**Friday, January 8**

**PM**  
4:00 Virginia Sheep Industry Board Meeting  
(Open to the public)

6:00 Virginia Sheep Producers Association Board Meeting (Open to the public)

**Saturday, January 9**

**ADULT SESSION**

**AM**  
Alphin-Stuart Livestock Arena

8:30 Organizational Meeting for “Virginia Make it with Wool”  
Martha Polkey – Facilitator  
(open meeting prior to general session)

8:30 Registration and Commercial Exhibits

9:30 Morning Session – Focus on Genetic Improvement  
“Understanding the Opportunities Using NSIP”  
Dr. David Notter – Dept. of Animal & Poultry Sciences, Virginia Tech

“Experiences with NSIP As Tool for Parasite Resistance”  
Dr. Scott Greiner – Dept. of Animal & Poultry Sciences, Virginia Tech

Producer Experiences  
Larr & Lisa Weeks – Triple L Farms; Waynesboro, VA  
Frank Patterson – Shepherds Hill Farm, Raphine, VA

Roy Meek Outstanding Sheep Producer Award Presentation

Virginia Sheep Producers Association Annual Meeting

12:15 Lamb Lunch

**PM**  
1:00 “Update from ASI”  
Mr. Bob Leer – ASI Executive Board-Region II Director, Kentucky

“Making the Most of your Nutrition Program”  
Dr. Bain Wilson – Dept. of Animal & Poultry Sciences, Virginia Tech

“When to Call the Veterinarian”  
Dr. Kevin Pelzer, VA-MD Regional College of Veterinary Medicine

“Working Together as Producers-Experiences of NRV Sheep & Goat Club”  
Cecil King & Sarah Smiley, NRV Sheep & Goat Club

**SATURDAY SYMPOSIUM**

**YOUNG SHEPHERD SYMPOSIUM**  
Youth Session will be concurrent with adult sessions- all activities will be hands-on and interactive. 4H and FFA youth of all experience levels welcome.

**AM**  
Alphin-Stuart Livestock Arena

9:00 Registration

9:30 Morning Session –  
Selection/Genetics  
Basic Live Animal Evaluation  
Genetic Improvement  
Genetic Disorders

Nutrition  
Understanding Feed Tags  
Nutritional Requirements

12:15 Lamb Lunch

**PM**  
1:00 Reproduction  
Basic Sheep Reproduction  
Ram Breeding Soundness Exam  
Ultrasonomography of Pregnant Ewes  
Lambing

3:00 Adjourn

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**PRE-REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Received by January 4, 2016

**SATURDAY SYMPOSIUM**

___ $25.00 FULL REGISTRATION  
(includes lunch, breaks, and proceedings)

___ $10.00 YOUTH FULL REGISTRATION  
(includes lunch, breaks, and materials)

___ TOTAL

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**ON-SITE REGISTRATION**

After January 4, 2016

**SATURDAY SYMPOSIUM**

___ $30.00 FULL REGISTRATION  
(includes lunch, breaks, and materials)

___ $10.00 YOUTH FULL REGISTRATION  
(includes lunch, breaks, and materials)

___ TOTAL
VIRGINIA SHEPHERDS’ SYMPOSIUM
PRE-REGISTRATION

DEADLINE – JANUARY 4, 2016

Complete separate form for each participant only if different addresses.

NAME ________________________________
ADDRESS ______________________________
CITY ________________________________
STATE _______ ZIP __________
DAYTIME PHONE __________________________
E-MAIL ________________________________
FAX ________________________________

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEE NAMES (please circle):

Adult/Youth________________________________
Adult/Youth________________________________
Adult/Youth________________________________
Adult/Youth________________________________

* Credit cards are not accepted this year *

Please return with payment for registration (make check payable to VSPA) no later than January 4 to:

Virginia Sheep Producers Association
Dept of Animal & Poultry Sciences
362 Litton Reaves Hall (MC 0306)
Blacksburg, VA 24061
Phone: (540) 231-9159
Fax: (540) 231-3010

LOCATION:

Alphin-Stuart Livestock Arena
Plantation Road
Blacksburg, VA

The Virginia Shepherds’ Symposium is open to all sheep producers from the Mid-Atlantic Region. It provides in-service training opportunities for extension personnel, educators and other professionals in sheep and related agribusiness industries. Youth are an important segment of the sheep industry and are invited to attend.

MOTEL RESERVATIONS:

Holiday Inn Express – (540) 552-5636
1020 Plantation Road, Blacksburg (~0.5 mile)
(across Prices Fork Road)
Rate: $85 plus 5.3% Sales Tax

Rooms have been reserved at the hotel listed above. These rooms will be held until January 1, 2015.

Please state you are with the Shepherds Symposium when making reservations.

MOTEL RESERVATIONS ON YOUR OWN

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* TDD number is (800) 828-1120.