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TARGHEE TALK

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2008 Targhee National Show & Sale Update

Entry packets are now available for the 2008 National Show and Sale. Members may contact the association office to receive an entry packet through the U.S. mail or download forms from the USTSA website (www.ustargheesheep.org). To ensure listing in the catalog, entry forms are due back by May 26, 2008. The deadline for registration of sheep entered in the show and sale is June 17, 2008. Members not entering sheep in the show and sale, but attending association events, are asked to fill out an Event Registration form and return it to Darrell Deneke by May 26, 2008 so meals can be properly planned.

The USTSA 2008 Show and Sale Catalog will be made available to the membership June 9, 2008. Again, members may request a catalog by contacting the association office to be sent through the U.S. mail or they will be able to download the catalog from the USTSA website. To date, the following USTSA members have indicated they are entering sheep:

Anderson Family Targhees, Darrell Deneke, Deneke Family Targhees, Charles Dwight, Lewis Family Ranch, McRae Brothers, A & J Nevens Livestock, Stulken Targhees, Von Krosigk Family Targhees, and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. We are pleased to have consigned the high quality animals for which these breeders are known at this year's event.

For questions or comments about the show and sale please contact Darrell Deneke (605-696-0167 or darrell.deneke@sdstate.edu or the association office (406-467-2462 or roeder@3rivers.net).



Thank you for your consideration!.

Internet Breeder Listing

Thank you to members sending in payment for their Internet Breeder Listing! The majority of information requests the association office now receives is via the world wide web. While, the optional fee was due March 31, 2008, members can still support this project by filling out the blue form inserted in the February newsletter. Funds generated help maintain the website and offset advertising costs in printed publications.

Howard Wyman Sheep Industry Leadership School

For the first time since 1995, the California sheep industry will be the focus of the Howard Wyman Sheep Industry Leadership School, when the 23rd annual Leadership School meets July 13-16, 2008 in Dixon, CA. "This year's program will examine the sheep industry in a world of increasing costs, raising questions of whether we are ready for \$200 per barrel oil prices and \$7 per bushel corn," Robert T. Rutherford, Professor and Sheep Specialist at Cal Poly and coordinator for the 2008 Leadership School said. "We will also focus on animal health, rather than animal disease, plus discuss what is needed to create incentives for the production of what consumers desire."

NLFA sponsors the Leadership School for sheep producers, lamb feeders, and other individuals involved with sheep-related businesses who are interested in how to improve their individual operations and what it takes to be a leader in agriculture today. The program will include field tours to vegetation management, range ewe, forage feeding, and feedlot operations, plus a tour of a disease diagnostic lab and a commercial lamb processing plant. Speakers include leaders from the major sheep organizations, graduates of the California Ag Leadership Program, leaders from the world of lamb marketing, and land rehabilitation facilitators. Participants will be expected to actively engage in case studies and problem solving involving real-world situations.

Interested sheep men and women with any level of experience in the industry may apply by submitting a short essay explaining their experience in the sheep industry and what they would like to learn. A class of 25 participants age 20 or older will be selected. Once selected, applicants will be asked to submit a registration fee of \$100 to secure their placement. NLFA covers other program costs, including food and lodging, tour expenses and supplies. Participants are responsible for their own travel to and from Dixon, CA.

Applications must be submitted by May 1, 2008. For applications, call the NLFA office (503) 370-7024 or visit the National Lamb Feeders Association website (www.nlfa-sheep.org).

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Where will you be traveling with your sheep this summer and fall?

Please contact the association office with the locations and dates of your shows or sales in 2008.

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2008 USTSA Calendar of Events

5/1/2008 - Yearling rams & NSIP ewes must have side micron test done after this date

5/10/2008 - Submission deadline for June newsletter

5/26/2008 - Submission deadline for Show & Sale entry and event forms

6/9/2008 - June newsletter and Show & Sale catalog mailed

6/17/2009 - Deadline for USTSA office to receive registrations for sheep in Show & Sale

7/17-19/2008 - National Show & Sale - 7/18 - Annual Membership Meeting following National Open Show - SDSU Animal Science Arena



Mystery Photo?

Check the cover photo from the August, 2007 issue of "The Shepherd" Magazine or go to the USTSA website (ustargheesheep.org). The sheep are Targhee, but we are unable to identify the location of the picture or who the photographer was. How about a new USTSA cap or tshirt for the person who solves the mystery? No one

2008 Newsletters will be mailed in: June & October

Members wanting to submit articles and/or information should do so by the 10th of the preceding month.

~ Pamela Sue "Pam" High ~

Pamela Sue "Pam" High, age 46, of Columbus, Ohio and formerly of Lexington, went to be with the Lord on Friday evening, November 9, 2007 at the Kobacker House in Columbus following a long and courageous battle with cancer.

She was born in Mount Vernon, Ohio, on May 9, 1961, the daughter of Glenn and Joan (Tobin) High of Lexington. Pam graduated from Lexington High School in the Class of 1979.

Following high school, Pam attended Ohio State University, where she graduated with a B.S. in Home Economics in 1983. She persevered in her college education despite others doubts, all the while paying her own way through college.

For eighteen years, Pam worked as a supervisor and bill collection agent for Discover Card in New Albany. She also gave microwave cooking demonstrations at Sun TV.

With a love for showing sheep and cattle, Pam was a ten year member of the Morrow County 4-H Program and served as an administrative assistant with the Ohio Sheep Improvement Association, where she was instrumental in starting their lamb food pavilion at the Ohio State Fair. In 2005, she was awarded the distinguished service award by the Ohio Sheep Improvement Association for her services to the sheep industry.

A woman of faith, Pam was a member of the Grace United Church of Christ in Columbus and formerly was a member of the Steam Corners United Methodist Church. Also, she was a member of the Wahneta Chapter #235 of the Eastern Star in Pataskala and formerly of the Evelyn Chapter #146.

Though she seemed stubborn at times, it would be more appropriate to say Pam was "determined". When she made up her mind, she would fight all the way until her mission was accomplished refusing to quit. This was evident when she chose to swim in the waters of the Yukon in Alaska despite battling cancer, and when she was questioned as to why she would put herself into those freezing cold waters; her response was simple, "you only live once".

With her background in home ec., Pam loved to cook and often tried to invent her own recipes by tweaking others recipes. Also, she enjoyed sewing, knitting, and crocheting, and had made many afghans and articles of clothing.

Pam loved to be surrounded by her many friends and family, and she adored her five nieces and nephews. Through it all, she loved the companionship of her canine friend, a miniature Schnauzer she name "Rosie".

She will be missed by her parents, two brothers and sisters-in-law: Roger and Holly High of Richwood, and their son Adam, David and Jodi High of McDermott and their children Trevor and Darby; one sister and brother-in-law: Wanda and David Berk of Upper Arlington and their daughters Rachel and Rebecca; two aunts: Delores and Dean Sherman of Freder-icktown, and Ruth and Wayne Miller of Cary, North Carolina; and four uncles: Dwight High of Van Wert, Keith (Micki) High of Manchester, Pennsylvania, James Tobin of Waldo, and Eugene Frazier of Fredericktown.

Pam was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents: Doris and Erma High; maternal grandparents : Ruth and Hoy Tobin; aunt: Jeannette Frazier; and an aunt-in-law: Janet High.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at: www.snyderfuneralhomes.com or through the U.S. mail to: Glenn & Joan High ~ 7078 County Road; Lexington, Ohio 44904 ~ 419-362-3666.





Molly Little to Wed Rob Wilbur ~ May 10, 2008

It is with joy the USTSA office announces to our membership the upcoming marriage of Molly Little to Rob Wilbur in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Molly writes they met when she sheared for Rob's employers last spring. Molly was all business, but Rob knew he had found someone special. A week after the shearing, Rob came to visit Molly Sunday morning at her family's church. And, the rest is history. Molly reports Rob owns sheep, too! We can't think of a better way to start life as newlyweds. We wish them many happy years together. Letters of congratulations may be sent to: 4882 W. Hwy. 53; Rathdrum, ID 83858

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