Sheep & Goat Webinars

*Hardin County* – The OSU Extension Sheep Team is partnering with the Ohio Sheep Improvement Association for the 2015 Sheep and Goat Webinar Series. This year’s theme is Tips for Productivity Improvement. The Hardin County Extension office will serve as a host site for this year’s series. The dates for the programs are Monday, February 2, 9, 16, and 23. Each session will start at 7:00 pm and end at 9:00 pm. The programs will address tips to help Ohio's sheep and goat producers improve productivity with their livestock.

The series will begin on February 2 as Clif Little, Ohio State University Extension, Guernsey County Agriculture and Natural Resources Educator will present “Tips for Fine-Tuning your Flock/Herd FAMACHA Program.” The second session on February 9 will feature Dr. Eric Gordon, Associate Professor, Ohio State Veterinary Clinical Medicine discussing “Tips for Managing Major Sheep and Goat Diseases: OPP, CAE, Caseous Lymphadenitis, Johnes, Scrapie and Cache Valley Virus.”

February 16 will be the third session. Dr. Bill Weiss, Ohio State Animal Sciences will share “Tips for Reducing Feed Losses From Silage and Hay.” The final session will be on February 23 with Susan Schoenian, University of Maryland Small Ruminant Specialist teaching “Tips for Improving Lambing and Kidding Percentages through Management, Genetics and Selection.”

If you would like to attend any of these Sheep and Goat presentations, please call the Hardin County Extension office at 419-674-2297 or email Mark Badertscher at badertscher.4@osu.edu to RSVP so that preparations can be made to accommodate the number of people interested in attending. These webinar programs are sponsored locally by Farm Credit Mid-America, with an office in Bellefontaine. Refreshments will be provided to those who attend.