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From the Editor

Gary Romig

This newsletter is late and I apologize for that. My excuse of course is that have been working on our Swallow Special for the Pure Bred Pigeon Magazine. That should be a terrific issue. So, don't miss it.

This issue of the Newsletter is filled with a lot of show results: National Young Bird Show (NYBS), The USC Annual Meet held in Des Moines, The Pageant of Pigeons in Calif. And the NPA National show held in Salt Lake City.

Congratulation to the show winners: Bob Benson at the NYBS, Perry Mueller at Des Moines, Leon Stephens at the Pageant and Bill Griebel at the NPA National.

Recognition must also go out to those who chose to show swallows in the difficult colors and varieties and placed high in those categories: Jay Beals, Tony Brancato, Dave Holloway, Gerald Kress, Kerry Hendricks and Ron Smith in Thuringer Wing Pigeons, Perry Mueller, Nate Wayne and Elliot Yeske in Thuringer Swallows.

We also have an up and coming junior exhibitor in Kaylee Skistamis who received a Highly Superior (HS-96) with a blue check Silesian swallow at the USC Annual Meet. Congratulations to Kaylee.

Check out our new website; www.unitedswallowclub.com

Message from the President

Perry Mueller

I'm writing this message in late December, and am not sure if it will get out mid January or later. I told Gary that the priority would be to work on our Purebred cover page and ad. Remember, the deadline for articles and ads is February 15. Also, all ads are 20% off. Doratha and Larry, of the Purebred, will be glad to help you design your ad.

I've had a busy Fall show season this year. It started out at the NYB show in Louisville. Merle Starr did a great job of judging this year and chose Bob Benson's young blue check cock as champion. It is a great show bird with excellent color and markings.

In November, I had the privilege of judging the Pageant in Los Angeles. It was both fun and challenging at the same time. There were many outstanding birds from all the exhibitors but two of the classes, in particular, left me not knowing which way to go. There were three old blue black bar silesian hens and three young black white bar fairy hens that, as Hummel would say, "were like peas in the pod". Any one of them could have won the show on any given day. I ended up giving and "E" rating to a blue black bar old hen, a black white bar young hen, and a black thuringer old cock. The black white bar fairy ended up winning the show.

In December, Leon Stephens flew into St. Louis and drove up to Des Moines with me. I can't complain about the show since I was fortunate to win it with a young blue barless silesian hen. Bob Benson got reserve with the nice young blue check silesian that won in Louisville. It is always a good time in Des Moines getting together with everyone.

On election news, Frank Bailey won Vice President, the rest of the officers will stay the same. I enjoyed serving with Mike Swanson the past two years. I could always count on him for advice and direction. I am looking forward to serving with Frank; some fresh insight will be good for the club.



Gary Romig's cover art for the Purebred Pigeon magazine



2010 young birds are coming: Frank Bailey's young Red Fairy Swallow

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Photos from the USC Annual Meet in Des Moines



Best Thuringer Spot Swallow: Perry Mueller



Best Thuringer Swallow: Elliot Yeske



Best Fullhead Swallow: Perry Mueller



Reserve Champion Swallow: Bob Benson



Best Swallow by a junior: Kaylee Skistimas



Leon Stephens Judging Swallows



Best Fairy Swallow: Perry Mueller



Champion Swallow: Perry Mueller

United Swallow Club Annual Meet Dec. 2009 Des Moines, Iowa

Judge: Leon Stephens

Special Awards

Perry Mueller 09-18 Blue Barless E-97 **Champion/Best Silesian**
 Robert Benson 09-329 Blue Check E-97 **Reserve Champ**
 Kaylee Skistimas 09-1712 Silver Check HS-96 **Best Junior**
 Perry Mueller 09-50 Blue White Bar S-95 **Best Fullhead**
 Perry Mueller 09-42 Black Spangle S-95 **Best Fairy Swallow**
 Perry Mueller 09-156 Blue Barless S-94 **Best Thuringer Spot**
 Elliot Yeske 09-19 Blue Barless S-95 **Best Thuringer Swallow**

Silesian Swallows

Young Hens

Robert Benson	09-310	Silver Check	G-92	
Robert Benson	09-326	Silver Check	G-92	
Perry Mueller	09-18	Blue Barless	E-97	Champion
Perry Mueller	09-58	Blue Barless	S-93	
Perry Mueller	09-68	Blue Barless	G-91	
Perry Mueller	09-64	Blue Barless	S-94	
Perry Mueller	09-25	Blue Check	S-93	
Perry Mueller	09-54	Blue Check	S-95	
Perry Mueller	09-71	Silver Barless	S-93	
Perry Mueller	09-15	Silver Check	S-94	
Kaylee Skistimas	09-1715	Blue Blk Bar	G-92	
Kaylee Skistimas	09-1719	Blue Blk Bar	S-93	
Kaylee Skistimas	09-1718	Blue Blk Bar	G-92	
Kaylee Skistimas	09-1712	Silver Check	HS-96	Best Junior
Gloria Weisgram	09-700	Black	S-95	

Young Cocks

Robert Benson	09-346	Blue Check	S-95	
Robert Benson	09-361	Blue Check	S-94	
Robert Benson	09-322	Silver Check	G-92	
Robert Benson	09-329	Silver Check	S-95	
Robert Benson	09-329	Blue Check	E-97	Reserve Champ
Scott Perrizo/Elena Nixon	09-695	Blue Barless	G-91	
Perry Mueller	09-72	Blue Barless	S-95	
Perry Mueller	09-3	Blue Barless	HS-96	
Perry Mueller	09-27	Silver Check	HS-96	

Old Hens

Robert Benson	300	Blue Check	S-94	
Robert Benson	1514	Blue Check	S-95	
Robert Benson	208	Blue Check	S-93	
Scott Perrizo/Elena Nixon	08-411	Blue Check	S-93	
Bill Griebel	1506	Blue Blk Bar	G-92	
Perry Mueller	384	Silver Check	S-95	
Perry Mueller	368	Silver Check	G-92	
Gloria Weisgram	616	Blue	G-92	
Gloria Weisgram	715	Blue	S-93	

Old Cocks

Robert Benson	1508	Silver Check	S-93	
Bill Griebel	2294	Blue Blk Bar	S-93	
Bob Jakubowski	1625	Blue Check	G-92	
Gloria Weisgram	438	Black	S-93	

Saxon Fullhead Swallows

Young Hens

Perry Mueller	09-50	Blue White Bar	S-95	Best Fullhead
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Old Hens

Kerry Hendricks	850	Blue White Bar	G-91	
Bill Griebel	494	Black Barless	S-95	

Old Cocks

Bill Griebel	2291	Black Barless	G-92	
Kerry Hendricks	865	Blue White Bar	G-91	

Saxon Fairy Swallows

Young Hens

Perry Mueller	09-43	Black Spangle	G-92	
Perry Mueller	09-65	Black Spangle	S-93	

Young Cocks

Perry Mueller	09-42	Black Spangle	S-95	Best Fairy
Scott Perrizo/Elena Nixon	09-888	BlueSpangle	G-92	

Old Hens

Bill Griebel	2291	Black White Bar	S-93	
Frank Walsh	979	Blue White Bar	G-91	
Gloria Weisgram	345	Black	G-92	
Gloria Weisgram	608	Black	S-93	

Old Cocks

Bill Griebel	2296	Black White Bar	S-93	
Frank Walsh	143	Blue White Bar	G-91	

Thuringer Spot Swallows

Young Hens

Perry Mueller	09-347	Red White Bar	S-93	
Perry Mueller	09-320	Red White Bar	G-92	
Perry Mueller	09-337	Red White Bar	S-94	
Perry Mueller	09-350	Red White Bar	G-92	
Gerald Kress	09-119	Yellow Spangle	G-92	
Gerald Kress	09-103	Red	G-91	
Gerald Kress	09-108	Yellow	G-92	

Young Cocks

Perry Mueller	09-150	Blue Barless	S-93	
Perry Mueller	09-156	Blue Barless	S-94	Best Th Spot
Gerald Kress	09-110	Red	G-92	
Gerald Kress	09-111	Red	G-92	

Old Hens

Gerald Kress	208	Red	S-93	
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Old Cocks

Elliot Yeske	44	Blk White Bar	G-92	
Elliot Yeske	21	Blue Black Bar	G-92	

Thuringer Swallows

Young Hens

Elliot Yeske	09-19	Blue Barless	S-95	Best Th Swallow
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Young Cocks

Perry Mueller	09-152	Blue Barless	G-92	
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Old Hens

Elliot Yeske	9	Black Barless	G-91	
Elliot Yeske	20	Blue Wh Bar	G-92	
Nate Wayne	479	Red Barless	G-92	
Nate Wayne	23	Yellow Barless	S-94	

Old Cocks

Elliot Yeske	22	Blue Spangle	G-92	
Elliot Yeske	22	Red Barless	G-92	
Nate Wayne	25	Red Barless	S-93	
Nate Wayne	24	Red Barless	G-92	

NPA Grand National Show

Swallow Meet January 2010

Salt Lake City, Utah

Judges: Nate Wayne and Steve Ball



Bill Griebel: Champion Swallow at NPA National Salt Lake City Jan. 2010 Rated E-97



Jay Beals: Best Thuringer Spot Swallow. Rated 96 at the NPA National Salt Lake City Jan. 2010.



Dave Holloway's Blue Spangle Thuringer Spot Swallow. Rated 96 at the NPA National Salt Lake City Jan. 2010.

Silesian Swallows

Young Hens

Kevin Severson Blue Black Bar 238 G-91

Bill Griebel Black White Bar 1644 S-94

Young Cocks

Bill Griebel Black White Bar 1547 HS-96 Best Silesian

Old Hens

Kevin Severson Blue Black Bar 2277 G-92

Old Cocks

Kevin Severson Blue Black Bar 150 S-95

Kevin Severson Blue Black Bar 893 S-95

Saxon Fairy Swallows

Young Hens

Bill Griebel Blk White Bar 1553 S-94

Old Hens

George de la Nuez Blue White Bar 98 S-95

Old Cocks

Bill Griebel Black White Bar 182 E-97 Champion

George de la Nuez Blue White Bar 436 HS-96 Res. Champ.

Saxon Fullhead Swallows

Old Hens

Bill Griebel Black Barless 424 S-95 Best Fullhead

Old Cocks

Bill Griebel Black Barless 597 S-94

Leon Stephens Blue Spangle 1 S-93

Thuringian Spot Swallows (Clean legs)

Young Hens

Ron Smith Blue Black Bar 1465 HS-96

Dave Holloway Blue Spangle 1849 HS-96

Dave Holloway Ash Barless 1880 G-92

Dave Holloway Silver Spangle 1836 S-94

Young Cocks

Jay Beals Black Barless 249 HS-96 Best CL

Jay Beals Black Barless 248 S-95

Dave Holloway Ash Red Bar 1815 S-95

Ron Smith Blue Barless 1426 S-93

Ron Smith Silver Bar 1425 S-93

Old Hens

Dave Holloway Ash Yellow Bar 551 S-94

Dave Holloway Ash Yellow Bar 548 S-94

Jay Beals Black Barless 529 S-94

Old Cocks

Ron Smith Blue Black Bar 1608 S-94

Ron Smith Blue Black Bar 1022 S-93

Dave Holloway Yellow Check 1571 S-94

Dave Holloway Red Check 895 G-92

Dave Holloway Ash Barless 519 G-92

Jay Beals Black Barless 530 S-93

National Young Bird Show

Swallow Meet October 2009

Louisville, Kentucky

Judge Merle Starr

Silesian Swallows

Young Hens

Robert Benson	329	S
Robert Benson	310	HS
Robert Benson	305	HS Champion
Perry Mueller	26	S
Bob Jakubowski	767	G
Ray Kolinski	771	G

Young Cocks

Robert Benson	314	S Best YC
Robert Benson	322	S
Robert Benson	326	S
Perry Mueller	16	S

Fairy Swallows

Young Hens

Perry Mueller	38	S
Bob Jakubowski	771	S
David Averbeck	1352	G
David Averbeck	1353	G

Young Cocks

Perry Mueller	30	S
David Averbeck	1351	S Best Fairy Swallow

Thuringer Spot Swallows

Young Hens

Perry Mueller	320	G
Ron Smith	1497	S
Ron Smith	1498	HS
Gerald Kress	119	S
Gerald Kress	103	S
Gerald Kress	108	S
Gerald Kress	135	G

Young Cocks

Perry Mueller	150	S
Ron Smith	1426	S
Ron Smith	1474	HS Best Thuringer spot
Ron Smith	1425	S
Gerald Kress	110	S
Gerald Kress	117	S

Thuringer Swallows

Young Hens

Perry Mueller	326	S Best Thuringer Swallow
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Bob Benson's Best Silesian and Champion



Ron Smith's Best Thuringer Spot Swallow



Dave Averbeck's Best Fairy Swallow



Perry Mueller's Best Thuringer Swallow

Pageant of Pigeons 2009

Swallows

Judge: **Perry Mueller**

Saxon Fairy Swallows

Number exhibited: **22**

Black White Bar

YH
HS-96 1553 Bill Griebel Sr.
HS-96-2 1585 Bill Griebel Sr.
S-95 1541 Bill Griebel Sr.
OH
S-94 1449 Leon Stephens
HS-96-1 1181 Bill Griebel Sr.
E-97 928 Leon Stephens **Champion**
OC
S-95 448 Leon Stephens
G-92 435 Leon Stephens
S-95 182 Bill Griebel Sr.
G-91 381 Jim Cain

Black Spangle

OH
G-91 613 Leon Stephens

Blue White bar

OH
S-94 1449 Leon Stephens
S-95 80 George de la Nuez
S-95 436 George de la Nuez

Blue Barless

OC
S-95 457 Bill Griebel Sr.
G-92 1 Bill Griebel Sr.
S-94 351 Leon Stephens

Red White Bar

OC
S-95 1415 Leon Stephens

Red Spangle

YH
S-95 1597 Leon Stephens
OH
G-91 391 Jim Cain

Yellow White Bar

OH
S-94 482 Leon Stephens

Yellow Spangle

OC
S-95 749 Leon Stephens

Fullhead Swallows

Number exhibited: **2**

Blue Spangle

OC
G-92 524 Leon Stephens

Silver Spangle

OH
S-94 557 Leon Stephens **Best FH**

Silesian Swallows

Number exhibited: **15**

Blue Black Bar

YH
HS-96 1643 Bill Griebel Sr.
YC
S-94 1567 Bill Griebel Sr.
OH
HS-96-1 2278 Bill Griebel Sr.
HS-96-2 432 Bill Griebel Sr.
E-97 531 Bill Griebel Sr. **Best**

Silesian

OC
HS-96 628 Bill Griebel Sr.
S-94 399 Bill Griebel Sr.
S-95 399 Bill Griebel Sr.
G-92 893 Kevin Severson
G-91 150 Kevin Severson

Blue Barless

OH
S-94 304 Leon Stephens
OC
G-91 379 Leon Stephens

Blue Check

OH
G-91 3677 Ken Huebert

Silver Barless

OH
G-91 114 Leon Stephens

Blue White Bar

OH
HS-96 1623 Leon Stephens

Thuringer Wing Pigeons

Number exhibited: **21**

Black Barless

YH
S-94 256 Jay Beals
G-91 1000 Carl Rodegerdts

G-91 1007 Carl Rodegerdts
YC
S-95 248 Jay Beals
E-97 249 Jay Beals **Best Clean Leg**
G-92 1001 Carl Rodegerdts
OH
HS-96 529 Jay Beals
G-92 922 Carl Rodegerdts
OC
S-95 531 Jay Beals
S-95 530 Jay Beals
G-92 282 Carl Rodegerdts
G-92 692 Carl Rodegerdts

Red Barless

YH
G-91 3951 Tony Brancato
YC
S-95 3951 Tony Brancato
OH
S-95 914 Tony Brancato
OC
G-91 1591 Tony Brancato

Ash Red Bar

YC
G-91 1815 Dave Holloway

Ash Red Check

OC
S-93 589 Dave Holloway

Cream Yellow Bar

OH
S-95 551 Dave Holloway
S-94 548 Dave Holloway

Cream Yellow Check

OC
S-95 1571 Dave Holloway

Silver Spangle

YH
S-94 1836 Dave Holloway



Leon Stephens & Bill Griebel presented awards to each other at the Pageant.
Photo: Gary Romig

Photos from the Pageant 2009



Color Pigeon, Frillback and Swallow fanciers, Left, back row: Ken Leonhart, Kevin Severson, Doug Yonkers, Steve Ball, Perry Mueller, Frank Bailey, Leon Stephens, Hermann Baertschi, Tony Brancato, Dave Holloway, Steve St. Claire, Stan Schuett, Larry Brown, Jim Oldham. Left front row: Keith Warren (Arnold's Grandson), Arnold Chaney, Mike Cobb, Tom McCaig, Bill Griebel, Jay Beals, Jess Bivens, George De La Nuez. On the floor: Gary Romig. Photo: Lisa Flory



Perry Mueller looking over some "E" rated birds trying to determine the Champion Swallow. Photo: Gary Romig

Photos from the Pageant 2009



Champion Swallow Black White Bar Old Hen 928, Rated E-97 Bred and owned by Leon Stephens. Photo: Layne Gardner



Best Thuringer Wing Pigeon; Black YC 249 Rated E-97 Bred and owned by Jay Beals. Photo: Layne Gardner



Best Silesian Swallow; Blue Black Bar Old Hen 531 Rated E-97. Bred and owned by Bill Griebel. Photo: Layne Gardner



Cream Yellow Bar Thuringer Wing Pigeon Old Hen 551 rated S-95. Bred and owned by Dave Holloway. Photo: Layne Gardner



Red Thuringer Wing Pigeon Young Cock 3951 Rated S-95. Bred and owned by Tony Brancato. Photo: Layne Gardner



Red Spangle Fairy Swallow rated S-95. Bred and owned by Leon Stephens. Photo: Gary Romig

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Swallow and Wing Pigeon Photos from the VDT Show in Leipzig Nov. 2009



Blue Spangle Saxon Swallow
V 97 EB
H.-Ulrich Lemnitz



Blue White Bar Saxon Swallow
V 97 LVE
Martin Elze



Yellow Check (Reisserflügel) Silesian Swallow
hv 96 E
Stefan Heidrich



Red White Bar Saxon Fairy Swallow
sg 94 Z
Werner Wolf



Yellow Check (Reisserflügel) Saxon Fairy Swallow
sg 95 Z
Stefan Heidrich



Blue Barless Saxon Fairy Swallow
hv 96 ELT
Karl Wünsche

Swallow and Wing Pigeon Photos from the VDT Show in Leipzig Nov. 2009



Blue Black Bar Silesian Swallow
hv 96 ELB
Jürgen Sohl



Silver Check Silesian Swallow
hv 96 ELT
Karl Wünsche



Black White Bar Saxon Fairy Swallow
sg 95 E
Klaus Burkhardt



Silver White Bar Saxon Fairy Swallow
V 97 BLP
Jörg Kühne



Yellow Tiger Bohemian Swallow
sg 95 Z
Wolfgang Dubrau



Blue Tiger Bohemian Swallow
hv 96 E
Wolfgang Dubrau

From the Secretary/Treasure

Elliot Yeske

Hello everyone,

It is that time of year again when you need to get your band orders to me. We have 2000 muffed bands and 800 clean leg bands this year. Also, please take a look at the membership list. Many members dues are expired as of January 2010. Mail your \$10 dues to me along with your band orders. Last year we sold out of the muffed bands very quickly so don't wait to long and miss out getting USC bands. Bands are once again 35 cents this year and please send along \$2 for postage and the mailer.

The show season is almost over with the exception of the NPA National in Salt Lake City. I will be going to the national but will not be showing there. I don't know how many swallows will be shown there. It will be nice get away from work to go to the National.

The Des Monies show was a lot of fun as it always is. We had Leon Stephens judge the show, it was good to see him again and it has been a long time since I had watched him judge.

Here in Minnesota it has been very cold and we just had a big snow storm over the Christmas holiday. It will a while here before we can even think about the breeding season for 2010.

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Available from Frank Bailey
 Saxon Shields - Silesian Swallows - Saxon Swallows
 360-668-1371 frankbailey@verizon.net



Muffed and Clean leg Swallows
 Perry Mueller
 314 631 3772
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USC FINANCIAL REPORT	
January 12, 2009 - December 9, 2009	
Beginning balance:	2692.89
Income:	
Bands, dues	1085.75
Expenses:	
Checking fees Feb thru Dec.	33.00
Gary Romig, newsletters/awards	512.20
Purebred Pigeon club ad	350.00
NPA 2010 band order	420.00
NYBS ad	50.00
Ending checking balance	2410.44