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*The Latest news in the world of  
Beefalo*



# *The Corral* NEWSLETTER

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# A Letter from the President

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**Submitted by: Leonard Muehr**

Hello Beefalo Breeders,

The Spring National Beefalo Showcase is in the books. We had a wonderful time. I would like to send a shout out to Hidden Trace Farms(Amy Grant, Vince Gill, and Dan Stricker) for hosting the event. Thanks goes to Thomas Lamb, Sue Guigar, Davielle McCoy, David McCoy, Penny Knuckles, Staci Miller, and Dan Stricker for all of their hard work in getting things ready, from securing coral panels, room reservations, food for the event, ordering ribbons, putting together the show classes, creating a sale order catalog, and cleaning up before and after the event. I think everyone that came thoroughly enjoyed themselves. It was nice to see old friends and meet new breeders. We had a few future breeders that came to see some Beefalo, ask questions, and get a better understanding of our breed. We also had just over 30 animals present from several different states.

At our Annual Meeting, we had the election of board members. Each year three members are up for reelection. This year we had two returning board members reelected, Dana Camerena and John Fowler. Amber Sapp is newly elected to the board. She is from Georgia and has been in the association for about two years. I look forward to the new ideas she will bring and a new set of eyes to issues we are dealing with. Brett Green is the outgoing member. He has served on the Board for a number of years and was the registrar and the Board Treasurer for a large portion of that time. Brett, thanks for everything you did to further this breed and what you will continue to do in the future. I know you have a strong passion for Beefalo.

As for registrations, Staci Miller has been able to get the turnaround time reduced. I have received several calls from breeders saying they appreciate getting their paperwork back so quickly. So if you have been on the fence about sending your paperwork, now is a great time. You can send in your paperwork with confidence and know it will be handled in a timely manner. Please send them to the Ohio address which can be found on the American Beefalo Association website. With your registration paperwork, don't forget to include a filled out Fee Schedule(which breaks down the requests and costs for each). This helps keep track of everything and gets forwarded to the treasurer for proper documentation.

*Please keep Marcia and her family in your prayers as she continues to improve and hopefully gets back to her old self, Marcia was able to make it the Spring Showcase and was in very good spirits*

## *A letter from the President- Continued*

Unfortunately, we are still working on the 1-800 Beefalo. However. we are making headways and I hope to have positive news in the very near future!

As for my farm, I got three heifers out of 10 cows I artificially bred. My clean up bull made sure the other 7 did not miss this year's breeding cycle. I look forward to those calves any time now. Last year we had a lot of rain and I could not get my bull out of the bull pasture when I would have liked, but at least I will have one.

As always, if you have questions about anything in regards to the Association, please feel free to give me a call or text: (281)923-8549(please leave a message when you call, I will call back). You can also email me at rockincamelranch@gmail.com . Thank you for your interest in Beefalo!

-Leonard Muehr/President



- Bred, Born & Raised in Georgia
- Replacement Heifers
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Feature your farm, livestock, semen or meat for sale.

Remember the Corral is also on the ABA website for the public to view!

Quarter Page: \$25

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Whole Page: \$100

**Submit your ad to operations.americanbeefalo@gmail.com**

*\*Membership must be current and ad fee paid prior to print*

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# SWEDISH MEATBALLS



Who doesn't love quick and easy weeknight meals? As a busy mom and wife, I often find myself in the dilemma of making a healthy meal or making a quick meal. Alas, the two have met in this fantastic easy, homemade and quick recipe that will leave your family asking to add this one into the meal rotation!

## **Swedish Meatballs**

Prep time: 15 Minutes/Total Time: 30 Minutes/ Serves 4

### **Ingredients**

- 1 pound ground Beefalo
- 1 egg
- 1/2 cup plain panko (Japanese -Style bread crumbs)
- 1 small onion, minced(about 1/4 cup)
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/8 teaspoon ground allspice
- 2 Tablespoons vegetable oil
- 3/4 cup Swanson 50% less Sodium Beef Broth
- 1 Can (10 1/2 oz) Campbell's Condensed Cream of Mushroom Soup or Condensed Unsalted Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 2 tablespoons sour cream
- 4 cups hot cooked egg noodles(8oz dry), or noodle substitutes like zucchini noodles or cauliflower rice.
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley

### **Instructions**

1. Thoroughly mix the Beefalo, egg, bread crumbs, onion, salt, and allspice in a large bowl. Shape Beefalo mixture firmly into **about 20 meatballs**.
2. Heat the oil in a 12 inch nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add the meatballs and cook until browned on all sides(make sure skillet and oil are hot before adding meatballs to prevent sticking). Pour off any fat.
3. Add the broth to the skillet and heat to a boil, stirring to scrape up the browned bits from the bottom of the skillet. Stir in the soup and sour cream. Reduce heat to low. Cover and cook for 5 minutes or until the meatballs are cooked through. Season to taste.
4. Serve the meatballs and sauce over the noodles. Sprinkle with parsley. Serve alongside a green salad and fruit for a comforting yet lighter spring time meal!

*Respectfully submitted by: Board Member Amber Sapp*





## JIM BURNETT/BEN PAINTER AWARD

EST. 1994



This year's recipient was one of the individuals that helped drive the merger and combined all the previous Beefalo Associations so that we now have one Beefalo Association. Here is a list of just some of his accomplishments:

1985- Larry purchased his first and shortly thereafter joined the old ABA.

1987- Elected to the original ABA Board of Directors

1987-1991 Show Chairman for the National Beefalo Show held in Kentucky

1989-Elected President of the Kentucky Bluegrass Chapter of the ABA

1991- ABA man of the year

1992-1994-Elected President of the Original ABA

1999- Started a heifer chain program for the FFA in Lincoln School District in Arkansas.

Through this program he mentored several kids, giving them the opportunity to show Beefalo at the Washington County Fair in Arkansas. He is still a vital part of helping the kids in his area with showing and giving them the opportunity to experience raising Beefalo.

2003-2005- On the Board of Directors of the ABWR

2008- One of the main supporters and driving force of combining the ABWR and IBF so that we have one central Beefalo association.

He played a vital role in forming and serving on several different local chapters such as the Mid-American Beefalo Association and the Texas Beefalo Association which became the South Central Beefalo Breeders Association. I am sure there may have been others!

He has sold Beefalo coast to coast and brought in several members to the Beefalo Breed!

He wrote the Amnesty Program, which provides an opportunity for Hybrid animals that show strong Bison traits to be registered with the American Beefalo Association. This program allows us to bring in new bloodlines which otherwise would be lost to the Association.

Not that it applies, but I purchased my first Beefalo Bull from Larry. It was an honor for me to present Larry Hacker with this year's Jim Burnett/Ben Painter Award.

Larry, I want to thank you for all that you have done for the Beefalo Breed and may your influence and character live on in our Association for many years.

Leo Muehr/ President American Beefalo Association

# Letter from a Member

submitted by: Maggie Klenke

*Beefalo Corral Editor for Many Years/ 2016 Jim Burnett/Ben Painter Award Recipient*

Larry and Nelda have been two of the most active and effective members of the ABA as long as I can remember. Larry served on the board of directors in various positions over the years and was a significant influence on the direction of the association both before and after the merger with ABWR. He has always been a voice of reason during disagreements on contentious issues, keeping in the interests of the whole memberships in focus over the needs/desires of individuals.

Being an active show chairman and one of the providers of the most animals at Beefalo Shows was an important role for Larry. He ensured that there were enough quality cattle to make the show successful, bringing several of his own to fill out the rosters as needed. He washed, dried, and groomed more cattle than I can count and encouraged others to show as a way to market their cattle. He encouraged many young folks to train and show the animals, bringing along another generation of Beefalo advocates and potential cattle ranchers. That, of course, includes his daughter, Penny who is now taking the reigns of showing and training others.

Larry's articles were often what kept the Corral newsletter afloat. He shared tips, history, and interesting stories in the many issues over the years.

Larry has not only been a major player in the Beefalo world but a dear friend. Dale and I had the opportunity to travel with Larry and Nelda on a few occasions. One trip to New Zealand included spending time with local Beefalo breeders there and with visiting their amazing operations. Another trip took us to Southeast Asia where Dale and Larry had served during the Vietnam conflict. It was a trip down memory lane for the men and very educational for the ladies.



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For those who may not be familiar with the people named on this award, Jim Burnett was one of the original founders of the Beefalo breed, and had the first meaningful successes with producing fertile hybrid offspring from beef cattle and American Bison (Buffalo). The award in his name was established in 1994 and was to be given to "the breeder who, over the years, has done exceptional work in the promotion of Beefalo and the ABWR." The first recipient was Jim Burnett.

Ben Painter was the president of the Tennessee Beefalo Association when it disassociated from the ABWR in 1993 and became IBF. He was the owner of Bedford Beefalo Farm in Wartrace Tennessee. Ben was the driving force in many of the Beefalo shows and sales including Beef Agribition in Murfreesboro Tennessee for several years. He owned and showed several champion bulls including White Thunder(1991-1996) and was responsible for shipping semen and embryos around the world to help make Beefalo a truly international breed.

In 2008, the ABWR and the IBF merged to form the American Beefalo Association and the award was combined. Please visit the American Beefalo Association website to see the list of winners of this award since the merger.



# Spring National Beefalo Showcase & Sale

FRANKLIN, TN MARCH 18 & 19 2022

The Spring National Show and Sale were a few weeks ago and all went well! There were a great group of cattle for both show and sale. Everyone worked together and had a good time catching up and preparing the cattle for the show. The weather was a little wet during the evenings, but the days were dry and comfortable. The animals all did well and cooperated. Our judge Michael Barry did a great and explained his decisions and how he placed the classes. After the regular classes as always we had our junior showmanship classes, Mr. Barry did a fantastic job with the juniors, he gave them pointers for improvement and asked them a few questions about their animals and themselves. Overall, I felt like we had some very good quality animals, and everyone had fun showing them. The juniors are growing in numbers, and I think that is the most important part of the show because the youth are the future of our breed.

The sale was not quite as good as I was hoping. There were plenty of quality animals to choose from, but we did not have the buyers like we hoped. I feel we are getting better animals each year, but need to keep working on promoting the sale. It appears we keep getting more interest in the breed, but would benefit from attracting buyers for our animals.

HM Breezy Buttercream  
Shown By: Davielle McCoy  
18.75%



GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE



RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

FPF Fluffy  
Shown by: Sue Guigar  
18.75%

Done Rovin's Gadget  
Shown by: Penny Hacker-Knuckles  
37.5%



GRAND CHAMPION BULL



RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

4M Gottem Talkin  
Shown by: Davielle McCoy  
27.90%





# Junior Showmanship



## Senior Showmen

**Champion Showman:**  
Casey Bickford



**Reserve Champion Showman:** Cora Miller



3RD PLACE LUCAS NORMAN, 4TH PLACE PAZIA MUEHR

## Beginner Showmen

**Champion:** Maverick Miller  
**Reserve Champion:** Zorina Muehr

**3rd Place:** Bexlynn Harris



PICTURED LEFT TO RIGHT: ZORINA, MAVERICK, AND BEXLYNN

**Great Job!**

## Junior Showmen

**Champion:** Sydney Miller



**Reserve Champion:** Mackenzie Sapp



3RD PLACE: CLAY MILLER, 4TH PLACE: SOLANA MUEHR, 5TH PLACE: GRACELYN JOHNSON



# ABA MEMBER INCENTIVE PROGRAM



updated for 2022-2023



## **PART ONE:**

For every 5 animals registered; receive \$25 credit

- Cannot be refunded in cash.
- Retroactively begins January 1, 2022 and ends December 31, 2022
- Meat Tag registrations DO NOT apply to animal registrations.
- Credits can be applied toward Dues, Registrations, Meat tags, and/or Advertising.

## **PART TWO:**

Refer a NEW LIFETIME MEMBER in 2022 (begins January 1, 2022) This member must list your name on their application.

- 1st referral earns member \$25 for annual dues
- 2nd referral earns member 1 free ANIMAL ad on the ABA website.
- for each additional referral earns member free Breeder or Meat Producer Ad on the ABA website.
- Expires December 31, 2022

## **PART THREE:**

For every 9 Meat Tags purchased, receive the 10th FREE!

- Begins January 1, 2022 and ends December 31, 2022.

*Upon registration, the numbers will be added to the tally by the registrar. Breeder will NOT be responsible for keeping track of their numbers.*

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# Upcoming Events

August 19- August 20th, 2022

Missouri State Fair, Beefalo Show, &  
Annual Meeting

Held in Sedalia MO. The meeting will  
be Friday August 19th at 6pm. The  
show will be Saturday, August 20th.

Please contact David McCoy with  
any questions or you need further  
information.

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## IMPORTANT DATES

August 19th 2022

Missouri State Fair

Annual Meeting

August 20th 2022

Beefalo show

Missouri State Fair

