

The Indiana Sheep Association Sheep Symposium was held September 25 at the Boone Co. fairgrounds. The day was gorgeous and we enjoyed great speakers and wonderful food. The morning sessions started with Steva Bowers and Dan Willoughby talking on line sales web-sites with Karen Parsley on getting that lamb cut for the freezer. The youth were enthralled doing the necropsy on a ewe and ram with Dr. Jerry Flanders and Gerald Kelly. All morning Sam & Pat Wiford had a Skill-a-thon going on the winners were adult- Juanita Padgett – 13-16 Seth Michel – 9-12 Mallory Minnick – 8 & under Allie Johnson. Lunch was catered by Linda Barnett Lunch time speakers were Lynette Walter on state fair and she was presented the Flo Benson – the voice of ISA. We had updates on ASI, the American lamb board, the IJCLC, and the ASI Jr. Board. Board members with new 3 year terms are:

After lunch topics were on shearing and fitting for youth and adults Kate Larson judged the scarf contest and marketing your wool, Dr. Cheryl Miller from the animal board of health gave a scrapie update. A breeder's panel discussed lambing and Stanley Poe reported on AI and Embryo transfer. Paul & Diane Russell talked about farmers markets and Karen Parsley cooked easy with lamb. Mary Ann Cripe beginning to spin. The youth had sessions on feeding & nutrition, showmanship, sheep selection, judging /breeds. The ISA served an evening meal of roasted lamb. Evening meeting discussion on Check Off reinstated The Shepard award was presented to Duane Sickles.