



# The Buffalo Rancher

January 2017

Official Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain Buffalo Association

## Important Dates:

2017

January 18-21  
NBA Winter Conf.  
Gold Trophy Show & Sale

March 17-18  
RMBA Spring Conference,  
Loveland, CO

July 4-8  
International Bison Conference  
Big Sky, MT

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## 2016 RMBA Fall Ranch Tour

By: Deb Thieman

The Rocky Mountain Buffalo Association fall ranch tour was held on September 7th, 2016 for their members and guests. Attendees met at 10:00 am ten miles south of Byers, Colorado at the West Bijou Basin, Plains Conservation Ranch. The group was greeted by hosts Ray and Debbie Thieman (Prairie Ridge Buffalo Ranch) and Dave Carter (Willow Creek Bison). The day began with registering, introductions, and visiting with new and old friends. Then, Ray described how the ranch



West Bijou Ranch. Seven miles of an underground water system had been installed to provide an adequate water system for the buffalo. The group loaded into a trailer and pickup trucks to view the buffalo and the



was utilizing holistic management in their grazing plan for the buffalo herd there. The ranch had been subdivided into 13 paddocks and the buffalo moved based on the grass recovery program. These rotations occur from three to ten day increments. David Wentz (Colorado Natural Buffalo) manages and moves the buffalo on the

facilities described by Ray. An interesting part of the morning was when one of the trucks overheated, and the pickup had to be lifted off and placed on a different one. I was amazed at the strength and

photos courtesy of Patty Smith and Greg Nott

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and financials are available from  
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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We finished 2016 and things are still looking up for the buffalo industry. The year ended with many questions related to politics and the future of the Nation, but the demand for buffalo meat ended the year with a certainty of high demand. Carcass prices dipped slightly to finish the year, but were still higher than in 2015. Consumers are continuing to seek out buffalo meat due to the nutritional value and the great flavor of the meat.

More and more high profile chefs are featuring buffalo meat in their offerings, and an ever expanding list of meat products made with buffalo are hitting the shelves. While the core group of consumers who have always purchased buffalo products will continue to do so, we will see new consumers reach for buffalo products as these new items enter the marketplace. Once a consumer tries and likes one type of buffalo product, they are more likely to expand out to other buffalo products. This is sure to help the industry as a whole, it will keep demand high for all buffalo products.

Producers and marketers must remember to remain true to their core beliefs and their vision and mission of their companies. I feel in order to protect our niche market, all producers and marketers must strive to offer the highest quality products possible. Share with your consumers what you do and why your product is so great.

In December the RMBA Board met to discuss future plans and projects for the Association to work on. We have begun to reach out to FFA and 4-H advisors and offer to give presentations related to buffalo ranching and buffalo production. Our goal is to spread the word about raising buffalo as an alternative to more conventional ranching enterprises.

The RMBA Board also will be setting up a few social events throughout the year for members to gather and have a good time together while also talking buffalo. We continue to always improve our Conferences and hope

everyone will enjoy this year's Spring Conference.

We implemented our new membership renewal feature this year through our website. Current members received reminder emails about renewing their membership. They were then able to renew directly online through our secure website.

If you did not receive an email, please contact the Association so we can update your email address to the most current. We still mailed out conventional paper renewal notices to those who had not renewed by the 15th of December.

The use of the online feature saves the Association time and money by not having to mail out as many notices and being able to receive payment electronically versus depositing checks.

Leading up to the NBA's Gold Trophy Show and Sale we will mention our members who are consigning animals on our Facebook Page. We have seen our members do extremely well each year at the GTSS and want to help promote you and your ranch. The NBA is actively increasing its use of social media and RMBA is following suit.

For 2017, the RMBA will continue to look for new ways to help our members be the greatest buffalo ranchers and producers they can be.

Please reach out to the Associations with any suggestions or issues that you need help with.

Wishing everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

*John Graves*



## Fall Tour, cont. from pg 1

group effort by our buffalo ranchers! A hearty buffalo burger lunch followed the tour and was provided by Heart Rock Bison and Prairie Ridge Buffalo.



Next Stop: Ralphie - At 2:00 pm everyone drove to Boulder to one of the Colorado University practice fields to watch Ralphie and her handlers. John Graves, our RMBA President, met us and shared information about the training and care of CU's mascot.



The Ralphie handlers were introduced and we watched as they prepared for their practice procedure. Ralphie was the "star of the day" as she ran her routine. The group watched in amazement as the handlers expertly maneuvered her around the field and loaded



her three times. Lots of pictures were taken, the traveling stock trailer viewed, and questions asked and answered about Ralphie.

It was truly amazing to watch the handlers work with Ralphie and it shows they care for and respect her. It was fun to watch Ralphie and her runners take her around the field at the Alamo Bowl!

Finally, the group traveled a short distance to the Westin Hotel in Westminister for dinner at the Kachina Restaurant. RMBA members gathered there for an array of appetizers and a



delicious bison ribeye steak dinner. We were joined by several members for the banquet that couldn't attend the activities during the day. Rocky Mountain Meats, Bob and Laurie Dineen, provided the meat for our meal.

Our fall ranch tour was a success! RMBA members enjoyed viewing a new ranch, meeting Ralphie and her handlers, visiting with each other, and sharing in a wonderful meal prepared by the Kachina Restaurant.

Plans are already underway for the 2017 spring meeting and fall ranch tour and we are looking forward to seeing all our RMBA friends there.

# The Ins and Outs of Farmers Markets

By: Kyle and Kristin Stodola

Farmers Markets have rapidly become a regular structure in communities across Colorado. With 118 farmers markets of various sizes already established in Colorado, there is a huge demand for dedicated Ranchers to make these events happen. An existing Farmers Market will typically average 1000 customer per market and with more people focusing on healthy, local meat. This gives us Bison producers a great opportunity to sell our excellent product.

The Farmers Market atmosphere allows producers to have a direct relationship with the customer which then gives the producer the ability to educate new customers and also build a

strong relationship with your existing customer base. With repeat customers it also opens up the opportunity to generate off season sales and will subsequently create a greater demand at that Farmers Market for the next season.

Location is a key on finding a great Farmers Market. Look at the demographics of the location and the surrounding areas. If the market is in a small town only so many customers will attend. Each Farmers Market manager has their own set of rules and each county has their own rules and regulations, do your research before joining a new market.

Most markets require you to bring your own tables and tents, though this will also vary from market to market.

Some spaces are dedicated to the Farmers Market and will have some of the basic infrastructure, while others set up and break down every season or every week. Also, some markets require a longer time commitment than others for their occupants.

Contact the local Chamber of Commerce or Colorado Farmers Market Association to find new markets and how to join them.

For more information go to these Colorado websites:

**Colorado Farmers Market Association**

[www.coloradofarmers.org](http://www.coloradofarmers.org)

**Colorado Farmers Market Locations**

[www.colorado.gov](http://www.colorado.gov)

## RMBA Update -

### Sec.-Treasurer Bylaw Change

During the General Membership Meeting at the 2017 Spring Conference, the members will be voting on the following bylaw change of the association. The proposed change is to split the duties of Secretary/Treasurer from one position to two positions. Each would be an officer on the board and each would have voting rights. The amendment will be to Article IV Section 2 and Sections 8, 9, 10

Current Wording:

Section 2

There shall be three officers, who are also members of the Board of Directors, i.e. the President, the Vice President, and the Secretary/Treasurer. Each of these officers shall be elected by the active members, to one year terms, or until their respective replacements are elected.

New Wording:

Section 2

There shall be four officers, who are also members of the Board of Directors, i.e. the President, the Vice President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer. Each of these officers shall be elected by the active members, to one year terms, or until their respective replacements are elected.

The amendment to Sections 8, 9, 10 detail the duties of the Secretary and Treasurer and will be read aloud at the general membership meeting prior to the vote to amend the Bylaws.

### RMBA Special IBC Publication

RMBA will be producing a high quality publication to be handed out to all Association members as well as attendees of the 2017 International Bison Conference being held in Big Sky Montana July 4th - 8th. The publication will fea-

ture extensive articles related to raising and producing buffalo. The publication will be an informative tool for both beginning and experienced ranchers. We will offer advertising in this publication and it will be a great place to promote your ranch or business.

#### Reserve Your Ad Today!

Contact RMBA today to reserve a spot in the publication to advertise for your ranch or business.

Deadline to reserve an ad space and submit your ad is February 28th. Use your ad design or allow us to design your ad for a fee of \$50.

- Back Page - \$1,000
- Full page ad - \$ 500
- ½ page ad - \$ 250
- ¼ page ad - \$ 125

### BuffaloRanchers.com

Don't Forget! The RMBA website has some new features that will make things easier for both our members and our office. The biggest thing members will notice is that **you will now able to join or renew a membership online and pay with a credit card on our secure site.** Members will also still be able to write a check and mail it to RMBA office.

**Members and non-members will also be able to register for our spring conference or fall workshop online, and again pay by credit card.** This will allow for quick registration and not require our members to fill out a paper form and pay to mail it into the Association.

### Social Media

Don't forget to like RMBA on FB. We use our FaceBook page to share a lot of information and photographs from RMBA events, the board and our members!





## "Knowing a few things, from seeing a few things!"

By: Larry Higgins

After seeing the State Farm ad several times with this theme on the television it got me thinking about the buffalo business, and certain people I know in the buffalo business.

Like when we first got into the buffalo business, and of course, what do they do, yup, they got out! So, after chasing all day, over many, many miles we finally get them in.....uh, all but one. That was the end of June, and after making several attempts to locate that one cow, we figured someone would call sometime! I think it was sometime in mid-September I get a call from my buddy Ray; he says "I got a call from someone in Matheson", some 80 miles away from when we last saw the buffalo, "they saw a buffalo in a pasture." So we, Ray and I, go to Matheson to assess our situation. After we saw there was no corral near and no way to load it, we rounded up 4 wheelers and rifles, and, well you

know the rest of the story. That is just one of my "been there, done that" stories.

There are many stories out there of escapes, near escapes, buffaloes in trailers and in transit. Those of round-ups, sorting, getting them into squeeze chutes, which gets me thinking, I am sure there are some veterinarians who have stories to tell.

We would like to hear your "know a thing or two" stories. If you have been in the business more than a month, we know you have a story. So jot them down and email them to the Association to be featured in our newsletter, and if you want you can always stay anonymous, as there are a few stories I don't know if I want my name associated with. :)

Anyway we are a fun Association, so come on let's be a little adventurous and share a story.



### 4th Annual **POWER GENETICS**



## Online Auction

**Check Website for Videos of Bulls, Sale Terms & More Details. Feed Test Data Available 1/25/2017**

**[www.diamonddailranch.com](http://www.diamonddailranch.com)**

**Online Bidding Opens**  
**Mon., Feb. 13, 2017**  
**at 8:00 am MST**

**Online Bidding Closes**  
**Wed., Feb. 15, 2017**  
**at 5:00 pm MST**

*contact: Scott Butcher*

**307.760.1617 (cell) 970.435.5775 (ranch)**



### 2017 Performance Tested Bull Sale

#### Put Some Muscle in Your Herd

	Tag #	20-Nov Weaning Wt	17-Jun To Grass	3-Oct Off Grass	ADG Grass
1	352	566	808	1032	2.07
2	421	478	774	1022	2.3
3	354	480	758	1040	2.61
4	429	462	768	960	1.78
5	379	460	740	996	2.37
6	407	500	800	998	1.83
7	431	502	786	1028	2.24
8	479	498	766	950	1.7
9	452	510	794	1036	2.24
10	288	477	810	996	1.72
11	380	480	760	1000	2.22
12	267	470	792	1048	2.37
13	302	482	762	1002	2.22
14	440	428	758	982	2.07
15	449	444	818	974	1.44
16	492	522	822	1026	1.89
17	415	438	790	954	1.52
18	406	448	752	998	2.28
19	262	446	770	972	1.87
20	385	440	786	998	1.96

## NBA Update

### NBA Winter Conference and Gold Trophy Show & Sale

Held in Denver, Colorado at the Renaissance-Stapleton Hotel on January 18 - 21, 2017 the Winter Conference boasts 4 days of educational presentations, great buffalo-themed meals, excellent networking opportunities and loads of fun. The conference concludes with our annual Gold Trophy Show and Sale bison auction at the National Western Stock Show on Saturday, January 21. Please register at <https://bisoncentral.com/conference-registration>



### International Bison Conference Big Sky, Montana - July 4-8, 2017

The International Bison Conference is a once every five-year event that brings together the leadership of the bison community from the United States, Canada, and from several overseas countries.

The 2017 IBC will be an exceptional event in part due to its location, just one hour outside of Yellowstone National Park, and just 30 minutes from Ted Turner's famed Flying D bison ranch, both of which we'll tour as part of the conference. Please mark your calendars for this special event that is not to be missed!

The 2017 IBC will include three days of presentations and workshops on topics ranging from Bison in a Changing Climate, to Getting Your Start in the Bison Business. The anticipated 600 attendees will also enjoy a host of recreational activities, evening entertainment and networking opportunities.

"The International Bison Conference will bring together ranchers, marketers and bison enthusiasts to celebrate our growth over the past decade, and to explore the opportunities to continue to build the bison marketplace," said Aaron Paulson, chair of the IBC Committee.

The support of Harper Cattle, L.L.C. and our other sponsors is helping us develop a world-class program for the upcoming IBC," Paulson added.

For more information on the International Bison Conference, visit: [www.ibc2017.com](http://www.ibc2017.com).



### Throlson Foundation Scholarships Awarded

The Throlson Foundation scholarship review committee received such quality applications this year that the group decided to award each of the students. This year also saw the addition of the Rich Zahringer memorial scholarship fund, which supports those students with a focus on agricultural business and accounting in recognition of the fund's namesake, who was a longtime bison industry accountant who is among the pioneers of this business.

Those receiving the scholarship from the Zahringer fund include Taylor Ball from Fresno State University, Thor Burnside from Fort Hays State University and Nadine O'Riordan from Cal Poly. Students in receipt of the Throlson American Bison Foundation scholarship include McKenzie Beals from the Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln, Autumn Dunn from the Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln, Emma Haak from the Univ. of Wisconsin-Platteville, Sarah Letsinger from Purdue Univ., Amy McBirney from the Univ. of California-Davis, and Toni Rasmussen from the Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln.

## RMBA

### Classified

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#### BUFFALO GAL YARNS

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#### YOUR AD COULD BE HERE!

RMBA Members, call to place your FREE ad before the next issue! Call 303/857-9306.

#### RATES:

##### Classifieds —

Each RMBA member receives one **FREE** ad/issue.

##### Business Cards —

Advertising in the RMBA newsletter costs just \$45 for the entire year (5-6 issues) or just \$10/issue for Members.

All ads must be pre-paid.

Contact Laurie Dineen to place your ad today!

[laurie@greatrangebison.com](mailto:laurie@greatrangebison.com)

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*Make Plans  
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Conference*

*March 17 - 18*

*at the*

*Embassy  
Suites Hotel*

*Loveland, Colorado*

*see page 10  
for more information*



# The Next Chapter ...

## Getting Started in the Business of Bison

By: Bryan Rafferty

Hello, fellow RMBA members! Back in June I was asked by our President, John Graves, if I would like to share our story on how we got started in the bison business. Although I was excited to share with everyone about why and how we started this journey, I was not particularly excited about the whole "writing" part. All that aside, I guess I'll jump into it...

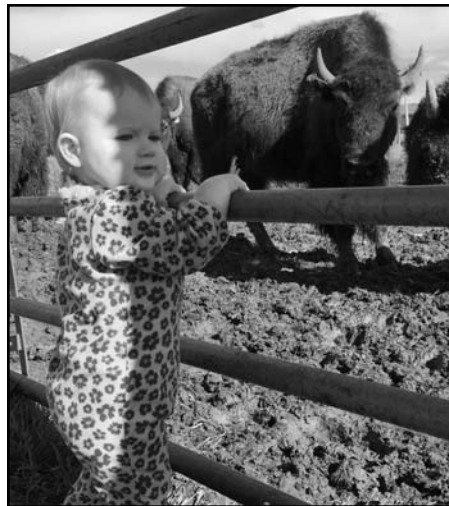
For starters my name is Bryan Rafferty, and at the end of the day I am blessed to come home to two very special ladies that make all of my life worth living. One of these ladies is my beautiful wife, Miranda, who is always there to show her love and support for me, no matter how ornery I may be. The other is my precious and incredibly smart one year-old daughter Brooke, who fills both mine and Miranda's lives full of joy and excitement.

Even though both my wife and I grew up here in the city, along the Front Range, we have always had a love for the outdoors and a vision of someday owning a ranch of our own, as well as the lifestyle that comes along with it. Being that both sides of our family have always lived in the city, we knew that acquiring a piece of land, especially along the Front Range, would be a very expensive endeavor. So, we kept our heads down, hit the books and landed ourselves not just jobs, but careers, that would enable us to purchase our first piece of property.

Although it was only 13 acres just outside of Longmont, we felt proud to say that it was ours and a place that we could call home. It was still close enough to our jobs that we could commute back and forth, yet still gave us a little breathing room from the city. Being nothing more than what I like to

call a big backyard, we figured it would still give us enough room to enjoy the view of some animals roaming around out back by our pond, back-dropped by the beautiful views of the foothills.

Growing up an avid hunter, my dad and I had always thought how neat it would be to own a piece of property that would enable us to raise trophy bull elk on. So, as my wife and I were sitting there on our back deck looking at the sunset, I had brought up the idea of building a tall, strong game fence that could hold in some of these big bull elk that I had dreamed of one day having. Looking over at my wife, she loved this the idea of raising elk, but



we both knew that the rules and regulations of having such an animal would be very strict and most likely frowned upon. The next day I was off to the races reading everything I could online about elk ranching. I called and spoke with many different elk ranchers about the pros and cons of the business, as well as ordering an elk producer's handbook. (Just like the NBA's bison handbook) To make a long story short, there seemed to be a pattern with many of the ranchers I had spoken with, most of them had pointed out that the Division of Wildlife was not



keen on ranchers having elk. Unfortunately, it boiled down to Miranda and I not wanting to take a chance on investing all this money into elk with the high probability of the DOW eventually coming in and completely slaughtering our future herd to test for chronic wasting disease.

That being said, we began to think of the next best animal to raise on our small piece of land. Come to find out, we couldn't have picked a better animal to roam around out back. Something that was native to the plains, and could withstand the heat of the summer and the freezing temperatures of the winter. Something that could efficiently turn our grass into meat, and would give us pride in raising. What better a beast than our recently accredited national mammal, the BISON!

As with the elk, I researched as much as I could and started calling many bison ranchers, many of whom are members of the RMBA! The feedback that I received was much more positive than the elk route and, as we have come to learn, is a very tight knit group of people that are there to offer any help they can to new prospecting bison producers. We learned a lot from attending the NBA winter conference in Denver as well as the spring conference that the RMBA puts on.

One of the main concerns that we had, especially with the small acreage,



was the fence. This was mostly due to the fact that we seemed to keep hearing that bison needed a very stout fence. So, stout it was! After having a visit from the fire department (welding slag catches grass on fire rather quickly!), completing over 4,000 welds, and tightening ten strands of high tensile over 7 feet high we had not only a bison fence, but something that looked like it was from Jurassic Park! The funny thing is, after having our small herd for almost a couple years now, I can honestly say that as long as they



have plenty of food and water, the bison seem to not bother the fence. I feel that I may have gone a bit overboard with my fence, but if there is ever a chance that they do want to get out, or two bulls get to fighting, they will have to produce a massive amount of kinetic energy to bust through almost 100,000 pounds of high tensile strength. Funny thing is, it will most likely be used in the near future to hold in some horses. Why, you might ask? This is because we are set to close on

our new house in Berthoud with 80 acres that our family and bison can enjoy! We can't wait to set up our new Powder River bison working equipment so that we, too, can load up our animals and bring them to auction.

In closing, we can truly say that the bison and fellow producers have changed our lives forever. We plan to keep working hard, laying down the stepping stones to eventually owning thousands of acres and waking up on our very own bison ranch!



## Rocky Mountain Buffalo Association Spring Conference Embassy Suites, Loveland, CO March 17-18, 2017

Plans are completed and the RMBA Board has come up with a great agenda for this years Spring Conference for our members and Bison enthusiasts.

Held at the Embassy Suites in Loveland on March 17-18, you won't want to miss this Conference.

A great way to learn more about the business of Bison and meet and socialize with old and new friends along the way.

As always we encourage everyone to bring a Fun Auction Item! This is a great way to help support the RMBA all year long! Funds raised from the Fun Auction are put to good

use in the promotion and education of Bison and our association throughout the year.

The Board has put together a great line up of Guest Speakers and their presentations will be sure to enlighten and benefit everyone that attends.

### Embassy Suites Hotel Room Reservations:

Call 970-593-6200, ask for the Rocky Mountain Buffalo Association group rate: Double and single rooms for \$144 per night.

Registration form can be found on page 11.

### Friday, March 17, 2017

- 2:00 - 2:45 Board Meeting
- 3:00 - 4:00 General Membership Meeting and Elections
- 4:00 - 5:00 Niche Marketing -Mack Graves
- 5:30 - 6:30 Social hour (cash bar & Hors D'oeuvres)
- 6:30 - 10:00 Banquet & Fun Auction

**Don't forget to bring your Fun Auction Item!**

### Saturday, March 18, 2017

- 8:30-10:30 - Farmer's Markets and Direct Sales  
Kristin and Kyle Stodola
- 10:00-11:15 - Cuts of Buffalo and how to Prepare Them
- 11:30-12:00 - Getting your Ranch on Social Media
- 12:00 - 1:00 - Lunch
- 1:15 - 2:30 - Drones in Agriculture - Mark Burrows
- 2:45 - 3:45 - How to Finish your Animals-Grass or Grain





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# *RMBA Spring Conference*

## *March 17 - 18, 2017*

### *Embassy Suites Hotel*

### *Loveland, Colorado*

Plan to attend the RMBA Spring Meeting and Conference! The Embassy Suites and the city of Loveland offer a great venue for fellowship and fun making it the perfect destination for the week-end. The RMBA Board has planed a great agenda packed full of information for both the "old timer" and "new producer" alike. Make your reservations today!

#### *Schedule of Events at the Embassy Suites*

##### **Friday, March 17, 2017**

- 2:00 pm - 2:45 pm - Board Meeting
- 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm - General Business Meeting & Elections
- 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Niche Marketing - Mack Graves
- 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm - Social Hour with cash bar and Hors D'oeuvres
- 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Bison Banquet & Fun Auction

*Don't forget to bring a Fun Auction item!*

*And if you can't make it to the banquet, send an item with a friend!*

*We would like to encourage everyone to bring something and buy something at the fun auction. The Fun Auction along with membership dues, helps to raise money so that we can continue to promote the Bison Industry throughout the year. We appreciate your support and know you will have a great time at our conference!*

**Thank you,  
RMBA Board of Directors**

##### **Saturday, March 18, 2017**

- 8:30 am - 9:45 am - Farmers Markets and Direct Sales - Kristin and Kyle Stoldla
- 10:05 am - 11:15 am - Cuts of Buffalo and How to Market and Prepare Them
- 11:30 am - 12:00 pm- Getting Your Ranch on Social Media
- 12:00 am - 1:00 pm - Lunch
- 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm - Drones in Agriculture - Mark Burrows
- 2:45 pm - 4:00 pm - How to Finish your Animals - Grass or Grain

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*Embassy Suites Hotel reservations must be made by:*  
*March 1, 2017*

Room Rate for RMBA attendees is \$144 per night (single or double occupancy).

Ask for "in house reservations" and ask for the RMBA block of rooms when making reservations.

*Embassy Suites - 4705 Clydesdale Parkway, Loveland, CO*

Embassy Suites Ph. # **970/ 593-6200** • [www.embassysuites.hilton.com](http://www.embassysuites.hilton.com)

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### *Conference Registration Deadline - March 1, 2017*

*Mail in Registration or do online - [www.buffaloranchers.com](http://www.buffaloranchers.com)*

*For Conference Questions or Information call John Graves - 303/877-9677*





## RMBA Conference Registration Form

March 17-18, 2017  
Embassy Suites Hotel

Loveland, Colo. 80538

— Registration Deadline: March 1, 2017 —

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

☐ list additional attendees on back)

Ranch Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

### Meeting/Conference + Friday night banquet & Saturday lunch

#### RMBA Member

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$130 = \$\_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$80 = \$\_\_\_\_\_  
(17 and younger)

#### Non Member

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$150 = \$\_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$80 = \$\_\_\_\_\_  
(17 and younger)

**Total Persons** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Call John Graves for special Banquet only pricing: 303/887-9677

*Meeting/Conference deadline: March 1, 2017*



Complete form and mail to: RMBA  
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