

Ohio Simmental Association



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Official Call for the 2024 Annual Meeting

You are invited to attend the 53rd Annual Meeting of the Ohio Simmental Association, Inc. The meeting will be held **Saturday**, **April 6th**, **2024** at the Der Dutchman Resturant in Bellville, OH . Address: 720 St Rt 97 W, Bellville OH

The event will begin with registration at 5 P.M. and continue with the buffet style meal at approximately 5:30pm. The business meeting and elections will take place with a presentation by Garrett Stanfield of Trans Ova to give us information about their company and what is new and upcoming.

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 **March 29, 2024.**

Trustee Elections

This year we will again be electing three trustees to the Ohio Simmental Association Board. The District Board positions up for election will be District 2, District 3 and the At-Large. All 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. 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 2024 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.

2024 Annual Meeting Reservations - Due March 24, 2024 Number of adults (11 & older) _____ X \$20.00 each = ____ Number of children (3 - 9 yrs) _____ X \$11.00 each = ____ Under 3 (Free) Total Paid \$_____

You also pay online and if you have not paid your dues you can do both at once. Go to www.ohiosimmental.com for the online form.

Make Checks Payable to: Ohio Simmental Association

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Pam Haley - Secretary/Treasurer

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Coming to the Ohio Beef Expo on March 16th

Stop by the Ohio Junior Simmental Silent Auction in the O'Neil barn where the sale cattle are displayed and make sure you are there for the Simmental Sale at 1:45pm to support our consignors and the great set of cattle they are bringing.

If you have not received a Catalog for the Ohio Beef Expo Simmental Sale please contact Pam Haley at 330-353-6072 or by emailing ohiosimmental@yahoo.com and leave the mailing address and we will get one out to you right away.

The OSA Board has been working with DP Online Sales to give our breeders another opportunity to sell their outstanding genetics this spring. The Eastern Spring Classic Online Sale to take place April 2nd at DPonlinesales.com. We are excepting entries until March 15th when all entries and pictures are due to DP Sales. Please contact Holli or Drew at drew@dpsalesllc.com or holli@dpsalesllc.com and they will get your information collected or call 859-707-5248

Simmentals will be at the Ohio State Fair July 25th to July 28th in 2024

We will be back in the Voinovich building to Stall and Show this year.

The OJSA is hosting the Memorial Day Classic at the Richland County Fairgrounds from May 25th to the 27th of May, 2024. We will be looking for any of you that would like to volunteer to help us as judges for the contests that weekend. If you would like to help with Public Speaking, Sales Talk or are qualified to listen to reasons for the Judging Contest, please shoot a text or call to Nicole Foulks or Pam and they will put you on a list.

We all know that putting on these shows is becoming more and more expensive so if you would like to help the kids out this year we are looking for a few good sponsors and we still have a spot on the t-shirts the kids will wear, food sponsors, and award sponsors. Contact any of the families that are helping out this year. Haley's, Grimwood's, Thewlis', Atterholt's, Foulks'

How to Vote When You Can't Attend the Annual Meeting

Are you interested in the issues to be considered at the April Annual OSA Membership Meeting? Would you like to have a voice in determining the direction of the Association? But, do you find it difficult or impossible to attend in person? If your answer to each of these is yes then you may be a candidate for the Proxy voting option.

The proxy form shown is the official form used by OSA to provide active members a vote at Annual Meetings in absentia. To use this proxy, you must fill it out, sign it, have it notarized & jive it to someone who is attending the meeting.

A few precautions should be taken when using this form:

*An authorized representative for the membership must sign

*The bearer of the proxy is the person who will present your proxy at the meeting as if you were present. Any instructions about voting on specific issues should be between you and the person to whom you give your proxy.

*Only an active membership can cast a vote at the annual meeting either in person or by proxy.

Proxy forms can be solicited by any member of the Association. Since you are giving your right to vote to someone else obviously, you want to be cautious about how you are being represented. Officers, Directors, or anyone else you know and respect can be a potential proxy bearer.

Prox	y Ballot
The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby constitute and appointagent for me, and in my name, place and stead, to vote as my proxy at any membership meeting of the Ohio Simmental Association to be held between the date of this proxy and, unless sooner revoked, with full power to cast my vote as if I were then personally present, and authorize to act for me and in my name and stead as fully as I could act if I were present.	
In witness whereof, I have executed this	proxy on this day of
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On thisday of	, before me, a Notary Public in and for the
State of, personally appeared_	and
acknowledged to me that	executed the above
instrument for the purpose therein stated.	
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Proxy must be presented to and verified by the Secretary of the OSA no later than 5pm on April 1st, 2024 to be counted as a valid vote at the 2024 OSA annual meeting

OSA PROGRAMS

JUNIOR SALE CREDIT GIVEAWAY AT OHIO BEEF EXPO

The OSA board is going to have a drawing to win a \$250 credit towards a heifer at the 2024 sale, after getting your buyers number you come to the OSA display table and sign up to enter. If you are going to be purchasing online or through a consultant then to enter the drawing you must contact one of the sale representatives to have your name entered.

Details:

- 2 \$250 winners will be drawn
- Heifer must be transferred to a junior and transfer info must be given at check out to receive credit. (From any state)
- Only good on the purchase of a female. (Anything Eligible for AJSA Junior Nationals)
- Winners will be drawn at the beginning of the sale. (Need not be present to win)

JUNIOR MEMORIAL DAY CLASSIC INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The OSA Board would like to encourage participation in the annual OJSA Memorial Day Classic.

Any Junior purchasing a Female at the 2024 Ohio Beef Expo Simmental Sale and then bringing it to the 2024 Memorial Day Classic Show will be eligible for a cash award.

The highest placing Purebred and Percentage heifers that were purchased from the 2024 Ohio Beef Expo will each receive a \$100 cash prize from the OSA.

If you have questions about either program please contact Pam Haley – 330.353.6072 or any of the OSA Board Members.