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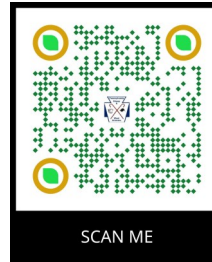
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Membership Benefits

- Producer education
- Networking with producers
- Sheep and lamb industry promotion
- Wool industry promotion
- Legislative voice
- Mentoring for new producers

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Association Activities

- PA Sheep and Wool Festival
- Sheep Field Days
- Performance Tested Ram Sale
- Sheep to Shawl Contest
- Lamb Ambassador Program
- Make It With Wool
- Shepherds Symposium
- Ag Progress Days
- Farm Show Learning Station



Feeding for Performance

Shepherds Symposium

Join us for the annual meeting and a day of learning and networking with other producers!



**November 1, 2025
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

**Bedford County 4-H Center
Bedford County Fairgrounds
729 W. Pitt Street
Bedford, PA 15522**



Symposium Agenda

- 9:00 AM Registration**
- 9:20 AM Welcome and Introductions: Dan Turner, PSWGA President**
- 9:30 AM Hay Sample Evaluation**
Speaker: Dr. Guojie Wang, Penn State Extension Field and Forage Crops Specialist, will demonstrate how to collect hay samples and interpret a forage analysis report.
- 10:15 AM PSWGA Annual Meeting**
- 11:30 AM Break**
Refreshments and snacks including cheese and yogurt produced from sheep's milk
- 11:45 AM Seasoning Ground Lamb to Make a Sausage Patty
Cook and Eat Your Sausage For Lunch**
Speaker: Dan Turner will share insights for seasoning ground lamb to make sausage. Participants can choose their preferred seasonings to make their own delicious sausage patty to cook for lunch!
- 1:15 PM PA Lamb and Wool Ambassador Announcement**
- 1:30 PM Balancing Diets Based on Forage Quality**
Speaker: Melanie Barkley, Penn State Extension Livestock Educator, will discuss methods to balance diets to meet the nutritional requirements of sheep
- 2:15 PM Break**
- 2:30 PM Increasing Pasture Quality and Yield**
Speaker: Leanna Dupstadt, Penn State Extension Field and Forage Crops Educator, will discuss forage growth, how this impacts quality and how to manage pastures to increase yield.
- 3:15 PM Nutritional Impacts on Lamb Quality and Sheep Performance**
Speaker: Mattie Horchler, Penn State Extension Educator, will review how nutrition affects carcass quality and animal health, resulting in higher performance.
- 4:00 PM Evaluation, wrap-up, and safe trip home**

Registration Information

REGISTRATION FORM:

Names: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Pre-Registration Fees: (payment received/
postmarked by 10/25/25, includes refreshments and
lunch)

_____ number- @ \$30/adult PSWGA Members

_____ number- @ \$40/adult non-members

_____ number @ \$15/children (ages 5-12)

_____ number @ \$70/family (Family
consists of 2 adults & 2 children
ages 5-12; Children under 5 are free)

Late-Registration Fees: (postmarked after 10/25/25)

_____ number- @ \$40/adult

_____ number @ \$17/children (ages 5-12)

\$ _____ Total Enclosed

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