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Dear Suffolk Enthusiasts,

Let me take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Larry Pauly, I currently reside in Delta, Utah with my wife, Linda. Together along with the help of Suzzy our Australian Shepherd, we run 260 head of registered brood ewes. Sheep are the chief source of our income. My involvement in the sheep industry began as a youth in Corvallis, Montana. Below please review some of the highlights from my past 50 years in the sheep industry.

Sheep Manager: My first managerial position was with Cook Ranches in Florence, Montana 3000+ head of commercial ewes. Upon the dispersal of the ranch, I too went to the new owners at L2 Incorporated out of Ephrata, Washington who ran about 8000 head of commercial ewes. I have also managed operations for Farrell Wankier from 1983-1989.

Marketing: The commercial sheep breeders are major contributors to the American lamb crop every year. I have been fortunate enough to know several owners of large operations and am proud to sell over 200 rams a year to help satisfy their needs. I received the Top Pen of Suffolks award at the 2010 California Ram Sale. I have sold in the top 5% of both the Utah Ram Sale and the Craig Colorado Ram Sale for the past several years and the top selling pen of rams at the Bakersfield Ram Sale of which I am the Chairman.

Registered Suffolk Sheep: I enjoy showing registered sheep. Due to the lack of time, the amount of shows that I am able to attend is limited. Our sheep were represented in 2010 at the following shows/sales: the Nugget All-American in Reno, NV, the Crossroads of the West in Tooele, UT and placed very well. We won the premier breeder award for both the Suffolks and the Hampshires and the 2009 Utah State Fair, and we are currently preparing for the 2010 fair.

Future of the Industry: My children and Linda's children were actively involved in 4-H and FFA as youth. I currently have the opportunity to assist and mentor my grandchildren in the sheep industry. I am excited that they too have registered suffolks. I enjoy working with the youth and hope to encourage them to stay involved with sheep.

If elected, my goal is to listen to what the members would like to have done. I believe that the board is there for the membership and need to work together to promote and improve the industry.

Thank you for your consideration,

Larry Pauly