

Megan McGinley Meg's Blessings Farm

ADGA Registered Purebred Nigerian Dwarf Dairy Goats for milk & show performance

Meg's Blessings Farm is dedicated to raising ADGA Registered Performance Nigerian Dwarf Dairy Goats that fill the Milk Pail and excel in the Show Ring as well as being friendly pets for the whole family and enjoyable to be around!

Welcome to Meg's Blessings! My name is Megan McGinley and I am 14 years old and have a passion for Christ and honoring Him in all I do. My love for caring for animals and being a steward of His Creation has led to raising these amazing little animals, Nigerian Dwarf Goats! My love for goats has led to raising Performance Quality animals that Excel in the Show Ring, Fill the Milk Pail & have wonderful friendly personalities. Each of my goats are loved and cared for every day and are special individuals!

Nigerian Dwarfs are the only miniature breed accepted In ADGA (American Dairy Goat Association). Contrasting the Pygmies, they are a dairy breed bred for milk. They have the highest butterfat of all the dairy breeds and though their stature is small, they produce tons of milk for their size and feed intake, one reason why I started off with Nigerians! Does must be under 22.5" and bucks under 23.5".

We participate in many performance programs that the American Dairy Goat Association offers, such as showing, Linear Appraisal and DHIR (Dairy Herd Improvement Registry) Milk Test.

Showing is one of my favorite things to do with dairy goats. Me and my family participate in ADGA Sanctioned shows and I am extremely blessed with the performance of my herd. I have won numerous Reserve Grand Champions, Grand Champions, Best of Breeds, Best Udder of Breeds as well as a few Best in Shows with does born on my farm!

LA (Linear Appraisal) has been an extremely valuable tool specialized to the each individual goat and it helps me to see areas for improvement when they receive a final score.

Milk test has been such a rewarding outlet. In addition to the twice daily milking of the girls, once a month we send off samples from the morning and evening milking after weighing that goat's milk. We send the samples of to Langston, a lab that will then test the samples for their protein and butterfat categories. Based on the age of the goat, they have to meet a minimum requirement to receive their *M. Each *M carries on from the doe to her daughters and further generations, such as a 6*M is a 6 generation *M, like Primrose Hill Immort-Elle 6*M pictured here, a doe that I have been blessed to bring in from a great friend in VA!