

2018 SHEPHERD'S HOLIDAY—TENTATIVE AGENDA

**** Please note: Seminar topics/speakers /times may change slightly—check the MLWPA website for the most current agenda—mlwp.org ****

Friday Nov. 30

9:30 am - Meet at the Kahler Apache Hotel parking lot for the optional Farm Tours. **[You must pre-register for the farm tours so we can plan for the correct number of lunches and the correct bus size!]**

10:00 am - Bus departs for farm tours

11:00 am - Arrive at Williams Show Lambs, Mabel, MN
Heath Williams and Family own one of the premier show lamb flocks in the nation

Noon - Bus departs for Sheep Improvement Company, Rushford, MN. Kelly O'Neill and Cindy Wolf own a commercial sheep farm as well as raising livestock guard dogs. Cindy is also a nationally recognized expert on sheep health/veterinary issues.

3:00 pm - Bus departs for the Canadian Honker Events Center, Rochester

6:30 pm - Celebrate Lamb Social - including lamb cooking/sampling demos, cash bar, snacks, and the annual fundraiser auction.

Saturday, Dec. 1

7-8:00 am - Breakfast, Registration, Make it With Wool Registration

8-11:00 am - Make it With Wool Orientation & Judging

8 am-4 pm - Trade Show open

8:00 am - Concurrent Seminars: Lamb Nutrition—Dr. Dan Morrical & Your Club Lamb Project—Heath Williams

8:45 am - Concurrent Seminars: Sheep Flock Financial Management—Eric Kinsley & Fiber and/or Youth activity- tbd

9:45 am - Concurrent Seminars: Make Money with NSIP—Rusty Burgett & Keeping Sheep Healthy while Pasture Lambing—Dr. Cindy Wolf

* additional youth & fiber activities may be added for the morning.

10:30 am - MLWPA annual meeting & elections

11:30 am - Awards Luncheon

12:15-1:30 pm - Make it With Wool style show

12:15-1:00 pm - Past Silver Bell winner presentations: Mark & Jo Bernard, Steve Froehlich family

1-1:30 pm - Updates from ALB and ASI

1:30 pm - Concurrent Seminars: NDSU Sheep Research Update—Dr. Travis Hoffman & Importance of Ram Fertility in Conjunction with Ewe CIDR Synchronization—Dr. Jeff Held

2:15 pm - Concurrent Seminars: Lamb Growth and Feed Consumption with a Lactec Feeding System—Dr. Jeff Held & A.I. Strategies for Sheep—Dr. Justin Luther

3:15 pm - Concurrent Seminars: Ewe Nutrition—Dr. Dan Morrical & Colostrum Strategies—Don Drewry

3:45 pm - Concurrent Seminars: Woodland Pasturing—Mr. Zamora & Sheep Production in Australia + A Virtual Tour of New Zealand's South Island—Dr. Travis Hoffman + Heidi & Jeremy Geske

4:30-5:00 pm - Adjourn

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