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OUTAGAMIE COUNTY

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TO: OUTAGAMIE COUNTY 4-H LIVESTOCK PROJECT FAMILIES and FFA ADVISORS

FROM: Sarah Grotjan, Dairy/Livestock Educator

Welcome to the 2020 Outagamie County Youth Livestock Program. Project information and educational activities for beef, swine, sheep and goats have been planned by your county youth livestock committee and are included in this mailing. We hope that our 4-H and FFA livestock program projects provide a meaningful and fun experience for your family this year. The County Youth Livestock Committee looks forward to working with you this year.

Officers of this year's committee are:

- Chair – Jimmy Peters
- Vice-Chair – Bill Maroszek
- Secretary – Dan Rynish
- Treasurer – Diane Jarvais

Your county resource leaders are:

- Beef – Steve Hackl, Dan Kimball
- Swine – Steve Green, Pat Rynish
- Sheep – Therese Schroeder, Jimmy Peters
- Goat – Dan Rynish, Terry Wolter

**The swine show is a non-terminal show**

**All members who plan to have their animals in the market sale have educational meeting and YQCA certification requirements.** *You must attend one of the countywide project meetings/clinics in each livestock project you are enrolled in or another approved educational meeting in the state or region. All livestock members must be **YQCA certified by July 6** (this does not count as an educational meeting). UW-Extension will verify all YQCA certified members. See enclosed sheet with guidelines.*

If you attend an out-of-county educational meeting, you must have a completed Project Meeting Attendance Verification Form and submit to the Outagamie County Extension office. You can find this form at <https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu> go to 4-H Youth/Project Opportunities/Livestock.

**Animal ID** (Rate-of-Gain has been eliminated for all species) There will be no weigh-ins for beef, sheep, swine, and goats for 2020. All Livestock exhibitors must have their animal tags picked up and put in the animal's ear by April 15. If animals are not tagged by April 15 they are not in the market project. Tags will be available at YQCA and educational meetings prior to April 15. *Cost of ear tags will be \$1/tag for sheep, goats, beef, and \$2 for swine.*



**New Weigh-in/Ultrasound Schedule for 2020**

**July 22**

Meat Goats and Sheep 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Swine 12:00- 3:30 p.m.

Beef 3:30-6:30 p.m.

**\*\* Exhibitors must have carcass paper entry tag present at time of weigh-in/ultrasound**

Livestock Educational Meeting will be Saturday, March 14, Seymour Municipal Building. Meeting will start at 8:00 a.m. with Beef; Goats 9:00 a.m.; Sheep 10:00 a.m.; Swine 11:00 a.m. Meetings will start promptly. Each member must sign in before the meeting starts.

Youth Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Training for **all livestock** members will be:

- Saturday, February 15, 1:00 p.m., FVTC, Room C190ABC, north parking lot, use entrance 15
- Thursday, March 26 7:00 p.m. FVTC, Room A190ABC, north parking lot, use entrance 15

Livestock Fitting & Showing Clinics, Seymour Fairgrounds: Your county youth livestock committee will be planning fitting and showing clinics. Dates are: Goats - June 13, 10 a.m.; Sheep - June 16, 7 p.m.; Swine - June 23, 7 p.m.; Beef – June 25, 7 p.m. The clinics will give you additional assistance in preparing your animal(s) for the county fair in July. Watch for updates in the 4-H family newsletters.

2020 Area Animal Science Day – June 12, Marathon County: This is an event where youth in the beef, dairy, horse, sheep and swine projects increase their skills and knowledge of animals through judging and grading experiences. Events include evaluation of dairy cattle, horses and meat animals; dairy showmanship contests; hippology (study of horses); and oral reasons workshops. In addition, each site may offer a variety of workshops for small animal projects, which may include rabbits, poultry, and dogs.

Animal Fee 2020: The Outagamie County Fair Board will be implementing Animal Fees for all Open and 4-H animal species exhibits housed during the fair. Payment will be required with the animal entries by the normal entry deadline. There will be no refunds for animal exhibits entered, but not brought to the fair.

The following Animal Fee Schedule will be in place for each animal entry for the Outagamie County Fair.

Dairy	\$3.00/Entry	Sheep	\$3.00/Entry
Beef	\$3.00/Entry	Pig	\$3.00/Entry
Goat	\$3.00/Entry	Small Animal	\$1.00/Entry

Outagamie County Fair Activity July 22-26. It is recommended that livestock exhibitors have liability insurance. Decorating may be done the afternoon and evening of July 21. Entry day is Wednesday, July 22, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. For weight classes, check the fair premium book after April 1 on the county fair website [www.outagamiecountyfair.com](http://www.outagamiecountyfair.com).

Drug History: All exhibitors must have a market animal drug history form per species of animal per exhibitor upon arrival at the county fair to weigh in animals. A form is enclosed in this mailing. Please keep this form in your files until county fair.

Livestock Quiz Bowl & State Skillathon – Saturday, March 7 at the UW-Madison Animal Sciences Building. For more information go to <http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/quizbowlskillathon/>

State 4-H Meats Judging Contest – Saturday, April 25, UW-Madison Meat Laboratory. For more information go to <http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/4hmeatscontest/>

County Youth Livestock Sale: The sale will be Friday, July 24, 5:30 p.m. All prerequisites for the sale are enclosed in this communication. Please keep this letter so that you understand the necessary requirements.

### Annual Meat Processing

Contest: During October we will be having the annual meat processing contest. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about and participate in making brats. All 4-H youth (grades 3-12) and FFA youth are eligible to participate. More information on dates and location will be coming.

### Scholarship Opportunity:

United Veterinary Service will once again be offering a \$1000.00 scholarship to a graduating senior this spring. Half of the scholarship, \$500, is for the first year of college or technical school, and the second half, \$500, is paid for the second year of studies. The scholarship application is available to any student in Waupaca, Shawano, Outagamie, Waushara or Winnebago counties who was enrolled in a supervised animal project in 4-H, FFA or Scouting. There are no restrictions regarding the area of study the student pursues.

The scholarship application can be picked up at United Veterinary Service in Bear Creek, 715-752-4747 or the Extension office, contact Sarah Grotjan, 832-5129. Applications are due March 31, 2020.

### County Youth Livestock

Committee: The committee will continue to work on details and plans for this year's program. Should you have further concerns or questions about our livestock program, please contact a member of the committee.

### **Wisconsin State Fair and Other National Exhibitions will require certification in YQCA for 2020 events.**

#### **Wisconsin State Fair's process for 2020 840 RFID ear tag and DNA identification is as follows:**

**840 RFID Ear Tag and DNA Identification Submission Due Date:** All Wisconsin State Fair 840 RFID ear tag and DNA identification requirements for Junior Show Beef, Sheep, and Swine (market and non-registered breeding stock) All DNA samples must be returned to Wisconsin State Fair (Wisconsin State Fair, Agriculture Department, 640 S 84th St, West Allis WI 53214) on or before May 21.

**840 Ear Tag Identification:** Wisconsin State Fair requires an official 840 RFID ear tag for identification. 840 RFID ear tags are available to purchase from Wisconsin State Fair BUT DO NOT need to be purchased through Wisconsin State Fair. Any official 840 RFID ear tag is accepted. The 15-digit number sequence on the 840 RFID ear tag will be the recognized number for individual animal identification.

**DNA Identification:** DNA hair kits will be available for purchase online from Wisconsin State Fair by credit card only. DNA sales open soon.

For more information go to <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/junior-livestock/>

Purchasing and submission of 840 RFID ear tags and/or DNA kits is NOT entry in the 2020 Wisconsin State Fair Junior Show. Exhibitors MUST enter the Wisconsin State Fair Junior Show online at wistatefair.com in a separate process.

#### **2020 Wisconsin State Fair Entry Deadlines:**

- **May 21, 2020:** YQCA Certification Deadline
- **May 21, 2020 – 7 pm** (Central Time): Online entries and Youth Center Reservations close at regular fees
- **May 28, 2020 – 5 pm** (Central Time): Late online entries with late fees close

Junior exhibitors will submit all entry information and fees directly to State Fair either online or via the mail. Local County Extension Office/4-H Leaders will still be informed of State Fair youth programs but will not be involved in the entry process. Participation is open to any boy or girl 12-19 years of age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. Junior exhibitors must be an active/participating member in good standing with an approved adult-supervised Wisconsin animal based youth organization by March 1st of the current year to be eligible to participate in Junior Fair programs.

Questions regarding entering the 2020 Wisconsin State Fair can be emailed to: [entryoffice@wistatefair.com](mailto:entryoffice@wistatefair.com) or call 414-266-7000 or 414-266-7052 from April 15-August 16.

Mailing address is WI State Fair, Entry/Agriculture Dept., 640 S 84<sup>th</sup> St, West Allis, WI 53214.