

# SHEPHERD'S NEWS

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### Lamb Price update

Sioux Falls SD Sep. 30

Fat Lambs 101lbs & up  
\$140.00 - \$150.25/cwt

Feeder Lambs

\$136.00 - \$150.00/cwt

Ewes: \$41-\$127.50/cwt

Mt Hope OH Sep. 28

Feeder Lambs

\$147.50 - \$250.00/cwt

Fed Lambs 100+lbs

\$137.50 - \$172.50/cwt

Ewes & bucks

\$70 - \$95.00/cwt

Equity WI Oct. 3

Feeder lambs

\$164.00/cwt & down

Fed Lambs

\$155.00/cwt & down

Cull ewes & bucks

\$45/cwt & down

Zumbrota MN Oct. 3

Fed lambs

\$140.00-\$145.00/cwt

Feeder lambs

\$130.00 - \$170.00/cwt

Ewes: \$40-75/cwt

San Angelo TX Sep. 23

Feeder lambs

\$156.00 - \$178/cwt

Fed Lambs

\$148.00 - \$175.00/cwt

Newell SD Sep. 29

Feeder lambs

\$143.00 - \$171/cwt

Fed Lambs

\$142.—\$145.00/cwt

Cull ewes

\$39.00-\$61/cwt



## The 3 DAYS of WOOL

Co-sponsored by the University of Minnesota Extension RSDP & The Natural Fiber Alliance with the goal to EXPAND the MARKETS for LOCAL WOOL! We can't keep local wool existing without the fiber animals, the farms, farmers and most of all a MARKET! Takes place Oct. 7-9.

ALL THE DETAILS: REGISTRATION & AGENDA for CONFERENCE, SCHEDULES of the farms on the tour, their sale items & activities at the farm, Jay Fuhrer/NATIONAL SPEAKER/FREE/RSVP, MILL STORE & the MILL TOURS at: <http://www.naturalfiberalliance.com>

You want to know how farms are managing their land and how they treat their fiber animals. ALL the FARMS on the SHEEP & FIBER FARM TOUR use conservation practices of rotational grazing, repurposed barn/house materials, water ways, heritage breeds, etc and are GREAT caretakers of their animals! Take a look at their set ups & animals!

[www.buschofarms.com](http://www.buschofarms.com)

[www.suttonridgefarm.com](http://www.suttonridgefarm.com)

[www.sheepimprovement.com](http://www.sheepimprovement.com)

<http://faribaultmill.com>

WINDSWEPT HILL FARM

## Join us at the Shepherd's Holiday - Dec. 2-3

Come for the social, stay for the seminars. Once again, the Oak Ridge Conference Center in Chaska will host the **MLWPA Shepherd's Holiday. The Celebrate Lamb Social** will kick off the event on Dec. 2 at 7pm.

Saturday features a full day of educational seminars including: *Impact of the Veterinary Feed Directive on Sheep Producers, Lamb Quality Beyond the Gate, Direct Marketing Opportunities and Challenges, Voluntary Scrapie Free Certification Program, Keep the Farm In the Family, How NSIP Benefits My Flock, Things to consider when starting your flock, Grazing Management, Impact of Nutrition on Aseasonal Breeding, Update from Faribault Woolen Mill, Preparing for shearing day, Feeding Your Market Lamb*, and more!



Meet the new U of M / NDSU Sheep Extension Specialist, Travis Hoffman. Registration information and agenda will be available at [www.mlwp.org](http://www.mlwp.org) later this month.

U of M / NDSU Sheep Specialist, Travis Hoffman

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## MLWPA Thanks Dr. Holly Neaton for her Service on the MN Board of Animal Health

Dr. Neaton served on the Minnesota Board of Animal Health for 12 years and represented one of the practicing veterinarian positions. She also served as the Vice President of the Board and provided leadership during disease outbreaks like Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea virus and Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza. Her contributions and accomplishments are greatly appreciated by the Board staff. In May, Governor Dayton appointed Dr. Graham Brayshaw of Minneapolis as Dr. Holly Neaton's replacement on the Board.

## Let's Grow Webinar - Oct. 11, 7 p.m. CDT

There is still time to register for the next Let's Grow industry webinar. On Oct. 11 at 7 p.m. CDT, Jay Parsons, Ph.D., University of Nebraska-Lincoln, will be hosting Improving Reproductive Performance of Ewe Lambs Bred at Eight Months of Age, where the issue of breeding ewe lambs to increase production levels and efficiency will be addressed.

Paul Kenyon, Ph.D., Professor of Sheep Husbandry at Massey University, New Zealand, will be the guest presenter for this session. He will be discussing the results of a multiple-year scientific program that was undertaken to identify:

- optimal nutritional management prior to breeding and in pregnancy and lactation,
- optimal management of the ram to maximize reproductive results,
- management of the young dam in late pregnancy and in lactation to maximize the survival of the lamb(s),
- live weight and body condition score targets,
- management strategies to maximize the chance that lifetime productivity is increased by breeding her at a young age, and
- examine the productivity of offspring born to ewe lambs.

Register for the webinar now at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2708802303457930243>.

This webinar is made possible with funding support from the Let's Grow Committee of the American Sheep Industry Association.

## North Star Sale catalog available now

The 2016 North Star Sale Bred Ewe Sale Catalog is now available. Click on the link below to view a complete list of sale ewes. Suffolk, Hampshire, Rambouillet, Dorset, Southdown, and Katahdin ewes available.

[Download catalog now](#)

## Obituary

MLWPA was saddened to learn of the passing of long-time sheep producer and **MLWPA member La Verne "Marty" Martin on June 3, 2016. MLWPA expresses our condolences to La Verne's wife Cindy and their entire family.**

He showed and volunteered at the National Lamb and Wool show for over 25 years. Marty was National Lamb and Wool test station manager for 10 years. Marty was also active in the Southeast Minnesota Sheep Producers and enjoyed showing his Suffolk sheep at the county and state fair.

## Classified Ads

Targhee Ram for Sale:

3 year old purebred Targhee ram - healthy, in good shape. Asking \$400. Call Don at 952-466-2451.

Suffolk Ram for Sale:

Nice, long, straight-topped ram. Fast growing and well-muscled. Sired by a Kimm ram. Contact LaVonne 218-770-9731.