## United Suffolk Sheep Association Annual Meeting

November 19, 2013

The United Suffolk Sheep Association Annual Meeting was conducted by President, Rob Zelinsky. President Zelinsky welcomed individuals present and called the meeting to order. President Zelinsky introduced the 2012/2013 and 2013/2014 board members, and past USSA presidents and Directors.

Secretary Everts reported for 2013, the USSA had approximately 698 members. Registrations were down as the USSA registered 7,439 Suffolk sheep and transferred around 2,871 Suffolk sheep transferred. The USSA Office continues to publish an electronic newsletter which is created and distributed on a monthly basis, if possible that is sent to over 800 email addresses. The membership was encouraged to take advantage of this communication piece and contribute any news, events, information, etc., as it reaches hundreds of Suffolk breeders throughout the country.

Treasurer Quam reported that the association did make a profit during the 2012/2013 fiscal year. The association is in a very positive financial position.

USSA Ambassador, Taylor Peck, reported that there was a very good turnout for the 2013 UJSSA National Junior Suffolk Sheep Show. The 2014 UJSSA National Junior Suffolk Sheep Show will be held in Hutchinson, Kansas in July, along with the All-American. She also noted that if senior members are interested in supporting the UJSSA, they can sign up (on the sponsor sheet that was available at the meeting) to sponsor a specific class/award or provide general sponsorship and to stop by the USSA booth to look at all the silent auction items.

It was announced that Kyle Baubonis and Katelyn Gnegy were the selected recipients of the 2014 USSA Scholarship and that Catherine Ruppert submitted the winning video for the Ewe Lamb Giveaway.

President Zelinsky reported that the USSA board has nominated Jeff Repasky and Brad Angus as 2 of the 4 individuals the membership will vote on as judges for the 2014 NAILE Open Suffolk Show. President Zelinsky called for nomination from the floor; Steve Paasch was nominated. Bill MacCauley made motion to cease nominations. The motion was seconded by Donna Mays. The motion passed. Members should see Amanda during the Open Suffolk Show to cast their vote.

President Zelinsky thanked the retiring director, Kim Ketcham, for his service on the USSA Board.

## Hall of Fame Presentation

Tom Burke mc'd the Hall of Fame Presentations briefly noting on each inductees accomplishments and asking the inductee/inductees family to come forward and briefly mention a few words. Each of the inductees received a Suffolk Sculpture with the details regarding the 2013 Hall of Fame and their name engraved on a plate on the base of the sculpture. The following Hall of Fame Inductees or Inducee's family was present for the evening: George and Fred Buckham, Robert Hall, Heggemeier Sheep Farms, Bill & Alice Heggemeier & Jim & Jody Heggemeier, Dr. Harold A. Henneman. Bill & Helen Hurst, Jarvis Sheep Co., Allan & VeNeal Jenkins & Annette Benson, Jack Larsen, Larry Mead, Olsen Brothers, Alden & Snell, Bob & Margie Paasch & Family, Donner Trail Ranch, Roland (Rollie) & Ruth Rosenboom, Wayne & Mary Skartvedt, DuWayne Swenson, Craig Van Arkel, Van Arkel Suffolks, Roy & Joe Warrick and Bud & Julia Westlake & Family.

Inductees who were not present but were honored: Wes Azeltine, Betty Biellier & Family, Fred A. & Marian Coble, Warren Kuhl, Pearson Linn, Roger Nichols, Richard Roe, Harlan & Edwina Wagner and Farrell Wankier.

President Zelinsky called for any new business from the floor, there was none. Motion was made by Terry Renn to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Keith Pumphrey. The meeting was adjourned.

Greg Deakin again donated pages for the 2014 Suffolk Directory. The proceeds of the directory ads will go to the USSA. Back cover to MacCauley Suffolks for \$2000
Inside front cover to Rex Quam/DuWayne Swenson for \$800
Page 3 (across from inside front cover) to Webster/Willworth for \$800
Inside back cover to Double L Livestock for \$1000
Middle right center to Donna Mays/Bob Kimm for \$700
Middle left center to Kim Ketcham for \$550

Rollie Rosenboom auctioned off the follow items; proceeds go towards the UJSSA: Vintage Suffolk Pen & Framed Flock Book Cover to Bill MacCauley \$475 Vintage Suffolk Pen to Tom Burke \$475 Suffolk Sculpture to Kirk Olsen \$300

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