

SHEPHERD'S NEWS

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Lambing Time Preparation Webinar

We're having a webinar and you're invited! Join Veterinarians Dr. G.F. Kennedy, Dr. Jay Bobb, and Dr. Larry Goelz for Pipestone's very first sheep & goat webinar covering:

- Essential Barn Supplies for Lambing
- Processing Lambs and Vaccinating
- Colostrum, Milk Replacer, and the Lac-Tek Milk Machine
- Abortion Control: What Constitutes an Outbreak and How to Proceed
- Plus a Q&A Session that you can participate in live!

When: **January 11th at 6:30 p.m.** Central Time

Where: You can access from anywhere online. After purchasing we will send you the login information for the webinar.

Webinar is free to Pipestone Shepherds Club members! Not a member yet? Click [here](#) or call 800.658.2523 to learn more.

Not interested in all the other Shepherd's Club features? Click [here](#) to purchase access to this one [webinar](#) for \$20.

Lamb Price update

Sioux Falls SD Jan. 6

Fat Lambs 101lbs & up
\$111.00 - \$153.00/cwt
Feeder Lambs
\$177.50 - \$235.00/cwt
Ewes: \$73-\$215/cwt

Mt Hope OH Dec. 30

Feeder Lambs
\$180.00 - \$402.50/cwt
Fed Lambs 100+lbs
\$150.00 - \$240.00/cwt
Ewes & bucks
\$75.00 - \$112.50/cwt

Equity WI Jan. 8

Feeder lambs
\$150.00/cwt & down
Fed Lambs
\$130.00/cwt & down
Cull ewes & bucks
\$40/cwt & down

Zumbrota MN Jan. 7

Fed lambs
\$115.00-\$125.00/cwt
Feeder lambs
\$130.00 - \$200.00/cwt
Ewes: \$55-77.50/cwt

San Angelo TX Jan. 1

Feeder lambs
\$160.00 - \$232/cwt
Fed Lambs
\$120.00 - \$155.00/cwt

Newell SD Jan. 7

Feeder lambs
\$147.00 - \$201/cwt
Fed Lambs
\$124.00—\$134.00/cwt
Replacement Ewes
\$140.00 - \$172.50/hd
Cull ewes
\$71.50-\$83/cwt



MLWPA President Pamp presents the 2015 Silver Bell Award to Zehnder and Zehnder Suffolks (Tom, Steve & families)

Zehnders Receive Silver Bell award

MLWPA congratulates the Tom Zehdner and Steve Zehnder families who were honored at the Shepherd's Holiday with the Silver Bell Award. The Zehnders have helped many youth participate in the sheep project that otherwise would not have had that opportunity. The Zehnders own a registered Suffolk seedstock flock near Truman, MN.

MLWPA also recognized Abby Donkers of Rice County with the youth Silver Bell Award. Abby has been very active promoting the sheep industry at the county and state fair. Abby is a student at SDSU.

Mark your Calendars! 2016 Shepherd's Holiday—Dec. 2-3, Oak Ridge Conference Center, Chaska.

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Pipestone Lamb and Wool Program Lambing Time Short Course Tour

Mark your calendar and plan to attend the 2016 Pipestone Lamb and Wool Program Lambing Time Short Course and Bus Tour which will be held on February 5th and 6th in Pipestone. We have an excellent program planned and we will be touring two outstanding sheep operation. The program starts with an optional Friday afternoon hands on computer record keeping session using Microsoft Excel and Shearwell Data FarmWorks software program. Friday evening and Saturday morning sessions will cover lambing time management and health topics. Saturday afternoon will be spent touring and viewing two successful sheep operation.

Topics include: Practical OPP Reduction Plan, Responsible Antibiotic Use, Late Gestation Management, Making Lambing Time Easier, Identifying and Treating Common Ewe and Lamb concerns, and Getting Lambs off to a Good Start

The purpose of this short course and bus tour is to help producers recognize and effectively deal with common lambing time problems. We are fortunate to have highly qualified sheep veterinarians on the program to share their thought on common lamb and ewe health problems. Touring two top area sheep operation in the afternoon will provide an opportunity for individuals to see firsthand how other sheep producers recognize and deal with lambing time problems. You will see how they lay out their lambing barn, set up creep pens, graft lambs, dock, vaccinate, feed and management of their lambs and ewes. The farm demonstration session will provide an excellent learning opportunity.

For those who are unable to attend our short course and bus tour please consider our web based Lambing Time Management Series which consists of 6 recorded topics that can be view through an Internet connection in the comfort of your home or office.

For more information visit our [web page](#).

UW-Madison to Discontinue Dairy Sheep Program

The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences at the University of Wisconsin-Madison plans to close its dairy sheep research program housed at the Spooner Agricultural Research Station later this year. Research on the flock will continue through this milking season, before the sheep are dispersed in the fall.

Ongoing reductions in state support have made it impossible for the college to continue to cover the broad range of agricultural sectors in Wisconsin, says Richard Straub, CALS senior associate dean. With pending retirements and reduced resources, the Department of Animal Sciences will no longer be able to support faculty members specializing in all aspects of all species. The college will continue to support the research sheep flock-studied for wool and meat production -housed at the Arlington Agricultural Research Station.



2015 Celebrate Lamb Social