2017 Buckeye Shepherd’s Symposium Program

Improving Profitability of the Sheep Operation Though Nutrition, Reproduction, Economics and Marketing

Friday, Dec. 1 & Saturday, Dec. 2, 2017

OARDC Fisher Auditorium & Shisler Conference Center ~ 1680 Madison Avenue, Wooster, Ohio 44691

**Friday: 2:00-5:00 p.m., Fisher Auditorium**

Examining the Profitability of Several Sheep Production Scenarios with a Simulation Model
Dr. Erin Recktenwald, Michigan State University, Department of Animal Sciences

The Realities of Finishing Lambs on Grass vs. Grain
Dr. Francis Fluharty, Ohio State University, Department of Animal Sciences

Feeding Ewe Lambs for Maximum Growth and Reproduction
Dr. Francis Fluharty, Ohio State University, Department of Animal Sciences

**Saturday: 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Shisler Conference Center**

7:30 - 9 am Registration, Trade Show & Continental Breakfast

8 - 9 am Ohio Sheep Improvement Association Annual Meeting
(Election of OSIA Trustees and OSIA/OSWP Annual Report and OSIA Committee Reports)

9 - 9:15 am Welcome & Introductions

9:15 - 10 am Primary Theme: Howard Wyman Sheep Industry School
Coordinated by: Roger A. High, Ohio Sheep Improvement Association and Ohio Sheep and Wool Program
- Brady Campbell, Program Coordinator, OSU Sheep Team
- Adam Wagner, OSU Undergraduate Student
- Alex Tuggle, Ag Teacher

10 - 10:30 am USDA Scrapie Program
Dr. Mark Lyons, USDA-APHIS, Veterinary Sciences

10:30 - 10:45 am Break and Trade Show

10:45 - 12:15 pm Morning Breakout Sessions 1, 2 & 3

12:15 - 1:15 pm Lamb Luncheon (price included with registration)

1:15 - 1:45 pm Dr. Cath Ann A. Kress, Dean of the OSU College of Food, Agriculture and Environmental Sciences
Dr. John C. Foltz, Chair, OSU Department of Animal Sciences

1:45 - 2:15 pm Awards Program
- Distinguished Service
- Youth Recognition
- Ralph Grimshaw Memorial Scholarship
- State FFA Sheep Proficiency Award
- State 4-H Sheep Award
- Environmental Stewardship Award
- Friend of the Ohio Sheep Industry
- Charles Boyles Master Shepherd

2:15 - 2:30 pm Break and trade show

2:30 - 4 pm Afternoon Breakout Sessions 1, 2 & 3

**MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**BREAKOUT TRACK 1 - SHEEP REPRODUCTION**
Facilitator: Loni Shroyer, Buckeye Shepherd’s Symposium Planning Committee

Session theme: Principles of Sheep Reproduction
Tadd Thompson, Reproductive Specialty Group, Indiana

Reproductive Management of Rams and Ewes to Improve Productivity of the Sheep Flock

**BREAKOUT TRACK 2 - MARKETING AND ECONOMICS**
Facilitator: Alex Tuggle, Buckeye Shepherd’s Symposium Planning Committee

Session theme: Lamb Marketing 101: Principles of Lamb Marketing
Dr. Erin Recktenwald, Michigan State University, Department of Animal Sciences;
Exploring Non-Traditional or Ethnic Marketing Opportunities

**BREAKOUT TRACK 3 - NOVICE AND BEGINNER SESSIONS**
Facilitator: Christine Gelley, Buckeye Shepherd’s Symposium Planning Committee

Session theme: Sheep Production and Management Lessons for the Novice and Beginner Shepherd’s
Roger A. High, OSIA/OSWP/OFBF
Brady Campbell, The Ohio State University, Program Coordinator, OSU Sheep Team
The Management Continuum – Practices in Managing the Sheep Flock on an Annual Calendar Basis

**AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**BREAKOUT TRACK 1 - SHEEP REPRODUCTION**
Facilitator: Allen Johnson, Buckeye Shepherd’s Symposium Planning Committee

Session theme: Principles of Sheep Reproduction
Tadd Thompson, Reproductive Specialty Group, Indiana

The How’s and Why’s of the Utilization of Artificial Insemination, Ram Semen Collection and Embryo Transfer Technologies in Your Sheep Flock

**BREAKOUT TRACK 2 - LAMB MARKETING**
Facilitator: Paul Hunter, Buckeye Shepherd’s Symposium Planning Committee

Session theme: Lamb Marketing 201: Advanced Principles of Lamb Marketing
Nick Forrest, Ohio Lamb Entrepreneur and Chef Jeff Hyde, Chef- Colonel DeSpice Company
Lamb Cutting and Lamb Cooking Demonstrations that will Assist the Direct Lamb Marketer

**BREAKOUT TRACK 3 - NOVICE AND BEGINNER SESSIONS**
Facilitator: Shawn Ray, Buckeye Shepherd’s Symposium Planning Committee

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