

Marquette County 4-H Newsletter

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March-April, 2014

IMPORTANT DATES

March

- 1 New Enrollments Due
- 1 Add/Drop 4-H Projects
- 1 Marquette County 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
- 13 Marquette Co. 4-H Leaders' meeting, 6:30pm, Services Center
- 14 Camp Counselor Applications Due
- 15 6TH Annual Arlington Sheep Day and Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative 2014 Banquet Recognition Program & Annual Mtg.
- 16 Grant County Happy Hoppers Rabbit Club Youth Show
- 27 Marquette Co. Fair Board meeting, 7:00pm, Services Center
- 29 Beginner Sheep & Swine Project Day, 9:00am, Services Center

April

- 5 Sheep Weigh-In, 9-11am, Marquette Co. Fairgrounds
- 11-13 Midwest Horse Fair
- 24 Marquette Co. Fair Board meeting, 7:00pm, Services Center

Happy 100th Anniversary 4-H!

Dear 4-H Members and Leaders,

2014 marks the 100th anniversary of 4-H in Wisconsin. Since 1914, Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development has helped youth grow the leadership, critical thinking and communication skills necessary to be successful in a constantly changing world.

4-H has its roots in youth corn and agriculture clubs, which helped researchers at the University of Wisconsin-Extension share the latest agriculture development with farmers teaching their children. Just seven youth attended the first 4-H club meeting in Walworth County on Oct. 30, 1914.

Today, more than 35,000 youth are enrolled as 4-H community club members and nearly 50,000 youth people are involved in 4-H through in-school and afterschool clubs, day camps, mentoring programs and other opportunities across the state.

Wisconsin 4-H programs continue to emphasize lifelong learning, a strong connection with the University of Wisconsin, and programs are available for all interests including science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), arts and communications, leadership, healthy living, citizenship, family, agriculture and animal science, international exchange and more.

Throughout the next year, watch for centennial news and events at the club, county and state level. Youth and adults will have the opportunity to share impacts of their 4-H involvement, participate in service projects and special events, and highlights from past and present 4-H programming will be showcased.

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6TH ANNUAL ARLINGTON SHEEP DAY
and
WISCONSIN SHEEP BREEDERS
COOPERATIVE



2014 BANQUET, RECOGNITION PROGRAM & ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, March 15, 2014
Public Events Facility, Arlington Agricultural
Research Station

The 6th Annual Arlington Sheep Day will be held Saturday morning, March 15, 2014 at the Public Events Facility of the UW-Madison Arlington Agricultural Research Station, Arlington, WI.

Dr. Jeff Held, a well-known Wisconsin native and Extension Sheep Specialist at South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD, will be the featured speaker. He will give a presentation on the use of co-product feeds (dried distillers grains, soy hulls, etc.) in ewe and lamb diets and a second presentation on marketing management practices to reduce live weight shrink loss in finished lambs. Jeff received the B.S. degree in Meat and Animal Science at UW-Madison, the M.S. degree in Ruminant Nutrition at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, and the Ph.D. degree in Ruminant Nutrition at UW-Madison under Dr. Art Pope in 1990 before moving to South Dakota and becoming actively involved in that state's sheep industry.

Rounding out the morning program will be Dr. Doris Olander, Veterinary Epidemiologist, USDA/APHIS/Veterinary Services, who will provide an update on the national scrapie eradication programs and Dr. Dave Thomas, Professor of Sheep Management and Genetics, Department of Animal Sciences, UW-Madison, who will focus on important management areas crucial for economic sustainability in sheep operations.

During the above presentations, a concurrent program designed for youth and beginning shepherds on lambing-time management and judging and selection of breeding sheep will be conducted at the Sheep Unit by Todd Taylor, Shepherd, Arlington Sheep Unit and Tom Murphy, Ph.D. Graduate Student, Department of Animal Sciences, UW-Madison. All youth that participate in the Arlington Sheep Day will be provided an official note of attendance that may be used to meet youth sheep educational requirements in their county. Registration for the Arlington Sheep Day program is \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 per family and includes morning refreshments and materials. Advance registration is preferred and is available by mail, or persons can register the day of the event at the door for the same price. The Arlington Sheep Day program will be followed at 12:30 p.m. by the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative banquet, Recognition Program, and Annual Meeting. Both members and non-members of WSBC are welcomed to attend the WSBC banquet and recognition program. Advance registration is required for the WSBC Recognition Banquet at a cost of \$15.00 per person (youth 10 years and younger at \$5.00 per person).

The complete schedule and registration form for both the Arlington Sheep Day and the WSBC banquet can be found at the UW-Madison Sheep and Goat web site (<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wisheepandgoat/>) and at the WSBC web site (www.wisbc.com). For additional information, contact Dave Thomas, UW-Madison (dlthomas@wisc.edu, 608-263-4306) or Jill Alf, WSBC (wisbc@centurytel.net, 608-868-2505).



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Wisconsin State Fair Interest Form

Please watch for more details about State Fair registration, etc. Last year was the first year all registration was online and I have not heard much yet about this year.

Indicate the number of head you wish to exhibit for each species: *Your number may change later; this is preliminary and not a guarantee of space.*

More information will be mailed at a later date for all exhibitors. **Some age restrictions and pre-registration deadlines do apply. All Junior Exhibitors showing any type of animal in the Junior Show at the Wisconsin State Fair must be ages 12-19 as of January 1st of the current year.**

___ # of Dairy ___ # of Beef (dairy or crossbred) ___ # of Sheep
___ # of Swine ___ # of Rabbits ___ # of Poultry ___ # of Goats

Name: _____

Club/Chapter: _____

Address: _____

City, Zip Code: _____

Email address (if willing to receive email communication): _____

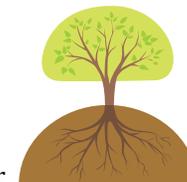
Phone: _____

Grade: _____ Age (Jan. 1, 2014): _____

Please return by March 3rd to: Marquette County UW-Extension
Attn: Christa Van Treeck
P.O. Box 338
Montello, WI 53949

Youth Conservation Camp

Students in grades 6-8 (Fall 2013) are invited to attend the Sand Lake Conservation Camp on June 25-27. This camp will be held at Camp Bird in Crivitz, Wisconsin. Sessions cover a wide variety of areas - forestry, wildlife, aquatic, outdoor skills and conservation related careers. The cost is \$60. Registration deadline is June 5th. There is also a camp available for youth going into grades 9, 10, and 11 at Trees for Tomorrow in Eagle River June 23-27. Scholarship applications can be requested from the UW-Extension office. Further information is available through an internet search for "Sand Lake Conservation Camp".



Central Wisconsin
Spring Fling
 Beef Show



Show Information

Where: Waushara County Fairgrounds
 513 S. Fair Street, Wautoma, WI

When: May 9-10, 2014

Show Details

New for 2014

- Jack Pot Open Heifer show! Grand \$250 Reserve Grand \$150
- Jack Pot Showmanship! Pay \$5.00 to enter showmanship class. First place will get 1/2 the pot and second and third place will split the remaining 1/2
- Fitting Demonstration Friday, May 9th at 7:00
- Walking Taco's at the 4-H Alumni Food Stand

For all show information, contact Cory Wagner, 920-570-0024 or glorypastures@gmail.com. Information and registration can be found at: <http://centralspringshow.com/index.html>

2014 Midwest Horse Fair - Horse Tales



This event will be held April 11-13, 2014 at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison.

For information on Expo events, visit: www.midwesthorsefair.com

Youth Development Summer Assistant Position Available

This position is designed to provide assistance to County Extension staff during the busy summer months.

For more information, visit the UW-Extension website at: <http://marquette.uwex.edu>

Grant County Happy Hoppers Rabbit Club Youth Show

March 16th, 2014

Eckstein Exhibit Hall at Grant Cty Fairgrounds, Lancaster



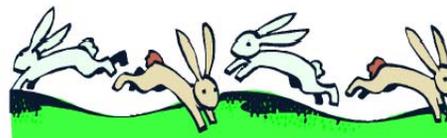
Registration 7:30-9:00 am
 Show starts 9:00 am
 Entry Fee \$1.00 per rabbit before March 1st;
 received after March 1st; \$2.00 per rabbit;
 Showmanship \$1.00 per exhibitor

Show Rules

1. The latest rules of the ARBA will govern this show.
2. Carrying cages with bottoms required on all cages.
3. Entries close when breed is called.
4. Ribbons will be given out at the show, none will be mailed. All checks void after 60 days.
5. Grant Cty Happy Hoppers Club is not responsible for loss from fire, theft or accident.
6. Entry sheets and remark cards are to be used.
7. All rabbits must be PERMANENTLY EAR MARKED in the left ear.
8. No refunds.
9. No limit on entries per exhibitor grades 3-13.
10. Pet, Fryer, Roaster and Meat Pen Classes are included. Single Fryer--not over 69 days or 5 lbs. Single Roaster--between 70-180 days and 5-8 lbs. Meat pen--not over 69 days or 5 lbs.(3 rabbits of same breed & variety)

Food Stand on site.
 Open all day. Food
 and beverages
 available.

Chance to win
 Raffle
 Rabbit Silent
 Auction



Send Entry Forms to:

Gary Wetter
 3925 Commercial St
 Stitzer, WI 53825
 (608)943-8869

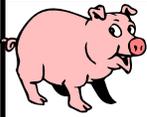
To have entry form e-mailed;
garnickiwetter@centurylink.net

**Trophies for- Best in
 show; Reserve; Best of
 Breed.
 Rosettes For Best
 Opposite**

Vendor- Moeller Rabbit Equipment will have a display at the show. Please place advance orders for large equipment, cages, rolls of wire or large order. Contact Roger at moellerequipment@gmail.com

IW2K Camp

Do you like science, technology or engineering? Have you always wanted to know what makes things work? Would you like to do cool, hands-on experiments-including food science, computer animation, forensic chemistry and exploring DNA activities? If so, then I Want To Know! Camp is for you! Camp is open to youth in grades 6-8 and will be May 2-3, 2014 at Upham Woods. The cost is \$55. More information and a registration form can be found at: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/Iwantknowcamp14.cfm>



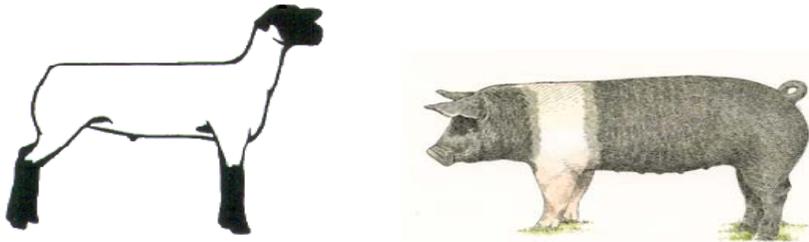
ATTENTION SWINE EXHIBITORS: Due to the spread of a deadly communicable virus (PED) among pigs, the weigh-in at the Marquette Co. Fairgrounds has been cancelled with Identification to be determined.

Attention New or Beginning Sheep and Swine Project Members

Are you new to the sheep or swine project or have only exhibited a couple of years and want more information on selecting and showing your animal? Mark your calendar for Saturday, March 29, 2014 for a beginning sheep & swine project day at the Marquette County Services Center from 9 am to 12:00 pm. Parents of new project members or project leaders are welcome to attend too.

Topics covered in both species: breeds, selection of your animal, what an ideal market animal looks like, what an ideal breeding animal looks like, basic showmanship, tips for getting ready for the fair, and some of the rules of showing at the Marquette County Fair. Additional species specific information will be presented including shearing & clipping, training to walk, fitting advice, and more.

Preregistration is requested to ensure adequate materials are available for everyone. For more information on this program and to register, please contact the Marquette County UW-Extension Office at 608-297-3141.



CALS Research Station Visit Day

When you think of the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, what comes to mind? Bucky, cheese and cows? What about the 12 research stations that provide out of class learning experience for students as well as hands on research that influences agriculture in Wisconsin and around the world. Come learn about being a student at CALS at one of our CALS Research Station Visit Days. These visit days are the perfect opportunity for prospective students to learn about CALS our four year program, the Farm and Industry Short Course, and get a tour of the hosting research station. CALS Ambassadors will be on site to answer student questions as well! Come join us in Lancaster (Feb. 28th) or Marshfield (March 28th). View the full agenda and register at: <http://www.cals.wisc.edu/>

Volunteer Behavior Expectations for WI 4-H Youth Development

Families and youth-serving organizations trust the University of Wisconsin-Extension to provide quality leadership and care for youth who are involved in Extension-sponsored programs. The opportunity to work with youth is a privileged position that should be held only by those who are willing to demonstrate behaviors that fulfill this trust.

All 4-H youth development volunteers working with youth are required to complete the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Protection program. This includes: a) a background check for arrest and conviction records, b) participation in a volunteer orientation program, and c) signing the Volunteer Behavior Expectations agreement. The primary purpose of this process is to ensure the safety and well-being of all participants (i.e., youth, their parents and families, salaried and volunteer staff).

4-H youth development volunteers are expected to abide by the following behavior standards established by UW-Extension 4-H, and to conduct themselves as positive role models for youth. All 4-H youth development volunteers are ultimately accountable to UW-Extension for their 4-H related activities. As a 4-H Youth Development Volunteer, I will:

- Conduct myself with courteous manners and language, exhibiting good sportsmanship, serving as a positive role model, treating others with respect, and demonstrating reasonable conflict resolution skills.
- Abide by all local, state and federal laws and UW-Extension and U.S. D.A. rules, policies and guidelines
- Accept supervision and support from Extension staff or designated management volunteers.
- Make all reasonable efforts to ensure that programs are accessible to all individuals regardless of race, color, sex, creed, disability, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status.
- Not consume alcohol or illegal substances while responsible for youth in 4-H activities, nor allow 4-H youth participants under my supervision to do so.
- When transporting youth, operate motor vehicles and other equipment in a safe and reliable manner and only with a valid operator's license and the legally required insurance. I will comply with all motor vehicle-related state regulations and laws. All transported youth will be secured by a properly operating seat belt.
- Conduct myself in a manner that is in the best interest of youth and University of Wisconsin Extension/4-H Youth Development and will not use the volunteer position for purposes of private or personal gain.
- Report suspected verbal, sexual, physical abuse and/or neglect of youth to local authorities.
- Treat animals in a humane manner and teach program participants to provide appropriate animal care and management.
- Will not conceal carry while acting in a volunteer role. I understand that if I am a shooting sports volunteer, I am expected to openly carry/transport 4-H shooting sports equipment in designated areas.
- Immediately notify my county 4-H Youth Development Educator of any changes with my status (eg. Contact information, criminal arrest, charge or conviction history, driving privileges, etc.).

Camp Counselor Applications

We invite older youth to apply to be a cabin or resource counselor at summer camp to be held June 11-13, 2014. Counselors have lots of fun while working hard to make camp an awesome experience for the campers. Counselors must have completed grade 9 and up this spring. Applications are due **March 14** and can be obtained from the UW-Extension office.