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Dear NALJA Family:

The holiday season is here. Some of you will prepare for your annual holiday vacations, while others will prepare to host dear friends and family for cozy and loving holiday celebrations at home. Regardless of your plans for this holiday season, one thing stands true; we all seek to spend it surrounded by the most special people in our lives.

The following months are my favorite because it is the culminating time of the year. Everything we have worked so hard to accomplish all year begins to conclude and new opportunities and journeys begin to open up with the beginning of a new year.

2007 has been an exciting year filled with accomplishments for the Limousin breed and as the year closes we can welcome a new year filled with opportunity, hope and a little bit of magic.

I take a look at all of the accomplishments the Limousin breed has had this year, as well as the impressive triumphs and successes of

NALJA's members, and it is with confidence and optimism that I am able to look forward to an even greater year in 2008.

It is precisely for this reason it is important that we all acknowledge the amount of power we hold to succeed in NALJA. As members, take the opportunity to grow and invest the time and effort needed to succeed in absolutely everything you do. NALJA provides you with the opportunity to do so many things and it is up to you to take those opportunities, realize them and gain something valuable from them. Never give up. Never fall short. Never doubt. Never take your eyes off of the finish line.

I challenge you to take a look at all of your experiences and use them to grow as individuals. It is through evaluating our experiences that we are truly able to equip ourselves with the tools and outlook on life that will enable us to succeed in the future. The most important part of "growing up" is taking every aspect of our life, evaluating it, and taking the best parts in order to create

a strong field of experience that will allow us to become well-rounded, flexible and talented persons.

As I write this, I stand proud to be a part of the Limousin breed and the community that advocates it so whole-heartedly. I am surrounded by talented, quality-driven individuals with a vision for progress. Together we will give our best to this breed and in turn embrace a prosperous 2008 filled with health, family, friendship, love and success.

May you enjoy this time of the year with those you love most. I wish you all a wonderful holiday season and encourage you to endlessly test your limits. And so I leave you with a final thought:

"Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars."

Les Brown

