

**“Angora Friends Meet in 2010”  
2010 ARBA CONVENTION—Minneapolis, Minnesota  
November 7-11, 2010**

Hello Angora Friends!

The Upper Midwest Angora Club is pleased to serve as your host for all four angora breeds-open and youth- at the 87<sup>th</sup> Annual ARBA Convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**Angora Headquarters.** The host hotel is the Holiday Inn Express Hotel and Suites, Downtown Mpls Conv. Center, 225 South 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Minneapolis, MN 55403, and phone number 612-436-0760; reservation 1-800-870-0114.

A block of rooms has been held for November 5, 2010 to November 11, 2010

Room rates:	Standard room:	\$ 119.95 single occupancy per night*
		\$ 123.95 double/triple/quadruple occupancy per night*
	One bedroom suites:	\$ 149.95 single occupancy per night*
		\$ 159.95 double occupancy per night*

\*Plus 13.78 % tax and \$10 per additional person.

**Group Code Number is ARA**

Check in after 3 p.m. and Check out prior to 11 a.m. **Parking is available at \$12 per night (not included in room rate).** There is airport transportation--\$16.00 each way.

**Holiday Inn provides a hot and cold breakfast for all of their guests.**

Other amenities: complimentary coffee, tea, cider and hot chocolate available 24 hours a day; indoor pool, whirlpool and workout room; exercise room, hair dryers in every room; free Star Tribune Newspaper daily, coffeemakers in every room, complimentary high speed internet access; microwaves and refrigerators in every suite, free wireless access in lobby area.

<p><b>NOTE: THIS HOTEL WILL NOT ALLOW PETS, ANIMALS OR RABBITS ONTO THEIR PROPERTY. ONLY EXCEPTION IS SERVICE ANIMALS. ANY GUEST WHO VIOLATES THIS POLICY WILL BE ASKED TO CHECK OUT WITH THEIR ANIMALS IMMEDIATELY. THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS. IF DAMAGE IS FOUND, THE OWNER OF THE RABBIT WILL BE CHARGED A MINIMUM OF \$150.00 PER INCIDENT.</b></p>
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**Angora Luncheon Banquet.** The Angora Luncheon Banquet will be held on **Tuesday, November 9, 2010 from 12 Noon to 2 p.m. at the Rock Bottom Brewery, located at 800 LaSalle Plaza, Minneapolis, Minnesota.** The Rock Bottom Brewery is within walking distance from the Convention Center and the Angora Headquarters. At the luncheon, all awards from the angora show (open and youth) and the Wool, Skein and Garment Contest will be presented. During the luncheon, all luncheon guests are invited to participate and bid on gift baskets donated by angora clubs throughout the United States. **Due to our contract with Rock Bottom Brewery, ALL GUESTS ATTENDING MUST BE A PAID LUNCHEON GUEST AND EAT AT THE LUNCHEON. I apologize for any inconvenience.**

**If you are interested in attending the Angora Luncheon, RESERVATION POSTMARK DEADLINE WITH PAYMENT AND FORM IS MONDAY,**

**OCTOBER 25, 2010 (POSTMARK DEADLINE).** Please complete the Reservation Form below and send your payment to: Lynn Galbraith-Wilson, 2301 N. County Road E, Janesville, WI 53548. Please make checks or money orders payable to: **UPPER MIDWEST ANGORA CLUB.**

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**2010 ARBA CONVENTION-ANGORA LUNCHEON**

Name of Guests Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Menu Selection:

**Brew Burger Served with Kettle Chips, Coleslaw & Beverage\*\* at a cost of \$18.00**

Number of Brew Burger Plates \_\_\_\_\_ x \$18.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Bowtie Pasta with Vegetables in Garlic Cream Sauce served with Fresh Bread & Beverage\*\* at a cost of \$22.00.**

Number of Bowtie Pasta \_\_\_\_\_ x \$22.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuscan Smoked Chicken Salad-Plum-marinated chicken with fresh roma tomatoes, red peppers, carrots, greens Granny Smith apples, candied walnuts, croutons and gorgonzola tossed our balsamic vinaigrette served with Fresh Bread & Beverage\*\* at a cost of \$19.50.**

Number of Tuscan Salad \_\_\_\_\_ x \$19.50= \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Beverage included is a choice of soda, milk or coffee.**

**Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ . Make checks payable to: Upper Midwest Angora Club. POSTMARK DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 25, 2010. Send luncheon banquet reservations to: Lynn Galbraith-Wilson, 2301 N. County Road E, Janesville, WI 53548.**

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**Raffle.** At the Angora Booth, we will be hosting a raffle and the proceeds will be donated to the NARBC. Raffle tickets will be sold at the following prices: Four (4) tickets for \$1.00 or Twenty-five tickets (25) for \$5.00. We hope that you will consider donating an item for the raffle. No live animals in the raffle please. Raffle Drawing will be on Wednesday, November 10, 2010 at 1 p.m.

**Silent Auction –Proceeds to Research and Development of Broken English Angoras and Broken Satin Angoras.** At the Angora Booth, there will also be a Silent Auction on a few unique items donated by exhibitors. The silent auction is open to all in attendance throughout the convention, and on Wednesday, November 10, 2010 at 2 p.m. the Silent Auction will close. All proceeds will be tendered to the Research and Development Fund specifically created to assist developers with the substantial costs and expenses associated with developing the Broken English Angoras and Broken Satin Angoras.

**NARBC Angora Skein/Garment/Wool Contests**

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General Rules and Information

1. Check in the entries by Sunday November 7, 2010 by 6 p.m.
2. **Mail in entries will be accepted. Mail to arrive by October 25, 2010 to Lynn Galbraith-Wilson, 2301 N. County Road E, Janesville WI 53548.** Please provide your name, address, phone number or email, which class you wish to enter, and any other needed information. Include entry fee (checks to be made payable to NARBC) and return postage if you want item returned.
3. Entry fee is \$2.00 per item.
4. Judging will be on Monday, November 8, 2010. Time to be announced at the show.
5. All entries must be the work of the exhibitor.
6. Judging location will be posted in the Angora Booth. Interested person are welcome to watch the judging, but are instructed not to talk to, or question the judge during judging.
7. After judging, skeins garments and wool will be displayed in the club booth.
8. The committee will make every effort to display and care for the items entered, but assumes no responsibility for loss or damage.
9. Award will be given out at the Angora Luncheon Banquet. Ribbons to third place. Many nice awards will be offered.
10. Entries must be picked up at the Angora Booth between 2-4 p.m. on Wednesday, November 10, 2010.

**Skein Contest Rules-**

1. Weight of skein should be at least one (1) ounce except for class A-1, which should be at least ½ ounce.
2. All skeins must be handspun and at least 50% Angora.
3. Skeins should be tied in 4 places.
4. Entries must include description and end use (what you plan to make with the yarn-THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT). Description should include color, weight, plies, special technique, fiber other than Angora, approximate percentages, etc. Please provide breed or breeds of Angora that produced fiber.
5. Classes as follows:
  - A. \_\_\_ 100% Angora-white or natural color

- \_\_\_ 1. singles, fine and even as possible
  - \_\_\_ 2. two-ply, fine, medium and even as possible
  - \_\_\_ 3. other ply or novelty
- B. \_\_\_ 100% Angora-Dyed
- \_\_\_ 1. single or two-ply; fine, medium, or bulky
  - \_\_\_ 2. other ply or novelty
- C. \_\_\_ Angora Blends-Natural or Dyed
- \_\_\_ 1. single or two ply
  - \_\_\_ 2. other ply or novelty
- D. \_\_\_ Angora plied with other fiber (may use commercial yarn)
- \_\_\_ 1. two or more ply
  - \_\_\_ 2. Go Wild!
- E. \_\_\_ Novice Spinner-spinning 1 year or less, or under 16 years of age.  
Anything goes!!

#### **Garment Contest Rules-**

1. All entries must be at least 50% Angora. If other fiber is used it may be handspun, or commercial yarn. Novelty and household items may be less than 50% Angora.
2. Entries must include description of item. Description should include name of article, approximate percentages of Angora, other fiber, technique used hand or machine knit, crochet, woven, etc.
3. If an item is made by more than one person, entry should be in both people's names.
4. Classes as follow:
  - A. \_\_\_ Large Wearable (sweater, vest, shawl, etc.)
    - \_\_\_ 1. 100% Angora
    - \_\_\_ 2. combo Angora and other fiber
  - B. \_\_\_ Small Wearable (mittens, scarf, hat, collar, etc.)
    - \_\_\_ 1. 100% Angora
    - \_\_\_ 2. combo Angora and other fiber
  - C. \_\_\_ Baby/children's article.
  - D. \_\_\_ Hand-woven wearable
  - E. \_\_\_ Felted wearable
  - F. \_\_\_ Novelty or household items (toys, crafts, doll clothes, wall hanging, afghan, and pillow).

#### **Wool Contest Rules-**

1. Weight of wool should be at least ¼ oz.

2. Wool should be contained in a small box with a lid. No points given for decorated container. Points are given for clean, neat presentation.
3. Classes are as follows:
  - A. English
    1. plucked
    2. clipped
  - B. French
    1. plucked
    2. clipped
  - C. Satin
    1. plucked
    2. clipped
  - E. Giant
    1. plucked
    2. clipped

**“ANGORA FRIENDS MEET IN 2010” SPIRIT WEAR.** A sincere thank you to Donna Towell for creating our logo for the angora at the 87<sup>th</sup> ARBA Convention!! We hope you enjoy it. All Spirit Wear items with the logo “Angora Friends Meet in 2010” IS **TO BE PRE-ORDERED. PRE-ORDER DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 1, 2010.** In this newsletter, you will find the flier to order.

**Broken Variety Presentations for English and Satin Angoras.** On Sunday, November 7, 2010 at 2 p.m., the presentations of Joan Hastings and Lynn Galbraith-Wilson will be reviewed by members who are in good standing with the NARBC. If you are interested in being part of the NARBC Standards Review Team, please contact Lynn Galbraith-Wilson at 608-289-4470 or email her at lgalbraith-wilson@brennansteil.com. Joan and Lynn will make their formal presentation to the ARBA Standards Committee on Wednesday, November 10, 2010 at such times as determined by the ARBA. Please support Lynn and Joan during this process. Thank you.

If you have any questions, concerns or comments about the 2010 ARBA Convention as it relates to the four angora breeds, by all means feel free to contact me at 608-289-4470, 608-758-0866 or lgalbraith-wilson@brennansteil.com. The Upper Midwest Angora Club wishes you an enjoyable stay and good luck with your angoras!!!!!!!!!!