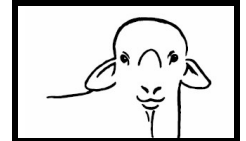




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*****IMPORTANT*****

*****INFORMATION*****

A group has been appointed to work on the restructuring of the bylaws. A vote will be taken on the new bylaws at the 2019 Annual General Meeting in Pipestone, Minnesota. You MUST HAVE PAID YOUR DUES FOR 2019 in order to vote, and you must have registered a sheep in 2017, 2018, or 2019. This is the responsibility of the INDIVIDUAL MEMBER to make sure this has been taken care of so that your vote will count.

2019 NATIONAL RAMBOUILLET

SHOW & SALE

JULY 8-13, 2019

PIPESTONE, MINNESOTA

**ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE ON
FRIDAY, JULY 12, 2019**

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

It is always enjoyable visiting with our members and other interested producers. This fall I had the opportunity to do so during organized events held in : Salt Lake City, Rhinebeck, Eaton, and Louisville. On the home front we did not get any fall lambs this year. Therefore it is a good thing that my travel schedule should keep me right here during January and February.

If you remember the voting on the proposed Bylaw changes was not done last year due to a procedural loophole. That loophole is now closed and we will be voting next July in Pipestone. Once again there will be a proxy option for those who are unable to attend. Remember eligible voters must be current with their 2019 membership.

For my historical tidbit, I would like to reference the 1975 National Livestock Producer sheep survey. In this study 25 sheep breeds were evaluated for 12 different traits. As you may have guessed, the top overall ranking went to none other than the Rambouillet breed. Although this study was done over 40 years ago, the basic breed strengths still hold true. If you would like to review the details of this study contact the ARSBA office.

Woody

NUMBERS FROM THE REGISTRY OFFICE AS OF 11/30/18

REGISTRATIONS: 1882
TRANSFERS: 654
ASSOCIATION DUES: 140
MEMBERSHIPS: 35

2018-19 NATIONAL JR. ARSBA OFFICERS

President: Hailey Crumley, Lorena, TX
Vice President: Caleb Kott, Junction, TX
Secretary: Mallory Harvey, TX
Treasurer: KC Eisel, Coalville, UT
Reporter: Ty Cornelius, TX

Secretary's Notes

Robbie G. Eckhoff

Greetings from the office of the ARSBA! Wow, here we are already in December with a new year quickly approaching on the horizon.

As I mentioned in the September issue, the 2019 version of the National Rambouillet Show & Sale takes us back to a very familiar place that has will be very kind to the ARSBA in recent years, as we will once again be in Pipestone, Minnesota. Woody has appointed a show and sale committee, and they are working on many of the various facets and components of the week, including the schedule. The rules and entry forms will be up on the website in the March time frame for you to review and prepare for the National Show and Sale as well as the National Junior Show.

As you saw on the front page, we have a proposal that will be put in front of the membership this summer concerning the update of the bylaws, as the current set in place were adopted and passed in July of 1991.

It was great to make the trip to Louisville in November and visit with several of our members as well as many friends in the industry. We had an outstanding show with every class being extremely strong from top to bottom. The shows across the country this summer and fall appear to have been very strong and deep in the Rambouillet breed. That is a testament to you as producers that you are doing an outstanding job in producing high quality individuals.

The Wyoming and Dakota Ram Tests are underway and we have a really good set of rams on both tests. With the demise of the Texas Agrilife Ram Test, the Wyoming Ram Test is the largest it has been in many years, with over 100 rams on test, including some that made the trip all the way from Texas to Wyoming for the test. I have current updated information further on in this newsletter. These ram tests are another integral part of this breed

and many producer's operations. For those of you that have never looked at some of the rams on test, I encourage you to look at the data and use it to analyze each specific individual. You will often find some outstanding individuals that can significantly improve your bottom line.

At the latest Texas Sheep and Goat Expo that was held in San Angelo, Texas in August, we tried to focus in on one common theme: **PROFITABILITY!** No matter what you are doing or what type of business you have, your ultimate goal should be to produce a high quality product that you can be proud of and that will serve your customer in the best possible manner, all in which will allow you to be profitable in your enterprise. I know many of you have various goals in mind, but always be aware of the various options you have in your production practices as you move forward in time. No one way is right or wrong, and I encourage you to be open and receptive to making modifications to your operation in order to continue to grow and improve your bottom line. No matter if you have 10 head or 10,000 head, written goals and a written business plan are always a great idea to help create a roadmap for where you want to go.

I want to go ahead and remind all of you, that in order for you to have your entries in the 2019 National Show & Sale catalog, they must be in my hands by May 10, 2019. NO EXCEPTIONS! As time goes on we are getting more tardy in getting those entries in, and we need to get those catalogs done and out to our prospective buyers, and that date is what works best to meet our goals. Once again, our goal of the National Sale is for you the consignor to get the highest price for your entries, and the quicker potential buyers get to start their research and homework, the better it is.

In closing, I want to thank all of you for your continued support and dedication. Many of us have different goals in mind, but remember, to have success, WE MUST WORK AS A TEAM! I encourage all of you to work hard in continuing to promote and produce REGISTERED RAMBOUILLET SHEEP!

**THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN
TO ALL OF OUR JUNIOR AUCTION
DONORS AND SPONSORS AT THE BANQUET
WE APPRECIATE YOU ASSISTING
OUR YOUNG MEMBERS IN FURTHERING
THEIR EDUCATION**



**HIGH SELLING
RAMBOUILLET RAM
WYOMING STATE RAM
SALE
LOT 50
HAGEMAN SISTERS
DOUGLAS, WYOMING
SOLD FOR \$2400**



**HIGH SELLING
CERTIFIED RAM
WYOMING STATE RAM
SALE
LOT 2
FORBES, RABEL, &
McGIVNEY
RAMBOUILLETS
WYOMING
SOLD FOR \$3100**

**WYOMING STATE RAM SALE
DOUGLAS, WYOMING**

**149 YEARLING RAMS SOLD
FOR A \$909.00 AVERAGE**

**TOP 10 RAMBOUILLETS
\$3100 \$2400 \$2000 \$2000
\$2000 \$1700 \$1700 \$1550
\$1500 \$1400**

**3 CERTIFIED RAMS
AVERAGED \$1900**

**MONTANA RAM SALE
MILES CITY, MONTANA**

Top Rambouillet consigned by Helle Rambouillet of Dillon, MT and sold to Pete Wirtzfeld, ND for \$1500

32 Rambouillet Rams averaged \$721.88/head

**69th ANNUAL UTAH
RAM SALE
SPANISH FORK, UTAH**

Rambouillet Yearling Range Rams

110 Head sold for an average of \$747.73

Rambouillet Range Ram Lambs

3 Head sold for an average of \$650.00

Rambouillet Registered Stud Rams

5 Head sold for an average of \$1,410.00

Across all breeds 565 total rams sold for an average of \$691.55

**NEWELL RAM SALE
NEWELL, SOUTH DAKOTA**

High Selling and Supreme Champion Ram consigned by Chapman Rambouillets, Bison, SD and sold to Fran Page, Faith, SD for \$2650.00

Reserve Champion Ram consigned by Burt Anderson and Family, Highmore, SD and sold at \$800.00 to Jon Bode, Orient, SD

Supreme Champion Ewe consigned by Annika Bobb, Taylor, ND and sold for \$475 to Schalesky Livestock, Faith, SD

Reserve Champion Ewe consigned by Chapman Rambouillets sold for \$300 to Jason Whitney, Newcastle, WY

Supreme Champion Pair of Ewes consigned by Flying O Sheep, Newell, SD and sold to Marvin Smith, Sturgis, SD for \$700

Reserve Champion Pair of Ewes consigned by Annika Bobb and sold for \$800 to KP Rambouillet, Richardton, ND

Premier Pen of Range Rams consigned by Chapman Rambouillets and sold to CJR Ranch, LLC, Gillette, WY for \$2700

SUPREME CHAMPION WOOL FLEECE — NEWELL RAM SHOW

JIM FORBES, KAYCEE, WY



SUPREME CHAMPION RAM — NEWELL RAM SALE

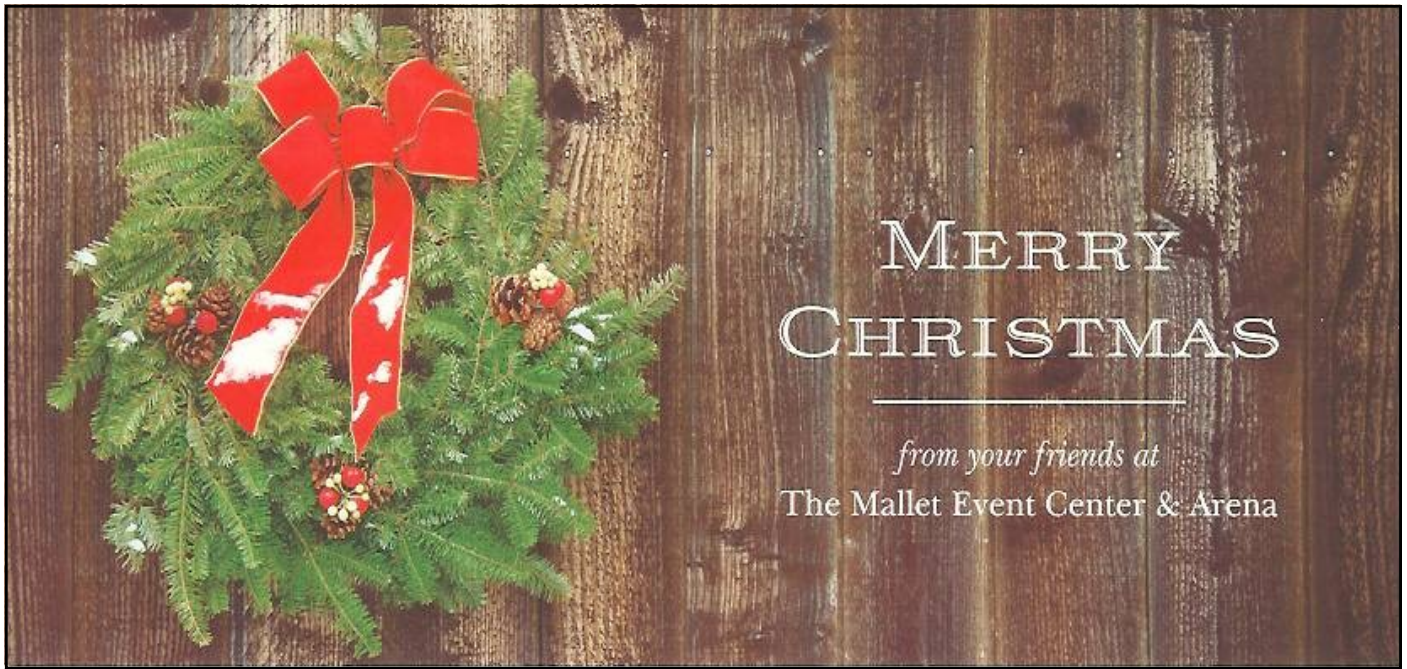
KNOW YOUR WOOL?
 HERE IS A REFERENCE
 GUIDE

- 80'S — 17.70-19.14 microns
- 70's — 19.15-20.59
- 64's — 20.60-22.04
- 62's — 22.05-23.49
- 60's — 23.50-24.94
- 58's — 24.95-26.39
- 56'S — 26.40-27.84
- 54'S — 27.85-29.29
- 50'S — 29.30-30.99
- 48'S — 31.00-32.69
- 46'S — 32.7-34.39
- 44'S — 34.4-36.19
- 40'S — 36.2-38.09
- 36'S — 38.10-40.20



SUPREME CHAMPION EWE — NEWELL RAM SALE

WATCH THE
 WEBSITE THIS
 SPRING FOR
 ENTRY FORMS
 AND
 INFORMATION
 ABOUT THE
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Champion Ram 2018 North American International Livestock Exposition

Scott Crawford & Family

Pipestone, Minnesota

Crawford 2217

Res. Champion Ram 2018 North American International Livestock Exposition

Isaiah Bauck

New York Mills, Minnesota

Bauck 7-98



**Champion Ewe 2018 North American
International Livestock Exposition**

Jessica Steinmetz

Hot Springs, South Dakota

Frey 7-1

ADDITIONAL RESULTS

(PHOTOS NOT AVAILABLE)

**Reserve Champion Ewe 2018 North
American International Livestock
Exposition**

Isaiah Bauck

New York Mills, Minnesota

Bauck 7-78

**Best Fleeced Ewe 2018 North
American International Livestock
Exposition**

Jared Conner

Ashville, Ohio

Bar J Bar 18W2-87N

THE AMERICAN RAMBOUILLET SHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL REPORT

		9/30/2017	9/30/2018
PROSPERITY BANK	ARSBA Checking	4,397.50	3,033.24
ABILENE, TX	Building Fund	40,506.19	40,670.82
(formerly ASB)	Junior Activities Fund	4,020.56	4,031.71
	Junior Scholarship Fund	11,388.72	12,723.31
	Steen Memorial Futurity	4,004.65	4,078.36
FIRST FINANCIAL BANK	ARSBA Checking for Nat.	38,959.61	45,268.44
SAN ANGELO, TX	CD	15,030.61	15,045.65
BENNINGTON STATE BANK	ARSBA Checking Registry	1666.35	1,037.36
WAMEGO, KS			
PEOPLES BANK	ARSBA Checking Registry	0.00	0.00
MILO, IOWA			
		\$119,974.19	\$125,888.89
PROSPERITY BANK	CLINT LANGFORD	457.69	459.23
1st NATIONAL SONORA	CLINT LANGFORD	1403.48	1403.48
		\$1,861.17	\$1,862.71

With Deepest Sympathies

Dr. Gerald Kennedy, 1935-2018

Dr. Gerald F. Kennedy was born on March 17, 1935 in Humboldt, Iowa, and passed away on November 12, 2018 at his home in Pipestone, Minnesota.

Dr. Kennedy went to college, veterinary school, and fell in love with his high school sweetheart Kay. They married while he was in vet school. He graduated in 1960 from Iowa State University and they moved to Pipestone to practice veterinary medicine and raise their family of four daughters.

Kay passed away in 1996, and in 1998, love entered his life for the second time and he married Deb. He worked his entire life as a veterinarian. Dr. Kennedy especially enjoyed sheep, and worked with large feedlots and ewe flocks as a result of the Pipestone Lamb and Wool Program. He served on the Boards for the Dorper and Katahdin breeds and on the ASI Animal Health Committee.

Dr. Kennedy authored two books on sheep health, and in the 1990's, he co-created the Pipestone System. He received ASI's Campender award and is a member of the Minnesota Agricultural Hall of Fame and the Pipestone Lamb and Wool Program's Hall of Fame.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his beloved Kay. He is remembered by his wife, Debra and children; Kim (Phil) Schaeffbauer of Baxter, MN; Jacque Kennedy of Pipestone; Diane Kennedy (Mark Dahl) of Luverne, MN; Barbara Kennedy (Eddie Dyson) of Crystal, MN; Bill (Mandi) Trebbe of Ft. Pierre, SD; and Adam (Ammie) Trebbe of Colorado Springs, CO; and 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The family prefers memorials to the GF Kennedy Memorial.



Congratulations to our son Ethan on his August graduation from Texas State Technical College in Abilene, Texas. Ethan received an Associate of Applied Science in Aircraft Airframe Technology as well as an Associate of Applied Science in Aircraft Powerplant Technology. He is now a Certified Federal Aviation Administration Airframe and Powerplant mechanic, and has moved from his apprentice position to a full time position with American Airlines/Envoy Division. Ethan currently works in the Abilene Service Center on the Embraer ERJ-175 regional commuter jets that serve mid size regional airports in the US.

ARSBA Member and long time Science Teacher Mary Beth Bauer of Harper, TX was recently named Texas Farm Bureau's 2018 Agriculture in the Classroom Outstanding Teacher. The award was presented during the TFB 85th Annual Meeting in Corpus Christi. Bauer received the award for incorporating the importance of agriculture in and out of the classroom.

Mary Beth has focused on teaching her students about science and agriculture in her classes through hands-on and engaging activities. She teaches water conservation lessons and highlights how farmers and ranchers care about water quality and work to manage the precious resource.

She has been teaching for 33 years, and we are proud to have Mary Beth as an ARSBA member.

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2019 NATIONAL RAMBOUILLET SHOW & SALE

JULY 8-13, 2019

PIPESTONE COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS

PIPESTONE, MN

The Show and Sale Committee are working on more details concerning the schedule and activities for the week. We look forward to seeing you in Pipestone in July.

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Memberships (January 1 to December 31)

Senior Membership Dues: \$40.00

Junior Dues (21 & under): \$15.00

Membership Reinstatement: \$10.00

Juniors must be a member to qualify for scholarships or to exhibit in the National Junior Show.

Registration Fees:

All animals 12 months of age and younger: \$7.00

All animals over 12 months of age: \$14.00

Transfers under 60 days from date of sale: \$6.00

Transfers after 60 days from date of sale: \$12.00

Rush orders and Non-Members: **DOUBLE FEES**

- University of WY Ram Test Highest ADG through 11/19 was 1.94 lbs/day — Avg was 1.00 Rams on test from 21 different producers
- Dakota Ram Test Highest ADG through 11/27 was 1.17 — Avg was .87 Rams on test from 14 different producers