

Heart of America Grazing Conference

February 20, 2023

(All Times are Eastern Standard Time)

12:30 PM	Registration, Trade Show, Silent Auction
1:25	Welcome Kenneth Eck
1:30	Designing a Managed Grazing System—A Practical Approach Before the First Post is Set, session 1 Led by Dr. Keith Johnson and Jason Tower My Farm Objectives Zach Moore Current Inventory of the Operation John Scott Learning About the Land Lee Schnell Soil Sampling Techniques/Lessons Dr. Keith Johnson
2:45	Break, Visit Tradeshow
3:15	Designing a Managed Grazing System, session 2 Determining Fencing Needs Jason Tower Developing the Water Resource Robert Zupancic Forage Seeding Options Miles Kuhn What can the Pasture Support? Dr. Nick Minton
5:00	Break, Visit Tradeshow and Social Time
6:00 –6:45	Supper
	After Dinner Program
6:45	The Power of One Wire Johnny Rogers
7:30	Reflections of 20 years of the Heart of America Grazing Conference - Thoughts From the Founding Fathers Read by: Jason Tower
7:45	Tomorrows Speakers—a Self Introduction
8:00	Forage and Grazing Videos and Social Time
9:00	Hall closes

February 21, 2023

7:00 AM	Registration and Refreshments / Visit Trade Show and Silent Auction
8:00	Conference Welcome Elysia Rogers
8:15	What is Soil Health and What Affect does Grazing Have on It? Dr. Alan Franzluebbbers
9:15	Opportunities in a Grazing Program with Small Ruminants Johnny Rogers
10:15	Break—Visit Trade Show and Silent Auction
10:45	Livestock Disorders Associated with Stored Forages Dr. Grant Burcham
11:15	A Review of the Blue River Watershed Project Pete Huff
11:45	Lunch
12:30 PM	Our Stories Devon Churchill—cow/calf operation Ronnie Boehm—custom grazer Danielle and Aaron Walker—sheep producers
1:15	Questions/Answers with the Producers
1:30	Break, Visit Tradeshow, Silent Auction Ends
2:00	Bale Grazing: Feeding Hay the Rotational Grazing Way Dr. Greg Halich
2:55	Traditional Vs Biological Soil Tests—What do They Tell Us and How do We Use the Data? Dr. Alan Franzluebbbers
3:45	What Data Should be Recorded and Improved Ways to Do It Jason Tower
4:15	Questions for all Speakers and Fill Out Conference Survey
5:00	Adjourn

Conference Speakers

Ronnie Boehm—Owner, Boehm Farms, Spencer County, IN

Dr. Grant Burcham, DVM, PhD—Director, Heeke Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory, Purdue University

Devon Churchill—Co-owner, Churchill Farms, Harrison County

Kenneth Eck—Purdue Extension, Dubois County, IN

Dr. Alan Franzluebbbers, PhD—Research Ecologist, USDA-ARS, Raleigh, North Carolina

Dr. Greg Halich, PhD— Ag Economics, University of Kentucky and producer of forage finished beef

Pete Huff—Wallace Center, Pasture Project

Dr. Keith Johnson, PhD— Forage Extension Specialist, Purdue University

Miles Kuhn—Forage Agronomist, Allied Seed

Dr. Nick Minton, PhD — Beef Systems Specialist, Purdue University and Director Indiana Beef Evaluation Program

Zach Moore—Owner, Moore Farm, Orange County, IN

Elysia Rodgers—Purdue Extension, Dekalb County, IN and President, Indiana Forage Council

Johnny Rogers—Owner, Rogers Cattle Company, Roxboro, North Carolina

Lee Schnell—NRCS District Conversationist, Orange County, IN

John Scott—Purdue University Digital Agriculture Extension Coordinator

Jason Tower—Superintendent, Southern Indiana Purdue Ag Center (SIPAC)

Danielle and Aaron Walker—Owner, Howell Road Farm, LLC, Washington County, IN

Robert Zupancic—Grazing Specialist, Indiana NRCS

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City _____

State/Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

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2nd from same farm \$80 _____

One Day Registration \$60 _____

Please indicate 2/20 ____ or 2/21 ____

After January 22

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2nd from same farm \$105 _____

One Day Registration \$75 _____

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General Information

Conference Site

The Ferdinand Community Center in Ferdinand, IN is the host site for the 2023 conference. It is conveniently located just a few miles north of I-64 at Exit 63 in southern Indiana. The address for the community center is:

1710 Community Dr.
Ferdinand, IN 47532
www.ferdinandcommunitycenter.com

Lodging

Within 3 miles of the conference site:
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Ferdinand, IN 47532
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for additional information:
www.indianaforage.org**

If interested in participating at this event as a vendor please contact Jason Tower at 812-678-4427 or towerj@purdue.edu

Save the Date—Grazing 102

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