MARYLAND SHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
SHEEP SHEARING SCHOOL

Beginners Session 2016

Date: **April 15 and 16, 2015** (Friday and Saturday)

Place: **Ridgely Thompson Farm,** 1942 Uniontown Road, Westminster, MD 21157. Please look for "Shearing School" sign at the end of the driveway.

Time: **9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

Sponsor: Maryland Sheep Breeders' Association, Inc.

Registration: Registration must be made in advance, and accompanied by $100.00 per person fee. Fee includes ASI Sheep Shearing Manual, DVD, and wall chart. Checks should be made payable to: **Maryland Sheep Breeders Association, Inc. (MSBA)**

Deadline: <u>**April 1, 2016**</u>
                   Mail registration to: Aaron Geiman, 429 Hook Road, Westminster, Maryland 21157
                   Note: No registrations accepted after April 1, 2016. Participation is limited to 15 people, in order to maintain an optimal instructor-pupil ratio.

Qualifications: * The school is open to anyone who wants to learn to shear sheep.
                   * Ownership of sheep or a desire to become a commercial shearer is preferred.
                   * 16 years of age.
                   * A body and mind with the strength and willingness to learn to shear sheep.

What You Need   * Lunch, including drinks (no local restaurants or stores).
To Bring: * Comfortable clothes and shoes.
                   * Gloves.
                   Note: Shearing machines will be provided.

You Will Learn: * The New Zealand method of shearing sheep.
                   * How to adjust and care for hand-held shearing machines.
                   * How to set and adjust blades on these shearing machines.
                   * How to properly handle wool after shearing.
                   * Each registrant will receive an ASI Shearing Notebook and instructional DVD.

                   Note: We **do not** teach blade shearing.

Instructors: Aaron Geiman, Agriscience Teacher at North Carroll High School,
                   mdsheepshearingschool@gmail.com
                   Emily Chamelin-Hickman, Professional Shearer

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2016 Beginner Session Registration Form

Name_____   Phone_____

Address_____

_____   Zip Code_____

E-mail: _____   Number of persons attending: ___ x **$100.00** each $_____

Check One: _____Right Handed _____ Left Handed

Reason for attending: _____ Sheep Owner _____ Aspiring Commercial Shearer _____ Other (please explain on the back).

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