



## SCRAPIE TAGS REQUIRED FOR COUNTY FAIRS

All breeding sheep and all other sexually intact sheep must have a scrapie tag to exhibit at Blake's Prairie and Grant County Fairs. This includes market ewes and rams regardless of age. Castrated males (wethers), intended for slaughter, less than 12 months do not need a scrapie tag, even if the animal was acquired across state lines. However, all animals coming into the state must have certificate of veterinary inspection.

Scrapie is a fatal, degenerative disease affecting the central nervous system of sheep and goats. It is among a number of diseases classified as transmissible spongiform encephalopathies. Early signs include subtle changes in behavior or temperament. These changes may be followed by scratching and rubbing against fixed objects. Other signs are loss of coordination, weight loss despite retention of appetite, biting of feet and limbs, lip smacking, and gait abnormalities. Contact your local veterinarian to obtain a scrapie tag.

## SCRAPIE TAG REQUIRED FOR GOATS

Breeding goat and sexually-intact goats going to exhibitions or that have resided with sheep and dairy goats, must be identified with an official scrapie ear tag for the official scrapie identification. Goats exposed to scrapie will not be allowed for exhibition. Contact your local vet for more information.

## LIVESTOCK AUCTION SEMINARS

This is a listing of Livestock Auction Seminars that have been set so far. We may be adding more later. It is important that you check this page each month for updated seminars. We also encourage you to attend a seminar related to your project and **NOT TO WAIT** until the last seminar. Those youth planning to sell in this year's Grant County Junior Fair Livestock Auction must attend at least one of these seminars as a condition of sale. Seminars are open to the public so anyone (youth and adults) can attend as they choose. **Call the Extension Office at 723-2125 to pre-register at least 2 days in advance. Seminars that do not have enough pre-registered participants will be cancelled.**

**Tuesday, July 24**, 6:00-9:00 pm, **RABBIT & POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC, GRANT COUNTY FAIR IDENTIFICATION AND POULTRY TESTING**, Rabbit & Poultry Barn.

**Wednesday, August 15**, 7:00 pm, MAQA LEVEL 3 CERTIFIED, Y & Ag Center, Lancaster, **All swine exhibitors must be MAQA Level 3 Swine Certified in order to sell at the Grant County Fair.**

## MAQA CERTIFIED

All swine exhibitors at the Grant County Fair **must** be MAQA (for youth) or PQA - Level 3 certified (for adults) in order to show. The last sessions for youth exhibitors to be certified as MAQA is Wednesday, August 15, 7:00pm at the Youth & Ag Center, Lancaster. Exhibitors must call the Extension Office at 723-2125 to pre-register.

## 2007 DOG PROJECT PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Pre-Novice Practices (Thursday evenings)  
will begin at 7:00pm  
Novice Practices (Sunday evenings)  
will begin at 6:00pm

All practices will be held at the Livestock Pavilion,  
Lancaster Fairgrounds (Unless told otherwise)

July 5<sup>th</sup> (Pre-Novice)

July 8<sup>th</sup> (Novice)

July 19<sup>th</sup> (Pre-Novice)

July 22<sup>nd</sup> (Novice)

August 2<sup>nd</sup> (Pre-Novice)

August 5<sup>th</sup> (Novice)

August 16<sup>th</sup> (Pre-Novice & Novice)

(Make up for any rainouts)

- \* In case of inclement weather listen to WGLR  
97.7 for cancellations\*
- \* You may also call the Extension Office or  
Nicki & Gary Wetter at 822-4272
- \* All cancellations will be emailed

## GRANT COUNTY JUNIOR HOLSTEIN "FAMILY FUN DAY ON THE FARM"

*The Grant County Junior Holstein Association  
invites you to their 2007 Family Fun Day on the  
Farm Sunday, July 15 - 12:00 noon, hosted by Hill-  
Ton Holsteins - John, Evie & Charlie Hamilton,  
1380 Hamilton Road, Cuba City.*

Activities include a potluck meal, facilities & herd  
open for viewing, dairy judging contest, Junior  
Holstein fundraiser auction **and** Ag-Olympics (relay  
races, bean bag games, tug of war & more).

We would like to invite everyone to come visit this  
outstanding Registered Holstein herd, visit with  
other farm families, and join in the fun and games  
for everyone. It will be an exciting & fun-filled  
afternoon for the whole family.

If you would like more information, please contact  
the Hamiltons at 744-2579 or Laura  
Wackershauser, 723-5686.

Directions to the farm: From Platteville - take  
County D south then west on Hamilton Rd.; from  
Cuba City - take County H west to County D north  
and west on Hamilton Rd.


## HORSE INFORMATION


The Grant County Fair Junior Horse Show will be  
held on the Sunday preceding the Grant County  
Fair, which will be **Sunday, August 19 starting at  
9:30 am**. In case of rain the judging will be held  
on Saturday, August 25 with judging starting at  
8:30 am. If you have any questions about the  
horse project be sure to contact the Extension  
Office.


## GRANT COUNTY CATTLEMEN SCHOLARSHIP


The Cattlemen are offering travel grants to youth  
involved in the beef industry. Grants can be used to  
help cover expenses for any educational event  
relating to the beef industry. Such events could be  
attending National Breed shows, State and  
National judging contests, fitting and showing  
clinics, or any other activity that will educate and  
benefit a Grant County youth interested in the  
livestock industry. For more information contact  
Arin Crooks at 723-2580.

## UPDATE ON POULTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT COUNTY FAIR

 Exhibitors must have their poultry certified as a NPIP flock, NPIP Affiliate Flock, WI Tested Flock or WI Associate Flock program, or have birds individually tested, (poultry must be 4 months of age and turkeys 6 months of age).

 Leaders who will be certifying poultry for the fair may write a letter to the Fair Board with information on where poultry were purchased, including hatchery number and stating that there are no other poultry on the premises. (Once this is on file with the Fair, exhibitors will be allowed to show at this fair only.)

 Exhibitors selling poultry at the Grant County Junior Fair Livestock Auction must have their poultry certified as a NPIP flock, NPIP Affiliate Flock, WI Tested Flock or WI Associate Flock program or have birds individually tested, (poultry must be 4 months of age and turkeys 6 months of age) and will fill out an Interstate movement form (VS form 9-3) and give to the buyer.

 All poultry must be identified by a leg or wing band.

## POULTRY TESTING

Poultry testing will begin at 6:30 pm, July 24 in the poultry barn, Fairgrounds, Lancaster. Poultry pullorum testing for all poultry and waterfowl over the age of 4 months and do not have a certificate from a hatchery will have to be tested. If you have a NPIP, Wisconsin Tested Flock or Wisconsin Associate tested flock certificate you will not have to have your birds tested. We will not be testing turkeys. All birds must stay in vehicles until tested.

## RABBIT AND POULTRY IDENTIFICATION AND SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC

The Rabbit and Poultry committee will be identifying rabbit and poultry for the Grant County Fair and Junior Livestock Auction on July 24, 6:30 pm, at the Fairgrounds, Lancaster. This will be the only time you can identify your rabbit and poultry projects for the Grant County Fair. All poultry will need a NPIP, WI Tested Flock, WI Associate Tested Flock or 90 day certificate to bring birds to be identified and shown.

Older members will be working with younger members on showmanship techniques. There will also be time to help anyone with questions on showing at the upcoming fairs. If you have questions about this event you can call Rob Campbell at 943-8432 or Joanne Kieler at 348-8873.