Debbie Petzel – Board Member, Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Co-op

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival in Jefferson in September. We’d like to thank each of the many volunteers for their time, energy and knowledge that they bring to the premier event of its kind in the Midwest. Having over 100 volunteers taking on such important roles shows a dedication to the sheep and fiber industry that is unmatched in the industry.

**Election of WSBC Directors – Saturday, March 9, 2019:** The Annual Membership Meeting of the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2019 at the Public Events Facility, Arlington Agriculture Research Station and will include the election of board members. A Nominating Committee of Sue Rupnow, Warren O’brion, Bob Black and Debbie Petzel is seeking your help in generating a ballot of potential nominees for the WSBC board. If you are interested in serving, or know of someone who might be, please contact Sue Rupnow at 715 590-4660 or profshowsupply@aol.com; Warren O’brion at 920 382-1946 or irishacres@centurytel.net; Debbie Petzel dspetzel@gmail.com or 612 578-1528 or Bob Black 920 623-3536 or rbblack@powercom.net.

Directors whose terms have expired, have resigned or are eligible to run again:
- Stephanie Formo – Eligible to run for first full 3-year term.
- Todd Baumer – Resigned, Fall 2018.
- Sue Rupnow – Ineligible having served three full terms.

We extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to Sue Rupnow and Todd Baumer for their years of service to your cooperative and in representing the diversity of the sheep industry.

**Where else can you help?** Your Board of Directors is always looking for volunteers to promote American Lamb, fiber and animal agriculture throughout the year. No matter your interests, we need your help in better serving our membership!

If you have a question about industry or organization issues, please feel free to contact any board member. We are here to serve you and this is your invitation to build the future of your cooperative! Visit our website at www.wisbc.com to stay up to date on what your cooperative is doing.
Arlington, WI - With consignments in the National Targhee Sale in Miles City Montana, the Center of the National NSIP Sale in Spencer, IA, the Eastern NSIP Sale in Wooster, OH and culminating in a record setting 11th Annual Badger Production Sale 2018 has been a banner year once again for the University of Wisconsin-Madison Arlington Sheep Unit. Combined with on farm private treaty sales, over 125 head of Polypay, Hampshire and Targhee replacement ewes and stud quality rams have been sold across the United States.

Held September 22 at the Arlington Ag Research station, the 11th Annual Badger Production Sale saw all-time highs for number of lots sold, per head average and total gross receipts. A total of 85 Polypay, Hampshire and Targhee ewes and rams sold for a per head average of $440, for a sale total of just over $37,000. Buyers and bidders from Ohio, Kansas, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota and Wisconsin continue to show that demand for sound and attractive sheep backed by performance testing is at an all-time high. In all, the 85 lots sold went into 26 different breeding programs.

The Polypay flock still leads the way in terms of total number of breeding animals sold throughout the year. A total of 47 Polypay ewe lambs sold and averaged $365 each. Estimated breeding values (EBVs) still seem to be the determining factor in individual value. The top ten ewe lambs based on NSIP USA Maternal index commanded an average $537 per head. A ewe lamb with a USA Maternal index of 117 and ranking in the top 1% of the breed brought $750 and sold to Meinders Stock Farm, Buffalo Center, IA. Volume buyers for the Polypays included Steve Spessard and Sons of MN, Iowa State University and Shadow Sheep Farm, Kirkland, IL. Earlier in the summer six ewe lamb consignments in the Spencer, IA and Wooster, OH NSIP sales sold for an average of $640.

Topping the production sale this year and setting an all-time high individual price was a Polypay ram selling to Mark Halverson, Waterloo, WI for $1000. On the day a total of seven Polypay rams sold for $650 per head. The unit also had the top two rams sold in the Center of the Nation NSIP sale. A fall-born ram lamb topped the sale, purchased by the University of Kentucky for $2200 and Illinois-based JCC Polypays purchased a yearling ram for $2150. A third consignment to the Spencer sale was purchased for $1300 by Alex Moser of IA. The Eastern NSIP sale saw three UW Polypay rams average $770 each.

A new addition to the 2018 production sale, mature Hampshire ewes selling exposed to UW- Madison rams proved to be a popular group. Four lots of these ewes each brought $650 apiece, selling to Ron Cook, IA; Hayden Taylor, WI; Iowa State University and Fred Huber, WI. The 11 mature ewes sold averaged $540 each. Top Hampshire ewe lamb purchases went to Don Drewery, MN, for $650; Iowa State University at $600 and to Ron Cook, IA for $575. The 11 Hamp ewe lambs sold averaged $455 apiece. On the ram side of the Hampshires, a total of four Hampshire rams averaged $525. The volume Hampshire buyer was Kansas State University, purchasing a total of five Hampshire ewes.

The Arlington Sheep Unit again had much success with the Targhee flock in 2018, starting off with its first ever National Champion Targhee ram in Miles City, Montana. The yearling ram consignment sold to TLE Ranch of Gillette, WY for a price of $1200. Additionally, a bred yearling ewe sold to Plum Creek Targhees, SD for $950. A total of five Targhee ewe lambs sold in the September Production Sale averaged $530 a head. High-selling ewes were purchased by Stalbaum Targhees, WI for $700 and Tom Bell, IL for $525. Another highlight for the UW Targhee Flock was receiving the Champion Targhee Ram and Reserve Supreme Wool Breed ram at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair.

The 2018 Badger Production Sale capped another banner year for the UW-Madison Arlington Sheep Unit with record numbers of sheep sold, an average sale price of $440 and a sale gross of over $37,000. Six states were represented in the bidding, with a Polypay ram topping the sale at $1000.
The first, and highly successful, Sheep-to-Shawl Competition took place on Sunday of the 2018 Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival, bringing new energy and excitement to the Activity Center. The event brought more than thirty competitors together representing four teams from Wisconsin and Illinois. The teams were given four hours to prepare a pre-washed wool fleece, spin it into a plied yarn, and weave it into a shawl. All four teams successfully completed the challenge.

The event drew unexpected numbers of festival goers who flocked to the competition area to watch the process take place, learn about the fiber processes, and observe the judging. Each team was required to have one team member whose primary responsibility was to interact with the visitors and educate them about processing, spinning, and weaving wool into a finished product. Each team had a display table with exhibits and information to enhance the event for the observers.

The competition Coordinators acknowledge the guidance provided by Henry and Roy Clemes, two fiber business owners from California with significant experience with these competitions. We also acknowledge the work of Bob Black who insured everything needed for a successful event was made available.

After a successful first Sheep-to-Shawl event, the competition will expand next year, accepting up to eight teams, doubling the opportunities for fiber artist teams to enter and offering even more entertainment and learning for participants and observers of the event. The competition was coordinated by the Fiber Garden LLC team members Barb Bangert, Danielle Schultz, Faye Antolec, Sally Haas, and Deb Jones. The judges were Henry Clemes of Clemes & Clemes and Susan Frame, Fiber Garden weaving instructor.

**First place:**
**Common Threads Fiber Group**
*Team members:* Nancy Wilson, Beth McCoy, Dorothy Schutte, Laurie Thalacker, Susan Forbes, Heidi Solbery Viar, Mark Aycock, Nancy Aycock
*Award:* $300 cash  
*Award sponsor:* Clemes & Clemes, Henry & Roy Clemes, Pinole, CA.

**Second place:**
**Up North Spinners**
*Team members:* Cathy Leffingwell, Janet Hugg, Laurie Taylor, Sharon Krengel, Nancy Dotson, Elaine Almquist, Jennie Drysdale, Linda Peterson
*Award:* $150 cash  
*Award sponsor:* Hidden Valley Farm & Woollen Mill, Carol & Paul Wagner, Valders WI.

**Third place:**
**Champaign-Urbana**
*Team members:* Beth Engelbrecht-Wiggans, Esther Peregrine, Beth Peregrine, Sue Cutter, Irene McGary, Cathe Capel, Lisa McLane, Melissa Littlefield

**Fourth place:**
**Beauty & The Fleece**
*Team members:* Heavenly Bresser, Paula Tosi, Jessica Schulman, Emonie Hopkins, Ingrid Carlino, Ann Galletta, Annette Levgard, Teaguen Tosi

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**Minnesota Bred Ewe & Boer Doe Sale**

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**Show 9:00 a.m. • Sale 1 p.m.**

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Sheep to Shawl First Place Winners, the Common Threads Fiber Group, awarded $300 which was sponsored by Clemes & Clemes, Henry (l.) and Roy Clemes, Pinole, CA. Team members were Nancy Wilson, Beth McCoy, Dorothy Shutte, Laurie Thalacker, Susan Forbes, Heidi Solbery Viar, Mark Aycock, and Nancy Aycock.

Second place Sheep to Shawl winners, Up North Spinners, receiving $150 cash award sponsored by Hidden Valley Farm & Woolen Mill, Carol (l.) and Paul Wagner, Valders, WI. The team members were Cathy Leffingwell, Janet Hugg, Laurie Taylor, Sharon Krengel, Nancy Dotson, Elaine Almquist, Jennie Drysdale, and Linda Peterson.

Third place Winners in the Sheep to Shawl competition were from the Champaign-Urbana, Illinois area and included Beth Engelbrecht-Wiggans, Esther Peregrine, Beth Peregrine, Sue Cutter, Irene McGary, Cathe Capel, Lisa McLane, and Melissa Littlefield.

Taking fourth place in the Sheep to Shawl contest at Jefferson was the Beauty & The Fleece team, including Heavenly Bresser, Paula Tosi, Jessica Schulman, Emonie Hopkins, Ingrid Carlino, Ann Galletta, Annette Levgard, and Teaguen Tosi.
Now celebrating its tenth year, the Youth Sweepstakes continues to be a popular and growing activity at the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival, and a focus of the educational opportunities provided to young people from eight to twenty one years old.

Though exhibiting animals can play a part in the scoring process in the competition within the four age categories it’s not just about the showing. In total, there are a dozen areas in which kids can test their skills including: Junior Fleece Show; Judging Contest; Poster Contest; Lead Line; Youth Sweepstakes Showmanship; MSSBA Youth Showmanship; Skillathon; Junior Breeding Sheep Show; Market Lamb Show; MSSBA Fleece Show; MSBBA Breeding Sheep Show; and Photo Contest. It takes four scores to trigger a qualifying score in the sweepstakes, at a minimum two of those scores need to come from the list of six events deemed educational, such as the skillathon or judging contest. The other two scores could come from the highest placing in a sheep or fleece show and in theory an individual could get a sweepstakes award without showing an animal.

In all, there were fifty qualifying participants in the Youth Sweepstakes this year, according to Todd Taylor, who along with Youth Extension Specialist Bernie O’Rourke, Ron Patterson and Lynnette Taylor, compiled the results and scores of over one hundred individuals. The Youth Sweepstakes is made possible through financial support of the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative youth and education fund and awards provided by Profiles Show Supplies & Embroidery, Jim and Sue Rupnow.

Beginner Division Ages 8-10
Lucas Wilson 28
Evan Retzlaff 25
Aarabella Knuth 24
Onan Retzlaff 23
Kayden Richardson 22

Junior Division Ages 11-13
Vivian Stephenson 31
David Thompson 29.5
Abby Stalbaum 29
Leah Huchthausen 25
Emily Stevens 24.5

Intermediate Ages 14-17
Lauren Thompson 29
Kevin Kitchen 28
Nathan Thompson 26.5
Breanna Knittel 26
Justin Taylor 26

Senior Division Ages 18-21
Caleb Novak 27
Sarah Reimer 24
Emily Schwanke 22.5

The annual Beginning Sheep Shearing School will be held on Saturday and Sunday, December 1-2, 2018 at the Sheep Unit, Arlington Agricultural Research Station, Arlington, WI. The school will cover basic shearing skills including sheep handling, shearing positions, wool handling, and equipment care and maintenance. Cost of the school will be $100.00 per participant, with all equipment furnished. Participants can bring their own shearing equipment if they wish. Registration includes lunch both days. Lodging is not included, but a list of local hotels will be provided. Please contact Todd Taylor (608-846-5858, toddtaylor@wisc.edu) with questions and to obtain registration information. The registration deadline is November 12, 2018, and enrollment will be limited to the number of students the space can accommodate. The school is organized by the Department of Animal Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Madison and the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative.
Begun in 2009, the Youth Judging Contest continues to be a popular activity at Jefferson, with over fifty young exhibitors taking part this year. Participants were divided into four age groups and were required to place live classes of Hampshire, Targhee and Polypay breeding sheep, market lambs, fleeces and answer ten questions on each class. Official results are discussed at the close of the contest. The judging contest is an integral part of the Youth Sweepstakes program that encourages 4-H, FFA and other youth groups to participate in up to twelve different activities and competitions during the festival weekend.

This year’s top six placings by age group in the Youth Judging Contest include:

**Beginner - Ages 8-10**
Lucas Wilson
Aiden Patterson
Onan Retzlaff
Cameron Patterson
Trinity Young
Brayden Starkenburg

**Junior – Ages 11-13**
Ann Boland
Leah Huchthausen
Lindsey Schmoll
Vivian Stephenson
Alex Taylor
Katie Huchthausen

**Intermediate – Ages 14-17**
Maria Quame
Justin Taylor
Blake Johnson
Hayden Taylor
Breanna Knittel
Amara Bugenhagen

**Senior – 18-21**
Caleb Novak
Sarah Reimer
Chloe Gustafson

**LOOKING AHEAD TO 2019**

The Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative will be electing members to its Board of Directors at the annual meeting on March 9, 2019. We are looking for board members who believe in our mission and are willing to be active to help move our organization and the sheep industry forward. We believe that this work has never been more important than it is today and hope that you will consider becoming a nominee. While we do ask that our board members play an active role, we pride ourselves on supporting each other as a team and believe that we offer an opportunity for our members to learn and grow from each other. If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact your Executive Secretary Jill Alf at Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Co-op, 7811 N. Consolidated School Rd. Edgerton, WI 53534. Phone: 608-868-2505 or email: wisbc@centurytel.net, or any board member. Directors and their contact information are listed in the WSBC membership directory in the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival catalog and on the WSBC website, www.wisbc.com.

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Thank you,
Board of Directors, Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative
The 4th annual Commercial Lamb Carcass Competition was held at the 2018 Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival in Jefferson, WI. The pens of three lambs were ranked by Zane Bone, the Festival market lamb judge from College Station, Texas. All lambs were harvested at the Federally inspected plant at Pinn-Oak Ridge Farms, Delavan, Wisconsin owned by Steve and Darlene Pinnow. Carcasses were measured, evaluated, and placed by Ron Russell, Senior Lecturer in Meat Science, with assistance from Bernie O’Rourke, Extension Livestock Youth Specialist, of the Department of Animal Sciences, UW-Madison.

Three pens of lambs participated: the Bracen Brandt (Rock Springs, WI) and Debbie Petzel (Centuria, WI) pens were blackfaced crosses with a large dose of Hampshire breeding, and the lambs in the Ralph Giorno (Whitewater, WI) pen were Ile de France crosses. The ranks of the live pens and individual carcasses are presented in the accompanying table.

An above average group of nine commercial lambs were present for viewing by Festival participants. All nine lambs graded average choice or better, had yield grades of 3 or better, and had rib eye areas at or better than industry averages. The top live pen was the group of heavy weight and heavily muscled lambs exhibited by Bracen Brandt, followed by the lighter weight lambs in the Debbie Petzel pen and the trimmer lambs in the Ralph Giorno pen.

The first place carcass was produced by a 175-pound Brandt lamb that had the largest rib eye (4.20 sq. in.), best leg score (14), and highest quality grade (average prime) among the nine lambs. This is the first time in the four years of this competition that the first place carcass has come from the first place live pen.

While the second place carcass out of the Petzel pen had a higher carcass index than the first-place carcass, the carcass judges felt that the superior muscling and quality grade of the Brandt carcass was justification for it placing higher than the second-place Petzel carcass. However, the placing of the first two carcasses was very close.

Persons attending the Festival were given the opportunity to place the pens on how they thought the carcasses would rank. The final carcass pen ranks were based upon the average carcass placings of the three lambs in the pen and were: Brandt – first, Petzel – a very close second, and Giorno - third. Sixteen people took the opportunity to place the pens based on the carcass results. Two participants placed the pens in the correct order: Romaine Ace, Brooklyn, WI and Dan Crider, Arrowsmith, IL. To break any ties, participants were asked to estimate the rib eye area of a selected lamb, and Romaine Ace was the most accurate in his rib eye area estimate so Ace placed first followed by Crider in second. Three participants switched the top two pens and placed third through fifth. Their final rankings, with ties broke on their rib eye estimates, were: third – Mark Roembke, Cedarburg, WI, fourth – Rebecca Baird, Durand, IL, and fifth – Liz Muhammad, Milwaukee, WI.

Thanks is extended to the competitors for exhibiting an excellent set of commercial lambs, the live and carcass judges for their expertise, the participants who took a try at placing the pens on their carcass merit, and Pinn-Oak Ridge Farms for harvesting the lambs.
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**Leg Scores - Musclin Quality Grades**

- 14 = Superior
- 13 = Above average
- 12 = Average
- 11 = Below Average
- 10 = Inferior

**Yield Grades**

- Lower numerical scores = leaner carcasses (YG 1.5-3.0)
- Higher numerical scores = fatter carcasses (YG 3.1-5.5)

**Index:**

- Based on:
- 1. Yield Grade
- 2. Size of rib eye & leg
- 3. Body Wall thickness

**BCTRC**

- Based on:
- 1. Carcass Wt.
- 2. 12th rib fat thickness
- 3. Body Wall thickness
- 4. Rib Eye Area

Shaded cells: Deficiencies meriting lower carcass placing.

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**Fall 2018**

**The Wisconsin Shepherd** 9
Jefferson, WI - The Midwest Shetland Sheep Breeders Association show has once again raised the bar for Shetland sheep entries in the US, as it is now the single largest Shetland breed show in North America. With 118 entries, the show came within two sheep of breaking the record, shown by thirty two exhibitors, including eleven junior exhibitors. Breeders, spectators and exhibitors converged on Jefferson from Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, North Carolina, Ohio, Kentucky, New York, Pennsylvania and Minnesota, making this year’s show one of the most diverse in memory.

The sheep show was judged by Jean Curtis, Somerset, England, who was accompanied by her veterinarian granddaughter who provided some history of the breed in the U.K. and spoke on growing dewormer resistance in that country. Curtis is one of the most respected breeders in the U.K. and has had a major impact on Shetland flocks in the U.S. through semen importations several years ago.

Sue Thwaites, Dorset, England, a long-time Shetland breeder and avid spinner and knitter, judged the MSSBA fleeces. She is well known and respected by many Shetland breeders in the UK and has an extensive working knowledge of Shetland wool.

A huge thank you goes out to the volunteers that stepped up to help make this show another success. Thanks to fleece show superintendent Garrett Ramsay, Kate Cox, Lori Scharlau, Jon and Terry Yapp, Lynn Michael, Cyndee Wolfe, Russ and Terry Dukerschein, without whom the silent auction, pot luck, Friday night party, and fleece shows could not have happened. And thanks to Rich Johnson, Lorrie Killian, Russ Dukerschein and my right hand, Mike Bartels for all their help with the sheep show. I apologize if I’ve forgotten to mention someone, but know your help is appreciated more than you can imagine.

MSSBA Fleece Show Results
71 fleeces entered, 12 exhibitors, 6 states

**Adult colored – 31 fleeces**
1st – Kelly Bartels
2nd – Kelly Bartels
3rd – Theresa Gygi
4th – Ricky LaCasse

**Adult white – 7 fleeces**
1st – Karen Valley
2nd – Ricky LaCasse
3rd – Ricky LaCasse
4th – Sherry Ecker

**Rooed – 10 fleeces**
1st – Theresa Gygi
2nd – Karen Valley
3rd – Theresa Gygi
4th – Lori Scharlau

**Lamb Colored – 17 fleeces**
1st – Cynthia Wolfe
2nd – Anita Paul
3rd – Cynthia Wolfe
4th – Ricky LaCasse

**Lamb White - 6 fleeces**
1st – Karen Valley
2nd – Garrett Ramsay
3rd – Garrett Ramsay
4th – Theresa Gygi

**Grand Champion - Lamb White** - Karen Valley
**Reserve Champion - Lamb Colored** - Cynthia Wolfe
**Best Black** - Cynthia Wolfe
**Judges Choice** - Ricky LaCasse
**Champion Rooed** - Theresa Gygi
**Reserve Champion Rooed** - Karen Valley

**Youth Showmanship Age 8 and under**
1st – Rhyan Nichols
2nd – Taite Wicke
3rd – Julia McDowell
4th – Landon Bartels
5th – Clara Cox
6th – Sheridan McGillivray

**Youth Showmanship Age 9 and up**
1st – Cara Keranen
2nd – Colleen Keranen
3rd – Campbell Wicke
4th – Lynden McGillivray
5th – Phillip McGillivray
6th – James Scharlau

**Champion Youth Showmanship** – Cara Keranen
**Res. Champion Youth Showmanship** – Rhyan Nichols

**Senior Ram**
1st – Dwight & Lori Stephenson / Sommarang Nuuk
2nd – Garrett Ramsey & Aaron Gray / White Pine Agno
3rd – Garrett Ramsey & Aaron Gray / White Pine Vinshu
4th – Terry Yapp / OK Acres Mercury

**Ram Lamb**
1st – Kate Cox / Inse Clark
2nd – Mike & Kelly Bartels / OK Acres Mulberry
3rd – Amy Rappuhn / Linden Lane Petoskey
4th – Mike & Kelly Bartels / OK Acres Mango
5th – Theresa Gygi / Under The Son Zambo
The winners of the Sue Russo Award for 2018 were Shetland exhibitors Jim and Lori Scharlau, Black River Falls, WI, shown here with grandson James Scharlau and their class winner Allen Creek Dot. The award recognizes the best Modified, Spotted or Colored Shetland and honors the late Sue Russo, long time U.K. Shetland breeder who was instrumental in developing the Color and Marking Chart in use by U.K. and North American breeders.

**Champion Ram** – Theresa Gygi
**Res. Champion Ram** – Kate Cox – Inse Clark

**Pair of Ram Lambs**
1st – Garrett Ramsey & Aaron Gray
2nd – Kate Cox
3rd – Kelly Bartels
4th – Russ & Terry Dukerschein
5th – Jim & Lori Scharlau

**Senior Ewe**
1st – Lorrie Killion / OK Acres Shania
2nd – Lorrie Killion / OK Acres Mercedes
3rd – Karen Valley / Wintertime Style
4th – Karen Valley / Wintertime Miso
5th – Mike & Kelly Bartels / OK Acres Ophelia

**Yearling Ewe**
1st – Theresa Gygi / Under The Son Windsong
2nd – Dwight & Lori Stephenson / Sommarang Oma
3rd – Mike & Kelly Bartels / OK Acres Dark Mirage
4th – Mike & Kelly Bartels / OK Acres Althea
5th – Phillip McGillivray / Inse Brie

**Ewe Lambs**
1st – Theresa Gygi / Under The Son Toya
2nd – Amy Rappuhn / Linen Lane Prim
3rd – Jackie Tyler / Emerald Green Nibbles
4th – Amy Keranen / Pine Ridge Cordelia
5th – Amy Keranen / Pine Ridge Marilla

**Pair of Ewe Lambs**
1st – Amy Keranen
2nd – Mike & Kelly Bartels
3rd – Garrett Ramsey & Aaron Gray
4th – Debra Green
5th – Jim & Lori Scharlau

**Dam & Daughter**
1st – Dwight & Lori Stephenson
2nd – Debra Green
3rd – Laurie McDowell
4th – Garrett Ramsey & Aaron Gray
5th – Jim & Lori Scharlau

**Champion Ewe** – Theresa Gygi – Under The Son Windsong
**Reserve Champion Ewe** – Theresa Gygi – Under the Son Toya

**Best Small Flock**
1st – Theresa Gygi
2nd – Dwight & Lori Stephenson
3rd – Russ & Terry Dukerschein
4th – Kate Cox
5th – Jim & Lori Scharlau

**Best Fleece On Hoof**
1st – Kate Cox
2nd – Amy Keranen
3rd – Karen Valley
4th – Sharrie Ecker
5th – Theresa Gygi

**Costume Class**
1st – Sheridan McGillivray
2nd – Julia McDowell
3rd – Lynden McGillivray
4th – Cara Keranen
5th – Colleen Keranen

**Sue Russo Award** – Jim & Lori Scharlau

**Supreme Champion** – Theresa Gygi – Under the Son Windsong
**Reserve Supreme Champion** – Theresa Gygi – Under The Son Kenzo
What is ergot? Ergot is a fungal disease of worldwide distribution that is common in the northern two-thirds of North America. Ergot affects wild and cultivated grasses, as well as small grain crops such as wheat, oats, barley and especially rye. The ergot pathogen produces alkaloid toxins many of which reduce blood flow in animals (e.g., cattle, sheep, swine, horses and even humans) that eat ergot-contaminated grain. Ergot poisoning is cumulative. Symptoms can develop rapidly if animals eat large quantities of ergot or more slowly if they eat small quantities of ergot on a regular basis. In many animals (e.g., cattle), the first symptom of ergot poisoning is lameness that occurs two to four weeks after ergot is first eaten. Gangrene in extremities (e.g., hooves and ears) follows. Dairy cows that eat ergot contaminated grain typically have a marked reduction in milk yield. Other symptoms of ergot poisoning can include convulsions, hallucinations and death.

Symptom development is often more severe in very hot or very cold weather. Interestingly, some ergot toxins, when purified and used at low dosages, have pharmaceutical applications (e.g., inducing labor and treating migraine headaches). What does ergot look like? Signs of ergot first appear as droplets of a sticky exudate (called honeydew) on immature grain heads. Honeydew contains asexual spores of the ergot fungus. Over 40 species of insects are attracted to honeydew and can carry spores from infected to healthy plants. After approximately two weeks, infected grains are replaced by dark (often purplish), compact fungal structures called sclerotia. Sclerotia range in size from 1/16 to 3/4 inches in length, and often look like seeds, rodent droppings, or insect parts. Where does ergot come from? Ergot is caused by several species of the fungus Claviceps, most commonly Claviceps purpurea. Sclerotia of these fungi survive in soil and harvested grain. Sclerotia require a one to two month period of cold temperatures (32 to 50°F) after which they germinate to form small, mushroom-like structures that produce sexual spores (different from those produced in honeydew). Germination occurs most commonly in cool (57 to 84°F), damp weather and is inhibited at higher temperatures. Sexual spores are blown to developing grain heads where infection occurs. Humid weather (> 90% relative humidity) contributes to honeydew production. Ergot is also often more severe if frosts occur at the time of spore production.

How can I save a small grain crop with ergot? Fungicide treatments are not recommended to control ergot. When ergot is a problem, you can attempt to remove sclerotia from grain using commercial seed cleaning equipment. However, if sclerotia are broken or are the same size as the grain itself, this may be difficult and costly, and may still result in grain that has a contamination level that is above marketable thresholds (tolerances for ergot sclerotia in harvested grain can be as low as 0.05% by weight). Ultimately destroying the contaminated grain may be the best course of action. Be sure to also destroy the hay from the affected field. DO NOT use the hay as feed or for animal bedding. How can I avoid problems with ergot in the future? Maintain a rotation with at least one year between small grain crops. Use crops that are not susceptible to ergot (e.g., soybeans, alfalfa, corn) in years when small grains are not grown. Plant grain seed that is free of ergot sclerotia. Ergot-resistant varieties are not available, but avoid longer-flowering varieties as they tend to be more susceptible to infection. Keep weed grasses under control. Also, mow areas adjacent to small grain fields to prevent grasses from flowering and developing ergot. In fields where ergot becomes a problem, consider clean, deep plowing that will bury ergot sclerotia to at least three to four inches, thus preventing sclerotia from germinating. Mow, remove and destroy ergot-infected grasses from pastures and hayfields. DO NOT allow animals to graze in these areas and DO NOT use the harvested material for feed or as bedding material. For more information, contact your county UWEX Agent.
Looking Back at the Festival
The 2018 Crook and Whistle Sheep Dog Trial was a great success, with the sheep fit and up for competition. The dogs worked quietly and with great care to keep their sheep settled and happy. The only down side was that part of the field was under water! The previous few days of downpours gave us a chance to negotiate water hazards all over the course! Fifty six handlers from seven states descended on the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival to compete under Judge Sharon Allswede in one of the most popular trials in Southern Wisconsin. This year we had an announcer giving “play by play” so our spectators could understand the course and the commands on the field. Many of the spectators had questions and we were happy to have our announcer address those, since everybody was likely wondering about the dogs, sheep and handlers. We explained the whistle commands for the dogs, the handling of the sheep, and how the sheep dogs are trained. A demonstration by one of the top handlers in Wisconsin was our midday treat and the spectators enjoyed a narrated run where nearly every element went perfectly.

Our focus during a sheep dog trial is to demonstrate how a good border collie can manage sheep under the direction of a shepherd. Since sheep dog trials are meant to approximate a real working environment, the course has elements of work that one does on a sheep farm. Caring for the livestock and making sure that calm, respectful movement of the animals is on display during the trial. Join us next year September 6-8 to see some of the best handlers and Border collies in the Midwest!

Top Scores in the 2018 Crook & Whistle Trial Included:

**Open 1**
- Gordon Watt and Storm .................. WI 93
- Kerry Watt and Flo .......................... WI 90
- That Flemming and Ali ...................... MO 89
- Thad Flemming and Syd ..................... MO 86
- Mike Neary and Sis .......................... IN 86

**Open 2**
- Gordon Watt and Storm .................. WI 103
- Thad Flemming and Ali ..................... MO 102
- Mike Neary and Sis .......................... IN 101
- Gordon Watt and Hawk .................... WI 94
- Rose Anderson and Skeeter .............. MI 90

**Pro/Novice 1**
- Rose Anderson and Twig ................. MI 81
- Gordon Watt and Lyric ................... WI 74
- Kristen Bryant and Bea .................... MI 72
- Diana Antlitz and Jace .................... IL 71
- Kelly Murningham and Paisley .......... MI 70

**Pro/Novice 2**
- Annie O’Toole and Pippin ............... IN 85
- Rose Anderson and Twiog ............... MI 80
- Rowie Symon-Roske and Grig ........... WI 79
- Janet Henning and Jess ................... WI 76
- Jim Raske and Moss ....................... MN 72

**Novice 1**
- Kris Brown and Meg ...................... MI 77
- Donna Huntington and Davey .......... WI 68
- Mary Coffey Strand ....................... MN 67

**Novice 2**
- Mary Coffey Strand ....................... MN 66
- Natasha Paris and Moss .................. WI 63
- Jennifer Fleck and Cap ................... IL 62

Dogs and handlers from seven states converged on Jefferson to compete in three days of the Crook & Whistle Stock Dog Trial during the sheep and wool festival. Shown is Nancy Flynn’s Leo, competing in Open Class. Flynn is from Valparaiso, IN, one of over fifty handlers running dogs in this year’s trial.

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Stock Dogs a Perennial Favorite at Jefferson

Nancy Flynn - Valparaiso, IN

The Wisconsin Shepherd Fall 2018
The winner of the 2018 Make It With Wool Quilt Raffle was Deborah Kucken of Fort Atkinson, WI. The drawing for the quilt took place at the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival, with proceeds benefitting the Wisconsin MIWW program. The quilt was sewn by Carol Battenberg, Johnson Creek; Jolene Massuch of Watertown and State MIWW Director Wynn Wittkopf of Pewaukee who says work on the 2019 quilt is already underway.

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Each year the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative awards up to $4000.00 in scholarships based on qualified applications submitted. To be eligible for a 2019 scholarship, an applicant’s parents or the applicant must have been members of the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Co-op for a minimum of two years, including the year of application. The applicant must be a high school senior graduating in 2019 or college student age 25 or younger and be enrolled in UW-Madison Agriculture Short Course, technical school, community college or an accredited 4-year college in the fall of 2019. In addition, the applicant must have carried sheep as a 4-H or FFA project for a minimum of two years. Previous WSBC scholarship recipients are not eligible to re-apply. An application form may be found on the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Co-op website, www.wisbc.com. Applications are due June 15, 2019, addressed to the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative, 7811 N. Consolidated School Road, Edgerton, WI 53534.

The 2018 WSBC scholarship recipients are:

**Katharine (Katie) Bugenhagen**

I started with sheep showing about 8 years ago. I started by showing one market lamb at my county fair. A natural named Bubba. He stole my heart and ran with it because the next several years saw me showing market lambs, ewe lambs, and yearlings at my county fair, then jackpot shows, and the Wisconsin State Fair among other places. My project has grown to include a few ewes that I breed, and several market lambs for the county and state fair. My sister and I manage all our lambs and do all aspects of chores including feeding, clipping, cleaning, and more. In addition to our lambs, we have allowed other kids to keep lambs on our property, teaching them everything there is to know about sheep. Over the last few years I have had the opportunity to take my sheep into the community to teach others about them. I’ve taken sheep to a vacation Bible school, an Easter community event, and will be taking them to the Waukesha Friday Night Live events to promote the Waukesha County Fair and to teach the community about sheep. The 4-H sheep project has been getting smaller, therefore promoting and showing people what it’s about is more important than ever at events like these. Doing events like these encourages others to try the hobby of owning sheep.

I love to learn about all aspects of agriculture, particularly sheep. I didn’t grow up with sheep and had to learn everything from scratch when I first started out. Since starting out, I have gained knowledge and experience, and now know how to correctly feed, exercise, and show my animals properly. I am always looking for ways to expand my knowledge beyond market sheep and have participated in many skill-a-thons and other contests to test my knowledge. One of the biggest advantages to participating in these events is meeting those in the industry who are always willing to teach us what they know and offer suggestions that might improve our sheep management. The 4-H sheep project has been a great way for me to grow into something more than just a showman. I have become a leader by teaching those who keep their lambs on my property how to properly care for and show their lambs, educating the public at fairs, and setting an example of good showmanship at fairs and
shows. I have grown by learning to lose graciously, win humbly, and to accept things I couldn't change. I also gained great friendships and learned how to ask for help when I needed it.

For several years my family has been a part of the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative. We have gone to the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival for about five years and have participated in the breeding and market shows. I always make it a point to do the skill-a-thon, judging contest, and have made posters for the poster contest as well. Several years ago, I participated in the Livestock Show Camp at the Wisconsin State Fairgrounds. Though I was unable to attend this year due to college, I have in years past gone to the Arlington Sheep Day. It was a great educational experience and a wonderful way to connect with new people. This year I was able to attend the Spring Preview Show. I am a member of the Wisconsin Club Lamb Association and have attended several jackpot shows each year as a way to gain more experience for myself and for my animals. I have been a 4-H member for 13 years. Through those years I have been my club's president for two years, vice president for two years, secretary, junior rep, and games coordinator. I was a junior leader for our club's photography and sheep projects as well. I organized our club's involvement in the Mukwonago Father's Day parade. My family naturally, brought our sheep to the parade to show to people how fun sheep can be. At the county level, I have been a poultry junior leader and assisted with planning and running poultry meetings. I was also a member of the Waukesha County 4-H teen council group for three years, and was asked to coordinate a state event for the Wisconsin Junior Poultry Association's Wisconsin International Poultry show. I coordinated and emceed a “Stump the Experts” activity where people could write questions and ask highly experienced poultry breeders for their expertise.

I have received multiple awards, honors, and recognitions through my 13 years of 4-H. I have received project medals in ten of my eleven carried projects and project honors in three of them. I was awarded the Leadership and Citizenship county medals, and received the state Key Award. Additionally, I received the 4-H scholarship this past year. Over the years I have been a multiple time grand and reserve grand champion winner in all of my projects. I also had a photo be chosen to go to state fair, and was chosen as a Governor's Blue Ribbon Scholarship recipient in 2017.

At the University of Arkansas, I am involved in the Poultry Club, the Block and Bridle Club, and am a member of the professional agricultural sorority Sigma Alpha. In Sigma Alpha, I am on the social committee which is responsible for planning one social event a month, and the banquet and formal we have each year. I was recently installed as the secretary for the Block and Bridle Club and will assume my duties when the school year starts. This past year I was honored in Sigma Alpha as the Outstanding Freshman in the sorority, and the poultry club honored me as their freshmen of the year. I am planning on continuing at the University of Arkansas and receiving my bachelor's in Poultry Science. My current intentions are to go into the live production or nutrition side of the industry but would like to explore other aspects of the industry through multiple internships to gain experience in other areas. I am keeping my options open and intend to gain as much experience and knowledge as I can through my studies and internships.

In summary, I am a driven student with a passion for agriculture and sheep showing. I am honored to be considered for such a prestigious scholarship and consider it the pinnacle of my sheep showing career.

Brodric (Brody) Jones

I have learned a great deal in the sheep project. Our family had never raised sheep before, so we had to learn everything along the way. I have learned about biology, breeding and genetics. I have also learned about the care and responsibility needed to do well in the sheep project, such as conditioning and feed differences. I have also learned about health of meat sources and biosecurity. I always participate in educational sessions at Arlington Sheep Days and the skillathons and industry interviews at state fair. This has helped me learn a lot about large scale sheep breeders as well as small farms like mine. It was interesting to learn about different cultures in our area and different beliefs and religious activities for eating lamb. We have had several Muslim people buy our lambs and there is a halal butcher nearby. We are limited in size of our flock, size of our land and the amount of money we put into the project, so that has limited how competitive we can be in the show ring. We enjoy raising our lambs and caring for our flock.
well, even though we know we are not likely to win. However what we have learned in good sportsmanship, being responsible and having a positive attitude (even when you are last) is more important than the champion ribbons.

My sheep projects span to about twenty sheep now, with lambs every winter. We started with two ewe lambs when I was in 4th grade, and have built our flock over the years. When the lambs are old enough I walk and exercise the sheep with my sisters, check and fill their waters and feed daily. We have two rams, so we determine who we are going to breed each year and select who to keep for breeding and who to market. I help with the lambing process often cutting umbilical cords, docking tails, bottle feeding, giving immunizations and medications, and other care. We have had many orphaned lambs over the years, and they require a lot of care. I have become more independent over the years getting ready to show, by bathing and fitting the sheep. When I was young my parents helped with that a lot, but now we can do it alone.

I have participated regularly in the Arlington Sheep Day educational activities, as well as attend the Sheep and Wool festival every year. I have participated in the youth activities at Sheep and Wool including showing, showmanship, photography contest, poster contests, and lead line over the years.

We participate in the Wisconsin Junior Southdown organization and show at State Fair every year. We participate in county sheep educational activities, lead line and livestock auction each year. My sister and I have also been doing our county’s educational display for state fair, and have won the state award for it multiple times. We have introduced many other youth to the sheep project by encouraging them to borrow our sheep for the lead line at county fair and have led Cloverbud meetings at our house to teach young 4-H members about sheep. My sister and I have also hosted vet tech students from the Milwaukee Career College multiple semesters who come out to our farm with their instructor to learn about ruminants and practice giving our sheep exams and drawing blood. Most of the students have not had much experience with farm animals, so it has been fun to teach them about our sheep project.

I have served as the Reporter, Treasurer, Vice President and President of my local 4-H. I have also been on various county wide committees, including promotions, activities and camp counselors. Currently I am on the county food stand committee where I currently serve as their graphic designer. I am a junior leader for multiple projects. I received the Key award, County Leadership, Achievement, Citizenship Awards. Bronze, Silver Gold record book medals, many project honors, medals, and champions. I attended the State 4-H Conference, 4-H Space Camp, Youth Leadership Camp, 4-H Fall Forum, National 4-H Congress. In school, I served on the School Yearbook Committee, Student Council Volunteer at local elementary school hot lunch last 3 years. In addition, I am the Wisconsin Junior Poultry Association State Secretary and website developer.

I plan to go to UW-Parkside for the next four years. While there I plan to get my degree in Graphic design, and minor in computer science. I do plan to continue with hobby farming in my future, building on my sheep and poultry knowledge. I am also working towards being an American Poultry Association judge. I also plan to continue the family tradition of being 4-H leaders to help other kids and families in the future. My career in graphic design will also be helpful volunteering in organizations I get involved with in the future, to help with creating flyers, media and promotions.

Brianna and Brody Jones are recipients of 2018 Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Co-op scholarships and are graduates of eAchieve Online Academy. Both are attending UW Parkside, Brianna majoring in Marketing and Brody in Graphic Design. Their parents are Jim and Barb Jones of Big Bend, WI.
Brianna Jones  
My name is Brianna Jones and I have been involved in the Sheep Project for 8 years. Back in 2010, my family and I did a lot of research before getting our first sheep, and found that the Southdown breed would be the perfect fit for us. At 10 years old, I entered The Started Ewe Lamb Program essay writing contest sponsored by the Wisconsin Southdown Association and won, where I received my first Southdown lamb as my prize. It was on that day that my love for the sheep project began. I started off slow with my little ewe lamb, and just showed at the Waukesha County Fair through 4-H. Through the years, my flock has grown a lot! Now I’m doing a lot more things like, going to more shows and putting lambs in the auction at county fair. My siblings and I do all the day to day work in caring for our sheep. Feeding, watering, exercising, halter-breaking, cleaning bedding, working with, and caring for sick or injured sheep are all part of our duties that we do every single day, no matter what. A few years into my project, I bought a ram and started breeding. Lambing season is definitely my favorite time of the year!  
This year was my sixth year lambing and I’ve definitely learned a lot. I’ve learned how to dock lamb tails, when and where to give lambs shots, how to put ear tags in, and how to feed a lamb a bottle. A few years ago one of our first time mothers had twins and rejected one of her lambs. I’ve learned ways to help the ewe realize that the lamb is hers, but it doesn’t always work. That year I didn’t know about those techniques yet and the ewe ended up killing her own lamb. Then I saw another ewe do the same thing to one of her lambs and I tried everything I could to get the ewe to recognize that the lamb was hers, like getting the lamb covered in water and molasses so the ewe would want to lick her off. But nothing worked so I ended up keeping the lamb in a separate pen, bottle feeding her 3 to 4 times a day, and keeping her warm in the cold winter. The most important goal I had was to keep the little lamb alive, and it was a ton of work. This little lamb, and my entire sheep project in general, has taught me a lot about responsibility. My sheep obviously needed to be taken care of no matter what. Throughout the years there have been some hard moments, such as having to wake up at 3am to check on the newborn lambs, trudging through the snow in below 0 degree temperatures to go feed the lambs, or even working with a stubborn ram lamb under the blazing summer sun. However, these experiences in the sheep project have all shown me that all hard work pays off in the end.  
Every year I participate in the Make It With Wool Contest at the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival. I’ve loved doing this as it gives me the opportunity to learn more about wool, and use my skills in sewing to create interesting and unique wool outfits. I also participate in sheep Lead Line competitions at the Waukesha County Fair, Wisconsin State Fair, and the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival. This has also been a favorite of mine over the years as it gives me an opportunity to promote the sheep meat and wool industries to the public. I regularly attend the Arlington Sheep Day clinic where I always learn something new. I also have participated in the State Fair Sheep Premier Exhibitor Contest, where last year I even placed in the top 10! I am a member of the Wisconsin Southdown Association.  
Teaching others has been a big part of my sheep project. I’ve run multiple meetings where I’ve taught young Cloverbuds in my 4-H Club about taking care of sheep. I have also hosted students for their sheep clinic for vet school. I helped teach them about how we take care for our sheep, medications we give them, lambing, and overall how we keep our sheep and lambs healthy. It has been really neat to teach college students about our flock. Recently, I also did a hands on demonstration to students from a local elementary school on shearing sheep. It was many of the kids first time ever interacting with a sheep, which was really great to be a part of. Being able to talk to and teach the public and fairgoers at County and State Fair has always been a favorite of mine.  
- Eleven years Washington 4-H Club Officer; Waukesha County 4-H Leadership Board; Fund Raising, Banquet and Promotions committees; Danforth Leadership Award  
- Member Waukesha County 4-H Teen Council/ Teen Ambassador;  
- Waukesha County 4-H Summer Camp Counselor;  
- Washington 4-H Club Cloverbuds Leader;  
- Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council member- 2016-2018;  
- Student Council; School Yearbook Committee, Chairman High Honor Roll National Honor Society;  
- Christ Lutheran Church Girl Pioneers Leader;  
- National 4-H Conference Culvers 4-H Scholarship.
In the fall, I will be attending UW Parkside majoring in Marketing. Even though my time of showing sheep is soon coming to an end, my sheep project is far from over. Since I will be going to school locally, I plan on continuing to help out with the daily care of my sheep and will help my younger sister at future shows. I plan on becoming a 4-H leader where I will be able to continue helping with the Waukesha County 4-H Sheep Project and teaching kids about sheep.

**Brady Meudt**

I manage my 10 ewes and 6 market lambs annually that I own. I purchase feed and bedding to provide the animals with everything they need. They have access to an outside run where they can socialize and have a constant supply of fresh air. They have an automatic waterer that I clean on a daily basis that provides clean, cool water and have fans that run in the summertime to keep the lambs cool. The wethers and ewe lambs that I own are kept in the same pen but are fed in individual feeding stalls to manage their own specific diet requirements as well as to ensure they are eating sufficiently. My role in the care and management of my sheep is to feed them and to make sure they stay healthy and comfortable. I am in charge of purchasing all feed including the base mix, top dresses, and hay as well as creating a dietary plan for all of the lambs individually and the ewes collectively. I purchase medicines and vaccines and supplies to give them such things including syringes, drench guns, and bolus guns. I purchase most of the show supplies (i.e., soap and conditioner, hide lotion, sheen) and maintain the equipment that I was given when starting my operation (i.e., trimming stand, blower).

Being a child raised in the livestock industry is both the most enjoyable and sometimes most disheartening way to be raised. We get to see many things that other youth do not, both good and bad. The good typically outweighs the bad, or at least that is what we hope for. We get to experience new life firsthand as we are helping deliver lambs, we get to watch lambs socialize and play and also get to network with some of the best in the nation. I have learned the importance of not being afraid to ask questions, most are willing to help if questions are asked. As for witnessing the bad, it never gets easier when you have to cull an old show ewe because she is no longer productive or load your market animals on the trailer for the last time. If we didn’t have these feelings we wouldn’t be doing our projects correctly. The attachment shows our passion and time-invested in each animal. The livestock world also teaches us responsibility, time management and how to socialize with others. The industry is a true character builder. We are taught responsibility through the repetition of feeding animals day in a day out. Time management is important to help ensure we have a farm and school balance. In our household, school comes first and if I have a big project I am able to communicate this with those needed to make sure that chores are done.

My participation in Wisconsin Sheep Breeder Cooperative Activities includes showing at the Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival for the past 7 years and am a current member. I have been a member of the Wisconsin Livestock Breeders Association for the past 7 years where I have shown at both the Spring Preview and Summer Spectacular shows as well as been a participant and guest presenter at the livestock show camp. I have also been a member of the Wisconsin Club Lamb Association for the past six years where I have shown competitively against other sheep-showing youth in the state of Wisconsin.

4-H and/or FFA offices and leadership positions held included FFA: President 2017-18 State Delegate 2016-17 4-H: President 2017-18, Vice President 2014-16 honors and awards received in 4-H and/or FFA include: Whitewater FFA: Star Chapter Member - outstanding second year member Star Junior - outstanding junior member, Chapter Proficiency Winner – Sheep Production 2016, 2017,

In my school, I am a part of a wide variety of organizations both academically, extracurricular and athletic. I am a part of the Whitewater Track and Field team and run sprints and compete in the triple jump. I earned my athletic letter in 2017 for earning a sufficient amount of varsity points. I am a member of the National Honor Society and the National Society of High School Scholars which are two prestigious organizations that recognize incredible academic work and participation in other activities at the national level. I am a member of the Spanish club as well as the National Spanish Honor Society which recognizes those who have taken rigorous Spanish courses in high school and have shown their mastery of the language to their adviser through essay format. I have earned my academic letter at my high school for achieving a very high GPA and being on the High Honor Roll every semester thus far as well as earning the bronze and silver High Honor medals for being on the High Honor Roll as a sophomore and junior. I was a part of the Future Business Leaders of America for an interest in competing in the Public Service Announcement competition and learning about other areas of business. I am a member of the organization, Students Against Destructive Decisions to promote student well-being and teen safety among my peers. I also served as a “Lead Dog” in my school which is a group of seniors selected anonymously by the staff showing great leadership and excellent work in the classroom to help the incoming freshman class to better transition into high school. The Lead Dogs prepare group-led activities that help freshmen to learn how to work together and to become involved as well as develop good rapport with one another.

I will attend UW-La Crosse in the fall to pursue a degree in biology with a medical emphasis. My intention is to become active at the UW-La Crosse campus. My goal is to go on and get a post-secondary degree and become a Physician’s Assistant. I plan to maintain my livestock enterprise through my junior livestock eligibility. My future plans are to maintain sheep and continue to show competitively throughout the state and across the nation.
SILENT AUCTION A FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHT

Tim Miller

Jefferson, WI - Thanks to the generosity of the listed donors and the efforts of Tim Miller, Silent Auction Chair and volunteers Etta and Elmer Held, Barb and Richard Schultz and Richard and Sylvia Roembke, the 2018 Silent Auction grossed $4661. A plentiful assortment of fiber arts, crafts, spinning tools, gift baskets, woolen accessories and sheep art drew an enthusiastic audience of buyers during the festival’s silent auction. Helping to set the bidding pace on the over two hundred items were a loom donated by The Scarf Connection, Erin and Steve Whalen, Whitewater, WI, and Green Bay Packer prints contributed by Bob Johnson, Milton, WI. Thanks to all buyers and donors.

Auction proceeds support the youth education and scholarship programs of the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Co-op and the many generations of future shepherds.


We sincerely apologize for any errors or omissions.
The 2018 Shepherds Auction grossed $3202 thanks to the generosity of the donors listed, Auctioneer Bob Johnson, Badger State Auction and Ryan Bingen, Auction Chair. Proceeds support the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Co-op youth education funds and Wisconsin’s sheep industry.

- LAMBING BASKET (PREMIER/PIPESTONE)
- STAND ALONE FEED SUPPLEMENT (STAND ALONE)
- 3 BAGS CHAFFHAYE PASTURE REPLACEMENT FORAGE (CHAFFHAYE)
- 2 - 50# BAGS FORM-A-FEED SHEEP MINERAL (FORM-A-FEED)
- 2 - #3 HOWARD HAND CARDS, 1 SMALL LEG CARD, 1 #6 CARD (HOWARD BRUSH)
- 8 - BOTTLES “MOTHER UP” LAMB GRAFTING SPRAY (ALECIA BOWERS MOTHER UP INC)
- SYDELL MINERAL FEEDER (SYDELL)
- #2 HOWARD CARD, LAMB BLANKET, HOOF TRIMMER, T SHIRT, ELECTROLYTE, LIVESTOCK EVAL MANUAL (VALLEY VET)
- 2-50# BAGS SHOW BLOOM (SHOWBLOOM)
- HEININGER COMBS/CUTTERS, 2 BOTTLES OIL (HEININGER)
- #1 HOWARD CARD, 2 BOTTLES WEAVER SPRAY, 2-HALTERS, 2 JUDGING MANUALS, 1 SHAMPOO, ELECTROLYTE, 12” FEEDER (STEEPLE VIEW FARM)
- LAMB GRILLING SET, 20 POUNDS OF MEAT (LONE ROOSTER FARM)
- 2 - #1 HOWARD CARDS, 1 SMALL LEG CARD, 1- #6 CARD CLEANER
- LAMBING BASKET WITH HEAT LAMP (PREMIER)
- UDDER COMFORT LOTION BASKET (UDDER COMFORT)
- 2 GALLONS LEG SHAG (TOM THOMPSON)
- SHEEP CROOK (PREMIER)
- 2 - #2 HOWARD CARDS, 1 SMALL LEG CARD, 1 #6 CARD CLEANER (HOWARD BRUSH)
- 1 XL MENS CINCH JACKET (MILLER INTERNATIONAL)
- BIOPRYN BLOOD COLLECTION BASKET (BIOPRYN)
- WOOD SHEEP CROOK (PREMIER)
- RING OUT ANTIFUNGAL BASKET (ZACTRAN INC)
- SHOW COAT BASKET (SHOW COAT SOLUTIONS)
- 2 GALLONS DYNE SUPPLEMENT (ALF HAMPShIRES)
- 1-25 POUND BAG MILK REPLACER (MILK SPECIALTIES)
- #3 CARD BASKET IN 1FT HANGING FEEDER (STEEPLE VIEW FARM)
- UDDER COMFORT BASKET (UDDER COMFORT)
- LAMBING BASKET WITH HEAT LAMP (PREMIER)
- 1 SYDELL MINERAL FEEDER (SYDELL)
- 3 BAGS CHAFFHAYE (CHAFFHAYE TX.)
- 5 BOTTLES “MOTHER UP” LAMB GRAFTING SPRAY (ALECIA BOWERS MOTHER UP INC)
- SYDELL TRIMMING STAND (LIKE NEW, USED ONCE. DONATED BY THE SCARF CONNECTION)
- MINERAL 50# (DEBBIE PETZEL)
- 3 - HAY BASKET FEEDERS (MOUNTAIN VIEW MACHINE)
- LARSON QUILT (JULIE/ERIC LARSON)
- 8 - BAGS SHEEP CIDRS (TIM MILLER)
Jefferson, WI - The Wisconsin Make It With Wool Contest was held during the Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival at Jefferson County Fair Park in Jefferson on Saturday, September 8th. There were seventeen garment and novelty entries. Contestants in the Make It With Wool contest competed for top prizes in the four garment divisions – Preteen, Junior, Senior, and Adult. Garments must have been constructed during the contest year and made of a minimum of 60% wool or wool blend fabrics, wool yarn or specialty fibers such as mohair and alpaca. Judging was completed by a panel of judges who spoke with each contestant individually and then judged the construction of the garments. The afternoon Style Show featured all contestants modeling their unique and skillfully crafted garments before an attentive and very appreciative audience. Winners in all categories were announced and prizes presented.

In the 8 to 12 years of age, Preteen Division, taking first place honors was Elizabeth Colwell, LaValle, receiving a Babylock sewing machine donated by M & R Sewing & Vac of Madison. In second place, Brooklyn Jones, Big Bend, was awarded an iron donated by Nasco of Ft. Atkinson. Third and fourth place winners were respectively, Kayden Richardson of Dousman, and Hannah Riemer, Mequon, both awarded scissors donated by Kurth Farms of Pewaukee.

In the Junior Division - for contestants ages 13 to 16 - first place went to Amara Bugenhagen of Mukwonago, who will compete in the National MIWW competition in New Orleans in January and receives airfare provided by Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative, along with hotel accommodations paid by the National MIWW program. In second place was Lauren Thompson of Woodville, who received a $50 cash award from Wisconsin Make It With Wool program.

The Senior Division winner was Kimberly Westenberg of Watertown, who also receives airfare to the National MIWW contest in New Orleans, provided by the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative. She also receives hotel accommodations paid by National MIWW. In second place in this division for ages 17-24 was Rebecca Torkelson, Dousman who was presented a $50 cash award from Wisconsin Make It With Wool. Third and fourth places respectively went to Allison Colwell, LaValle, and Brianna Jones, Big Bend, each receiving scissors donated by Kurth Farms of Pewaukee.

Theresa Braun of Fox Point, took top honors in the Adult Division, received a $150 cash award from Wisconsin Make It With Wool, while Linnet Henningfeld of Union Grove: received a $50 cash award from Wisconsin Make It With Wool for second place. Braun will prepare a video featuring her garment and submit it to National Contest held in California where a panel of judges will decide on a National adult winner, who will then be notified and receive a trip to the national contest in New Orleans.

In the Best Knitted Entry, Kimberly Westenberg of Watertown was presented a $50 cash award from Kurth Farms, Pewaukee. In the Two Best Constructed Items category, Theresa Braun, Fox Point and Rebekah Torkelson of Dousman each received $100 cash awards from Nancy Zieman Productions, Beaver Dam. The Novelty Youth category winner was Holley Schwartz of Watertown, who received a $25 cash award from Wisconsin Make It With Wool. In the Novelty Adult division, Nancy Lindquist, Oconomowoc, took both first and second places, receiving a total of $50 in cash awards from the Wisconsin MIWW, while Mary Lou Butterbrodt of Wind Lake received third place honors and a $10 cash award from Wisconsin MIWW.

The major sponsor of the annual Wisconsin Make It With Wool contest is the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative which, in addition to airfares, provided all garment contestants two and a half yards of Pendleton wool fabric. Jefferson Agri-Business and Watertown Agri-Business also provide support to Make It With Wool, along with numerous businesses and organizations throughout Wisconsin.

The 2019 Make It With Wool competition will be held on September 7 during the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival held at the Jefferson County Fair Park in Jefferson, WI. For additional information, visit www.wisconsinsheepandwoolfestival.com and click on Make It With Wool or contact Wisconsin’s State Director, Wynn Wittkopf at wynnwittkopf@gmail.com or 262-370-1433.
The 2019 Make It With Wool competition at the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival winners: (l-r) Preteen Division, Elizabeth Colwell, LaValle; Junior Division, Amara Bugenhagen, Mukwonago; Senior Division, Kimberly Westenberg, Watertown; and Adult Division winner Theresa Braun, Fox Point. The primary sponsor for the Wisconsin MIWW competition is the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative.

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In the Make It With Wool, Preteen Division, taking first place honors was Elizabeth Colwell, LaValle, receiving a Babylock sewing machine donated by M & R Sewing & Vac of Madison.

New Orleans bound! Amara Bugenhagen, Wisconsin MIWW Junior Division winner; Holley Schwartz, 2018 National Make It With Wool Junior Ambassador; and Kimberly Westenberg, Senior Division MIWW winner will each attend the National MIWW competition in New Orleans in January 2019 in conjunction with the national ASI Convention.
Jefferson, WI - Many thanks to everyone who entered the 2018 Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Co-op Photo Contest this year! We had many submissions from some truly talented photographers, and our judges had some challenging decisions in narrowing down the winners. The beautiful images were a highly visited attraction at the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival. The Photo Contest award sponsors and top placings for the four contest categories were:

**2018 Sponsors**

Just Lambs and Scenic Photos Category - $50.00 award sponsored by the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative.  
Kids and Lambs - $50.00 gift certificate sponsored by Ewesful Gifts.  
Photo Taken By Youth - $50.00 gift certificate to Profiles Show Supplies and Embroidery, sponsored by Windswept Crest Farm - Petzel Family

**Just Lambs** - Top Three

1. Kirstin Thompson - Kind Eyes  
2. Emily Schwanke - Spring Twins  
3. Kirstin Thompson - Just Born

**Scenic Photo** - Top Three

1. Susie Olson Rosenbush - Is It Spring Yet?  
2. Kirstin Thompson - Nice To Be Chillin’  
3. Patty Reedy - Fall Shorn Lambs Head To Pasture

Kristin Thompson of Woodville, WI took top honors at the 2018 Photo Contest in the Just Lambs category with "Kind Eyes."

In the Scenic Photo category, the winner was Susie Olson-Rosenbush of Sarona, WI with "Is It Spring Yet?"
**Kids and Lambs - Top Three**
1. Anna Jansson - A Girl’s Best Friend
2. Kirstin Thompson - Border Bliss
3. Kirstin Thompson - Intensity

**Photos Taken By Youth - Top Five**
1. Jackie Rosenbush - “Hi, I’m Nice!”
2. Nathan Thompson - All Ears
3. Vivian Stephenson - Well, Hello There
4. Lauren Thompson - Springtime of Our Eweth
5. Ben Wamsley - Field Fun

For more information on how to enter the 2019 Photo Contest, go to www.wisconsinsheepandwoolfestival.com - Competitions.

Jackie Rosenbush of Sarona, WI took first place in the Photos Taken by Youth category at Jefferson with “Hi - I’m Nice!”

Nathan Thompson, Woodville, WI, had the second place entry in the 2018 Photo Contest youth category with “All Ears.”

The winner of the 2018 Photo Contest, Kids & Lambs Division was “A Girl’s Best Friend,” taken by Anna Jansson of La Crosse, WI.

Third place honors in the Photos Taken By Youth was "Well, Hello There,” taken by Vivian Stephenson, Viroqua, WI.
Dick Krakow

West Allis, WI - Dick Krakow, Arcadia, WI, grew up working with sheep and other livestock on his grandfather’s farm. When he attended the University of Wisconsin Farm and Industry Short Course in 1962, he was introduced to Hampshire sheep by Dr. Art Pope and Arlington Sheep Unit Shepherd Jim Elphick at The Little International Sheep Show. Dick was fortunate to win Reserve Champion Showman at the Little International that year and this success was the spring board for his passion for the Hampshire breed.

Dick began showing sheep at the Wisconsin State Fair as a junior showman in 1967. After graduating out of the junior Fair competitions he began a very successful run of nearly 45 years in the open class competition at the Wisconsin State Fair. Although he isn’t directly showing sheep anymore he is happy that the Spilde Family of Stoughton, WI has continued to hang banners on behalf of his flock’s genetics.

Throughout his sheep travels, Dick has enjoyed meeting people and making lifelong friends from all over the United States. He especially enjoyed his time serving on the National Hampshire Sheep Association board of directors and being able to work with Hampshire enthusiasts who share the same passion about sheep as he does. He is very proud and blessed to have exhibited fifteen national or reserve national champions at the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, KY, in addition to countless champions at other shows throughout the country. Source: Wisconsin State Fair.

Maureen Lien Family

West Allis, WI - The Maureen Lien Family is from Cambridge, WI and has been raising purebred, polled Dorset sheep with her late husband/father Walter and daughters Sarah, Christina, Erica, and Ellen for over thirty years. Although Maureen has enjoyed raising, exhibiting and selling sheep across the country, she especially enjoyed developing relationships with many sheep breeders and their families. She started in the sheep industry while her children participated in the junior shows and continued for many years into the open sheep shows. The family has been exhibiting at the Wisconsin State Fair for many years, enjoying the camaraderie of fellow exhibitors and the success of working hard and the excitement that comes with it. One of Among her many national level achievements, one of Maureen’s proudest accomplishments in her career as a breeder of purebred sheep was selling a home-raised ram at the Ohio Dorset Sale for $13,000. Source: Wisconsin State Fair.
David W. Hammer, 77, of Cuba City, Wisconsin, died Monday, October 8, 2018, at Stonehill Franciscan Care Center in Dubuque, IA. Services were held on Saturday, October 13, 2018, at St. Patrick’s Church in Benton, WI, with Father David Flanagan officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

David was born on December 4, 1940, in Galena, Illinois, the son of Wilbur and Marilyn (Koehler) Hammer. He married Katherine Hesseling on July 16, 1974, in Kieler, WI. David graduated from Cuba City High School and the Non-Commissioned Officer Academy at McGhee Tyson Air National Guard Base. He spent 27 years serving his country in the Air National Guard. He worked for over forty years as a tool and die maker at John Deere Dubuque Tractor Works. From 1975 until present day he showed commercial and registered sheep both locally and nationally. David served on the Farm Service Agency Board for nine years and also served for over ten years on the Lafayette County Board. He served six years as a director of the Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative. In 2017 David was added to the Wisconsin State Fair Sheep Barn Hall of Fame. He enjoyed history, playing euchre and spending time with his children and grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Katherine; two daughters, Amy (Ryan Bouckaert) Hammer, of Littleton, CO, and Sara (Stephen) Chulski, of Green Bay, WI; two sons, August (Sarah Welbes-Hammer) Hammer of Dubuque, IA, and Leo Hammer of Oshkosh, WI; one brother, Dale (Kathleen) Hammer of Cuba City, WI; and two grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents. A David W. Hammer Memorial Fund has been established. Casey Funeral Home of Cuba City, WI was in charge of funeral arrangements. Online condolences to the family may be sent to www.caseyfuneralhome.net.

ASI Accepting 2019 Award Nominations

The American Sheep Industry Association is now accepting nominations for yearly awards that will be presented at the 2019 Annual Convention in New Orleans. The deadline for all award nominations is Nov. 14.

There are five awards open for nominations: the McClure Silver Ram Award, the Camptender Award, the Distinguished Producer Award, the Industry Innovation Award and the Shepherd’s Voice Award.

Nominations must be submitted to ASI by Nov. 14, and past recipients of these awards are not eligible. To receive an application, call 303-771-3500 or email info@sheepusa.org.

APHIS Outlines Next Steps for Animal Disease Traceability

Throughout FY 2018, APHIS provided metal serial or flock ID ear tags to sheep and goat producers free of charge. Last week, APHIS announced that due to significant increases in the cost of metal tags, Veterinary Services will only provide metal serial tags in FY 2019 and limit the number of free tags available to producers in order to keep costs within budget.

Producers and other entities may receive up to 100 metal serial tags every 2 years. Markets will continue to get the number of metal serial tags they require.

In response to industry’s request to have the metal tags stand out better on white ears, APHIS will provide orange metal serial tags (versus white) going forward. Slaughter-only metal serial ear tags will continue to be blue. ASI remains dedicated to working with APHIS to address this situation and ensure producers have access to the tags they need.

"The Scrapie Eradication program has been the most aggressive and most successful such program in the world," said ASI executive director Peter Orwick. "A lot of that success is due to the assistance we’ve been able to provide producers through ID tags and recordkeeping. ASI will continue to work with USDA and appropriators in Congress to ensure the continued success of this program."

This week, ASI’s Animal Health Committee met and discussed the announcement identifying future meeting opportunities with USDA/APHIS, state animal health and industry partners to pursue appropriate policy on sheep identification.

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**Calendar of Events – Fall 2018**

**Sept. 27, 2018 – Jan. 13, 2019** • Fiber Arts in the Digital Age Exhibit, Wisconsin Museum of Quilts & Fiber Arts, N50 W5050 Portland Road, Cedarburg, WI. 262 546-0300, www.wiquiltmuseum.com Open W-T-F-S 10:00 – 4:00, Sun Noon – 4:00

**Oct. 30 – Nov. 15** • NAILE – North American International Livestock Exposition, Kentucky Exposition Center, Louisville, KY. (Junior/Open Shows – Nov. 7-15) www.livestockexpo.org

**Nov. 8-11** • DSANA Symposium, (Dairy Sheep Association of North America), Kansas City, MO. Information: www.dsana.org.

**Nov. 24** • Illini All-Breeds Bred Ewe Sale, 2:00 p.m., Weitendorf Ag Ed Center, 17840 Laraway Road, Joliet, IL www.bannersheepmagazine.com

**Nov. 24** • Minnesota Bred Ewe Sale, Sale Arena, UW River Falls – Mann Valley Lab Farm, River Falls, WI. Show – 9:00 am, Sale 1:00 pm. Info: Bob Koecher, koehl009@umn.edu

**Nov. 26-27** • Iowa Forage and Grasslands Conference, Des Moines Airport Holiday Inn, Des Moines, IA. http://iowaforage.org

**Dec. 1-2** • Beginning Shearing School, Sheep Unit, UW-Madison Arlington Agricultural Research Station, Arlington, WI. Registration/Information: Todd Taylor, 608 846-5858, toddtaylor@wisc.edu.

**Dec. 6-7** • 6th Annual Perennial Farm Gathering, Lussier Family Heritage Center, 3010 Lake Road, Madison, WI. Savanna Institute, www.savannainstitute.org Registration deadline: Nov. 21

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**Jan. 17** • Native Fiber Exhibit Opens, Wisconsin Museum of Quilts & Fiber Arts, N50 W5050 Portland Road, Cedarburg, WI. 262 546-0300. www.wiquiltmuseum.com Open W-T-F-S 10:00 – 4:00, Sun Noon – 4:00


**Feb. 8-10** • Midwest Fiber Frolic, Crowne Plaza Milwaukee Airport, 6401 South 13th Street, Milwaukee, WI. www.midwestfiberfrolic.com.

**Feb. 21-13** • MOSES Organic Farming Conference, La Crosse Center, 300 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse, WI. https://mosesorganic.org

**March 9** • 11th Annual Arlington Sheep Day, UW-Arlington Agriculture Research Station, Public Events Facility, Arlington, WI. Info: Todd Taylor, 608 846-5858, toddtaylor@wisc.edu or www.wisbc.com

**March 9** • Annual Meeting/Recognition Banquet, Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Cooperative, Public Events Facility, UW-Madison Arlington Agricultural Research Station, Arlington, WI. www.wisbc.com or 608 868-2505 (after 5:00 eve.)

**March 15-17** • 2019 Knit-In, Madison Knitters Guild, Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI. www madisonknittersguild.org

**March 16** • Spring Sheep Shearing School, Lambalot Acres, Augusta, WI. www.indianheadsheepandgoat.org

**April 13-14** • Fiber Expo, Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, Ann Arbor, MI www.fiberexpo.com 734 429-3145

**April 27-28** • Wisconsin Alpaca Fest, Washington County Fair Park, West Bend, WI. www.wisconsinalpacafiberfest.com
May 10-12 • Shepherds Harvest, Washington County Fairgrounds, Lake Elmo, MN www.shepherdsharvestfestival.org

June 15 • Scholarship Deadline, Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Co-op, www.wisbc.com or 608 868-2505 (after 5:00).

Aug. 1 – 11 • Wisconsin State Fair, www.wistatefair.com

Aug. 22 – Sept. 2 • Minnesota State Fair, www.mnstatefair.org

Sept. 6-8 • Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival, Jefferson County Fair Park, Jefferson, WI. www.wisconsinsheepandwoolfestival.com

Sept. 7 • Make It With Wool 2019 State Contest, Jefferson County Fair Park, Jefferson, WI. Wynn Wittkopf, State MIWW Director, jwwittkopf@core.com or 262 370-1433. www.wisconsinsheepandwoolfestival.com

Sept. 7 • Wisconsin Sheep Breeders Co-op Used Equipment Auction, Jefferson County Fair park, Jefferson, WI. 608 868-2505 (after 5:00 eve), www.wisconsinsheepandwoolfestival.com or www.wisbc.com

Do you have an event coming up? Let us know! Debbie Petzel – dpetzel@gmail.com

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