



Welcome To Our New Board Members!

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Congratulations to all our award winners!



Festival Updates:

Wisconsin Make It With Wool (MIWW) is seeking a state director or persons to take on a co-state director role. MIWW is a national contest that starts at the state level. Contestants enter garments or novelty items that they have created out of at least 60% wool or wool blends. The contest is held annually at the

Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival in Jefferson.

Key responsibilities of the director include: advertising the competition, testing wool samples to be certified for use in the contest, getting sponsors for the competition, coordinating and running the state competition on Saturday of the Sheep and Wool Festival, attending the National Make It With Wool Competition in January (airfare and additional expenses paid by the WSBC), and giving an annual report at the spring WSBC Annual Meeting.

Additionally, MIWW is seeking anyone with an interest in supporting and assisting with the program by serving on a new MIWW committee. Opportunities to help include contest set up and take down, contest photographer, contest judges, style show coordinator, quilt raffle construction and sales, contest promotion, grant writing and more. If you enjoy sewing, fashion, and the sheep and wool industry you likely have talents that would be valuable to this new committee.

Please contact WSBC Executive Secretary, Jill Alf at the WSBC office by emailing wisconsinsheepbreeders@gmail.com if you are interested in becoming involved. If you know someone who might have interest, please pass this information on to them. There is an immediate need for the state director/co-state director positions, so we encourage interested parties to reach out as soon as possible.

2022 Annual Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival Poster Contest

This contest is open to youth ages 3 to 21 and is part of the Sweepstakes program.

- Ages 3 to 7 can participate in the Color book page which can be found on the festival website.
- Ages 8 to 21 can participate by submitting a poster in the Educational, and or Promotional.
- Adults 22 and older can participate in the same categories as well.

(See all rules on the festival website)

Coloring book pages and posters can be dropped off at the Poster Contest table in the Sale Area on Sept. 9 and Sept. 10 until noon. Judging will take place Saturday afternoon. Posters need to be picked up by Sept. 11 by 3:30 pm.

All youth will receive a participation ribbon and a gift courtesy of Heart Prairie Sheep and Cattle Company. First and second place winners will receive a gift card.

Wild and Woolly Photo Contest

EMAIL ENTRIES BY AUGUST 31: *Open to all ages!*
royalbcommunications@gmail.com

CONTEST RULES

Used Equipment Auction

With spring finally here, cleaning up the house and barn is a great way to lean into the season. Make sure to consider holding on to those items you no longer use and consign them to the annual Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival Used Equipment Auction.

We will be hosting it during the 2022 Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival at the Jefferson Co Fairgrounds in Jefferson, Wisconsin. On Sept.10 starting at 2 p.m. go to the festival website for more information or contact Sean Burton at sburton1095@gmail.com.

We welcome all consignors from in state and out of state.

PLEASE CONSIDER CONSIGNING TO THIS YEAR'S USED EQUIPMENT AUCTION!

Richard (Dick) Lee Boniface was born January 26, 1930 in Rockford Illinois. He began a 38-year career in marketing with North Central Wool Marketing a regional cooperative in Minneapolis. He began on the grading crew, and then moved to wool buyer and supervisor of field staff. Later he was appointed Public Relations Director, editor for the Wool Sack, the company's membership paper, and Director of Field Service. At one point The Wool Sack reached 17,000 readers in all 50 states and a number of libraries in 15 foreign countries. Under his direction the buying operation in the fleece wool area east of Missouri River included 175 buyers, seven area supervisors, acquiring 6-9 million pounds of wool a year, representing 5-15% of the U.S. production at that time. He is lovingly remembered by wife, Juanita, and their blended family. Memorials may be directed to Richard Boniface and Juanita Reed-Boniface 4-H Endowment (2961),

Celebration of life for Tim Miller

When: July 24, 2022 at 1 p.m.

Where: Luther Valley Church

7107 S Luther Valley Road, Beloit

The church is not in Beloit, it's

maybe 3 miles southeast of

Orfordville. Out in the country on a

road with no traffic except on

Sunday. The pastor said any trucks

and stock trailers are welcome. (In

case folks drive down from the fair.)

I'd say the church is 20 minutes

south of the fairgrounds.

[Check It Out Here](#)

Don't miss your chance to attend the 2022 Pipestone Lamb and Wool Program Sheep Facility tour which will be held on June 7th, 2022. The Sheep Facility

c/o U of MN Foundation, PO Box
860266, Mpls., MN 55486-02 or to
the family

tour is only offered once every two years. The Pipestone Lamb and Wool program has an excellent tour scheduled of five outstanding sheep operations.

[Register Here](#)