



Tennessee Browsing Academy 08/09 May 2015

University of Tennessee
Middle TN Research & Education Center
Spring Hill, TN

A detailed, educational, hands-on 2-day seminar
sponsored by:

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TENNESSEE BROWSING ACADEMY REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

ADDRESS: _____

COST: \$150.00 PER PERSON NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS ATTENDING: _____

TOTAL COST: \$ _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **UNIVERSITY of TENNESSEE**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS 01 MAY 2015.

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM TO: **TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY**
(or call in confirmation)

3500 J.A. Merritt Blvd., Box 9635
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Attn: An Peischel
Nashville, TN 37209-1651

The sixth Tennessee Browsing Academy is being hosted by Tennessee State University in their quest to offer advanced information on the enhancement of lands. A pilot project was initiated and completed 2006. This educational, hands-on 2-day seminar begins on 08 May through 09 May 2015. The program is based on the successful California Browsing Academy that has been taught for the past 14 years as a partnership of An Peischel and Roger Ingram, Extension Livestock Specialist for Placer and Nevada Counties out of Auburn, CA (University of CA – Davis). Roger Ingram, Ranching for Profit instructor, will bring “the business” part of land enhancement and land restoration to the forefront.

Day 1 (08May15) - Roger Ingram and An Peischel

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| 8:00AM – 8:30AM | Introduction / Overview (Lecture) |
| 8:30AM – 9:30AM | Rest Period and Graze Period (Lecture / Demonstration) |
| 9:30AM – 10:45AM | Low Stress Goat Handling Basics |
| 10:45AM–11:00AM | Break |
| 11:00AM – 12:30PM | Paddock setup (Activity) |
| 12:30PM – 1:30PM | Lunch |
| 1:30PM – 3:00PM | Brush Ecology (Lecture / Activity) |
| 3:00PM–3:15PM | Break |
| 3:15PM–4:00PM | Multi-Species Grazing (Lecture / Activity) |
| 4:00PM–5:00PM | Health and Welfare of Goats (Lecture / Activity) |
| Evening | Economics / Finance / Business Planning |

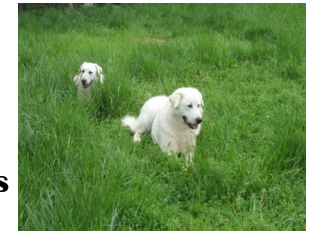
Day 2 (09May15) - Roger Ingram and An Peischel

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| 8:00AM – 8:30AM | Review |
| 8:30AM–10:30AM | Nutrition / Supplementation (Lecture / Activity) |
| 10:30AM – 10:45AM | Break |
| 10:45AM – Noon | Field Walk / Project Assessment (Bill Legg) |
| Noon–1:00PM | Lunch |
| 1:00PM – 2:30PM | Water Development / Livestock Guardian Dogs (Lecture / Activity) |
| 2:30PM – 2:45M | Break |
| 2:45PM – 4:00PM | Browsing Planning (Lecture / Activity) |
| 4:00PM – 5:00PM | Monitoring (Lecture / Activity / Demonstration) |

Hotel: Best Western, 104 Kedron Parkway, Spring Hill, TN, 37174-2458 (931-486-1234 or 877-486-2234)



Throughout the two days, attendees will be conducting vegetative site analysis, before and after photo monitoring, cutting fence lines, erecting portable solar powered fences, body condition scoring of goats, FAMACHA training, fecal analysis and spending time in the area with the goats monitoring plant species browsed and plant part selected. There will be a lot of hands-on, outside activities. Kiko / Spanish Meat goats will be used that are presently enhancing land in Tennessee; the basis for contracting business discussions.



NRCS (Natural Resource Conservation Service) will be in attendance to discuss programs available to producers as they relate to goat production and vegetation utilization.

The Tennessee Farmers Cooperative will discuss in detail their forage-master goat mineral (#96216) and sheep mineral (#96297).

Registration is \$150.00 (check written to: **University of Tennessee**), includes lunches, breaks, manuals, CDs, and DVDs. Please **mail the check to: Tennessee State University**, attn: An Peischel, Cooperative Extension, 3500 J.A. Merritt Blvd., Box 9635, Nashville, TN 37209-1561. For more information, call 615-963-5539 (central time) or email An Peischel (apeischel@tnstate.edu).

Directions to Middle TN Research and Research Center (MTREC)
 I-65 (North or South)
 Exit 53—Saturn Parkway (exit is south of TN State 840 interchange)
 Go West (Parkway only goes west) approximately 3-4 miles
 At split, take HWY 31 South Columbia ramp
 Ramp loops down onto HWY 31 heading south
 Travel approximately 1 mile to Middle TN Research and Education Center entrance-on the left, sign and US flag out front
 Travel through the center, past dairy to conference center (sign)

The Tennessee Department of Agriculture has provided a grant to help fund the Tennessee Browsing Academy through the Tennessee Agriculture Enhancement Program.