

Internal Parasites Control using a Microscope By Linda DeHart

Many of us are really scaling back on our use of medications to battle internal parasites. Watching our herd with an eye to individual condition is resulting in more targeted treatment. There have been a couple of workshops recently dealing with this issue with an emphasis on fecal counts to guide the process. I have missed both due to prior commitments. This is a very important educational opportunity. I am making this a priority in 2009 so that all of our members have the chance to attend a workshop. Those of you who have been able to attend the recent workshops would be invaluable in bringing this knowledge to all of us. Handouts made available for Area Reps to provide at their meetings would be welcome. Those folks that know how to use a microscope and prep slides speak up as we could use you in low-key workshops that encourage hands on training. This is a skill that can be easily learned and would provide our membership with a way to not only lower their costs but also help them to move toward a product that is more healthy and closer to organic. Producing a protein source that is as free as possible of chemical intervention will go a long way with our consumers.

Have a safe and healthy holiday season!.....Linda DeHart