

Carroll County Agriculture Association Annual Meeting  
March 8, 2010

Notes.

There were approximately 110 people in attendance at the Carroll County Agriculture Association Hall of Fame Banquet and 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting.

Welcome – Dean Scott welcomed everyone to the Ag Association Annual meeting and thanked the sponsors for the evening: Farm Credit Services, First Financial Bank, Lafayette Bank & Trust, Regions Bank, Salin Bank & Trust and Security Federal Savings and Loan.

Invocation – Sam Moffitt presented the invocation

Meal – Catered by Custom Select

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Election of Officers: Dean Scott opened the meeting by presenting the slate of officers for election for the 2010 year. Travis Flora, representing Dairy, Gary Rader, representing Beef and Jason Pearson, representing Agribusiness were elected to serve as officers.

Treasurer's Report: Maurice Robeson presented a Treasurer's report, including the income, expenses, and donations of the Ag Association from 2009.

President's Report: Dean Scott presented a report of the activities of the Association in the previous year.

– Training. The Ag Association hosted two Certification Training sessions in Carroll County so that area farmers can maintain their Private Applicator Certification.

– Member Meeting. The Ag Association had it's most recent Member Meeting in February. The Members selected a slate of Officers, received information about Livestock Response Team activities, learned about education opportunities. Miriam Robeson presented a program on Farm Succession Planning.

– Livestock Emergency Response Team. The Livestock Emergency Response team has successfully handled livestock emergencies both in and out of Carroll County. The Team has been trained to work with fire, police and other emergency responders to handle livestock in a humane manner, while salvaging as much property as possible. The Livestock Emergency Response Team has a special trailer, outfitted and housed by TDM Farms, and a call list of trained responders.

– Promote Best Management Practices. The CCAA continues to promote best management practices to all area farmers through information in the Carroll County Comet and on the website.

– Hall of Fame now on the Website. The complete list of Carroll County Hall of Fame inductees, including photos and biographies, is now available on the Ag Association website.

– Community Support. The Ag Association joined with IPC again in 2009 to support Carroll Manor, cooked and made a donation to the Bacon Bowl host, Donated more than \$2,000 and 3,000 pounds of meat for Carroll County Christmas Baskets, Donated financial support to the Carroll County 4H Fair, 4H Junior Leaders, and other 4H programs, and supported several other community activities with financial assistance. The Ag Association thanks IPC for its generous donations of meat to Ag Association projects, and thanks Rhonda Hicks and Samantha Garrison for their tireless supervision and coordination of the 4H Junior Leaders Stand.

– Goals for 2010. Goals for 2010 include maintaining local sponsorship of the 4H Fair and other local and ag-related opportunities.

Introduction of Andrea Brown, Extension Educator – Andrea Brown, the new Extension Educator, was introduced, and she shared information about her background and why she came to Carroll County. Andrea is a non-voting member of the Ag Association Board of Directors, per the Ag Association bylaws.

Featured Speaker - Travis Martin, Indiana FFA President. Travis Martin, 2009 Carroll Graduate and current Indiana FFA President, spoke about his love of Carroll County, love of agriculture, and how much he has learned in the past year as FFA President. He stressed that we need to Reflect on the Past, Advocate for the Present, and Invest in the Future.

Scholarships – John Garrison presented Scholarship checks to John Zook and Brock Farrell, and Scholarship Certificates to the 2010 winners, Michael Burke and Kara Schwarzkopf. TDM funds one of the scholarships, and that scholarship is in memory of Charles Yeager.

2010 Hall of Fame Awards. Sam Moffitt presented the 2010 Carroll County Agriculture Hall of Fame Awards to Dean Scott and Janet Ayres. A new award this year, recognizing an outstanding Carroll County Agribusiness was awarded to Jackson-Lee-Pearson. Dean and Janet made brief remarks thanking their family and Carroll County.

Adjourn. There being no further business to come before the Members at the Annual Meeting of the Carroll County Agriculture Association, the meeting adjourned.