Great Lakes Graziers –

This is just a quick reminder of a few of the last pasture walk/farm tour events that you can attend in 2014. We have experienced record meat and milk prices in 2014. I hope your farm has benefitted. Here is to a healthy and prosperous end to this year, and wishes for a great grazing year in 2015!

Jerry Lindquist,

MSU Extension Grazing Educator

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Extending the Grazing Season Field Day

Contact: Misty Klotz, Kellogg Biological Station, 269-671-2402, klotzmis@msu.edu

The Michigan Biological Station, Kellogg Farm is hosting a field day, Extending the Grazing Season, on Friday, November 7, 2014 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Farmers, consultants, and educators will exchange ideas and experiences and discuss efficient planning and management strategies.

Field and classroom instruction will be used to inform participants about the economics and environmental value of different forage crops, along with varying approaches to extending the grazing season and opportunities for grazing multi-species cover crop mixes.

Field day speakers will be:

- MSUE Grazing and Crop Management Educator Jerry Lindquist, who will speak on the economic benefits of extending the grazing season, how to manage multi-species cover crop mixes and the advantages of winter bale grazing.

- Dr. Santiago Utsumi, Assistant Professor of Animal Science, who will lead a field tour and discuss opportunities and challenges for the use of high-yielding forage rape varieties as a single or double crop in pasture-based systems.

- Dr. Brook Wilke, Kellogg Farm Manager, who will discuss the Kellogg Farm seeding and harvest rotations for the 2014 and 2015 growing seasons.

Pre-registration is required by Wednesday, November 5; this event will be held outside so please dress for the weather. There is no fee to attend. To register, contact Misty Klotz by email (klotzmis@msu.edu) or phone (269) 671-2402.

Learn more about the KBS Pasture Dairy and other events by visiting pasturedairy.kbs.msu.edu.

Sharing information is a vital step to developing stronger, stable pasture-based systems.
Extending the Grazing Season Agenda

W.K Kellogg Biological Station, Kellogg Farm, 10461 N. 40th Street, Hickory Corners, MI 49060

Friday, November 7, 2014, Kellogg Farm

12:45 pm  Registration- Farm offices lobby

1:00 pm  Introductions and overview
  Misty Klotz, KBS Pasture Dairy Outreach Coordinator

1:05 pm  Economics of Extending the Grazing Season
  Jerry Lindquist, MSUE Grazing & Field Crop Educator

1:30 pm  Load vans and travel to fields

1:35 pm  Field rotation – summer Corn Silage followed by Cereal Rye
  Jerry Lindquist, MSUE Grazing & Field Crop Educator
  Dr. Brook Wilke Farm Manager

2:05 pm  Field rotation – summer Oats flowed by Wheat and Red Clover
  Jerry Lindquist, MSUE Grazing & Field Crop Educator
  Dr. Brook Wilke Farm Manager

2:35 pm  Field rotation - summer annuals, Grazing Corn, Teff Grass
  winter annuals - Triticale, Hairy Vetch, Winfred Brassica
  Jerry Lindquist, MSUE Grazing & Field Crop Educator
  Dr. Brook Wilke Farm Manager

3:05 pm  High yielding Forage Rape varieties as a signal or double crop for breeding heifers
  Dr. Santiago Utsumi MSU Assistant Professor

4:00 pm  Winter grazing demonstrations; Bale grazing and Bale feeder
  Jerry Lindquist, MSUE Grazing & Field Crop Educator

5:00 pm  Depart

Thank you for attending the Extending the Grazing Season field day!
We appreciate your participation, time and efforts

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Modern Forage Feeding Systems for Sheep Production

Saturday, November 8, 2014

Meeting location and times:

**Noon - 1:30 p.m. Scotts Community Center**  
8450 36th Street South, Scotts, MI 49088

**2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.: Oswalt Family Farm**  
10144 East XY Ave., Vicksburg, MI 49097

The Oswalt family will host a tour of their sheep farm that is home to 1200 ewes and a feeding system that centers on total mixed ration technology and use of by-product feeds. A discussion of feeding systems for highly productive ewes during pregnancy and lactation will be presented.

This program is free and requires no registration! Please contact Dr. Richard Ehrhardt with any questions you might have on these programs. Email: ehrhard5@msu.edu  
Phone: office (517) 353 2906 [office] or cell: (517) 899-0040
The MSU Lake City staff has sorted out 53 bred cows and heifers to be sold on-line. The sale started November 1 and will conclude on November 20. To see the details and pedigrees of the cattle go to http://sheridan.marknetlive.com/view-auctions/catalog/id/6060/ where you can also watch the bidding progress. To inspect the cattle in person contact station manager Doug Carmichael at 231-839-4608 to arrange a visit.