

## Christmas 2013

I never realize all that we have done in the year, until I sit down to write this annual Christmas letter and begin to reflect on the year.

This year the cattle kept us very busy. We decided early in the New Year we would not be attending any of the fall shows. This gave us an opportunity to focus our time and marketing on other opportunities. Our calving season was very successful. We were anxiously awaiting the arrival of DRSS Lonely Island 22Y's first calf crop. Lonely Island's calves were worth the wait! We are expecting several more in 2014.

This year also marked the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Brothers From Different Mothers Prospect Steer Sale. This year was the first year we offered heifers in the sale. We were extremely happy with the sale. The cattle, semen and embryos are with their new owners. Which are spread from British Columbia to Ontario and all points in between.

Our travel this year has taken us to Fort Worth, Nebraska, Colorado, St. Louis, Idaho and who could forget our annual trip to the NFR in Las Vegas.

We both enjoy judging and teaching clinics. Each year the number of horse and cattle shows and clinics we are asked to adjudicate and teach grows. The calendar for 2014 is filling quickly and we would not have it any other way!

As we look back at 2013 we are so grateful for our clients, friends, customers and family they have all been a huge part of everything we do. We are looking forward to 2014. We have some exciting plans as we continue to grow and build Dun Rite Stock and Stables.

Both Doug and I wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.

Merry Christmas

*Doug and Katie*

