

## ICON prepares for 8th annual convention

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Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska (ICON) are making plans for the eighth annual convention.

ICON will be hosting their annual gathering in O'Neill on Saturday, Nov. 9, at the O'Neill Community Center.

The day will start with registration at 8 a.m. and the popular senator panel will begin at 9 a.m. Sen. Al Davis, ICON director, will be joining Sens. Mark Christensen, Jerry Johnson and Ken Schilz. The ICON membership is always intrigued by visiting with the senators in a one-to-one situation.

The morning senator panel session will last until 11:45 when the members will break for dinner. A catered noon luncheon will be served at the Community Center.

The afternoon session includes a presentation of Sheriff Richard Mach from Arizona who will talk about states rights and a COOL discussion with Bill Bullard of R-CALF USA.

The business meeting will be the last agenda item and during that meeting, resolutions will be discussed for the upcoming year. ICON will once again host a prime rib banquet and follow with entertainment, which this year will be hypnotist, Rick Bultez.

A social hour will precede a prime rib evening banquet and auction for the Jim Hanna Memorial Scholarship. The evening entertainment will follow.

Pre-registration for the evening banquet is required for a meal count so please send in those registration forms early. All members present are encouraged to participate in the silent auction so ICON can continue to support the Hanna Memorial Scholarship. A bidding auction will also be held to raise money for ICON expenses.

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The day's activities are open to the public with a paid convention registration of \$50. The charge for the evening banquet is \$25 and must be reserved before Oct. 30. The hypnotist event is \$10 at the door for non-convention participants. Everyone is welcome.

A block of rooms have been set aside for the next two weeks and can be reserved at the Super Eight in O'Neill by calling 1-888-946-3379. More convention information and registration forms will be available in the October issue of the Rancher's Review and online at [www.independentcattlemen.com](http://www.independentcattlemen.com), by calling communications director Linda Wuebben at 402-357-3778 or email at [linbo@gpcom.net](mailto:linbo@gpcom.net).