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Monthly Member Zoom Meetings Open to All

The New Mexico CowBelle officer team recently started hosting monthly meetings over Zoom. The meetings are open to all active members, potential new members, and past members interested in re-joining the organization.

The monthly calls provide an opportunity to brainstorm new ideas and provide in-depth information on activities members can participate in. The first Zoom meeting was held in July. Each meeting has a different focus. November's focus was planning for the upcoming year. In October, the group focused on recruitment and retention. August's meeting focused on beef promotion activities at county and state-wide fairs. Invites are sent

through email in advance of the meeting. We encourage you to join one in the future!

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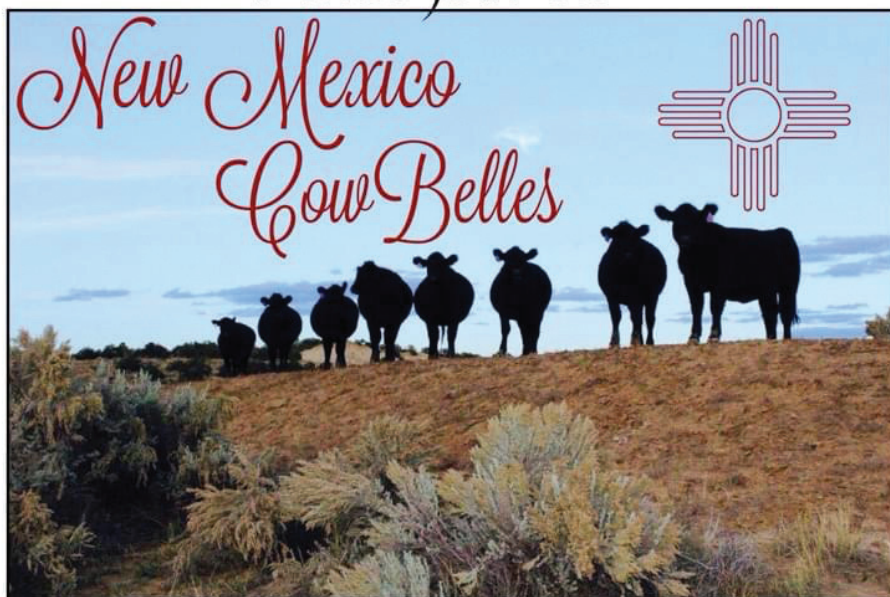
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NMCB State Officers

President: Jacinda Price
President-Elect: Vonda Frost
Vice President: Michelle Greeman
Secretary: Renee Nix
Treasurer: Stephanie Avent

Please Join Us



via Zoom!

Message from the

President

Recruiting and retaining members, it's a dilemma that many of our organizations are facing around our state and even at the national level. This was the topic of conversation at our recent October state member zoom meeting. We discussed the challenges we all face from hesitating to ask, to making sure we make it easier for those willing to participate. We also discussed the solutions to these issues and what our members are doing in their local chapters. As we brainstormed and bounced ideas off each other, a big take away was making others feel welcome and not excluding anyone who may have new ideas or does not fit the mold of the stereotypical cattle owner.

Not only has the pandemic taken its toll on our organizations,

but generations that have been our backbone for so long are now retiring. We are looking to the next generations to carry on their legacy. We must give them the space to make it their own. Now is the time to celebrate those who are eager to join in and volunteer. On that note, we would like to recognize and thank our new members who have joined since our Mid-Year meeting in June.

- Cynthia Carpenter
- Alison Ballard
- Liza Yazzie
- Jennifer Smyer
- Gail White
- Renee Nix
- Mary T. Christmas

We want to invite our local chapters to celebrate their new members and/or active members by featuring them in

their future Jingle Jangle articles.

Please join us for the monthly state member zooms meetings mentioned above. All New Mexico CowBelle members are welcome to join us on that call, as well as those considering becoming a member. You can find meeting dates and more information on our Facebook page, New Mexico CowBelles.

- Written by Stephanie Avent, submitted by
Jacinda Price



Jacinda Price
NMCB President



Filling Vacant Executive Board and Committee Chair Positions

Greetings CowBelles! It's hard to believe that another year has come and gone. As I take look at my calendar, I'm reminded of deadlines approaching, and the need to fill some vacancies on our Executive Board and Committee Chairs. These positions are important because they not only ensure we have a full compliment of officers, but also people to handle the committee duties and serve as voting members on our General Board. We greatly value your time and input, and it helps our organization run smoothly. Listed below are our vacancies:

Executive Board

Vice President
Secretary

Committee Chairs

Beef Ambassadors
Historian
Merchandise (Formally Cookbooks & Napkins, Ways & Means)
Membership (Including Associate Membership)
Social Media

We have a Nominating Committee chaired by Nancy Phelps, who are

diligently working on filling the slate for the Officers. If you are interested in serving, or would like to nominate someone please contact her at nancylphelps5@gmail.com. If you are interested in serving as a Committee Chair, or if you have any questions, please reach out to Michelle Greeman at mgreeman12@yahoo.com. Our hopes are to have all positions filled by Annual Meeting in December. Again, we greatly appreciate you considering taking on these rolls!
Michelle Greeman
NMCB Vice President 2022

Tidbits from the

Treasurer

Dear CowBelles,

As I set down to write my usual message it occurred to me that this would be my last time to publish in the Wrangler as your state treasurer. I would be lying if I said it did not cause some “waterworks”.

I just want to take this opportunity to say how much this organization has done for me personally and how much I appreciate each and every one of you. Not only has it given me purpose and much education, I have gained such a sense of community even when I am now hours away in Texas. It has brought people into my life who I will forever hold near and dear to my heart. Not only does this organization have an important mission, but the beef and agricultural community can teach you so much, good and even some

hard lessons at times. While I will always continue to be a member, this is me bidding farewell as a state office. I highly encourage anyone who is considering running for a position, to do so. There is much to gain from the New Mexico CowBelles.

Reminders: Membership renewals for the 2023 year are due as of October 1, 2022. Any dues submitted after our annual meeting in December will need to be remitted to our newly elected state treasurer.



Stephanie Avent
NMCB Treasurer



In Memory of Service During Annual Meeting

We would like to honor those who have passed this year at our annual meeting in December. We do not want to leave anyone out, so please send Vonda any names you have so she can forward to Corrina. Send information to vondacfrost@gmail.com.

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

24 Happy Thanksgiving!

DECEMBER

9 Forage Growers Workshop, San Juan County Extension Service

14-17 NM Joint Stockmen's Convention, Albuquerque

25 Merry Christmas!

JANUARY

1 Happy New Year!

14-15 Pasture and Range Judging Camp, Sierra County Extension

17 NM legislative session begins

28-31 ANCW Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA

FEBRUARY

1-3 2023 Cattle Industry Convention and NCBA Tradeshow, New Orleans, LA

16 AgFest, Santa Fe

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

News from the

Locals

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Evelyn Yates.

Yvonne Walker Oliver passed away October 19, 2022, in La Luz. The Walker family settled in Sixteen Springs in 1887. Around the time Yvonne entered 10th grade her family moved to La Luz Canyon. She married GB Oliver Jr. in 1954 and they were married for 49 years. Yvonne was Otero County Probate judge for 8 and a half years, member of the Otero CowBelles, PEO chapter AO, Desert

Hills Church of Christ, Sacramento Mountain Historical society, Tularosa Basin Historical society, and Otero County Republican party.

District III

MESILLA VALLEY

Had a booth at Ag Days at NMSU Football game. Had a booth at Southern New Mexico State Fair. Participated in Ag Ventures at Southern New Mexico State Fair handing out beef information to the students and teachers. Donated two buckles for the beef shows. Demonstrated the Hamburger at the Hatch Heritage Days. Told what all ag products are in a hamburger especially Hatch Green Chile. Participated in Ag Career Days at the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Museum.

- Submitted by Fita Witte

Copper

The Copper CowBelles met on Tuesday, October 18, 2022. The meeting was opened by President Kim Clark and the Pledge, CowBelle Creed and Prayer were read. Three guests were introduced: Julie Mehan, Mary Beth Juarez and Lauren Baker.

Michelle, State Vice President, gave a report on the Beef Council booth at the State Fair that many CowBelles assisted with and the monthly meetings held by zoom. These meetings are very informative and are well attended. She encouraged everyone to attend the annual meeting in December which will include a reception to honor Past State Presidents. NM CowBelles is celebrating its 65th year anniversary and this will be noted at the December meeting.

Pat Hunt reported that our booth at the Grant County Fair was very busy and she thanked all her volunteers. License plate and cookbook sales were successful. Erica Garcia, Miss Agriculture USA, attended the fair and helped with our booth, Copper will donate \$250 to her to help cover travel expenses. Pat also announced that the

“challenge” advertisement approved in August is in the current NM Stockman magazine. This is our challenge to our locals to support the NM Ag in the Classroom programs monetarily.

Kim thanked the nominating committee for presenting the slate of officers for 2023. Hearing no nominations from the floor, a motion passed to approve the nominations as presented. The newly elected officers are: Pat Hunt, President; Michelle Greeman, Vice President; Cyndi Donovan, Treasurer and Carol Crosley, Secretary. The officers will be installed at the January 6, 2023 meeting.

A donation to the Pat Nowlin Scholarship Fund (NMCB) will be made in memory of Evelyn Yates. Kathy Davis also made a donation to the Copper CowBelle scholarship in her memory.

This being the last meeting for the year everyone was wished a Happy Halloween, Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas!

- Submitted by Pat Hunt for Carol Crosley

Chat with the *Chaplain*

As Fall takes ahold and winter is just behind we start to notice changes in everything.

The crops change and different things grow during this season while others are done and won't grow til Spring and Summer.

Some outfits are calving their fall calves and some are waiting for Spring to come back around.

Some of us may be experiencing a dormant time. A quiet time. A season of growth but not harvest. While some of us are harvesting during this season

from seeds already sown.

Every season has a reason and every season can serve a purpose in our life.

No matter the season...don't lose it use it.

For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven. A time to be born and a time to die. A time to plant and a time to harvest.
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8



Corrina Casler
NMCB Chaplain



New from the Locals Cont.

Silver Spur

Silver Spur CowBelles honored the following individuals:

- Man of the Year - Mike Hobbs
- CowBelle of the Year - Deanna Trujillo
- Honorary CowBelle - Stanley Harper

They also honored their scholarship recipients. Analiese Malaney and Shiana Weisdorfer were recipients of the Stanley Harper scholarship and Lee Kenneke was the recipient of the Lucille Hanson trade school scholarship.



Otero

The Otero CowBelles and their beef promotion during the burning of the bull.



Registration for NMCB

Annual Meeting

NMCB Annual Meeting

December 16 from 7-11:30 a.m. | Hotel Albuquerque, Albuquerque, NM

Room reservations can be made at:

Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town - Potters Room

800 Rio Grande Blvd. NW., Albuquerque, NM 87104

Reservations: 1-800-237-2133

Return the bottom of this pre-registration form by December 6 with your \$20.00 per person registration fee (payable to NMCB). Virtual registration via Zoom is free. You can also visit <https://www.newmexicocowbelles.org/event-4982728> to register online. Please note this registration is SEPARATE from the NMCGA Joint Stockmen's Convention registration.

Call Stephanie by December 6 at 575-512-5767 or email her at treasurer.nmcb@gmail.com, to reserve and pay at the door.

Name: _____ Local: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Please return to:
Stephanie Avent, NMCB Treasurer
P.O. Box 4
Mineral Wells, TX 76068

Thank you
to our meal sponsor.



Policies and Procedures

Updates and Clarifications

The following changes are proposed for consideration by the body at the 2022 NMCB Annual Meeting December 16 in Albuquerque, NM.

NMCB Officers:

D. The Secretary

I. Shall take minutes of all state meetings, submit said minutes to the Minutes Approval Committee within ten (10) days and subsequently submit them at the following like meeting for membership approval.

- a. *Shall maintain the recordings of General Membership & Board Zoom meetings online for 30 days, after such time they will be deleted. Minutes of the Zoom meetings will serve as the official record of the meeting, and will be submitted for approval as per state meeting minutes.*

MAN/MEN OF THE YEAR:

DEADLINE: Nominations are to be in the hands of the committee chair and postmarked or emailed by March 10 March 15. Late entries will automatically be disqualified. If nominees do not meet the standards as published on the nomination form, no award will be given.

****Please note that all correspondence, applications, and announcements for MOY will be updated to reflect the changes and correct any discrepancies.****

COMMITTEE CHAIR ROLES:

In order to reflect our changing organization and remain relevant we propose the following changes to the

Committee Chair roles:

Combination of the Cookbooks & Napkins and Ways & Means to Merchandise. This allows us to expand our ability to market and sell NMCB merchandise both in person and online. The committee chair would be responsible for inventory of any merchandise, keeping records of items sold, communicating with Locals or others for merchandise requests (ie license plates, cookbooks, etc.) and payment arrangements, considering new ideas for merchandise, shipping merchandise orders, and sending funds to the Treasurer for deposit.

Combination of the Membership and Associate Membership committees to just Membership. The duties shall remain the same as currently listed in the Policies & Procedures.



Returning Talent... Plus Others!



- Date** Thursday, December 15, 2022
- Time** 6:30pm-10:00pm
- Location** Hotel Albuquerque
- Tickets** Included in registration for NMCGA Joint Stockmen's Convention or individual tickets can be purchased at \$60 ea.
- Activities** Talent showcase, Beef buffet dinner, PLUS live country music featuring "Double Shot", dancing & lots of Christmas surprises!!

An open invitation to all talented New Mexicans, young or seasoned, to join us and share your special talent whether it is for story telling & poetry, or showing your skill for a musical instrument or vocals, this is your time to **SHINE!** Surprise us! **There is NO COST to participate!** Contact **Patty ASAP to sign up!** Space is limited. Be a part of our Holiday Hoedown and join in on the fun!

This event is part of the NMCGA Joint Stockmen's Convention. Join us for a fun evening.
Contact: [Patty Waid, Event Coordinator, 505-298-9341, patty@pattywaid.com.](mailto:patty@pattywaid.com)

