

# **Tri-State Meat Goat Conference**

## **September 25 to 27, 2009**

### **North Dakota State University, Fargo**



Dear Potential Sponsor,

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Tri-State Meat Goat Conference is scheduled for September 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> at North Dakota State University in Fargo. This conference has been developed through the collaborative efforts of North Dakota State University, University of Minnesota, South Dakota University, and numerous meat goat producers in the tri-state area.

Meat goat production is the fastest growing meat animal industry in the nation. Last year, in Alexandria, MN, we had over 150 participants from 7 states attend the conference. This year, we are expecting an equivalent crowd. The 2009 conference represents an outstanding educational opportunity for both new and experienced producers.

We would like to extend an invitation to you and your business/organization to participate in this year's conference through sponsorship and/or the rental of vendor space. Vendor space is located at Sheppard Arena on the NDSU campus (please see #66 on the attached map). Your display can be set-up indoors or outdoors.

A variety of sponsorship options are available to meet your needs and budget (please see the attached registration form). The registration deadline for sponsorship is Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. If you have any further questions please visit our conference website at: [www.ndsu.edu/sheepandgoat](http://www.ndsu.edu/sheepandgoat). You can also contact a member of our sponsorship committee:

- Brenda Postels, U of M Extension (763-682-7381)
- Clint Clark, SDSU Extension (605-273-4368)
- Bill Klein, NDSU Extension (701-851-0337)

Thank you for considering sponsorship and we look forward to seeing you at the 2009 Tri-State Meet Goat Conference in Fargo!

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**The following sponsorship levels have been made available to meet a variety of needs and budgets.**

#### **Platinum Elite - \$2,000**

Platinum Elite Sponsorship is \$2,000 and has been developed for larger organizations/businesses that would like to demonstrate immense support for the 2009 conference and the developing meat goat industry within the tri-state area. Platinum Elite Sponsorship includes the following:

- Full page advertisement and additional recognition in the 2009 program
- Five full conference registrations
- Ten minutes of speaking time at the banquet on Friday evening
- Double vendor space if needed (i.e. two 4' X 8' tables with chairs), plus additional floor space if needed.

#### **Gold - \$1,000**

Gold Sponsorship is \$1,000 and has been developed for larger organizations/businesses that would like to make a substantial contribution to the 2009 conference. Gold Sponsorship includes the following:

- Full page advertisement and additional recognition in the 2009 program
- Five full conference registrations
- Single vendor space (4' X 8' table with chairs), plus additional floor space if needed.

#### **Silver - \$500**

Silver Sponsorship is \$500 and has been developed for larger organizations/businesses that would like to make a substantial contribution to the 2009 conference. Silver Sponsorship includes the following:

- Half page advertisement and additional recognition in the 2009 program
- Two full conference registrations
- Single vendor space (4' X 8' table with chairs), plus additional floor space if needed.

#### **Bronze - \$125**

Bronze Sponsorship is \$125 and is offered to small businesses and non-profit organizations. Bronze Sponsorship includes the following:

- Recognition in the 2009 program
- One full conference registration
- Single vendor space (4' X 8' table with chairs), plus additional floor space if needed.

#### **Monetary Donation**

A monetary donation can be submitted in any amount over \$50. Monetary donors are offered the following:

- Advertisement and additional recognition in the 2009 program.

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#### Sponsor Application

Please submit this application by September 11<sup>th</sup>.

I would like to sponsor at the following level for the 2009 Tri-State Meat Goat Conference:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Platinum Elite (\$2,000)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Gold (\$1,000)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Silver (\$500)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bronze (\$125)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Monetary Donation (in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, greater than \$50)
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will need additional floor space for equipment (estimated sq. ft. \_\_\_\_\_)
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have sent appropriate advertisement information (full page for Platinum Elite and Gold Sponsors, half page for Silver Sponsors, quarter page for monetary donators) to Dr. Charlie Stoltenow via email (charles.stoltenow@ndsu.edu)

#### Sponsor Information:

Business/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Person(s) that will be in attendance (for registration purposes) \_\_\_\_\_

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Description of your business/organization (100 words or less) \_\_\_\_\_

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Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Toll Free \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Website \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to:** NDSU Department of Animal Sciences

**Mail completed applications to:** Department of Animal Sciences  
NDSU Department 7630  
P.O. Box 6050  
Fargo, ND 58108-6050

For additional information please refer to the 2009 Tri-State Meat Goat Conference Website [www.ndsu.edu/sheepandgoat](http://www.ndsu.edu/sheepandgoat). The persons indicated above that will be in attendance, will automatically be registered for the conference. Please note that Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze sponsorships include one or more registration. Additional attendees from your business/organization must register separately on-line.