

# ***NDGA Newsletter***

## ***Winter 2024***

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### **Message from NDGA President Jordan Jensen:**

Hello everyone, as we are reaching the end of another year it is time to look forward to another state sale weekend. This weekend isn't just for those consigning animals to the Golden Rule Sale it is for everyone to get out and have a good time and get together with friends. There is a block of rooms available under the NDGA at the Baymont Inn in Mandan. Call and get a room reserved and come out and visit, here is what is planned for the weekend.

On Friday January 24<sup>th</sup> we will be taking consignment cattle starting about noon until everything is in place. Sale cattle will be available for viewing all day on Saturday and before the sale on Sunday. Later Friday evening we will gather at the lounge for an informal consigner social.

On Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM we will have our annual NDGA meeting at the Baymont Inn. Later that evening at 6 PM there will be a banquet and social.

The weekend will end with the North Dakota State Golden Rule Sale on Sunday January 26<sup>th</sup> at 2PM at Kist Livestock in Mandan. I hope to see you all there.

Jordan Jensen

## **Message from the Sale Manager:**

*(This was sent to members on Oct. 23)*

It is a pleasure for MMS to be working with the North Dakota Gelbvieh Association as the sale manager for the 2025 North Dakota Golden Rule Sale. Sale date is Sunday, January 26, 2025 and will be held at Kist Livestock Auction in Mandan, North Dakota.

Please see sale rules and conditions for all the details for consigning to the 2025 ND Golden Rule Sale. If you have any questions please send a text, phone call or email to Chris Mitchell at (334) 695-1371 or [mchrismitchell@aol.com](mailto:mchrismitchell@aol.com).

Please contact Chris Mitchell (334) 695-1371 to let us know you will have consignments. You do not have to mail anything. All information including screening fees and entry fees will be collected at screening/selection time. All cattle will be screened on the ranch or via video if consignor location is not within a screening proximity.

High quality consignments are very important. The ND Golden Rule Sale in 2024 sold bulls and females to seedstock producers throughout the US. Our plans are to continue that market at a stronger level in 2025.

The 2025 Golden Rule Sale will include Commercial Bred and Open Heifer groups. Entries for this sell in groups of 3 to 5 animals per group. For entry information and sale expense for commercial heifers, please contact Chris Mitchell or any North Dakota Gelbvieh Association board of director. Important dates and deadlines:

December 05 - Any advertising photos need to be to MMS

December 15 - All pedigrees, footnotes, photos and entry info needs to be to MMS

January 6, 2025 - Sale Book projected to mail.

January 26, 2025 - Sale Day

Thank you,

Chris Mitchell

## **More on the 2025 Annual Meeting and Sale:**

An election of officers will be held during the annual meeting. These are the terms of current board members:

- President Jordan Jenson's second term ends in 2026
- Vice President Brian Wehri's first term ends in 2025
- Secretary Al Gustin's second term ends in 2027
- Treasurer Lisa Hoots' first term ends in 2025
- Director Amanda Altman's second term ends in 2025
- Dwight Dockter's first term ends in 2026
- Director Aaron Stanoch's first term ends in 2027

Thanks to Chimney Butte Ranch for donating an open heifer for the raffle.

## **Your Website info:**

Bailey March asks that producers let her know their sale dates so she can update the website. Also, to send her links to sale catalogs so she can put those on the site as well. ([bdockter10@hotmail.com](mailto:bdockter10@hotmail.com))

## **Member News:**

David and Calli Larson, Lost River Livestock, added two to their family on October 10<sup>th</sup> with the birth of Hayes Mark and Hattie Kay. Their siblings are Sawyer and Reese. Congratulations.



## Chimney Butte Dispersion:

More than three decades of service to the NDGA and to the Gelbvieh breed ended on October 26<sup>th</sup> when Chimney Butte Ranch of Mandan dispersed all of their registered mature cows and bred heifers.

In-state and out-of-state buyers, many of whom already own females with the DCH prefix, took advantage of the opportunity to add DCH genetics to their herd.

Doug Hille's farewell message included this: "Our customers' success has kept our operation evolving to meet the needs of the beef industry. The seed stock business has introduced us to many people from all walks of life. We will forever be thankful for the customers we have had, many whom we refer to as friends, and others from the industry that have helped guide us in our journey."



## Breed Promotion:

The ND Gelbvieh Association promoted our breed at two North Dakota Stockmen's Association events this fall.

The NDGA was one of fifty agricultural vendors at the Stockmens Association's annual convention and trade show, September 18-20 in Bismarck.

Al Gustin and his wife Peggy "manned" the booth.



Diamond D Gelbvieh at Medina was one of the stops on the ND Stockmen's Association's 37<sup>th</sup> annual All Breeds Tour on October first. Diamond D Gelbvieh was the lunch stop and about 100 people attended.



and promotional materials that were made available at both events.

Tom Strahm, AGA Commercial Marketing Director, sent breed information



## **Dues and Website:**

The annual dues for the ND Gelbvieh Association are considered delinquent if not paid by April first. The NDGA Website will be updated on May first with contact information for all paid-up members. Dues are \$40.00/year, payable to Treasurer Lisa Hoots.

## **Historical trivia:**

North Dakota Gelbvieh breeders had 322 Dams of Merit and Dams of Distinction in the year 2000, making us third in the nation. Wehri Gelbvieh of Hebron had 39. Miller Gelbvieh of Glen Ullin was second in the state with 23. Gustin's Diamond D Gelbvieh of Mandan had 19, followed by Chimney Butte Ranch of Mandan and Moe Gelbvieh of Walcott, each with 17.

Here is contact information for our 2024 officers and directors:

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Editor's note: The spring 2025 edition of the ND Gelbvieh Association Newsletter will be e-mailed on March first. If you have information that you would like included, please send it to me. Thank you.

Al Gustin