



*Developing  
leaders  
for today  
and tomorrow*

**Session 3 – Local Government and Waupaca County Agriculture**

**Location:** Trega Foods  
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SESSION OF LEADERSHIP WAUPACA COUNTY!**

**Date:** Thursday, November 12th, 2009 – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

**Session Objectives:**

- *Increased knowledge of Wisconsin local government*
- *Increased knowledge of county-wide agricultural economy*
- *Increased understanding of challenges and opportunities facing the ag industry*
- *Organize and select priority issues in Waupaca County for team projects*

**Agenda:**

- **8:00 to 8:15 am –**
  - **Welcome** - Moderator – Fawn Schultz
  - **Review of October session** – Mike Koles
  - **Distribute “news release”** – Mike Koles
- **8:15 to 8:30 am: Reading Material Roundtable Discussion** – Jon Claussen

- **8:30 to 9:00 am: Continue class project discussion by organizing and selecting priority Waupaca County issues – Mike Koles**
  - **9:00 to 9:15 am: Break**
  - **9:15 to 11:05 am: Local Government Structure, Function, and Hot Topics –**  
Kate Lawton, UWEX Local Government Center Local Government Specialist
  - **11:05 to 11:15 am: VERY SHORT Stretch Break**
  - **11:15 to 11:45 am: Town Government in Waupaca County -**  
Pat Craig, Wisconsin Towns Association Waupaca County Unit Chair, Town of Royalton Treasurer, Waupaca County Board Supervisor
  - **11:45 am to 12:45 pm: Lunch & Presentation on Leadership at Trega Foods**
  - **12:50 to 1:30 pm – Waupaca County Agriculture Economy –** Greg Blonde,  
Waupaca County UWEX Agriculture Educator
  - **1:30 to 2:00 pm Tour (via photos) and Discussion of Traditional Dairy Farm -** Al  
Tank, New London Area Dairy Farmer and Wisconsin Rural Leadership program  
graduate, LWC Steering Committee member
  - **2:00 to 2:15 pm – Break**
  - **2:15 to 3:15 pm – Agriculture Leader Panel**  
Three agriculture leaders will discuss the challenges and opportunities that face  
agriculture leadership given the current agriculture economy.
- Jerry Juve, Larsen Cooperative  
Bud Brown, Baylake Bank  
Greg Blonde, UW-Extension
- **3:15 to 5:00 pm Travel to and Tour Quantum Dairy**  
Richard Wagner, Farmer/Owner

THE TOUR IS “COOL” SO DRESS APPROPRIATELY

- **Reading Material**
  1. Town Government in Wisconsin, Wisconsin Taxpayers Association, December, 2007.
  2. Organization and Powers of Cities and Villages by Curt Wytinski, Assistant Director of the League of Wisconsin Municipalities
  3. Study fingers state for Milwaukee’s financial woes, Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel, September 2, 2009.
  4. Waupaca County Agriculture: Value and Economic Impact, UW-Extension, 2004

5. Current Dairy Situation FAQs by Ed Jesse, UW-Madison and Extension Emeritus Professor, August, 2009.

**OPTIONAL READINGS:**

(Occasionally I will include optional readings for those who want to learn more about a particular topic. Based on the applications, there is a lot of interest in local government. Thus, I've included an optional reading on this. Also, given the age of the 2002 data included in the 2004 reading (reading #4), I've included a link to the new Ag Census data from 2007 if you're interested. I do not expect anyone to read these, including the reading reviewer, but they will take your knowledge of these topics to the next level.

6. Wisconsin Local Government: An Overview; Wisconsin Blue Book

7. 2007 Census of Agriculture County Profile: Waupaca Wisconsin

- **Sessions 3 and 4 Responsibilities**

- √ Session 3 Press Release Writer – Colleen McCoy
- √ Session 4 Moderator – Anna Moser
- √ Session 4 Reading Material Reviewer – Evan Abrahamson