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***North Dakota Stockmen's Association hosts meeting series
Spring Roundups are set for first full week of June***

North Dakota ranchers produce enough beef to make 108 million hamburgers. It's taken the vision, hard work and innovative spirit of producers to achieve that remarkable milestone, and the North Dakota Stockmen's Association (NDSA) is celebrating that achievement during its annual Spring Roundups, June 7-12, 2010.

The meeting series spans the state with a mix of feeding information and fun, issues updates and fellowship. At each Roundup, members will hear from NDSA President Jack Reich of Zap and NDSA Executive Vice President Julie Ellingson regarding industry issues and association updates. Representatives from the North Dakota CattleWomen and the North Dakota Farm Business Management team will also provide short updates on their projects.

Unless otherwise noted, each Spring Roundup begins with a 5:30 p.m. social and a 6:30 p.m. supper followed by a short program at approximately 7:30 p.m. The specifics of each meeting are as follows:

District 1: The District 1 meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 10, at Stump Lake Historical Park, 10 miles south of Lakota on Highway 1. Cowboy poet and humorist Rodney Nelson of Almont will headline the evening.

District 2: The District 2 Roundup is Monday, June 7, at the Lisbon Eagles Club in Lisbon and includes a feeder panel discussion featuring Tom Bresnahan of SB-B Feeders near Casselton and Dan Dorn of Decatur County Feed Yard near Oberlin, Kan. The duo will be talking about the attributes of northern cattle that make them successful in their respective feeding operations. They'll provide suggestions on how ranchers can make their cattle more attractive to a feeding operation.

District 3: The District 3 Roundup is Tuesday, June 8, at the Steele Amvets Club in Steele. The evening also features a feeding panel discussion that includes North Dakota feeder Rob Tweeten of the Tweeten Feedlot near Hensler and Dorn.

District 4: On Wednesday, June 9, the District 4 Roundup begins with an on-your-own noon lunch at Roby's Steakhouse west of Mandan. At 1 p.m., a caravan will leave the steakhouse and head to Missouri River Feeders near Price where owners Dan and Bill Price will showcase their family's operation. The tour will return to Roby's Steakhouse for a social at 5:30 p.m., supper at 6:30 p.m., and a short program.

District 5: The District 5 Roundup will be at the Watford City Golf Club in Watford City Saturday, June 12, 2010, and begins with a golf scramble at 2 p.m., followed by a 5:30 p.m. social, 6:30 p.m. supper with short a program to follow and live music by Lonesome Willie beginning at 9 p.m.

District 6: The District 6 Roundup will be at Antler Creek north of Antler, N.D., on Friday, June 11, 2010, beginning with a ranch rodeo at 3 p.m., followed by a 5:30 p.m. social, supper and short program.

Roundups are free and open to anyone interested in North Dakota's cattle industry.

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