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July 23, 2010

TO: All County Extension Coordinators and 4-H Agents

RE: **National 4-H Dairy Conference Application**
Conference Dates: September 26-29, 2010 Madison, WI

**APPLICATION DUE:
August 10, 2010**

We are asking for applications for delegates to the National 4-H Dairy Conference. A committee will select three delegates from the applications. These three delegates will receive an expense paid trip to the conference in Madison, Wisconsin.

The National 4-H Dairy Conference is one of the most outstanding educational events sponsored by 4-H. More than 200 delegates from throughout the United States and Canada will participate in this week long event that includes educational workshops, tours and motivational speakers. It is an opportunity of a lifetime to meet many current leaders of the dairy industry and many future leaders.

The conference begins Sunday September 26 and concludes Wednesday September 29. Travel plans have not been developed at this time. However, the group will leave Georgia Saturday or Sunday and return Thursday. Obtaining permission to be absent from school for these dates will be necessary. More information concerning this will be forwarded to the successful applicants as the final plans are developed.

Enclosed is an application. Please have each 4-H'er, who is interested in applying complete the application. **Applicants must be at least 15 years of age.** They cannot be members of the judging team that is participating in the National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest. Return the completed application to Dr. Warren Gilson at the address above by August 10, 2010. You should include a letter of recommendation indicating why you feel this individual should be selected to represent Georgia 4-H.

Thank you very much for your cooperation in identifying and recruiting youth who are worthy of the honor. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Warren D. Gilson

Warren D. Gilson
Extension Dairy Scientist

cc: Heather Shultz
Dr. William Graves
Dr. Keith Bertrand

National 4-H Dairy Conference Application

Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____ Birth Date: _____

Age: _____ Grade in School: _____
Years in Dairy Project: _____
Years in 4-H: _____

Use Additional Sheets as Necessary

4-H Dairy Activities:
Other Dairy Activities (Breed organizations, etc.)
Other 4-H Activities:
Other Activities (School Community, etc.)

Special Honors:

Write a brief essay on “Why I would like to attend the National 4-H Dairy Conference

4-H'er : _____ Parent or Guardian: _____

County Extension Agent: _____

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Welcome to the 56th National 4-H Dairy Conference!

The 2010 planning committee welcomes you to Madison, Wisconsin, and the 56th 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.

*Gary Fredricks
Chairperson Planning Committee
56th National 4-H Dairy Conference*

Headquarters:..... Lowell Conference Center
..... 610 Langdon Street
..... Madison Wisconsin 53703
..... Telephone (608) 256-2621

Conference Registration:..... Lowell Center, Lower Lounge

Lodging & Registration: Lowell Center

**56TH ANNUAL
NATIONAL 4-H DAIRY CONFERENCE
BRIEF SCHEDULE**



**September 26-29, 2010
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 26

1:00-3:00 p.m. Stampin' Good Times – Lowell Center Upper Lounge
(Optional)
2:30-4:00 Registration, Lowell Center – Lowell Center Lower Lounge
Room Check-In Lowell Center Front Desk
State/Province Photos – Lowell Center Dining Room
4:00-5:00 Ice Breakers - Lowell Center B-1
5:00-5:45 Team Meetings (plan presentation/skits) - Lowell Center B-1
6:15 Pin Exchange - Lowell Center Dining Room
6:30 Dinner, Welcome: Beth Heinze, UW Youth Dairy Specialist;
Key Note speakers, Delegate/Leadership Team Orientations
- Lowell Center Dining Room
9:00 Adult Orientation – Lowell Center Lower Lounge
9:00-10:00 Recreation - Lowell Center Dining Room
10:00 State/Province Meetings

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

6:30 a.m. Pick up boxed breakfast, Lowell Center Dining Room
7:00 Busses depart; breakfast enroute
7:30 ABS Global tour, De Forest
10:00 Brunch, Fort Atkinson Congregational Church
11:30-3:00 Hoard's Dairyman Registered Guernsey Farm, Hoard's
Dairyman Magazine, National Dairy Shrine Museum, and
Nasco International, Fort Atkinson
4:00 Free time on State Street or UW Campus tour
6:30 Dinner and speakers, Lowell Center Dining Room
8:30 Recreation - Lowell Center Dining Room
10:30 State/Province Meetings

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

7:00 a.m. Breakfast & Speaker, Lowell Center Dining Room
7:45 "Become a Dairy Advocate", *Instructor TBA*
9:00 Seminars
A. "Who Moved My Cheese?", *David & Deb Grusenmeyer, Cornell University Dairy*
B. "Dairy Issues Forum", *David Winston, Virginia Tech*
C. "Science Fun with Dairy Foods", *Dr. Bob Horton, Ohio 4-H Specialist*
12:15 p.m. Lunch
1:00 Busses depart

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1:30 Tour of Sassy Cow Creamery **OR**
Tour of Guenther Custom Heifer farm
2:45 Alternate Tours of replacement heifer farm and
creamery
4:30 Tour of Crave Bros. Farm and Crave Bros. Farmstead
Cheese LLC, Waterloo
6:00 Portland Boosters 4-H Club Dinner, Crave Bros. Farm
8:00 Recreation (barn dance)
10:30 State/Province Meetings

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:00 a.m. Breakfast & Speakers, Lowell Center Dining Room
8:00 Buses depart for UW Agriculture Campus

Seminars

(Attend three sessions)

- 1: 8:30-9:20
2: 9:30-10:20
3: 10:30-11:20
- A. "How to Artificially Inseminate Dairy Cattle", *Gary Fredericks, Washington Dairy Agent*
 - B. "Dairy Foods Evaluation", *Pam Robinson, Indiana 4-H Volunteer Leader*
 - C. "Marketing Dairy Products", *Janis Rtchie, Idaho 4-H Volunteer*
 - D. "Trek into Biotech", *Cheryl Redman, UW Biotechnology Outreach*
 - E. "Roaming through the Rumen", *Dr. Dave Combs, Prof. UW Dairy Science*
 - F. "Devel. Comprehensive Herd Mating Strategy", *Ted Halbach, Dairy Outreach*
 - G. "Goat & Sheep Dairy Products", *Instructor TBA*
 - H. "Farm Finance", *Kim Skellie, PRO-DAIRY Ext. Support Spec., Charlie Crave, Dairy Leader*
 - I. "Feeding Calves to Meet Their Full Potential", *Dr. Susan Day, Land O'Lakes Purina Feed,*

Noon Lunch at World Dairy Expo, *Speaker: To Be Announced*
1:00 p.m. Tour World Dairy Expo
6:30 Dinner & Speaker: Barrett Keene, Lowell Center Dining Room
10:00 Farewell Dance

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

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