



Ohio Simmental Association

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"serving Ohio's Simmental breeders"



Official Call for the 2010 Annual Meeting

You are invited to attend the 39th Annual Meeting of the Ohio Simmental Association, Inc. The meeting will be held **Saturday, February 20th, 2010** at the Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City, Ohio.

The event will begin with registration at 11:30 A.M. and continue with the buffet style meal being served at approximately 12:15 P.M. The business meeting and elections will take place starting at approximately 1:15 P.M.

The Ohio Simmental Association Board encourages all members to attend the annual meeting and join in fellowship with other Ohio Simmental Breeders as we take a look at where the Association has been and what the future holds. All reservations are due by **February 12th, 2010**.

Attention Juniors!!!!

If you are a 4-H/FFA member who exhibited a Registered Purebred Simmental Female and/or Steer or a Registered Percentage Simmental Female and/or Steer at your County Fair and you received Supreme Overall Female or Grand Champion Overall Steer honors please contact Pam to receive your acknowledgement at the Annual Meeting.

It has come to the board's attention that there are fairs that do not have overall champions so if you had Champion Purebred Simmental Heifer or Steer also let us know so that you can be included at the Annual Meeting.

Please contact her at 419-853-4657 or phaley@haley-farms.com she must have your information by February 5th, 2010. You must send a letter stating your title and information, a photo of the animal if possible, the animal's registration number, and a brief write up about yourself and/or your animal/winnings to be read at the Annual Meeting on February 20, 2010.

Trustee Elections

This year we will be electing three trustees to the Ohio Simmental Association Board. The District Board positions up for election will be District 1, District 3 and the At-Large. Our current trustee for District 1 and 3 have chosen to run for reelection, which are Cliff Linder and Pat Walrath. Nominations for candidates for both districts and at-large will be taken before the meeting or from the floor during the meeting, if you would like to nominate yourself or someone else before the meeting please contact Pam Haley or Tim Brinkman. If you are unable to attend the Annual Meeting, there is a voting proxy included with this invitation; to use the proxy both the member doing the voting and the member not being present will need to be active members of the OSA in good standing. Dues for 2010 must be paid prior to the meeting and must be an active member in good standing with the organization for a member to be allowed to vote.

State Sale

The OSA board of trustees would again like your input on having a state sale in 2010 or 2011. At the annual meeting here in February they would like to gather your thoughts on the pros and cons of trying to put together an event such as this. So if you would do some thinking about what you each could offer to a sale like this as individual breeders and maybe some ideas on place to hold an event such as this. Thank you in advance for your thoughts and ideas.

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For more information regarding the Simmental breed in Ohio, visit www.ohiosimmental.com
Or, contact Pam Haley, Secretary, ph: 419-853-4657, email: phaley@haley-farms.com

Expo Sale Advertising

The following is information that we have sent to friends and companies in the cattle industry (ex. Semen companies, feed dealers, show supply dealer, and many others), we also wanted you as members to know about this and would like to ask for your help. If you know of anyone in the industry that would like to be a part of this please pass this message along to them. Thank you in advance for your support and help on this campaign.

Great Advertising Opportunity for all the cattle industry. The Ohio Simmental Association along with DP Sales would like to offer up ad space in the 2010 Eastern Spring Classic Simmental Sale Catalog, this is the premier Simmental event of the spring in Ohio held in conjunction with the Ohio Beef Expo. This catalog is sent to cattlemen all across the country, what a great way to get your farm name out there in plain view of those breeders.



The decision to offer this space comes at a time when we are trying to make it as affordable as possible for our consignors to be a part of the sale. We have received notification from the Ohio Cattlemen's that some of the standard fees will be increasing this year to help them cover their ever increasing costs and they must pass that on to the exhibitors. The revenue collect from these ads will go to offset general costs as well as advertising cost that the consignors see reflected in the overall sale commission.

The following is what we will be offering as ad spaces:

Business Card ads (approx 2"x 3 1/2") - \$50.00 ea.

Gold Sponsor ads (full page) - \$500.00

For Business Card ads please mail your check, made out to Ohio Simmental Association for \$50.00 and your business card to:

Ohio Simmental Association
c/o Sec. Pam Haley
14018 Stratton Rd
West Salem, OH 44287

For anyone interested in a Gold Sponsorship please contact Pam Haley at 419-853-4657 or phaley@haley-farms.com to get ad size info and where ad is to be sent. Please mail checks for these ads, also made out to the Ohio Simmental Association to the address provided above.

All ads must be received by February 1st, 2010

OSA SALE BARN

Do you have animals, embryos, semen or cattle equipment to sell? Are you looking to buy a certain type of animal for the show ring or for the pasture? Well.... look no farther, the OSA Sale Barn at www.ohiosimmental.com is the place to look for those opportunities.



2010 Ohio State Fair

The dates for the Simmentals at the 2010 Ohio State Fair will be July 26 – 29, 2010, the show times have not been officially set yet. We are very excited to be going back to having a PTP show, the OSA board and State Fair Committee felt that the best way to promote our cattle in the production world is to provide cattle with numbers that work. Entry fees will remain the same as 2009 and we were pleased to find out that we will be able to increase our payouts slightly, more information on classes and placing will be available at the annual meeting.



We are still looking for banner sponsors for four of our 2010 Banners, if you are interested in helping us out please contact Pam Haley.



2010 OSA Dues - \$20.00

(2010 Dues need to be paid for in state members to vote at the annual meeting)

Membership Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Website Address: _____

I wish to receive my OSA newsletter via (check one):

_____ e-mail _____ U.S. Mail

2010 Annual Meeting Reservations - Due February 12, 2010

Number of adults (13 & older) _____ X \$18.00 each = _____

Number of children (9 -12 yrs.) _____ X \$9.50 each = _____

Number of children (4 – 8 yrs.) _____ X \$7.50 each = _____

Number of children (3 yrs. & under) _____ X Free = _____

2010 OSA Dues \$20.00 per Family = _____

Total Paid \$ _____

Names of those attending: _____

Make Checks Payable to: Ohio Simmental Association

Return to:

Ohio Simmental Association

Pam Haley - Secretary/Treasurer

14018 Stratton Rd

West Salem, OH 44287

Ohio Simmental Association Voting Proxy

The undersigned, being an active member in good standing, does hereby constitute and appoint

(Print name of person who will be present at the meeting to vote)

as attorney and agent for me, and in my name, place and stead, to vote as my proxy at the Ohio Simmental Association Annual Meeting to be held February 20, 2010 with full power to cast my vote as if I were there personally present, and to act for me and in my place and stead as fully as I could act if I were present.

I understand that for this proxy to be valid it must be notarized and present to: Ohio Simmental Association Secretary, Pam Haley, 14018 Stratton Rd, West Salem, Ohio, 44287, receive by mail no later than February 12th, 2009 or in person no later than 12:00 P.M on February 20, 2010.

Signed by: _____

(Print Name and Address of Active OSA Member signed above)

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence by _____

This _____ day of _____, 2010.

My commission expires _____

Notary _____

Directions to the Annual Meeting at the Der Dutchman

Plain City, Ohio

From the North (Cleveland, Mansfield...) From I-71, at the north side of Columbus, take I-270 West. At exit #17B, take Route 33 and State Route 161 West, which run together for a number of miles. Follow 161 West to Route 42 in Plain City. Follow Route 42 South, making sure to continue on 42 as it takes a sharp left on the west edge of town. Shortly after the sharp left, the Der Dutchman/Carlisle Gifts complex will be visible on the left.

From the East or West (Dayton, Springfield, Wheeling...) From I-70, take exit #79 and follow State Route 42 North about 13 miles to the Der Dutchman/Carlisle Gifts complex on the right.

From the South (Cincinnati...) From I-71, take I-270 around the west side of Columbus. At exit #17B, take Route 33 and State Route 161 West, which run together for a number of miles. Follow 161 West to Route 42 in Plain City. Follow Route 42 South, making sure to continue on 42 as it takes a sharp left on the south edge of town. Der Dutchman/Carlisle Gifts complex is on the left.

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