

Profitable Meat Goats Conference:

Friday March 26:

Breakfast and final registration available before 8 a.m. conference opening:

Welcome! Conference goals and objectives Zweede-Tucker

The history and the future of the U.S. meat goat industry Dr. Pinkerton

What Different Types and Breeds of Goats Have to Offer To Your Enterprise;

Selection of foundation breed and individuals Dr. Browning

Goat Nutrition: Feed, Water, Mineral, Supplements Dr. Hart

Lunch

Controlling Parasites through Grazing Rotation: How To Do It Dr. Schneider

Livestock Guardian Dogs and Your Meat Goat Business Dr. Coppinger

Herd Health and Reproductive Management's Effect on Profitability Dr. Sparks

On-farm Performance Testing: Why and How To Do It Dr. Andries

How to build continuing profitability into your meat goat enterprise Dr. Pinkerton

Dinner

After Dinner: Producer Round Table small and large operations; challenges and how to overcome them

Saturday March 27:

08:00 Questions and answers from Friday Presenters

Marketing: How do the goats get to the customer Dr. Pinkerton

Demand and Consumer Preference Dr. McMillin

Seasonal Pricing and Target Marketing Rebecca Sauder

Producer to Packer Marketing Practices; Video of Halal Plant Gamal Zayed

How Meat Goat Producers Can Sell Directly to Consumers; Thyme for Goat
Blystone Farms

Lunch

Grading Standards for Market Goats

What they mean for your business

McMillin/Sauder

Demonstration of Carcass Fabrication: Cuts, Yields, Pricing

How the carcass determines your paycheck

Dr. McMillin

How to Make & Merchandise Value-Added Products

Dr. McMillin

Budgeting and Business Plans

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5:00 Adjourn; follow-up individual consultations as desired

6:00 Dinner

Host hotel: Wyndham Indianapolis West, 2544 Executive Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46241 (317) 381-6181. When making reservations, be sure to notify the hotel that you are part of the Profitable Meat Goats Conference. Special conference rate of \$99 per room on Thursday and Friday nights, one to four persons per room. If conference attendees stay both Thursday and Friday nights, room charge for Saturday night is only \$49.50. 24 hour complimentary airport shuttle available.

Registration: \$125 total for both days of the conference, including all meals and binder of printed presentations. Register online by PayPal at www.ProfitableMeatGoats.net or by mailing check or money order to Profitable Meat Goats Conference, 1380 Hwy 220, Choteau MT 59422. **To reserve your place at the conference, payment must be received by Wednesday, March 24, 2010.** Walk-in registrations at the conference will only be accepted if space is available.