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# Piedmont Regional Goat & Sheep Conference

## Saturday, May 11, 2019

**Chatham County Agriculture & Conference Center**

1192 US-64 W Business, Pittsboro, NC 27312

**Registration: 9:30 a.m. | Program: 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.**

*An informative event for beginner and advanced alike with a focus on sheep and goat management.*

*Topics to include: internal parasites, deworming, goat carcass evaluation, starting your enterprise, nutrition, finishing meat goats, small-scale budgets, pasture management, and ethnic holiday marketing.*

**Register Online <https://go.ncsu.edu/goatsheepconf2019>**

**Early Registration Deadline: May 1, 2019**

Early Registration Fee: \$15/person | On-Site Registration Fee: \$20/person | Lunch is Included!

**Please make check payable to: “Alamance County” and mail to: Alamance County Cooperative Extension, ATTN: Lauren Langley, 209-C N. Graham-Hopedale Rd. Burlington, NC 27217**

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AGENDA	
9:30 a.m.	Registration
10:00 a.m.	<b>Opening Session</b> Latest Recommendations for Controlling Internal Parasites in Small Ruminants <i>Susan Schoenian, Sheep &amp; Goat Specialist, University of Maryland Extension</i>
11:00 a.m.	<b>Concurrent Sessions:</b> <b>1A:</b> Carcass Evaluation of Small Ruminants <i>Susan Schoenian, Sheep &amp; Goat Specialist, University of Maryland Extension</i> <b>1B:</b> Getting Your Business Idea Off the Ground <i>Derek Washburn, NC Farm School Program Associate</i> <b>1C:</b> Feeding Your Herd or Flock: Nutritional Management Strategies for Sheep and Goats <i>Dr. Emily Cope, Livestock Extension Specialist, NC A&amp;T</i>
12:00 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>
1:00 p.m.	<b>Concurrent Sessions:</b> <b>2A:</b> Options for Growing and Finishing Lambs and Kids <i>Susan Schoenian, Sheep &amp; Goat Specialist, University of Maryland Extension</i> <b>2B:</b> Small-Scale Budgets for Sheep & Goat Enterprises <i>Derek Washburn, NC Farm School Program Associate</i> <b>2C:</b> Pasture Establishment & Forage Selection <i>Lauren Langley, Livestock Extension Agent, Alamance County</i>
2:00 p.m.	<b>Closing Session</b> Marketing Sheep & Goats to the Ethnic Markets <i>Susan Schoenian, Sheep &amp; Goat Specialist, University of Maryland Extension</i>
3:00 p.m.	<b>Adjourn</b> Evaluation & Door Prizes

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## Speakers



**Susan Schoenian, *Sheep and Goat Specialist, University of Maryland***

Susan Schoenian is a Sheep and Goat Specialist at the University of Maryland's Western Maryland Research & Education Center. She has been with University of Maryland Extension since 1988. Previously, she served as a Regional Farm Management Specialist (Eastern Shore region) and county agricultural agent in Wicomico County. Susan holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in Animal Science from Virginia Tech and Montana State University, respectively. Susan lives on a small sheep farm (called [The Baalands](#)) in Clear Spring, Maryland.



**Derek Washburn, *NC Farm School Program Associate, NCSU***

Derek grew up in Greensboro, North Carolina and became passionate about agriculture when he went to work on a commercial chicken farm in Anson County. He helped maintain pasture, put up fence, feed cows, and was able to attend community college as a result of his labor. From there, Derek was accepted to NC State and finished a two-year degree in agronomy and went on to simultaneously work full time and complete his B.S. in Agricultural Business Management. Currently, Derek is working on a masters degree in crop science and has been working to support the NC Farm School program for the past 4 years.



**Dr. Emily Cope, *Livestock Extension Specialist, NC A&T University***

Dr. Emily Cope is the Animal Science Extension Specialist at North Carolina A&T State University. She is a North Carolina native and an NCSU Animal Science alum. She specializes in small and large ruminant nutrition and physiology. Her extension programming focuses on small-scale production, with an emphasis in nutrition. Prior to joining NCA&T, she earned her doctorate degree from the University of Tennessee. Her research at Tennessee focused on energy utilization and metabolic efficiency in ruminants. Additionally, she evaluated the relationship between energy balance and reproduction in sheep.

### 2019 Piedmont Regional Sheep & Goat Conference Planning Committee

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