

News Release
Indianhead Sheep and Goat Breeders Association

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26th Annual Indianhead Sheep and Goat Breeders Association Small Ruminant Clinic set for Saturday, February 1, 2020

The Indianhead Sheep and Goat Breeders Association is excited to be celebrating the 26th Anniversary of our Small Ruminant Clinic on Saturday, February 1, 2020. The Annual Small Ruminant Clinic continues to be one of the largest educational events of the winter for sheep and goat producers and 4-H and FFA youth in the Upper Midwest. The clinic will begin with registration at 8:00 am at the Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College (WITC) Conference Center, 1900 College Drive, Rice Lake, WI 54868.

The 2020 Clinic will feature keynote speaker Chris Duemler DVM. Chris Duemler DVM, a graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia, has been a practitioner for 42 years as a food animal veterinarian, as well as an owner at the Brodhead Veterinary Medical Center in Brodhead, Wisconsin. As member of AVMA he has served on the Clinical Practitioners Advisory Committee (CPAC) to Council of Biologic and Therapeutic Agents (COBTA) and was Chairman of Animal Agriculture Liaison Committee (AALC). He authored Herd Health Procedures and Prevention for The Dairy Goat Production Handbook Langston University American Institute for Goat Research. Dr. Duemler will be addressing herd health in his keynote and will also address udder health in a breakout session.

Other sessions will include barn surveillance cameras and facility design. Marketing will be addressed during a panel including producers and buyers. There will also be a producer panel for sheep producers and one for goat producers discussing "What we wish we would have known when we started." Other guest speakers will address the topics of rotational grazing.

Youth will have the opportunity to work with Dr. Justin Luther, Animal Science Professor at UW-River Falls, during the day. A Skillathon will test what the youth have learned throughout the day, with awards for different age groups. The youth clinic will qualify for any educational requirements that your counties may require to show.

A registration form can be found online by visiting www.indianheadsheepandgoat.org or the ISGBA Facebook page. Registration for the Small Ruminant Clinic is \$40 per person for ISGBA members and \$50 per person for non-members. 4-H and FFA and other

youth pay only \$15 per person for the clinic. The registration fee covers the program costs and the noon meal. Preregistration deadline is January 24, 2020. Late registrations is an additional \$10 for adults and \$5 for youth.

Registration can be mailed to Barron County UW-Extension, 335 Monroe Ave. Room 2206, Barron, WI 54812.

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