Chief Shepherd’s Message
By Clark BreDahl

As acting president of your organization, let me offer a hot, sultry, summertime greeting to all Finnsheep breeders nationwide. The annual meeting of the Finnsheep Breeders Association will be held August 29, 2010. Once again, the meeting will be conducted via conference telephone call in hopes that this will allow as many people as possible to participate. Complete call-in instructions will be forwarded at a later date.

Included with this issue of Short Tales is a ballot form which you may fill out and return at your discretion prior to the annual meeting. You may vote on the designated issues by paper ballot prior to the meeting or in person the day of the meeting, but not both.

Your directors are proposing three changes to the Constitution for you to consider. One is simply a housekeeping item which would delete Pipestone, Minnesota as the FBA’s principal place of business. Pipestone was the original headquarters for the organization when it was founded four decades ago, but has not served in that function for many years. The proposed change merely cleans up the outdated wording from the Constitution.

The other two changes are more important. One asks your permission to change the number of FBA Directors from the current six to an odd number; either five or seven members. Most organizations try to avoid having an even number of directors due to the possibility it creates for tie votes. That situation has occurred more than once over the past two years on the FBA Board and can be a major obstacle to getting business conducted in an efficient manner. I won’t express a preference for either a five or seven-member board, but sincerely hope you will vote to approve one or the other. If you approve a five-member board, the two director candidates receiving the highest ranking will be seated for terms expiring in 2013. If a seven-member board is approved, the two candidates with the highest ranking will be seated for terms expiring in 2013 and the next two will be elected to one-year terms ending in 2011. Holdover board members include myself (term expiring 2011), Elizabeth Kinne Gossner and Joe Smith (terms expiring in 2012).

The other issue that needs clarification is the provision for proxy voting. The current board believes that voting on key organizational issues should be as easy as possible and realizes that whether meetings are held face-to-face or via conference call, not everyone may be able to attend. The proposed new Constitution wording specifically defines the process for absentee/proxy voting. We hope you will give strong consideration to approving this change.

Other topics to be addressed at this year’s annual meeting include possible inclusion of scrapie certification status on FBA Breeder Directory listings, further definition of wool color and pattern designations of interest to handspinners, discussion of how Finnsheep can participate in the National Sheep Improvement Program (NSIP) and the possibility of reopening the flock book for upgrading to purebred status.

As mentioned in a letter to members sent earlier this summer, renewed interest in Finnsheep is coming from two rather divergent groups: handspinners concerned primarily with the breed’s unique wool characteristics and commercial producers interested in boosting lamb production from easy-care wooled sheep. Both groups have legitimate promotional needs.
Goals may be quite different and, in some cases, even conflicting. A major issue for the new board you elect will be to address the needs of all members without sacrificing or diluting any of the wonderful qualities the Finn breed has to offer.

Take care and hope to talk with you again on the 29th!

Clark Bredahl

Finnsheep Breeders Association Annual Meeting Agenda
August 29, 2010

Welcome
Roll Call
Approval of Agenda
Secretary's Report
Treasurer's Report
Old Business
  - FBA Welcome Package Update
  - 09-10 Finnsheep registration report
  - Finnsheep Flock Donation Program
New Business
  - Proposed Constitution Changes
    - Number of directors
    - Method(s) of voting
    - Proxy / absentee ballot designations
    - Pipestone, MN reference
    - Scrapie information on breeder listings
    - Wool color and pattern terminology
    - National Sheep Improvement Program (NSIP / Lamb Plan participation
    - Re-opening flock book for upgrading to pure status
Board Election
  - Introduction of candidates including possible nominations from the Floor
  - Candidate remarks (2 minute limit)
  - Election of board members
2011 annual meeting date and format
FBA board meeting format
Director Bio’s

In keeping with the FBA Constitution, the following are the personal bio’s of our members that are running for the open FBA Director Positions. Please carefully review in preparation of your vote. The voting forms are included with this edition of Short Tales. When you reach your decision, please complete the Voting Form and return it to the FBA’s Secretary: Heidi Trimbur, 58 Biting Road, Alburtis, PA.

**Terrie Godfrey**

My name is Terrie Godfrey and I am located in Northern Ohio half way between Cleveland and Toledo. I have been in Finnsheep for five years. My Farm is Eldorado. I had Suffolk sheep when I was a child. I acquired my Finn starter flock from Wee Croft and Firefly Fields. I also went down and picked up five nice large ewes from Falling Tree. Having years of experience in breeding and showing top AKC show dogs I knew what I wanted to see in my Finn Flock and by incorporating positive attributes from several flocks throughout, I began working on developing what I would consider the ideal Finn. Granted I have not perfected it yet, I don’t think I ever will. But I feel every ewe and every ram has room for improvement.

I have 38 acres in which 20 are planted in sheep pasture & hay. I do rotational grazing from April to November then the sheep eat the hay that’s harvested off our own land in the winter. Our hay fields are custom mixed with the right plants for optimum food for our sheep. It took us several tries to get the right mixture.

I try to raise all of my animals as natural as possible. I am a very watchful Shepherd but not too over the top. I let the animals be animals. We do not go overboard on unnecessary chemicals in our flock.

I currently have 21 ewes, 4 rams and 1 whether in my flock. My future goals include becoming a high producer of brown and gray Finn lambs as well as lambs with nice structure, great fleece and a brain between their ears. Out of our 21 ewes, 6 are brown and so far in 2010 we have had over 30% of our lambs born brown. So I am on my way to one of my goals.

I think I would be a great asset to the Finn Breeders Association because I am able to see the whole picture, take information from the past and present and use it to improve upon the future of the Finn. This club has a lot of great members, but we would not be here if it was not for this wonderful breed. I am a HUGE ambassador for the breed and I tell their story to anyone who wants to listen.

**Mary Tucker**

"I believe that Finnsheep can accomplish well every goal that a breeder gives to them. Each breeder sets goals for his/her Finnsheep and then selects some from each generation to retain... those who will move them closer and closer to those goals. It will take time. Sometimes you will be blessed to find a breeder who has chosen to walk towards the same goals... and sometimes you walk your path alone."

After 20 years of living in a huge city and working as a reconciliation clerk and research specialist I married my husband and moved to a small town called West Clarksville, NY. It was there that my husband Herb and I began our Lighthouse Farm in July, 2005 with several breeds. Over time we have come to know that Finnsheep are our personal favorites and to have much confidence in the Finn breed.

As much as I love researching, I have fallen in love with the Finn breed.

We now have 25 adult ewes, 3 adult rams, 7 yearling ewes and 4 yearling rams due to brown or gray genetics plus a new crop of Finn lambs are arriving as I write!

Our son William, age 12, is now working with us on our farm. He is learning how to build a farm, what it takes to operate one, what to look for in lambing (eagle eyes!), how to tell if intervention is needed (rare!) how to select breeding stock, and how to buy and sell. He is eagerly looking forward to next spring as he will be big enough to learn shearing!!!

We are currently looking for a larger farm which will allow us more room to breed Finns for colors and patterns.

We select and cull hard for breed characteristics. I keep detailed records and would love to be able to prove my theories that there is nothing a Finn can not accomplish! Finn fleeces are fabulous and lend themselves well to every project I have tried with their wool.

Their lambing percentages and number of lambs live at weaning is incredible and is an advantage to shepherds looking to place that into their flocks.

Their maternal abilities are awesome and are an asset to the Finn breed and an improvement to any breed when crossed.

They are luscious lean meat for those who desire or need a low fat heart healthy diet. Lamb meat is highly recommended for persons with heart issues or diabetes.
Mentoring and encouragement of children and adults is very near to my heart. They are the future. ... the up and coming Shepherds who will eventually run the sheep world. I would love to see Finns in that future, but we are the ones who raise them up...what we do, how we do, will affect them. There are many ways to accomplish this future: school days (where they learn about caring, sharing, gentleness when young or where they can hands-on learn to card, dye wool, and spin when older), farm visit days, 4H, FFA, Spinning Arts and Fiber Arts festivals, sheep shows, and many others that I have not listed...

There are ideas in each Finn breeder and owner's mind. Some will work only in specific regions, some will work in multiple places and some will work nation wide. When we listen, we learn from each other. I find it fun to gather together via internet chat, groups, blogs, hand letters, phone or in person to listen to ideas and to share some that work for others that may be of help in a persons situation as needed.

I am not sure where best I can serve the FBA; but I am willing. I am willing to work with others and learn from them. I will gladly talk Finns anytime! To listen to ideas and to help our Finns breed and their breeders or owners to grow and broaden and to promote Finnsheep in every way that I can is my goal.

Thank you for listening to me at this time.

Deb Olschefski

I'm married and a mother of seven children and a shepherdess to a small flock of Finnsheep. Don't tell my children, but I love my sheep almost as much as I love them! I began raising sheep in 2005 when we moved to a small farm in York, PA. I originally began with another breed of sheep but eventually found my passion in Finnsheep.

Aside from raising the last two boys that live at home and working full time as the Director of Human Resources for an Architectural & Engineering firm in York, PA. I volunteer at Church, Cub Scouts and I am also a leader for the York PA 4-H Fiber Club. I have introduced Finnsheep to the various organizations I’m involved in. Their docile nature has been promoted by introducing them to the special needs Sunday school class at my Church. Last year my son, Brandon, introduced our Finnsheep to his 4-H Club. He brought home a Grand Champion Rosette from the 4-H Fair (where they were the first Finnsheep ever shown at the Fair) and the York Fair. I also belong to a Knitting Club and have introduced Finn fiber to the club members. After having an opportunity to work with Finn fiber they have begun to purchase it for their own felting and knitting projects.

From a professional career standpoint I have worked most of my adult life. I began as a secretary with an insurance company and was quickly promoted through the ranks.

I work efficiently in Microsoft Office (including Word, Excel, Access and PowerPoint) and I have experience with several other software programs. Because of my keen insight into people, I was moved into the field of Human Resources.

I also hold an officer’s position of Secretary for the company I work for, LSC Design and a related company, Carney Engineering Group. I have the reputation of being a patient, loyal and honest employee and leader at LSC. I am a member of our Management Team where I am responsible for Policies and Procedures. In my professional career as well as committees I serve on I have been able to evaluate and analyze problematic situations and assist in bringing fair resolution. I take pride in my professional career as well as my family and my Finns. I believe that pride, professionalism and willingness to listen and learn will make me an asset to the FBA Board.

I hope to retire from my day job in seven to ten years and do what I really love, raising my Finns.

Gail VonBargen

I am interested in running for a Director position on the Finnsheep Breeders Association Board in 2010.

My history as it relates to my qualifications:

After a first, satisfying career in graphic arts and engineering drafting, I earned a law degree in 1997. I clerked for a Legal Aid organization and interned at the MN Attorney General’s office during law school, then clerked for a solo practitioner for two years afterward.

I became a Director on the Hale Page Diamond Lake Neighborhood Association Board, serving 1997-2001; as its Treasurer for 3 years.

On the HDPL Board I chaired or sat on three committees: one, to secure, site and select a $50,000 piece of sculpture for Minneapolis; on the Environment Committee, where I secured a waste-reduction grant from a 7-county Metro Board; and on a committee that determined area business’ eligibility for state grant moneys.

Finding Neighborhood Organization work invigorating, I took a part time position as Coordinator for another Minneapolis neighborhood. Their sole employee, I maintained their office, their compliance with Neighborhood Revitalization Project and State non-profit requirements, and advised their Board of Directors and volunteers from 2000-2004.

Having moved to the country 7 years ago, I now sit on the Park Commission and the Water, Environment and Natural Resources Committee of Carver County.

I have kept registered Shetland sheep for 6 years, and two years ago, acquired Finnsheep. Their colors and patterns are comparable, and the wool is possibly superior to Shetlands’, so I am enjoying these new animals in my flock.
I would be interested to serve on the FBA Board of Directors. I hope my experience and skills can contribute to stability and progressive change within the organization that might add to FBA’s financial resources and its service to Finn breeders and newcomers interested in Finnsheep.

Paul Hunter

Hi, my name is Paul Hunter and I am seeking a board position for the Finnsheep Breeders Association. I started raising crossbred Finns in 1982 and moved to purebred Finns in 1989. I currently run 40 to 50 purebred ewes as part of my 300-head ewe flock. I market breeding stock and sell lamb directly to grocery stores, restaurants and individuals.

I have previously served four terms as an FBA director and two terms as president. Currently, I am also on Ohio’s small ruminant advisory committee to the Department of Agriculture and the State scrapie committee. Previously, I have served as vice-president of the Ohio Sheep Improvement Association and chaired their animal health committee. At the national level I have served on the American Sheep Industry Association’s animal health committee.

My goals, if elected, are to ensure equal representation to all aspects of our breed in a congenial and constructive manner. I feel we need to conduct our association in a transparent, business-like manner. Another goal would be to establish a genetic recording system to provide quality data to our breeders who are catering to the commercial market.

Constitution Article IV, Section Three

Any member who wishes to vote at any regular or special meeting on any issue or for any individual for an elective office may do so by expressing his wishes in writing, properly witnessed and signed.

A member may designate his proxy vote in the same way to be exercised by the Board of Directors at their discretion.

What this means: Voters may vote using a voting form (to be provided in the newsletter). The form must be properly completed, witnessed and signed to be valid. All forms are to be returned to the FBA Secretarial Office.

Proxy voting: If a member elects not to vote using a voter form or in person, he may designate a Board Member as his proxy (representative). The Board Member will then cast a vote on behalf of the member. If this option is chosen, the voter must complete and return the proxy authorization form to the FBA Secretarial office, properly witnessed and signed, prior to the meeting. Proxy voting can only be done by Board Directors. Forms must be returned to the Secretarial office and be validated prior to the annual meeting or any other special meeting. No proxy votes given to the Board Member without the proper form on file will be valid.

Notification of receipt of voter form or proxy authorization form will be sent from the FBA Secretarial office upon validation of voter or proxy form.
The National Sheep Improvement Program (NSIP) is a computerized, performance-based program used to aid in genetic selection. It is designed to help purebred seed stock producers, with the help of their registry association(s), identify superior, predictable genetics for propagating within their breed. Scientifically-proven formulas called Expected Progeny Differences (EPDs) are used to measure genetic performance. The technology has been used for many years in the dairy and beef industries and, according to Dr. James Morgan, President of the NSIP board, EPDs and the quantitative statistics behind them are the most accurate way to identify superior performance genetics in sheep.

Morgan says that only a portion of observed performance is heritable. For example, 60-day weights are only 10-15% heritable (see Table 1). The rest is due to environmental factors (nature versus nurture). EPDs take into account the performance of close relatives to isolate that portion which has a genetic source. Morgan adds that if traits were 100% heritable, a sheep breeder could a) expect a ewe that gave birth to triplets or quadruplets and weaned them all to do the same thing every year, or b) select the fastest growing ram lamb and expect all of his offspring to perform equally well.

Unfortunately, the environment (including management, weather and chance) interacts with genetics to modify performance and make the selection process tougher. EPDs can increase the selection accuracy for a variety of traits including maternal performance, growth rate, wool quality and others.

How does the program work? NSIP works best when breed organizations or groups of producers deliver across-flock production and performance data. Members receive reports back on the genetic values of each animal in their flock based on pre-determined criteria.

These comparative numbers allow them to make quicker genetic progress by identifying and using only the very best breeding animals. On June 11th 2010, NSIP signed an agreement with Meat & Livestock Australia to provide EPDs to sheep producers in the U.S. through a program called LambPlan. The agreement combines the proven automated submission and delivery systems of LambPlan with adjustment factors developed in the United States to provide a better product for U.S. producers. The agreement should also reduce turn around time between data submission and results back in hand.

A minimum three to five year commitment to the program is needed to improve the accuracy of results. Participating flocks should have similar group structure and be willing to share or trade breeding rams between flocks if fewer than 25 lambs/ram/lambing are born in a group. The more shared genetics between flocks (regardless of flock size), the quicker progress will be made.

For more information, contact: National Sheep Improvement Program, www.nsip.org or info@nsip.org.

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Breeding Date Formula  For Holiday Target Marketing

17 Days—Rams in Flock
147 Days—Gestation
50 to 200 Days—Growth
10 Days—Buyer Pick-up Time

224 to 374 Total Days: Breeding to sale date (varies according to desired sizes & flock’s growth rates)

Be prepared to process or ship your lambs 1 to 2 weeks before the actual holiday.

May 5—Cinco de Mayo
July 4—United States Independence Day & Puerto Rican Independence Day
August 6—Jamaican Independence Day
August 11—Beginning of Ramadan
September 9 to 10—Rosh Hashana
September 9—Id al-Fitr
September 23—Chuseok (3-Day Harvest Moon Festival)

October 8—Navaratri/Navadurgara
November 7—Ecuadorian Independence Day
November 16—Eid Al-Adha (Festival of Sacrifice)
December 2 to 9—Hanukkah (Jewish Festival of Lights)
December 7—Islamic New Year
December 15—Ashura
December 25—Christmas
February 3, 2011—Chinese New Year
February 15, 2011—Muhammad’s Birthday
February 27, 2011—Dominican Republic Independence Day
March 8, 2011—Mardi Gras
April 13-15, 2011 New Year’s Day
April 19-25, 2011—Passover
April 24, 2011—Roman Easter & Greek Orthodox Easter

Upcoming Sheep & Fiber Events

November 6-7: The New England Fiber Festival 413.205.5011.

Ethnic Market Calendar

Terrie Godfrey
(terrie@eldoradofinns.com) has been appointed Web Master for FBA’s website located at www.finnsheep.org. Contact Terrie regarding your input or questions about FBA’s web site.

Deb Olschefski
(finnegansflock@comcast.net) has been appointed Short Tales Coordinator. Contact Deb with your suggestion regarding information you would like published in Short Tales.
Stillmeadow Ewe, Savannah and her Septuplets

My black ewe, Savannah, the dam of the septuplets is a triplet who has previously given twins and trips in her other lambings. At 7 AM on April 11th I found her in her lambing pen with all seven new lambs cleaned and dry. Six were fed and one needed some help due to chilling. Having experienced septuplets here previously, the thing which amazed me was that she needed no lambing assistance. That’s a whole lot of legs to pass through the tunnel with no mix-ups! Her gestation period was 144 days. On day two her udder was as large as a dairy goats and her maternal nature was perfect. She continues to keep the lambs by her side and is a calm and capable ewe.

Submitted by Elizabeth Kinne Gossner

Judy Lewman, Director of O.P.P. Sheep Breeders Society (www.oppsociety.org)

sent in a photograph of the grandson of a 3/4 IDF ram bought from Janet McNally. I backcrossed that ram on my 1/2 Finn, 1/2 Dorset ewes for two generations with selection for number of lambs weaned per ewe and aseasonally. He is roughly 3/16 IDF, 7/16 Dorset and 6/16 Finn. Over 90% of his female sibs lamb at eight month intervals with very close to a 200% weaned lamb average regardless of season. Lambs from these ewes top commodity markets in the East and Midwest. So my finding is that Finn is not necessarily a four-letter word!
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Registered breeding stock, grass fed lamb, & Finn wool available.

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585.928.1721  
mary@lighthousesheepfarm.com  
Purebred Finnsheep  
Finn x Dorset  
Flock Prefix: LHF  
SFCP: Enrolled status since 2006; Flock ID: NY103  
Finn x dorset - leaner meat carcass  
Finn x Shetlands - less britch and additional softness  
White, colored and pied with lines from Stillmeadow, Hatton and Misty Mountain.

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www.TripleLFinnsheep.com  

**Purebred Finnsheep; Shetland / Finn and Romanov / Finn Crosses**  
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Quality fleeces, roving and handspun yarns

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Out of Season Breeding  
Fleece, rovings, batts, pelts, and naturally raised lamb.  
Vasectomized Finn teaser rams available

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