



Green River Valley Cattlewomen  
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February 1, 2017

RE: 2017 Annual Convention

Dear GRVC Members and Prospective Members:

I cannot believe 2016 has come and gone and I am about to wrap up my time as president. We have had a very busy and productive year. Now, it is that time of year to get ready for 2017 Annual Convention.

For the perspective or new member, we want to encourage support to build the membership in order to communicate with those individuals interested in the beef industry. We understand limited participation, because of other commitments. However, as a member we can send you information about our projects such as brand T-shirts, napkins, tote bags or books to represent you and your family. Of course, we would love for you to be an active member and help with things, but we understand how busy everyone is with their lives.

Several of the 2016 highlights are we have published our brand history book, as well as a pocket size Sublette County brand book based on the 2015 Wyoming Brand Book, which should be ready for sale at convention. Office Outlet is going to publish it with their new printer. We have the tote bags with brands and cuts of beef for sale. We have numerous businesses that have become Affiliated Members during 2016; they provide continuous support for the state and local Cowbelle organizations. Since brands have been so lucrative in our fund raisers for 2016, the theme of convention this year is- "**Lucky, GRVC-Riding for the Brand!**" Our brand/s are a symbol in making our mark, a way to define who we are and what we believe in each and every day in living the dream-*Ranching*.

The current officers are: President-Jonita Sommers, Vice President-Janet Beiermann, Secretary-Brenda Carnahan, Treasurer-Terrie Springman and Historian-Kailey Barlow. Elections will be held for the office of Vice-President, Secretary and Historian. Janet Beiermann will become President.

We desperately need people to sign up to sell at the booths for the craft fairs and activities. We have the brand history book and Sublette County brand book to sell along with cookbooks, napkins, placemats, scarves, tote bags and a few t-shirts. We need to get people to sign up to sell before we order new t-shirts with brands on them. We need people to sell quilt tickets and get people to put their brand on the quilt, so we can make money to give the two scholarships to a Big Piney and Pinedale senior.

The Quilt Brands and Quilt Tickets are an important fund raiser for our organization. To clarify the process, the quilt brands bought throughout 2017 will go on the quilt made in 2018 (aka 2018 Quilt), which will be drawn for at the Green River Valley Cattlewomen's Banquet in 2019. Beginning this year we will have an updated list of brands at our sales booth throughout the year, which will provide a quick reference to know where we stand on Quilt Brands sells at any given time.

Enclosed are the 2017-2018 Membership forms, information for nominations for Ranch Woman of the Year and Friend of Agriculture. Please send your recommendations to the designated address. The membership dues are \$10.00, please be sure to update your contact information for our records. Sign up for a committee and especially a booth committee if you possibly can. Please send to (winter address): Terrie Springman, 920 N Sky Mountain Court, Hurricane, Ut 84737 by March 1, 2017.

We are going to do something different this year for door prizes and give some Cowbelle items away. If you are the chairman of a committee, you need to have your committee report with original and 3 copies for the meeting on March 11, 2017. See additional papers for details.

Please call if you have any questions, Jonita Sommers [307-367-4756](tel:307-367-4756) or Terrie Springman [307-231-5565](tel:307-231-5565). If you know of someone who wants to join, invite them to convention. Your support is most appreciated! Information is posted on the website: <http://greenrivervalleycowbelles.com>. Or become a friend on Facebook-Green River Valley Cowbelles/Cattlewomen.

BEEF-It's What's for Dinner~Jonita Sommers and Terrie Springman

*Jonita and Terrie*

**2017-2018 Membership Registration**  
**Green River Valley Cowbellees/CattleWomen Annual Meeting and Luncheon**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ (please check off your email preference)

Meeting Notice only;  Beef Industry Issues;  Legislative;  Correspondence from other organization

The **QUILT BRANDS** bought throughout 2017 will go on the quilt made in 2018 (aka 2018 Quilt), which will be drawn for at the Green River Valley Cattlemen's Banquet in 2019.

<b>2018 Quilt Brands-Please list brands, brand names and brand owners:</b>

**2018 Quilt Brands:** # \_\_\_\_\_ X \$5.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Quilt Tickets: # \_\_\_\_\_ X \$1.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Or 6 for \$5.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership:**

Local: # \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

State: # \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Note: National Dues will be paid directly to the ANCW.

Luncheon: # \_\_\_\_\_ X \$22.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL PAID: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list member(s) contact information you are paying for if other than self:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

**RSVP by February 25 for Luncheon Count**

**Make Check payable to GRVC and send to:**

Terrie Springman  
 920 N Sky Mountain Court  
 Hurricane, UT 84737

307-231-5565 Email: [tas@acornmanagement.us](mailto:tas@acornmanagement.us)

## 2017-2018 Green River Valley Cowbelles/Cattlewomen Committee Sign-up Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check any committee or activity that you would like to volunteer. If you would like a chair on a certain activity please specify. If volunteers are not found, the President will appoint committee members.

### Community Operations:

- Beef Demonstrations: In-store food samples, recipe distribution to promote beef, cooking demonstration.
- Budget: Assisting in the assessment of an annual budget for each upcoming year.
- Buyers: Luncheon: County Fair, Saturday Lunch for Auction Buyers
- Centennial Ranches: Determining and organizing for the upcoming ranches to be awarded.
- Constitution & Bylaws: Updating local groups' constitution and bylaws when needed.
- Convention: Planning the annual meeting; includes decorating and luncheon ideas.
- County Fair Concession Stand: Concession selling Cowbelles' infamous Philly Beef Steak Sandwich.
- Education & Information: Educating & supplying information to the public, including schools, businesses, & other organizations
- Ag in the Classroom: Providing Agriculture information and tools to local schools.
- Friend of Agriculture: Overseeing the Friend of Agriculture nominations and judging.
- Legislative: Keeping the group informed of state and national legislation that affects the beef industry.
- Lifetime Member: Selecting a lifetime member(s), compiling a biography and getting award.
- Marketing & Product Sales: Selling quilt tickets & all products we carry (napkins, scarves, books, etc. Includes sale booths at different events. (please specify an event)
  - Spring Fair Booth
  - Rendezvous Booth
  - County Fair Booth
  - St. Anne's Christmas Bazaar Booth
  - Rendezvous Pointe Christmas Bazaar Booth
  - Fall Festival (BP Library)
  - Other Booths \_\_\_\_\_
- Parades: 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Rendezvous and Christmas parades.
- Quilt Making: Assist in the making of the Cowbelles' quilt
- Ranch Woman of the Year: Assisting the previous years' Ranch Woman of the Year with nominations, judging and awards.
- Scholarship: Overseeing the submission, judging and selection of scholarships.
- Social Media: Notifying members of upcoming events via Facebook and Website.
- Sunshine: Sending cards of sympathy to friends of the organization.
- Sign Up to Hold GRVC Meeting:

Meeting

Date

Where

April, May or June

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September

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December (Christmas)

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January (Convention)

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## 2017 GRVC Friend of Agriculture Nominations

It is time for the Green River Valley Cattlemen and Cowbelles/Cattlegirls to sponsor another "Friend of Agriculture" award. All businesses, stores, financial institutions or companies as well as individuals such as teachers, and government employees are eligible for nomination.

### Rules for nominating are:

1. Person submitting nominations must be a member of the Green River Valley Cattlemen or Cowbelles.
2. Anyone who submits a name for the award must also submit a statement of qualifications for the person or business.
3. Each person submitting a nomination must sign his or her name to the letter.
4. Each person may submit only one person or business per year to be honored. Unsuccessful nominees may be resubmitted.
5. The major source of income of the person or business to be honored must not be from the production of agriculture products.

### Qualifications to be considered in selection are:

1. What significant contributions has the nominee made to Agriculture in our area?
2. In what way does the nominee indicate a positive attitude toward agriculture as a whole?
3. In what way does the nominee cooperate with the Agriculture Industry and related activities such as fair, 4-H, Rodeo, Barbecues, etc?
4. In what way does the nominee promote a better understanding between ranch and non-agriculture people?
5. In what way does the nominee show a cheerful supportive attitude and personal interest in ranch families?

Please submit your nomination by February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to:

Kay Malkowski (307) 859-8629  
Box 132  
Daniel, WY 83115

## 2017 GRVC Ranchwoman of the Year Nominations

Get your nominations in for the next "Ranchwoman of the Year". This program was established in 1970, making this the 46th year we have been honored to select one of our outstanding women to this honor.

The purpose of this award is to honor those women who have worked so hard and contributed to the success of the ranching industry and have shown special abilities as a wife, mother, and helpmate as well as her participation in community.

1. Nominations must be made by a member of the Green River Valley Cowbelles.
2. The person submitting a name must sign her name to the nomination.
3. The Nominee must be a residence within the Green River Valley region.
4. Each Cowbelle may submit only one name a year. Unsuccessful nominees may be re-submitted.
5. Names submitted must be accompanied by a statement letter of the nominees' qualifications. Write why you feel this person should be selected as "The Outstanding Ranchwoman of the Year". You could include such things as to her special abilities as a wife, mother, and ranch worker as well as her participation in any community affairs, etc., all of which make the person outstanding.

The letter of nomination will be read at the Cowbelles Annual Luncheon, and the Cattlemen's Banquet and an award presented to the recipient.

Please submit your nomination by February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to:

Susan Bousman (307) 537-5213  
P.O. Box 74  
Boulder, WY 82923