Welcome to the December issue of Boer Goat Monthly!

Dear Mary Ellen,

Welcome to December! I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Here is what you need to know for this month as an American Boer Goat Association™ member.

Renew your ABGA membership!
Membership Renewal letters were mailed out today. If you haven’t received yours in the next 10 days or so, call the office and let them know. Please mark the county that you live in on the renewal form.

December Face-to-Face Board Meeting
The next ABGA Board of Directors Face-to-Face Meeting will be held December 5th and 6th in San Antonio, Texas at the Hotel Indigo Riverwalk, in the Fibonacci room. To view the meeting agenda, click here. Minutes will be posted as soon as they are available after the meeting.

The next meeting after that will be held March 20th and 21st in Oklahoma City, Ok.

Voluntary DNA
There is only 1 month left of the voluntary DNA Testing program. Kids that are conceived after January 1, 2015 will not be able to be registered unless the buck has DNA on file. All other DNA testing through ABGA is on a voluntary basis, including parent verification.

The price for DNA testing increases on January 1, 2015 from $28 to $33 for members. If you have requested a sample DNA Test Kit and not
sent your sample to UC Davis, be sure to do that before the end of December.

To order you kit, click here.

### JABGA Fundraisers

The JABGA is selling calendars, and they are selling ad spaces within the calendars to members for promotional items, including birthdays, anniversaries, sale dates and breeder ads. A full page ad is $1000, a half page is $550, a quarter page is $300 and an eight page is $200. You can also purchase a small ad beside the month for $150. Sale dates, birthdays and anniversaries are just $15. Please contact Cindy Dusek, Youth Coordinator, for more information. cindy@abga.org

The JABGA is also still looking for recipes for their cookbook. They really want to put an emphasis on goat recipes, and they encourage people to send in recipes. Not only goat recipes are needed though. They are accepting recipes of all sorts, and they need as many as they can get. This is not directed to just ABGA or JABGA members, but everyone!

Please send recipes to Cindy Dusek, or any other junior board member. cindy@abga.org

### Announcements

#### 2015 National JABGA/ABGA Show

The 2015 JABGA/ABGA National Show will be held in Grand Island, Neb., June 7-12. A full schedule was approved at the last Face-to-Face meeting and is available at the end of the meeting minutes. Click here to go to the minutes.

#### Website services

A survey about adding new services to the website and database was distributed on Nov. 11. If you missed the email, click here to go to the survey.

The survey will be open until 11:59 PST on Dec. 3. Please send us your opinions so we have that information available as we move into phase II of the changes that are being made.

### REMINDER

Members who are sponsoring shows and/or seminars are invited to send the information to Robyn Scherer for inclusion in the ABGA Events Calendars. Applications for show sanctions should be sent to the office.

Please look for this email at the beginning of each month to stay up-to-date on everything ABGA!

Happy Holidays!

Sincerely,

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