

## **Kinder Goat Breeders Association**

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KINDER GOAT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION



Greetings Dear Kinder Friends! I hope my note finds your New Year to be a prosperous one, with lots of Kinder doelings born in 2010!

So many things have been happening. From newsletter changes to new programs and websites created for your success!

Jeanette Wood is doing a marvelous job with the Newsletter and our new **Kinder Blog**. If you have not visited the <u>Kinder</u> <u>Communiqué</u> Blog yet I hope you will do so soon. <u>http://www.kindercommuniqu</u> <u>e.blogspot.com/</u> It is my hope to have a different **Kinder breeder featured each month**. Please let me know when **YOU** are ready to be featured. <u>Email me</u> at: goats07@live.com

Your kinder board voted to have **classified ads** in our Newsletter. Should you have a Kinder goat for sale, and you are a member of the KGBA, then you can now list that animal in our classified ads, free of charge. We are also offering display ads at very reasonable prices. Jeanette will be giving you more details about this program later in this Newsletter.

Not only do we have a new Kinder blog but we also have a new <u>Web Site</u>. The address is: <u>www.kindergoatbreeders.com</u>. When you need a form to register, transfer and etc., they are ready for you to download. After you take a look, let us know what you think of the new site. Is there anything that you would like to see displayed there? This is **your** Web Site and we want to hear your ideas on how to make it more user friendly.

> "new programs and websites created for your success! "

On another note, Many years ago we held what was called. "Milk Out for Kinder Goats." This was along the lines of one-day milk testing except no milk supervisor was used. This program was free of charge and open to all members of the association. The KGBA enclosed a form in the Newsletter along with instructions on how to use the form and explained how to do the milking. There were dates set when the milking was to be done and a dead line for getting the forms back to the KGBA. I would like for us to offer this program again. The question now is, "Would you like to see this done again?" If so, "Would you take part in this program?" This program would help prove the milking ability of your does. It could

also be helpful as you market your does to the public. Let me hear your thoughts on this. Contact me at: <u>goats07@live.com</u>

We are excited to offer a new resource for our members called, *Kinder Care.* This is a line where you can get information about some goat related problems that you might have. For more information on the program please see page 8 . We have three ladies who have volunteered to do this: Ramona Birdsall, Jean Jjan and Pat Showalter

I want to thank them in advance for volunteering to do this. I think it is a good service not only for those that are new to raising goats but also for us old timers. No matter how long we have been in the business there always comes a time when we need some advice. Never be afraid to ask.

If there are any of you who would wish to contact me, please feel free to do that.

You can contact me by phone or email:

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goats07@live.com

### Healthy Homestead: Pregnancy Toxemia in Goats

Pregnancy toxemia is a metabolic disease that may occurs in does late in their pregnancy. The doe has increased demands placed on her body for energy by the rapidly growing kids. This is more common in does carrying multiple kids, overly fat does, does who get little if no exercise and does feed poor quality hay. The doe is not taking in enough energy due to do decreased space for the rumen. She is unable to provide for both herself and the growing kids. When this happens the doe body makes sure the kids get enough energy and carbohydrates for their growth at the expense of the mother. This causes the doe to mobilize her fat reserves and break them down for glucose which causes the formation of ketones, acetoacetate

and B-hydroxybutyrate. As the doe becomes more severely hypoglycemic the level of ketones in the blood increases and ketosis occurs.



"A Midwest Winter" taken by Joe Wood

In late stage ketosis the water intake decreases and the urine output decreases causing kidney failure. The symptoms of toxemia may include lethargy, decreased appetite beginning usually with grain intake first. The doe may start grinding her teeth and moan a lot. She might also show signs of depression, weight loss especially noticeable along the topline and edema in the lower legs and ankles. There might be a noticeable sweet odor to her breath also. She will eventually become recumbent and not respond to her environment.

The easiest way to detect the condition is to collect a urine specimen and check it with a ketone test strip (Ketostix). These can purchase these from a pharmacy and they

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### Letters from our Readers: Newsletter Corrections and New Members

#### To the editor...

"I got my newsletter today and I really like the changes. I also wanted to let you know that <u>www.kindercommunique.c</u> om doesn't work.

Thanks!"

Sarah Paintiff

Thank you for bringing this to our attention Sarah. The correct blog address should have been listed as:

www.kindercommunique.blogs pot.com Thank you to everyone who took time to share their thoughts about the new look of the KGBA Newsletter!

#### To the editor...

"Actually, we're not members of KGBA (yet). As I read your email it struck me that membership would make a nice stocking stuffer for my wife this Christmas."

**Donal Parks** 

How fun! What a wonderful idea Donal! On behalf of the entire Kinder Goat Breeders Association, we look forward to knowing you more and wish you great success with your Kinders!



If you have a note for the editor <u>write</u> to:

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### Healthy Homestead Continued...

can usually be obtained in a small box of a dozen, each individually sealed. During kidding season I always have a box of test strips and two ounce paper cups in my coat pocket so that I can check any does that I might suspect of having a problem. The strip is dipped in the urine and the color is checked against the chart. If there is any indication of toxemia begin treatment immediately.

Treatment depends on the stage of the disease. The ketostix test and close observation can tell how sever the ketosis is and how well you are doing at controlling it. If the doe is in the lower range and/or up and moving around, adding a pound of grain and better quality roughage can bring her back into normal range. If she won't consume grain then the addition of propylene glycol at the rate of 60 ml two or three times a day is recommended. There are currently two homemade substitutes for propylene glycol that are purported to work as well or better on ketotic does. These are "Magic" and "Revive", the formulas for which are included at the end of the article. Many breeders claim to have had more success with Magic and Revive than with propylene glycol. Revive users have reported that they use it successfully by using three doses during the day and the Magic at night.

If the animal is unwilling to eat

and/or cannot get up the prognosis is not too good and requires a vet's intervention as the doe will need intravenous glucose. If she is within one week of kidding and her breeding date is certain, she can be induced with 10 mg of prostaglandin and will kid within twenty four hours. If her due date is uncertain and saving both the doe and kids is desired, 20 to 25 mg dexamethasone may be used as it has a gluconeogenic effect and stimulates the appetite. This takes approximately 44-50 hours. Usually, late term fetuses are born and more immature fetuses are not aborted but can sometimes successfully be carried to term.

In the case of a valuable doe that is down and is failing to improve within a day of the commencement of intravenous treatment, a cesarean should be performed. Frequently in this case the kids will not survive. It can be beneficial on the first vet visit to administer dexamethasone to prepare the immature kids lungs and increase their chance of survival even if the plan is to induce labor or prepare for a cesarean.

## As we all know, prevention is the best medicine.

- Fat does should be slimmed down before breeding.
- The does should be feed

good quality forage during the last two months.

- Move timid does to their own area so they do not have to compete with more aggressive does for food. If the timid does is known to be carrying triplets or more, make sure she gets some additional supplementation.
- Make sure the does get some daily exercise
- Avoid sudden changes in food.
- Avoid unnecessary stressing of late term does
- Monitor the rest of the herd. If one doe has it, others may well be developing it also.

Article was written and submitted by Jean Jajan. Jean and her husband, Gary, reside in , have raised goats for 10 Years, and is currently one of our K.G.B.A. Members at Large.

#### **Recipe for Magic**

- 1 cup corn oil
- 1 cup molasses
- 2 cups corn syrup (Karo). It can be thin this down a bit with 2-3 oz of cal dextrose or calcium gluconate for does suspected of being hypocalcemic.

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Store is a cool place. Use about 60 -100 cc 3-4 times a day in Kinder size does depending on severity of ketosis.

#### **Recipe for Revive**

500 ml bottle of 50% Dextrose

500 ml bottle of amino acid solution (if the concentrate, use only 50cc)

200 ml calcium Gluconate

20 ml B complex

2 grams Ascorbic acid (vit. C)

5 ml B12 (3,000 mcg/ml)

5 ml 500mg/ml Thiamin

Store in a clean jar, in a dark cool place. Use 60-100 cc 3-4 times a day in Kinder size does depending on severity of ketosis.

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### **Meet your Upcoming Featured KGBA Breeders**

January– Sarah Plantiff from Goodwife Farm Kinders, Illinois Los Lunas, New Mexico



February– Jan Hodges from



March- Leah Rennick



As promised in our last Newsletter, Sue Huston is featuring a Kinder breeder each month on our *Kinder Blog* (www.kindercommunique.blogspot.com). Our January Breeder is already posting some wonderful articles and photos of her farm! Make sure you drop by and say, "Hello".

### A Note from the Editor

I am delighted to once again get our KGBA newsletter out to our members online and in hardcopy format! If you would like to receive your newsletter online in PDF format, please email me and I will get you the password needed.

Thank you to everyone who submitted contributions for the

newsletter. I appreciate everyone's time and effort. I look forward to getting to know each of you more and working with you to create a strong, viable association for the benefit of others! I do have a few projects I am working on for future publica-



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tions. Including, "Kinders Across America" for our Summer 2010 Newsletter.

> If you would like your farm and/or family included please contact me

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### Kinder Care is now available for all K.G.B.A. Members!

We are excited to offer Kinder Care as part of our ongoing desire to

provide you with resources to make you successful on the farm!

Kinder Care is now available to all KGBA members. This program is free of charge and available to you as a resource to help answer your questions about Kinder Goat care. Please keep in mind that our volunteers are not veterinarians. If you ever have an emergency where you do not feel comfortable we suggest you call your local Veterinarian for help! We are here to brainstorm with you, share our experience and offer you the wisdom that we have learned off the farm. All of our volunteers are Kinder Goat lovers who are committed to the health and promotion of the Kinder Goat as well as your success in raising them! I have listed the time zone of each volunteer for your reference. We look forward to serving you and seeing you prosper on the farm!

#### Meet you Kinder Care Volunteers:

Ramona Birdsall (CST)

edro@cvalley.net

Call 660-395-0024

Please note: Ramona works part time but you can leave a message and she will get back with you just as soon as she can.

#### A note from Ramona:

"I have been enjoying goats since 1990. Most of my years spent in the Hibbing Minnesota area, moved to Missouri about six years ago. Throughout the years I have had my share of happenings with my goats - good and not so good, I know there comes a time when we all need a friend to help us with our goats. I am happy to be a part of "Kinder Care" with the understanding that I do not have a veterinary degree, all my help will come from years of hands on experience. I am excited to be of help and wish everyone a barn full of happy, healthy Kinders. "

Jean Jajan (PST)

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cell phone 503-962-9354

A note from Jean:

"I have had ten years experience with goats. I recommend reading everything you can about goat care and printing out articles from the internet to keep on hand in a binder. Find a large animal vet that is willing to work with goats and establish a good rapport with him/her before you need their services. Keep a thermometer on hand and plan ahead for kidding season."

Pat Showalter (PST)

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A note from Pat:

I've been a 'goat lady' for 30 some years and over the years have, through experience, learned to handle a wide variety of goat problems. I've had no 'formal' training, but spent a year as a volunteer at a vet clinic that deals with wildlife, and subsequently 12 years as a licensed wildlife rehabilitator, caring primarily for orphaned/injured fawns. I have had a wonderful vet for many of those years who has been very generous with his time and information in order to teach me much of what I needed to know. I would be happy to try to answer any *goat management questions* that members might have. help them determine if their problem needs a vet, or point them in the right direction to find it.

The best way to contact me is through the email address provided. I do check my emails several times a day.

### The Medicine Cabinet: Raw Apple Cider Vinegar

I am sure you are familiar with a phrase that my Grandma use to tell me as a child, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." I have learned not only to apply this reminder for my health, and my families, but for my goats health as well. I don't believe that any one item should be used as a 'cure all'. In fact, I have found that it is quite ineffective and unrealistic to apply that strategy in the care of our animals. Therefore, when using 'natural' resources for the health of your goats consider using a variety of sources for health. For Folk medicine that is still used

example, I use DE (Diatomaceous Earth) to help control parasites, along with fresh chopped garlic, herbal wormers, and Apple Cider Vinegar in their water. All of these help control parasites and prevent us from ever creating an environment that the parasites get use to living in. With that said, let's talk about the use of "raw" (unpasteurized) Apple Cider Vinegar (ACV) for the health of our goats.

Apple Cider Vinegar is an old

today with great results. Folk medicine in this text refers to treatment and maintenance of health with the use of home remedies that have been passed down through family and friends over time. It is my opinion, that we should be careful not to throw out the traditions that our ancestors used simply because we are making advancements in medicine. It is a balance that I have found brings about the best results.

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### Homestead Happenings: Frostbite in a Kinder Kid

Written by: Karla Allsberry, Lisa LaRose and Lisa Lamm

Last winter, I faced a horrible situation which taught me a lot about the importance of being diligent about preventing and recognizing frostbite. First, never let your guard down when kids are due during cold weather. Frequent trips to the barn are imperative. Frostbite is more likely to occur with prolonged temperatures below 24 degrees Fahrenheit. Second, if new kids are found cold in the barn, assume they could have

frostbite, and treat them accord- light kidded. I had checked her ingly.

Last February, both of my children had chicken pox. My husband was working a lot of overtime; therefore, I, too, was working overtime trying to manage my Kinder Goats at Spring Creek Farm. My Kinder doe Cedar Rose Twilight was due to kid around the first week in February. During that week it was cold in eastern Missouri, but I put Twilight in the barn and watched her closely. During the coldest night of that week, Twi-

around 11 p.m. and her ligaments were intact and her udder has not drastically changed so I decided not to set my alarm clock to check her during the night.

The next morning, I woke up, suited up and headed down the hill to the barn. Twilight had one doeling. When I found her, she was standing very still by her mother. She was not crying but just calmly

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### In the Spotlight: Meet Ramona Birdsall



Life in the gan in 1990 with a Nubian wether kid and an American Alpine doeling as my daughters 4-H

projects. Many visits to Blueberry Hill Farm helped us enjoy and learn how to care for our goats.

Blueberry Hill Farm gifted us our first ADGA Registered Alpine doe, in milk, so we were off

to a great start. Feb. 1991 our fist scratch developed. goat world be- Beauty Mountain Farm goats were registered with ADGA, and our herd of Alpine and Nubians was easily growing.

> In 1993 our breed of choice changed as I was fascinated with what I was reading on the Kinder Goat. Pat Showalter was very helpful to us and was willing to jet - set us a bred Kinder doe. "Jewel Flower" was our first Kinder. Jewel kidded with two does and how lucky we were. Thereafter the challenge of starting our own Kinder lines from

In the years of learning, 4 - H, showing, educating others, visiting nursing homes, parades, DHIR, buck collections and HES we have met some wonderful people and hugged many a lovely goat.

**HES with Harvey Considine** helped to fill many lovely memories with the goats and he truly had a shine for the

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### In the Kitchen with Kinders: Aromatic Goat

Aromatic Goat (serves 8) Submitted by Sue Huston

1 leg of goat (about 4 lbs.) 3 lbs. potatoes, peeled and quartered honey, olive oil, butter Rosemary, Thyme & Oregano

Put the leg of goat into a large roasting pan. Bruise the leaves of 2 or 3 sprigs of rosemary and sprinkle them over the meat. Add plenty of pepper and 1 tablespoon of honey. Rub the mixture into the meat with vour hands.

Then rub half a lemon over the joint, squeezing the juice on the meat as you do so. Do not add any salt.

Leave this to marinate for 4 to 24 hours.

Place potatoes in a single layer around the meat. Squeeze lemon juice over them (you may use up to 1 and 1/2 lemons for a strong citrus flavor.

Carefully pour 1/4 pint water into a corner of the roasting pan, then sprinkle over the potatoes and goat about 2 tablespoons chopped fresh rosemary and at least 1 teaspoon each fresh chopped thyme and oregano, and some salt and pepper. Drizzle on 1 1/2 teaspoons honey and 1 tablespoon olive oil, then dot with 1 oz butter.

Bake for 1 to  $1 \frac{1}{4}$  hours at 425 degrees. The ingredients will become gilded and will burnish to rich brown in places. Lift the meat and turn the potatoes occasionally, and if necessary, add a little boiling water to the pan to prevent drying out.

Bakers Note: Do not over cook goat meat! Sticking it in the oven then running off to do other things will not contribute to a juicy dinner.

If you have a recipe you would like to share, I would love to hear from you. I am especially interested in recipes that use goat milk or meat.

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### Kids Korner: Interview with Shayla Paintiff



My name is Shayla Alanis Paintiff; was 11 years old on Christmas Eve.

I was about 3 when we got our first goat Bluebelle. She was a Saanen goat. We moved when I was 5 and we had to sell her. We have had kinder goats for two years. My favorite memory with goats is when our goat, Tulip, had triplets last year, they were so cute! I like when the kids

jump around like antelope. Sometimes when the babies are born I help them get stand and get their first drink. I haven't bottle fed the kids vet but I would like to bottle feed one of Naomi's kids when they are born Thank you Shayla for sharing this year.

Naomi is my goat. She is a beautiful red color with a black stripe down her back and black tear marks. I am going to milk her when she kids, which should be in March. Naomi's favorite food is honeysuckle, and her favorite thing to do is to chew on your pants strings or climb up onto the mounting block and turn on the barn light with her nose! I love the other goats very much, but Naomi, no contest, is

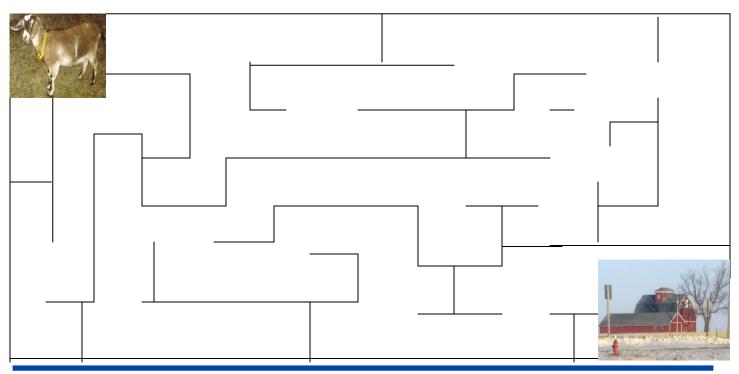
definitely the best! My favorite part about kinder goats is that they are just like dogs, except they have hoofs and they bleat instead of bark!

with us: I enjoyed getting to know you more. Let me know how your bottle feeding experience goes. We bottle feed our babies and love it!

If anyone else has a story or memories that they would like to share you can email me at fortheloveofgoats@gmail.com

> For the Love of Goats, Beth Joy Wood

### Can you help this Kinder doe find her way to the barn?



### Homestead Happenings Continued...

standing. When I picked her up, I knew that she was very cold, especially her legs and ears. I immediately milked her mother and then proceeded to the house in fear that she was going to die from hypothermia. I was clueless the she was suffering from frost bite on her ears and hind legs. I dried her and put her in a box with a heat lamp. That was the wrong thing to do. I know now that I should have warmed her by putting her in water, 104-105 degrees F, for an hour, and adding water to maintain that temperature. Rethawing is painful, so Banamine might be prescribed if a veterinarian is consulted.



I named the kid O "Meg" A Surprise, due to my surprise at seeing her that morning. She took colostrum and milk from a bottle, seemed to feel good, and made progress like any other kid for the first week of her life. I noticed that her rear legs were larger than her front legs, and she walked on the back 1/3 of her hooves. I also noticed thickness of her ears. At one week of age, she went for disbudding to Lisa Lamm at Tickleweed Hill Farm. Lisa and her husband looked Meg over, and decided her rear legs and ears were larger, because they were swollen. Lisa's husband, Craig, suggested she had frostbite.



The next day I contacted a veterinarian at the University of Missouri. He suggested that Meg would lose her ears and legs to the frostbite, and she should be euthanized. I couldn't bring myself to take that step, because Meg was behaving normally, and didn't seem to be in pain. Within a few days, I began to feel bad, and soon realized I had contracted chicken pox from my children. Meg's saviors, Lisa and Kelsee LaRose, stepped in to continue her lengthy and complicated care.

Lisa LaRose, of Kinder Korner, in Illinois, is a registered nurse working in emergency medicine. She had seen frostbite in people, and with the help of emergency room physicians, developed a plan for Meg. Her daughter Kelsee, actively participated in Meg's care. Initially, Lisa splinted Meg's rear legs, so she was forced to walk correctly. Eventually, Meg lost all the skin on her rear legs, from her hocks down, and had to have daily dressing changes to the open wounds. Meg also grew new hooves, pushing the original hooves off as the new ones grew. She retained about two thirds of each ear, after the part that was damaged dried up and fell off.

Lisa has discovered several long term side effects of frostbite, in the 10 months she's had Meg. Her damaged legs are sensitive to the cold. The skin on her legs has cracked and bled already this winter. Fortunately, the effect on her ears is purely cosmetic. Her irregularly shaped hooves are difficult to trim, and need to be trimmed frequently. However, she walks almost normally, and has grown enough to be with a buck recently. Presumably, she will become pregnant and kid like any other Kinder doe. It's been a long road to recovery for Meg, but she's been sweet and spunky throughout her ordeal. Her future may be somewhat uncertain, but under the watchful eyes of Lisa and Kelsee, she'll be given every opportunity to prosper at Kinder Korner.

Thank you for sharing; we look forward to hearing of Meg's continued progress. We have much to learn from one another!

### Medicine Cabinet Continued...

It is important to remember that and our goats! When it we want to use the unpasteurized "raw" ACV in order to take advantage of the optimal health benefits. I encourage you to visit the <u>USDA site (http://</u> www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/ foodcomp/cgi-bin/

list nut edit.pl) for a listing ACV properties. From that data you can make some accurate assumptions about the health benefits ACV provides. For example, Dr. Waltz (http:// www.naturalark.com/ clinic.html) lists the high potassium content responsible for helping with the blood flow of our goats which aids them when pregnant, especially when they are carrying multiples which our Kinders are famous for! He also lists ACV as having antifungal and antibacterial properties therefore it is useful in helping with hoof rot and other wounds. I have found ACV to help keep the water buckets clean as well as the water from freezing as fast in the cold Midwest winters. Flies don't seem to care for ACV either, which is good news for us

is heavy fly season we mix up 1 part ACV 1 part water and 1 part of a non toxic cleaner I use in the house. I put

these items in a spray bottle and mist the goats if needed. However, this last summer we found that just having the ACV in the water seemed to be enough to keep the flies from becoming pests to our goats! Amazing!

There is an old wives' tale that suggests that ACV can actually change the results of does/bucks that are born in a kidding season. I don't know if this is true but we did have an interesting experience this last year. We purchased our goats bred before we brought them to the farm. It was the first time in the history of us owning goats that we had an extremely high percentage of bucklings born (six out of seven were bucklings!). Was it chance? I don't know and maybe I never will. However, I will continue

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keep ACV in our goats water and I will be recording the buck/doe ratios as long as I keep goats.

Kits & Plans

We will continue the use of ACV on our farm by offering our herds 1/8 cup of ACV per 5 gallons of water twice a week. They can only benefit from the vital nutrients that ACV offers!

I delight in using herbs, fruits, veggies and fresh grains as part of my animals diet. I am always learning! As I continue in that learning process and the application of 'natural' resources for my goats, I will continue to keep objective, accurate, written results. If anyone else is providing 'natural' care for their goats I would love to hear from you.

### **Reminders:**

- 2010 Membership dues are due!
- Next Newsletter contributions deadline: April.1, 2010
- 2010 Tattoo letter of the year: A
- You can NOW view our KGBA Newsletter in PDF format online! E-mail

### A Note from the Editor continued...

kgbaeditor@gmail.com or call: 785-217-6938 I look forward to hearing from you soon!

You will also notice that we are offering both display ads and classified ads in each newsletter. If you are a member of the KGBA and would like to post a classified ad for either 'wanted' or 'for sale' Kinders you can do so free of charge. Please keep classified ads to a maximum of 35 words. For a media packet please email me. I have been



### Snow covered trees submitted by Jean Jajan

impressed by all the interest, excitement and quality of articles that continue to be submitted by our members. The talent in this group is overwhelming as is the knowledge and experience that each member possess. Please do not stop sharing! Keep it coming! I enjoy hearing from you and according to all the 'thank you' notes I received, so do our other members!

Let's share our excitement about this wonderful addition to the barn, that we know as the Kinder Goat!

Mrs. Joseph Wood

### Seasonal Tip: Manure pack compost bedding

Manure pack compost bedding in dirt floor barns can ward off the winter chill.

Our barns are located on a slope and with the heavy winter rains and below freezing temperatures they became a very cold, wet, uninviting place for the goats to get out of the rain. To alleviate this problem we have as part of our winter management plan to establish a composting manure pack.

We start feeling the goats in the barn at the beginning of the rainy season in mid October. Prior to this the barns are cleaned and bedded with straw. Goats being the great hay wasters that they are soon have a deep pack of hay and manure built up. This rapidly begins to break down and give off heat as it composts. If there is too much manure, we add a fresh layer of straw on top if the wasted hay



Winter Kids submitted by Lisa LaRose

has not formed enough of a cover. The urine drains down into the pack and breaks down so there is no ammonia smell even at ground level.

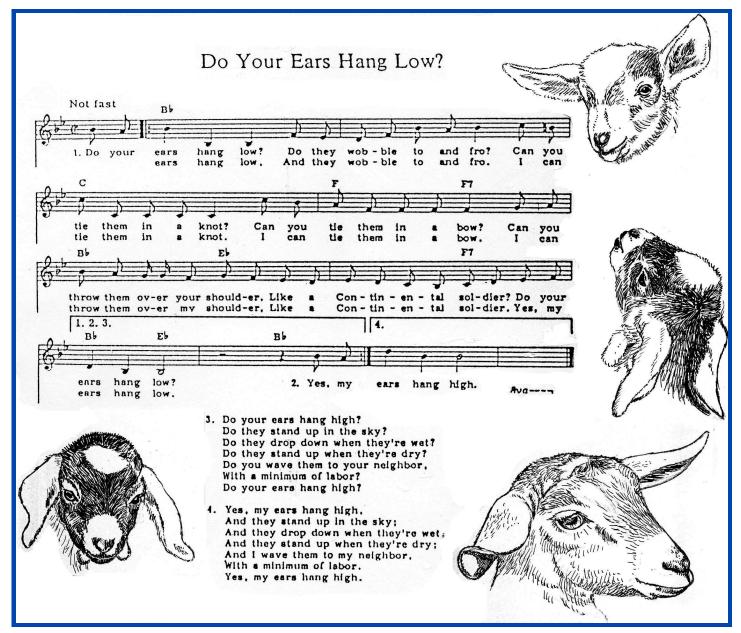
The air in the barn stays about 15 degrees warmer than it would if it were cleaned and bedded frequently. The pack its self is actually warm to the touch be-

cause of the heat generated by the composting and the goats think they have their own heating pad.

We have not had any cases of pneumonia, mastitis in the does or illness in the kids from this practice. We do not deep compost our kidding barn but keep it warm with heat lamps and move the does and kids over to the main barns after three or four days.

The big draw back with this method is that it takes a lot of work come the end of winter to clean the barns since there is a layer of material 4-5 inches deep.

Article written and submitted by Jean Jajan– Thank you Jean!



This is an old Folk song that was often sang to young children. I have fond memories of my mother singing this to me as we would play together. The Kinder drawings are wonderfully done by Pat Showalther however, the author of the song, to my knowledge, is unknown. Thank you for this submission Pat; It brought back many joyful memories!

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KINDER GOAT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

### Kinder Classifieds – For Sale

For Sale: Kinder Kids, does, and bucks as well as breeding service (CAE free herds only). Newer Kinder lines as well as 6 and 7th Generation Kinders.

#### **Contact Details:**

**Covenant Ranch** 

Name: Joe and Jeanette Wood Email: CLamm31167@centuryt

Email: covenantranchonline@yahoo.com

**Phone:** 785-217-6938

Website: www.covenantranchonline.com

Area: Topeka, KS

For Sale: Serena Kinders. We expect to have registrable kinder kids for sale in 2010, and possibly a couple older does.

#### **Contact Details:**

Name: Jan Hodges **Email:** hodges.jan@att.net **Phone:** 505-864-3375 Website: http://www.numoorfarms.com /serena kinders in nm Area: Central New Mexico

For Sale: Kidding starts March 14th. Check our web site for sale kids. Buck service **Contact Details:** 

Name: Gray J Ranch Kinders

**Email:** 

**Phone:** .541-956-0589

Website: http://gravjranch.com/

Area: Grants Pass, OR

For Sale: Kidding starts the end of January, 25 does to freshen, including two Nubians bred to Pygmy

#### **Contact Details:**

Name: Craig and Lisa Lamm, Tickleweed Hill Farm

el.net

**Phone:** 573-445-2676

Website: N/A

Area: Central Missouri

For Sale: Kids for sale including unregisterable kinders and a For Sale: few registered kinders. We may also rent a kinder or pygmy buck only to CAE tested herds.

#### **Contact Details:**

Name: Kinder Korner Lisa, Mark, and Kelsee LaRose

Email: lisalarose77@yahoo.com

Phone: N/A

Website: www.freewebs.com/kinderkorner

Area: Southern Illinois

For Sale: Will have babies for sale in late March and early April

#### **Contact Details:**

Name: Sue and Tom Huston Email: goats07@live.com Phone: 660-825-3222 Website: N/A Area: Central MO

For Sale: Kidding has begun

#### **Contact Details:**

Name: Harmony Hill Goat Farm, L.L.C. Leah Rennick

**Email:** Leah@Harmonyhillfiberfarm.co m

**Phone:** 573-696-2825

Website: www.harmonyhillfiberfarm.co m

Area: Hallsville, MO (ten miles north of Columbia)

**Contact Details:** Wisonvile

Name: Barb Wilson

Email: barbwilson@clearwire.net

**Phone:** 425-268-9934

#### Website:

Area: Snohomish, WA

#### For Sale:

#### **Contact Details:**

Name: Goodwife Farm **Kinders** Sarah Paintiff

Email: goodwifefarm@gmail.com

Phone: 618-585-6309

Website: www.goodwifefarm.com

Area: Illinois

#### Sanctioned Kinder goat show coming this year in Missouri.

Montgomery City, MO July 24, 2010 at Montgomery County Fair. One day show.

Missouri State Fair, Sedalia, MO August 20, 2010 4-H & FFA youth show; August 21, 2010 open junior show and August 22, 2010 open senior show.

There will be more information about the shows in the upcoming months. If you have any immediate questions, please Leah Rennick at: <u>leah@harmonyhillfiberfarm.com</u>.

### **Kinder Classifieds – Wanted**

**Wanted:** We're looking for at least one doe with kid(s) by her side so we can milk her. Ideally we'd be able to find a breeding pair or trio.

#### **Contact Details:**

Name: Donal Parks

Email: <u>donal\_parks@hotmail.com</u>

Phone: 240-994-4084

**Area:** Washington, DC in the Maryland suburbs.

**Wanted:** Two friendly, registered Kinder does or doelings! for breeding, selling, milking, soap/cheese making, and to love! Plans are to travel to Snohomish, WA area on approx. April 25 & 26, so would like to visit with as many breeders as possible!

**Contact Details:** 

Name: Deb Ezzati

**Email:** dessati@dishmail.net

Phone: 541-784-8586

Area: Oakland, OR

# **Wanted:** Looking for Kinders in Michigan! I am wanting 2-4 Kinder Does in milk.

#### **Contact Details:**

Name: Gayle Bohl Email: gcbohl@yahoo.com Phone: 231 342 5061 Area: Kalkaska, MI



### Change in price of registrations.

There will be an increase of \$10.00, plus the regular fee, for each animal registered that is over the age of two years. The deadline for getting animals registered at the regular rate will be April 15th.

If you have Kinder 2 years of age that have not be registered, please, get their registration applications to the KGBA right away.

### In the Spotlight Continued...

Kinder. I learned to trim hooves with a Stanley knife from Mr. Considine.



The milk from our Kinder does became popular source of nutrient rich feed to a nearby farm (here in Minnesota) that raises White Tail deer. Having fresh Kinder milk to make yogurt, cheeses and soap has been a blessing to our family. Putting forth homegrown meat for the

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table has been something that I am thankful for, as our Kinder goats seem to develop at a greater rate than our other breeds did.

I enjoy & like all goat breeds but after years of personal experience the Kinder goat is the breed that shines on Beauty Mountain Farm.

Ramona

Beauty Mountain Farm Macon, MO

### 2010 Dues are NOW due!

Family 25.00 Individual 15.00 Youth 5.00 Mail your dues to: K.G.B.A. P.O. BOX 1575 SNOHOMISH, WA 98291-1575

"Address Service Requested"

Name Address: City, State, Zip Notes:

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