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## Ellensburg Rodeo Announces Two New Board Members

ELLENSBURG, WA – The Ellensburg Rodeo board elected Dan Morgan and Scott Pernaa as directors at their February 19, 2014 board meeting.

Dan, a third generation resident of the Kittitas Valley, owns and operates a local business, Morgan & Sons Earthmoving, Inc. Dan has been active in the community as a member of the Ellensburg Rodeo Hall of Fame board and Gold Buckle Club, as well as being a graduate of Leadership Ellensburg and a resource based leadership program, Ag-Forestry.

Dan lives in the Valley with his wife Dawnie and son Wyatt. Not only has Dan attended every rodeo since he was born, he has spent almost 20 years as a volunteer prepping the rodeo grounds and working the rough-stock and chutes. Dan looks forward to furthering his involvement in the community and rodeo.

Scott Pernaa is a local Certified Public Accountant who owns and operates an accounting practice in Ellensburg and Yakima. He graduated with an accounting degree from Central Washington University in 1993 and permanently moved back to Ellensburg 17 years ago.

Scott and his wife Trish live with their daughters Madison and Reagan. They have been Gold Buckle Members for several years and have been active in 4-H for the past 8 years. They keep busy going to sporting activities for their girls, camping and boating.

Scott has been involved with numerous committees and organizations within our community including the Ellensburg Morning Rotary Club, Generations of Ellensburg, Kittitas County Planning Commission, Ellensburg Children's Activity Museum and Spirit of the West.

Both Dan and Scott are looking forward to working on the Ellensburg Rodeo Board to make it grow and prosper.

## **About Ellensburg Rodeo**

The Ellensburg Rodeo is one of the top 20 Rodeos in the Country. The Ellensburg Rodeo is the final stop of the Wrangler Million Dollar Gold Tour and hosts the World Finale of PRCA's Extreme Bulls Tour. Started in 1923 with the same volunteer spirit that still "fuels the fire" of today's volunteers, the rodeo has grown from a local competition among ranch hands to the professional event of today with over 600 contestants and prize money in excess of \$400,000. Today's best riders, ropers, and wrestlers compete in what many consider to be the best rodeo arena in the nation.