

Spring is just around the corner! I can see green in the distance, hear the Sandhill Cranes calling and lots of baby calves in the field.

To our members actively working the Sportsman's Show as an opening to March, I offer a big thank you! Thank you for setting up the booth and spending your time talking with the public. It is so important that we have a presence at these public events to in order to get the Back Country Horsemen mission out there and maybe interest a few potential members to boot!

You are all **invited**, **encouraged**, **begged** to please attend the March meeting on March 6th! We have important issues to discuss for the upcoming meetings in Bonners Ferry and we need your input. Issues include the four resolutions, our chapter's calendar commitment for 2015, state dues increase and other issues. If you aren't able to go to the Convention, now will be the time to express how you want your director's to vote. Remember, we are allowed 8 votes and that means we need a full complement of people to attend. Hope you have made your lodging reservations and are registered for the convention.

I hope you have read the latest issue of Broomtales. Our Chapter was well represented with articles and thanks to those who took the time to make submissions. Keep taking great pictures and writing those interesting articles and be sure to send them to Broomtales and BCHA.

In celebration of the year of the horse, did you know horses have bigger eyes than any other mammal that lives on land? No wonder everything they see is so scary!

Kay Ryan, President