
Welcome to the 55th National 4-H Dairy Conference!

The 2009 planning committee welcomes you to Madison, Wisconsin, and the 55th National 4-H Dairy Conference. Each aspect of the program has been designed to expand your understanding and appreciation of the dairy industry.

We challenge you to take advantage of this exciting opportunity to build on your previous experiences and to share what you learn with others in your home state or province. Many of the programs will be offered as learn-by-doing sessions to help you practice as you learn new skills. Not only will you be learning about production aspects, feeding, management and genetics, but you will also learn to conduct hands-on dairy activities in your club. In addition, you will be introduced to new concepts in dairy production and marketing. A full and diversified program awaits you.

As the conference unfolds, we look forward to getting to know you and helping you make the week a highlight of your career.

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55th National 4-H Dairy Conference

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Conference Registration: ... Lowell Center, Lower Lounge

Lodging & Registration: Lowell Center & Campus Inn

**55TH ANNUAL
NATIONAL 4-H DAIRY CONFERENCE
BRIEF SCHEDULE**



**September 27-30, 2009
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin**

Wisconsin Counties Cooperating and Providing Equal
Opportunities in Employment and Programming, Including Title IX.



TENTATIVE PROGRAM

(Times may vary, and tours may change subject to biosecurity*)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

2:30-4:00p.m. Registration, Lowell Hall, rm. 115
Room Check-In
Lowell Hall Front Desk, Campus Inn Front Desk
4:00-5:00 Ice Breakers
5:00-5:45 Teams meeting with Leaders/presentation preparation
6:00 Pin Exchange
6:30 Pizza Party Lowell Hall Dining Room
Welcome: Ted Halbach, UW Youth Dairy Specialist
Delegate Orientation
8:30 Leader Orientation
8:30 Recreation
10:00 State/Province Meetings
11:00 Lights Out

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

6:30 a.m. Picked-up boxed Breakfast, Lowell Hall Dining Room
7:00 Buses depart, Breakfast enroute
7:30 ABS Global Tour, De Forest
10:00 Brunch at Ft. Atkinson Church
noon Hoard's Registered Guernsey Farm*, Hoard's Dairyman Magazine Publishing Co., Nat'l. Dairy Shrine Museum & Nasco International, Ft. Atkinson
1:00 Continue Ft. Atkinson tours
4:00 Load Buses and return to Lowell
Free time
5:30-6:15 Delegation Photos
6:30 Dinner
7:15 Speaker
7:30 Improvisational Group
8:30 Recreation
10:30 State/Province Meetings
11:00 Lights Out

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:00 a.m. Breakfast & Speaker
8:00 Group Photo behind Wisconsin Union
8:30-10:00 Seminars
A1. "Who Moved My Cheese"
David Grusenmeyer, PRO-Dairy Human Resources Specialist, Cornell University
A2. "Interviewing: Secrets to Success"
Local Human Resources Director
B. "Science Fun With Dairy Foods"
Dr. Bob Horton, Ohio 4-H Specialist

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 (continued)

10:00 Break
10:15 Seminars Repeated
noon Lunch
1:00 Depart for farm tours
2:00 Heifer farm & organic dairy
Dairy goat farm (does not alternate)
2:45 Load buses, alternate
3:15 Heifer farm & organic dairy
4:00 Load buses, travel to Craves
4:30 Tour of Crave Bros. Farm & Farmstead Cheese LLC
6:00 Dinner and judging at Craves
8:00 Recreation (Barn dance)
10:30 State/Province Meetings
11:00 Lights Out

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

6:45 a.m. Breakfast & Speakers
7:45 Buses depart for UW Agriculture Campus

Seminars (Attend three sessions.)	A. "How to Artificially Inseminate Dairy Cattle" <i>Gary Fredericks, Washington Dairy Agent</i>
	B. "Dairy Foods Evaluation" <i>Pam Robinson, Indiana 4-H Volunteer Leader</i>
	C. "Marketing Dairy Products" <i>Janis Rtchie, Idaho 4-H Volunteer</i>
	D. "Doing DNA: De Code of Life" <i>Cheryl Redman, UW Biotechnology Outreach</i>
	E. "Roaming through the Rumen"* <i>Dr. Dave Combs, Prof. UW Dairy Science</i>
	F. "Devel. Comprehensive Herd Mating Strategy" <i>Ted Halbach, UW Dairy Science Outreach</i>
	G. "Forage Crops for Dairy Cattle" <i>Neal Martin, Dir. US Dairy Forage Res. Ctr.</i>

Session #1
8:30-9:20

Session #2
9:30-10:20

Session #3
10:30-11:20

12:00 Lunch at World Dairy Expo
Speaker: Basil Eastwood, Program Leader, USDA-Cooperative State Research & Extension Service
1:00 Tour World Dairy Expo
Shuttle buses to Lowell Hall
6:30 Dinner & Speaker
9:45 Recap/Power Point Presentation
10:00 Farewell Dance
midnight Lights Out

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1

7:00-9:00 a.m. Complementary continental breakfast