon moved that we immediately undertake the search to find a new editor for the ADCA official publications

until a suitable candidate is found.

Seconded by Storck, Malcuit.

Motion carried 11 to 1.

Online payments (Nov. 14)

Joanie Storck moved that we eliminate the \$1 charge for the online payment of registrations and transfers.

Seconded by Coad, Seydel.

Motion did not carry.

Accept new editor (Nov. 28)

Pam Malcuit moved that Anne Feltus be accepted as the new editor for the ADCA.

Seconded by Seddon, Nocks.

Motion carried 10-1.

3.1(f) exception topic re: Bill Kirkland (Dec. 4)

Robert Seddon moved that the Board of Directors of the ADCA undertake a 3.1(f) vote to certify Bill Kirkland to serve on our Board of Directors PROVIDED his resignation from the other registry is validated.

Seconded by Wieringa, Malcuit.

Motion carried 10-0.

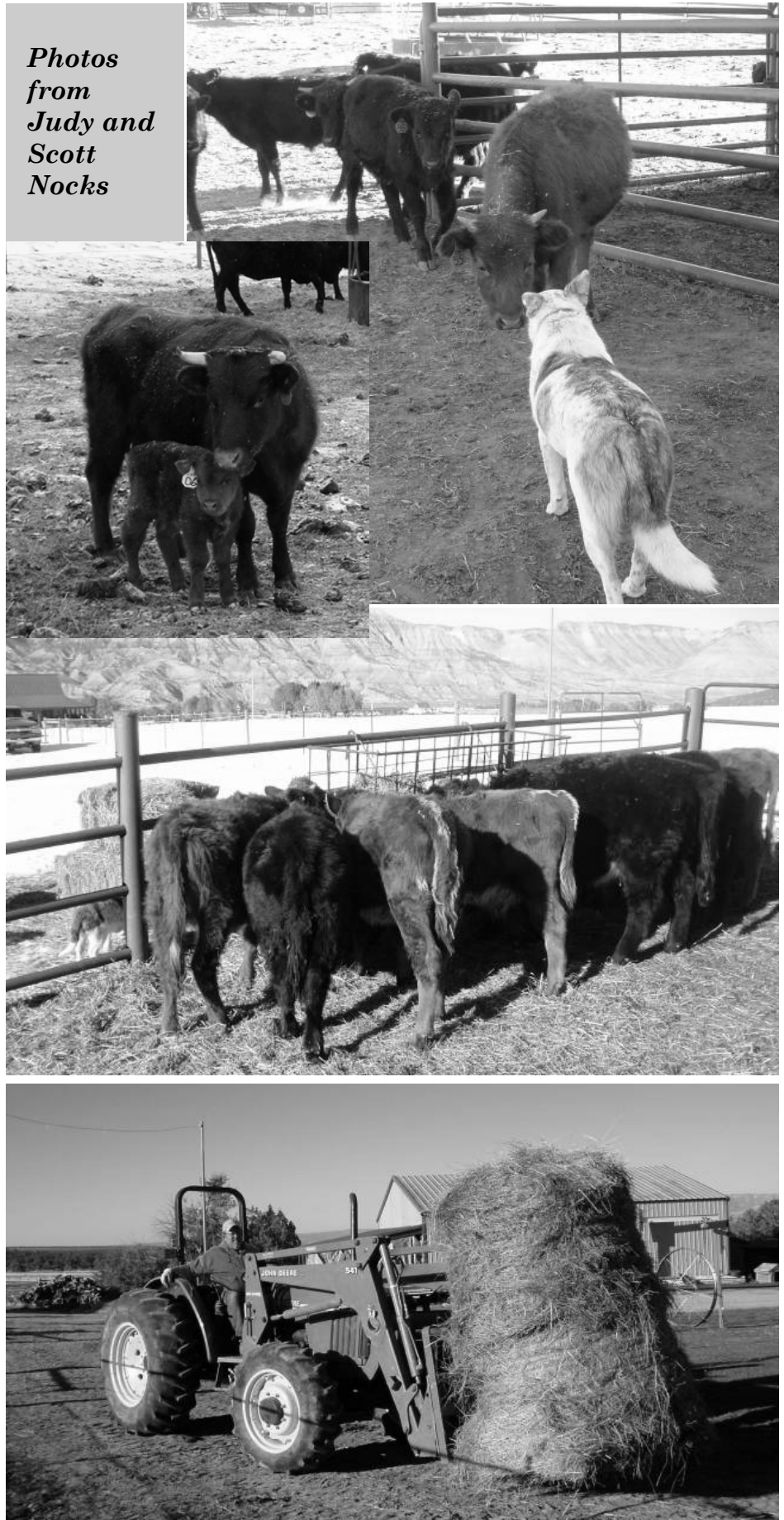
Accept 2007 Board of Directors minutes for publication (Dec. 28)

Robert Seddon moved that the Board of Directors accept the minutes of the 2007 Board of Directors meeting Thursday and Sunday for publication and permanent records as sent out by Carol Ann Traynor on Dec. 7, 2007.

Seconded by Wieringa, Foley.

Motion carried 7 to 0 (2 abstained).

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- We will not pre-qualify your animals but would be happy to help if you have questions. If you are not sure if your animal is show-quality, ask around. Folks don't have to raise Dexters to be able to determine if an animal is well-conformed or not.
- Animals must be VERY manageable. There will be NO pen classes, so all animals must be halter-trained and very tame. It is advisable to have nose rings on bulls that are over 1 year old. There are rings that clamp on and don't require putting a hole through the nose septum. If properly put on, the clamp type is very effective.

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2007 Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

President Pat Mitchell called the meeting to order at the Country Inn Conference Room in Grand Junction, Colo.

Meeting Attendees

Directors

Region 1 - John Foley
Regions 2 & 3 (interim) -
Sandi Thomas
Region 6 - Joanie Storck
Region 7 - Pam Malcuit
Region 9 - Robert Seddon
Region 10 - Roberta Wieringa
Region 12 - Rick Seydel

Officers

President Pat Mitchell
Interim Vice President David Jones
Treasurer James Smith
Registrar/Webmaster Chuck Daggett

Due to the confusion regarding recorded motions last year, Robert Seddon suggested that the maker of motions write them down. The motion will then be recorded in the official minutes of the meeting.

President Pat Mitchell went over the agenda for the meeting.

The first item of business was

the reading of the minutes and how that was going to be done. It was decided that the minutes would not be read, but questions regarding them could be asked.

Clarification: Minutes printed in the *Bulletin* were not correct and are different from the ones included in the package for the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Clarification: Sandi Thomas brought up the fact that a motion was made at the Board of Directors meeting in 2006 that Carol Davidson's amendment be sent to our lawyer for review.

This motion was seconded and passed by Sandi to the attorney for review. Sandi has reported on that response.

Directors at Large Current Rules and Regulations and By-laws state that two directors at large will be elected, and the ADCA is currently operating under that framework.

Committee Reports were reviewed for presentation at the AGM.

► Robert pointed out that there are three committees that do not have chairpersons.

► It was noted that one is Sandi's.

► Sandi asked if there was a possibility that both

committees (Historical and Online Pedigree Review) could be printed. It was stated that we couldn't have both an Online Pedigree Review Committee and an Online Pedigree Program Committee.

► Committee chairs will be tabled until Sunday.

Online Pedigree Based on the audit that is being conducted, Patti Adams asked about the process for making changes to the online pedigree.

Changes to the online pedigree should not be done by Chuck. The owner should be notified. Patti Adams asked if she could get an e-mail saying that the errors have been corrected.

Patti would like a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for making a change to the online pedigree.

John brought up the height issue. Patti had some history on height of Dexters and where the height standards came from.

The total number of cattle checked for hip height was 108.

Clarification: Patti Adams corrected Chris' statement that there are 331 ANIMALS listed on the online pedigree and not people.

John Foley asked if this could be added to the directors' agenda.

Position of ADCA Regarding NAIS

1. The ADCA cannot take a

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public position due to regional situation.

2. ADCA formal statement is that individuals need to contact their state agricultural agent.

Overview of Houston Livestock Show

Report to be given by Pam Malcuit.

Steer Feed-out Information

► Robert Seddon would like to see this information for use in marketing.

2008 AGM

► Belton, Texas, which is not far from Waco.

Open Membership Dialog

Pat would like to provide the membership with this opportunity.

► Robert suggested an announcement in the *Bulletin* asking members to contact their directors for items to be brought up at the AGM.

TRUE FUNCTION OF THE WORKYOKE DISCUSSION

1. Motions from the WorkYoke (WY) need to be printed in the *Bulletin* or online.
2. Number of topics needs to be limited, possibly three maximum at one time.
3. Only one motion is allowed on the floor at one time.
4. Most WY posts are informational in content. This type of post should be listed under INFO or FYI.
5. It is the secretary's job to compile the votes and information on motions that have been voted upon.

► The Board of Directors will determine the nature of items

that need to be posted if they resulted in a motion or not.

► Conduct on the WY must remain in a respective form.

► Some WY items can carry over for discussion. If closed for an AGM, items can be discussed at the AGM meetings.

► All discussions should be conducted on WY only, not e-mail.

► John Foley suggested that the ADCA president should be the one to moderate the discussions.

► The WY is not governed by Robert's Rules of Order (RRO).

► Joanie stated that a lawyer should be consulted to find out if WY follows RRO.

► Robert stated that RRO does not work for the Internet process. By requesting a motion and the fact of having three seconds follows the ADCA guidelines for a "Special Meeting."

► John asked if any motions have failed because of lack of seconds. The answer was "yes." John felt the current process was working.

► Pat felt that we should expand the attorney opinion of the Rules and Regulations to the WY.

► It was decided that it should be looked at by an attorney for clarification.

Motion: John Foley moved that an attorney be con-

tacted and hired to review ADCA Bylaws and Rules and Regulations as well as WorkYoke to be sure that the ADCA is in compliance with Delaware Corporation law for Educational Not for Profit Groups.

Seconded by Rick Seydel. Motion carried. The office of the president will contact the lawyer in not less than 45 days regarding this motion.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

John Foley gave a compilation of what was done by Carol Davidson and what he gleaned of his own research. Handouts were given out and will be discussed at the Sunday meeting.

CHONDRO TESTING

► Pam explained the process

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►Sample delivery: Pam goes to College Station to shop, so about once a week the samples are delivered.

►Chuck stated the first red test was not correct, but John Potter talked to the lab and they have got that sorted out.

►Questionable lab results and the procedure for dealing with them were discussed during last year's meeting. Chris Odom was going to contact the doctor for the third party. Sandi is to contact the doctor as to the third party for lab results.

Clarification: It was stated that the chondro would go forward as is and the board will support this.

Question: Who owns the chondro test and publishing of the results? It was stated that it is the owner of the animal and the one who pays for the test (ing).

Question: Joanie Storck asked if there is a written procedure for asking for the change of status of an animal.

Question: What does the ADCA do with PDCA members and their test results?

Question: Joanie wanted to know the procedure for positive results from negative animals.

1. The Pedigree & Genetics Committee has a list of instructions for the breeder for the collection of hair.

Question: Joanie wanted to know what happens if a breeder does not cooperate with the collection process.

►Sandi would like to see more "teeth" in our repercussion for not cooperating with the Pedigree & Genetics Committee.

►Pat requested that members of the Pedigree & Genetics Committee get together and work out the procedure and present to the meeting.

►It was decided to get together as a group to review the chondro test procedure.

►Procedures for embryo implantation are being looked into as a Rules and Regulations issue.

CORRESPONDENCE TO THE ADCA

Should the letters to the ADCA be handled by the secretary?

NEW MEMBERS

1. Chuck sends out the member list to the directors.

2. Pam suggested that directors send out welcome letters to members who are new to their region.

3. The discussion was tabled until Sunday.

JUNIOR MEMBERS

There was a discussion about junior members.

Motion: Robert Seddon moved that support and funding for the youth member program remain region-specific with directors able to apply for funding as needed to the board of directors.

Seconded by Pam Malcuit. Motion carried.

CARDIFF STUDY

►Discussion about preserving the past.

►Sandi was curious about why the U.S. has not been asked directly.

►Patti Adams added some information about it. It is an English herd that is being studied.

►John felt that if and when the Cardiff study is printed, it should be brought before the



Photo by Monica Dexter

Pedigree & Genetics Committee. This was agreed upon.

BULLETIN – What is and where do we go?

- ▶The director's message should be about your region and what is going on in that region and not about a specific farm or advertising.
- ▶Pam mentioned that she has not seen the directors' messages prior to publication.
- ▶A copy of the *Bulletin* needs to be sent to the liaison prior to the printer. Nancy indicated that the deadline would have to be held.
- ▶It was decided that the *Bulletin* would be better small in content rather than late to the members.
- ▶We reserve the right to print what is deemed appropriate in our *Bulletin*.
- ▶Macheal Seydel suggested that if the label had the bar code and the publication was automation-ready, the savings would be 3-4 cents per piece.
- ▶The cost of the publication has remained the same or gone down since 2003.
- ▶Pam suggested that if additional ads were in the *Bulletin*, they should be national.
- ▶Chris would like to see the publication go back to both aspects of the breed, i.e., beef and dairy.
- ▶A show of hands indicated that outside advertising is not to be pursued at this time.
- ▶Chris asked about how the font issue can be rectified. The question was asked about the printer printing a proof copy before printing the entire run.
- ▶Pat shared that he has a concern about the fact that the fonts change from issue to

issue.

- ▶Show of hands indicated that standard fonts would be preferred.
- ▶An A.I. bull survey has been looked at.

CLASSIFICATION

Pat asked for a show of hands, and the consensus was that the classification program could go forward.

GROOMING

- ▶Rick presented the findings of the "grooming" responses.

Top: Gem and Gemstone: like father, like son.

*Bottom: "A typical day feeding our herd of about 80 animals."
(Photos by Scott and Judy Nocks, Parachute, Colo.)*



- David talked about his group and the clipping views and that there needs to be some common ground.
- The concern is that this will become a fitting contest.
- Rick stated that the response was from a wide spectrum of areas and was pleased with the quality of response.
- Pat feels that we should have things listed that are not allowed, i.e., color, injections, depressants, etc.
- Rick will present the findings of the survey at the AGM.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT & INVENTORY

Jim Smith handed out the financial statements for the association and the inventory of the storage unit. There was a question regarding the storage unit inventory, and it was determined that this would be looked at during the Sunday meeting.

SHELL PUBLICITY STORY FOR AGM

This will be a secretary issue.

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President Pat Mitchell resumed the meeting at the Country Inn Conference Room on Sunday, June 24.

Attendees

Regional Directors

Rick Seydel, Roberta Wieringa, Chris Ricard, Joanie Storck, Sandi Thomas, John Foley, Pam Malcuit, Carol Ann Traynor, Robert Seddon.

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Review of 2006 Board of Director Minutes

Corrections

- Nancy Phillips did not request a liaison; that was a board decision.
- The motion Joanie made regarding the removal of the EX designation was a typo and should have been EW (excessive white).
- Two items (i.e., embryo implants and chondrodysplasia testing) should be separated within the wording in the paragraph 10 of the Directors' Meeting on June 18, 2006. The second sentence in the paragraph refers specifically to embryo transplants: "... she did not have any information on 'this' (i.e., embryo transplants) . . ." and should be a separate paragraph.

Motion: John Foley moved that the minutes be approved and accepted with the corrections as noted. Motion seconded by Pam Malcuit. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board went into executive session to resolve two issues involving ADCA personnel.

Formal Action: A member was issued a letter to limit the ADCA's liability for the potential release of confidential information that

was obtained without the knowledge or approval of the ADCA.

The business meeting then continued.

Video Show

- Rick received a note on having the same grooming rules apply to the video as well as the live show.
- It was suggested that the videotapes go to the judge(s) before the AGM.
- The Show and Sale Committee will review and update the video show before the next AGM.

Job Descriptions

Discussed and sent back to committee. The directors will send revised copies back within 30 days, and the committee will compile and send the results back to the Board of Directors in 60 days.

Replacement Certificates

It was decided that the ADCA will print new replacement certificates for free for members who have been waiting for chondro results.

Talisman & Chris Odom Memorial

Joanie went over the selection process used by the Talisman Committee.

Discussed and recommended by Joanie that a committee similar to the Talisman Award Committee be formed to look after the Chris Odom Memorial. Joanie will chair this committee.

Organization Address & Secretarial Position

The address of the organiza-

tion was discussed. It was suggested that this be taken to the WorkYoke for resolution.

► Question was raised if we need to create two positions – one as a recording secretary and the other as corresponding secretary.

► Joanie indicated that to create a new position, a bylaws change would need to be made.

It was indicated that a person can be added without a change per 2.5 of the bylaws. This needs to be discussed further on the WorkYoke.

WorkYoke

► Robert will review suggestions that were discussed and revise the WorkYoke online voting procedure.

Archival records from the WorkYoke need to be reviewed – this was thought to be the job

of the secretary.

Bulletin

► It was decided that this is a work in progress and the input from the Thursday session be considered. Nancy will work with the liaison to review these items.

It was stressed that some items, such as the logo and the print format, should not be changed.

Stipends

► Robert suggested that some positions, such as the secretarial position, should have computers purchased for their use.

A review of the stipend positions was discussed. Increases become effective Jan. 1, 2008.

Positions reviewed included:

- Registrar stipend
- Registrations changed from \$4 to \$5
- Transfers changed from \$3 to \$5
- Webmaster stipend changed from \$750 to \$1,500
- Treasurer stipend changed from \$5,000 to \$7,000.

Motion:

Joanie Storck moved that the reviewed stipends be increased as suggested. Motion seconded by Pam Malcuit. Motion passed.

Elections for 2007-08 Officers by Secret Ballot:

- President – David Jones
- Vice President – Pat Mitchell
- Secretary – Carol Ann Traynor
- Treasurer – Jim Smith
- Registrar – Chuck Daggett

Rules and Regulations and Bylaws

Submission to the lawyer was discussed.

Discussion regarding the bill from the lawyer that was submitted by Sandi Thomas.

WorkYoke motion to pay the lawyer bill that was submitted by Sandi Thomas. Seconds from the WorkYoke. Motion passed.

Motion: Pam Malcuit moved that contact with an attorney to contract billable charges to/re ADCA only be done under written direction of the Board of Directors. The communication to the attorney should be in writing to initiate business and carbon copies sent to the board and officers so they will be made aware of this contact. Seconded by Carol Ann Traynor. Motion passed.

Motion: Joanie Storck moved that we fund putting a second phone line into the registrar's home for ADCA business. Seconded by Pam Malcuit. Motion passed.

Motion: Roberta Wieringa moved to compensate Nancy Phillips \$250 to cover her time spent on the special mailing. Seconded by Pam Malcuit. Motion

TIMBERVIEW DEXTERS

ADCA Registered Dexters
For Sale



Rick and Macheal Seydel

1011 Chestnut Road
Coon Rapids, Iowa 50058

712-684-5753

passed.

AGM No-Sale Fees

Talked about waiving the no-sale fees. No action was taken.

Chondrodysplasia Procedure & Contracts for DNA Testing

The written procedures were reviewed.

Motion: Robert Seddon moved that the ADCA sign the three appropriate contracts to begin testing at Texas A&M and deliver the signed documents to Texas A&M. Seconded by Pam Malcuit. Motion passed.

Pam will go through the samples that she has and contact the members to see if they would still like them processed.

Motion: Carol Ann Traynor moved that future AGM registration fees for directors and officers be waived. Seconded by Pam Malcuit. Motion passed.

Motion: John Foley moved the board approve the amount of \$250 to cover travel costs for each officer and director attending future AGMs. Seconded by Pam Malcuit. Motion passed.

Motion: John Foley moved to approve the 2007 budget. Seconded by Rick Seydel. Motion passed.

Motion: John Foley moved to increase the advertising/Internet budget to \$9,000 for the remainder of 2007 and to double the budget (\$12,000) for the next fiscal year. Seconded by Rick Seydel. Motion passed.

ADCA Committee Positions

Discussion about the vacant committee chair positions and the need to fill them as soon as possible.

Pam will oversee the Rules and Regulations Committee.

The level of involvement of PDCA dual members on committees was discussed. It was decided that this will be at the committee chair's discretion.

Motion: Carol Ann Traynor moved that the ADCA pay for the retrieval of the archived Dexter records from the USDA National Agriculture Library. Seconded by Rick Seydel. Motion passed.

Storage Unit Inventory

Discussion of this item will be brought up on the WorkYoke.

Meeting adjourned.

Classified advertising is limited to Dexters or Dexter semen exclusively and is subject to approval by the ADCA. Prices for animals will not be published.

Make checks payable to
American Dexter Cattle Association
and mail to
Anne Feltus, Editor
5815 Tammy Dr.
Manvel TX 77578

PUBLICATION DEADLINE

Articles, photos and ads for the next issue are due March 10.

Sales Requirements for Semen

Advertising pertaining to the sale of Dexter semen in ADCA publications requires the statement of the shoulder height or the hip height of the bull (please specify) and the age at which the height was recorded.

The ADCA also requires that the DNA genotype of any bull being used for out-of-herd A.I. be on file in its registry office before calves from those matings can be registered.

The number of bulls to be tested must be specified in the request.

To obtain an application for DNA genotyping for parentage verification for Dexter bulls, contact:

Pam Malcuit
17087 Dixie Farms Lane
Iola, TX 77861
(936) 394-2606
mornstarranch@cs.com

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1/16 1"h x 3.5"w	7.00	-----	25.00	-----
1/8 2"h x 3.5"w	15.00	30.00	50.00	100.00
1/4 page	30.00	60.00	100.00	200.00
1/2 page	60.00	120.00	200.00	400.00
Full page	120.00	240.00	400.00	800.00

Dexter Bulls on A.I.

<u>Bull Name</u>	<u>Color</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Straw</u>	<u>Polled (P) Horned (H)</u>	<u>Contact Information</u>
Briarwood Blaze O'Glory HN E ⁺ /e B/b	Red	44" @ 8 y	\$25	H	Sandi Thomas · 541-489-3385 Box 135 · Antelope OR 97001
Gladhour Lenny P 13668 HN E ^D /e B/b	Black	43" @ 3 y	\$25	P	S.A. Walkup · 660-247-1211 R.R. 1 · Wheeling, MO 64688
Glencara Finerty 9020 HN e/e B/B	Red	44" @ 12 y	\$20	H	Matt DeLaVega · 513-877-2063 9129 Debold-Koebel Rd · Pleasant Plain, OH
Glenn Land Magic 5232 HN E ^D /	Black	48" @ 6 y	\$15	H	Bill Kirkland · 916-687-7986 8636 Berry Rd · Wilton, CA 95693
Glenn Land Mr. McGee 12724 HN E ^D / B/b	Black	40" @ 14 m	\$25	P	Carol Ann Traynor · 970-858-1931 1427 17 Road · Fruita, CO 81521
Glenn Land Mr. McRed 12733 HN E ⁺ /E ⁺ B/b	Red	45" @ 4 y (wither)	\$25	P	Bill & Catherine Werner · 847-566-7094 27837 N. Owens Road · Mundelein, IL 60060
Hillview Red Wing 12899 HN e/e	Red	44" @ 5 y	\$65	P	Clarence & Karen Howell · 1-719-395-6856 28495 CR 340 · Buena Vista, CO 81211
Llanfair's Cinnabar 13213 HN E ⁺ /e B/B	Red	44" @ 5 y (hip)	\$25	P	John Potter · 269-545-2455 2524 W Elm Valley Rd · Galien, MI 49113
Lochinvar 8711 HN E ^D /E ^D B/B	Black	50" @ 8 y	\$25	H	Shaun Ann Lord · 716-965-2502 1468 Route 39 · Forestville, NY 14062
Rainbow Hills Big Mac 10629 HN E ^D /e b/b	Dun	47" @ 6 y (wither)	\$25	H	Jeff Chambers · 402-799-2003 772 South 4th Rd · Adams, NE 68301
RFF Freedom's Aidan 12956 HN E ⁺ /e	Red	39" @ 2 y	\$30	H	Sally & Warren Coad · 252-492-6633 17 Lloyds Way · Louisburg, NC 27549
SGF LPFK Antares 13961 HN e/e b/b	Red	44" @ 4 y	\$25	P	John Potter · 269-545-2455 2524 W Elm Valley Rd · Galien, MI 49113
SGF LPFK Saturn 13970 HN E ^D /e b/b	Dun	41" @ 15 m	\$25	P	John Potter · 269-545-2455 2524 W Elm Valley Rd · Galien, MI 49113
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Shome Mark 12003 HN E ^D /e B/b	Black	42" @ 3 y (hip)	\$20	P	Jim & Peggy Woehl · 605-745-4755 27492 Mule Deer Rd · Hot Springs, SD
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Thomas' Magic Pride 3848 HN E ^D /E ⁺ B/B	Black	40" @ 3 y	\$15	H	Sandi Thomas · 541-489-3385 Box 135 · Antelope, OR 97001
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submitted by Diane Mills-Frank

The Callicrate smart bander has been used successfully by producers to dehorn cattle of various sizes and ages.

First, I suggest contacting your veterinarian to ask about his or her experience with and knowledge of a band system. A veterinarian must be present at the time of the banding procedure in case of shock or rage. A tetanus toxoid must be used.

They suggest that you use safety glasses. Adequately restrain the head of the animal to make application easier and safer. You may want to clip the hairline at the base of each horn. The procedure involves inserting the end of the loop with the clip (seam side up) into the nose of the bander. Reach across the top of the animal's head and place the loop over the horn farthest from you. Pull the bander and loop toward you. This will keep the loop close to the head and in the hairline at the horn base. Tighten the loop until the tension peg on the bander touches the back of the back of the slot. Press the crimping lever until it will go no farther. Cut the loop as close to the spool as possible using the Callicrate cutter. Use duct tape over the top of the band to keep it from rolling up. Repeat with a second loop on the same horn, and wrap duct tape over both bands. Then repeat the procedure on the other horn.

Expect the horns to fall off in 20 to 30 days for small to medium-sized horns. Horns with large bases could take up to 50 days.

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Farm Tools

submitted by Diane Mills-Frank

The tools I carry every day on our farm are a cellular phone and a pocketknife.

The handy pocketknife I have been carrying ever since I was 12 years old — that old official Boy Scout pocketknife my father gave me with instructions and many demonstrations. I have passed on this tradition to many people over the years. I try to tie things in a half-bow. That makes it easier to undo in an emergency. Or, use the knife. Animal gets a

foot, head or body caught — use the knife. It does take practice to open and lock the blade without hurting yourself. You can cut a switch, make a new or

Scott Andrae and Dabney Ford, La Plata River Farm, N.M., sent this photo of their calf, a cross between a Dexter bull and cow buffalo. "We were not expecting it to happen," they report. "It just kind of did."



enlarge a hole in a halter or strap, trim a fingernail, scrape out a sliver. Just this last weekend, I used the whole body of the knife to knock the ice off the barn door clasp so I could get into the barn. The pocket-knife: a handy helper.

One of the other tools I find a necessity for me is a cellular phone. A cheap phone with service from phone cards has served me well for many years.

I am here on the farm alone 75 percent of the time. I believe many of you are also caring for your stock alone. The phone gives me a nice peace of mind that in an emergency I could call and get help and be found before I froze to death.

We have Dexter bulls, and I try not to take risks. Okay, while I am lying under six running, bucking young stock of six months to two years after falling backward over frozen ground, using a phone isn't a first priority. But, after I get up I think, "I could call for help if I couldn't get up."

About 10 years ago, a large sliding haymow door came off the track and was swinging to twist itself off the barn wall. I thought I would get under it and lay the door down so it would not break up or squash a cat or dog. **WRONG!** as I got under the door, I found I could not hold it up, BUT I couldn't let it down, either, without the door squashing me and now several pesky cats. Back then, all I could do was holler for help until a neighbor came to tell me to "stop yelling at the poor animals."

My tools are the cellular phone and a pocketknife.

Texas Dexter Cattle Roundup

Annual National Meeting
American Dexter Cattle Association

General Membership Meeting

Dexter Cattle Show

Dexter Cattle Auction



June 19 – June 22

Bell County Exposition Center

Belton, Texas



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Start NOW to train your cattle
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Make your reservations and
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2008 Annual General Meeting Texas Dexter Cattle Roundup Agenda

Thursday, June 19

Check-in day for cattle to be shown or sold at auction

9 a.m. ADCA Board Meeting

Registration/check-in available all day until **6 p.m.**

Concessions opened limited hours for lunch on your own and perhaps later in the day

La Quinta Conference Room reserved all day with tables and refreshments

Vendor set-up may begin

Dinner on your own, or sign up at Oxbow Steakhouse, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, June 20

8 a.m. Registration booth open/Region 7 booth open/vendor booths open

9 a.m.-noon Dexter Cattle Show

Concessions open for lunch on your own

12:30-2 p.m. Entertaining events in the ring — Dexter Cattle Fun Competitions

2-5 p.m. Educational Seminars

- Dr. Gus Cothran, Texas A&M — Genetic Testing
- Showmanship — Team Effort
- Herd Planning

6-6:30 p.m. Cash bar

6:30 p.m. Catered dinner at Expo Center

White Elephant/Dexter Auction — Buck Buchanon, auctioneer

Saturday, June 21

9 a.m. Registration booth open/Region 7 booth open/vendor booths open

10:30-noon Dexter Cattle Auction — Buck Buchanon, Auctioneer

Noon-2:30 p.m. Open time for leisure/shopping with our vendors

Lunch on your own; concessions will be open

2:30 p.m. Annual General Membership Meeting of the ADCA

5:30-6:30 p.m. Social Hour — Cash Bar

6:30-7:30 p.m. Catered Banquet

**7:30 p.m. Featured Guest Speaker: Greg Buenger, D.V.M., author of
“Stuff Your Cows Won’t Tell You...,” followed by musical entertainment**

Sunday, June 22

7 a.m.-noon Animal check-out (all animals must be *checked out* and removed from facility)

8:30 a.m. Board Meeting

2008 Annual General Meeting Texas Dexter Cattle Roundup General Information

Location: Bell County Exposition Center, 301 W. Loop 121, Belton, TX 76513
(no pets allowed; no outside alcohol; no-smoking facility)

Host Hotel: La Quinta Inn & Suites (adjacent to Expo parking lot), 254) 939-2772

- ▶ Make reservations under ADCA
- ▶ All rooms are \$89+taxes
- ▶ Pets must be declared
- ▶ Very few smoking rooms
- ▶ A list of backup motels in Belton, Temple and Salado is available.

RV & Campground: available adjacent to expo grounds. Information will be available soon.

Special Requirements for Cattle: Proof of the following must be shown for all cattle at check-in:

- ▶ Health certificate
 - ▶ Bangs test
 - ▶ TB results if animal is traveling into Texas
- Owners should keep photocopies of all documents.

Cattle Set-up:

- ▶ Cattle panels will be available in the covered barn area for \$3.50 per panel.
- ▶ Exhibitors will set up their own panels. You may also bring your own equipment if you prefer.
- ▶ Bedding: shavings will be supplied. Replacement bedding will be for sale onsite.
- ▶ Hay and feed may be available for purchase on site. If not, a feed store is located nearby.
- ▶ A vet is located next to the Expo.
- ▶ Drop-down electrical outlets will be available in the covered cattle barn for fans, etc.
- ▶ There will be tie-outs in the covered arena.

Other show facilities:

- ▶ Indoor and outdoor portable wash racks are available.
- ▶ The Region 7 booth will serve as a central information center and sell event items such as T-shirts.
- ▶ A Dexter information video will be shown.

Vendors

- ▶ Vendor space is on concrete indoors near concessionaires.
- ▶ Single 25-by-15-foot spaces with available electric outlets are \$75/day Friday and Saturday.
- ▶ Early set-up on Thursday is at no extra charge.
- ▶ ADCA will not take a percentage of sales.
- ▶ No vendors will be allowed to sell food.
- ▶ Vendors must bring their own tables and chairs.
- ▶ Vendors can advertise in the catalog for the public and/or Dexter sales catalog.

If you are interested in showing live or in video format or selling in the auction, please request a packet as soon as possible. For more information, contact Pam Malcuit (936-394-2606 or mornstarranch@cs.com) or Mary Young (Youngmwf@aol.com).

ADCA Grooming and Showmanship Update

Following the 2006 Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Springfield, Mo., it was decided that a committee would be formed to review the grooming and showmanship standards that had been in place since 2005. The committee members include Rick Seydel (chairman), Pam Malcuit, Marvin Johnson, Mary Young, Gene Pittman, Wendy Fultz, John Foley, Dick Clark, Joanie Storck and Roberta Wieringa,

The committee discussed its views, and then a survey was prepared that covered a wide variety of grooming and showmanship topics. The survey was sent to 71 members of the ADCA that have shown cattle in various ADCA-sanctioned shows since 2003.

The topic that was most controversial was body clipping. There seemed to be a wide variety of opinions on what should or should not be allowed. **Clipping** is defined as *trimming the hair all the same length with either scissors or trimmers. Fitting* is *sculpting and shaping the coat with a trimmers and using adhesive, sprays, etc., to help shape the coat.*

The results were presented to the Board of Directors and members in attendance at the 2007 AGM in Grand Junction, Colo., in June.

It was not the intention of committee to discourage anyone from showing his or her animal. However, to make this breed appear more professional in the show ring, we wanted to set some guidelines that would allow us to present our animals

in the best possible way. Our goal is to have a DVD that members could purchase that would help explain and demonstrate how to groom an animal

From start to finish.

The new show and grooming guidelines go into effect immediately and will be a work in progress.

Revised ADCA Show and Grooming Guidelines

- ▶ Entry fees and/or commissions will be established by the Show and Sale Committee and published in advance.
- ▶ Exhibitors are encouraged to present their cattle in a professional manner that will show the pride the owner has in the animals and in the breed. All animals **must** be washed and brushed, at a minimum.
- ▶ *The same grooming guidelines will apply to the AGM Video Show.*
- ▶ Grooming is left up to the discretion of the owner as long as the owner abides by the items that are prohibited.

Prohibited grooming items

- ▶ Painting or polishing of horns or hooves with colored polish
- ▶ Artificial coat coloring
- ▶ Growth implants
- ▶ Drugs to alter the disposition of the animal
- ▶ Total body fitting, which includes sculpting of the hair when clipping and then using adhesives, wax or mousse to shape the coat to hide animal flaws

Showmanship attire

The following will be required and enforced in the show ring for anyone presenting cattle:

- ▶ Collared/buttoned shirts with sleeves (length of the sleeves is determined by the season/weather).
- ▶ Long pants (jeans or slacks) that are dark and do not have tears or holes.
- ▶ Boots or fully enclosed heavy footwear must be worn for safety reasons.
- ▶ Long hair must be tucked in a hat or tied back, also for safety reasons.
- ▶ **Optional:** belt, western hats, gloves or the use of show sticks and combs.
- ▶ **Prohibited items:** baseball caps, T-shirts or crop-top shirts that leave the midriff skin showing, sandals or canvas shoes (for safety reasons), overalls or baggy, low-riding pants that drag on the ground (again, for safety reasons).

Promotional Merchandise

DENIM SHIRTS

Embroidered ADCA logo (black only)

Made by Wrangler™

Sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL

Short-Sleeved (faded blue)----- \$25.00

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(XXL, please add \$2.00)

(Unfortunately, we are not able to embroider your farm name on denim shirts at this time.)

ADULT T-SHIRTS

Screen-print ADCA logo (upper left front)

(Gildan™ 6.1 oz. heavyweight preshrunk cotton)

Colors: Kelly Green or Royal Blue-----\$12.00

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Screen-print ADCA logo (some large full front, some upper left front)

(Fruit-of-the-Loom™ 5.6 oz. 50/50 blend)

Gray only-----\$10.00

Sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL

YOUTH T-SHIRTS

Screen-print ADCA logo (full front)

(Gildan™ 5.4 oz. 100% preshrunk cotton)

Colors: daisy yellow or sky blue-----\$10.00

Sizes: S, M, L

ADCA DECALS

Square 3"x3"

Specify "Inside" (window) or "outside" (bumper)

Black ADCA logo, white background-----\$1.00

(No additional shipping charge when shipped with other items. If ordered separately, please include \$1.00 for postage.)

CREWNECK SWEATSHIRTS

Screen-print ADCA logo (full front)

Hanes Beefy Fleece, 9 oz., 80% cotton, 20% polyester

Colors: ash, storm blue-----\$25.00

Sizes: S, M, L, XL

FULL-ZIP HOODED SWEATSHIRTS, WITH POCKETS

Screen-print ADCA logo (large full back AND small upper left front)

Pigment-dyed, 100% ring spun cotton

11 oz. Jersey-lined hood

Colors: yam, smoke, mocha)----- \$36.00*

(*Note: These are very heavy shirts ~ additional shipping \$1.00 each is included in the price.)

HATS

Embroidered ADCA logo

Anvil 6-Panel brushed twill cap (top button, 6 sewn eyelets, fabric closure with brass buckle)

Colors: natural/ivy or natural/black----- \$15.00

TOTE BAG

This is a heavy-duty, large tote bag

Embroidered ADCA logo on outside pocket

Natural tan with contrasting color strap and bottom

Velcro closure with hideaway brass key clip

Anvil, 301 Boater Tote Bag, 100% cotton canvas, 14 oz., 21½" x 16" x 7"

Colors: natural/red trim or natural/black trim---- \$30.00

KOOZIE KUPS

Green with white ADCA logo----- \$1.50

Holds 12 oz. beverage can

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SHIPPING & HANDLING FEES

1 to 3 items: \$ 7.00

4 to 8 items: \$10.00

9 to 12 items: \$14.00

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