

# ***SECTION 1 NEWSLETTER***

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**WISCONSIN FFA ALUMNI SUMMER/FALL 2011**

## **Local FFA Members Compete at World Dairy Expo**

On Tuesday, October 4th, nearly 400 FFA members competed in the Dairy Cattle Evaluation Contest at the World Dairy Expo in Madison. Local members competing from the Rice Lake FFA (back row) included Katie Wille, Sam Heer, and Gabryel Gonske. Christine Bischoff, Monica Stager, and Shanna Fraiser represented the Cumberland FFA (front row). A highlight included Wille ranking 18<sup>th</sup> in the contest.



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## **Wisconsin FFA Alumni Statewide Cash Raffle**

“Advocates for Agriculture Education” is a slogan that the Wisconsin FFA Alumni Association strongly believes in. It is something that we remind ourselves of with every activity that we do.

Our state is going through some changes. It is very important that the Wisconsin FFA Alumni Association continues to support our local affiliates, FFA members and agriculture education programs. We need to become stronger advocates for what our programs do for the FFA members, our communities, our agriculture industry and our state as a whole. It is for this reason that the state council has voted to hold a cash raffle. The purpose of this raffle is to generate

funds to help support and advocate for our agriculture programs, FFA members and local affiliates.

Each affiliate will receive 11 tickets. We are asking that you sell the 10 tickets at \$10 each and you will receive the 11 ticket for free as a thank you for helping to sell tickets. You may of course ask for additional tickets to sell! The tickets will be given to your agriculture instructor at the FFA Sectional Leadership Workshops this September.

The drawing will take place at the State FFA Alumni Convention on Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at the start of the live auction. You do not need to be present to win, but it would sure be more exciting if you were!

The prizes will be:

2 - \$1,000 prizes    2 - \$750 prizes    2 - \$500 prizes    4 - \$250 prizes    5 - \$100 prizes

**All stubs and money need to be submitted to the State FFA Alumni Office no later than Monday January 30, 2011.**

Please send stubs and money to:  
Wisconsin FFA Alumni Association  
N29452 Brekke Ridge Road  
Blair, WI 54616

If you have any questions, please call the Wisconsin FFA Alumni Executive Director Regina Oldendorf at 608-989-2187 or e-mail at [execdir@wisconsinffaalumni.org](mailto:execdir@wisconsinffaalumni.org)

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### Change in Application Deadline!!!

The Wisconsin FFA Alumni Award Committee has struggled annually with the award deadline being December 31<sup>st</sup>. With holiday mail and the convention in February, it does not leave much time to have the award applications judged. In an effort to make this system more efficient and effective, we have moved up the deadline for awards from December 31<sup>st</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup>.

**This means that all Wisconsin FFA Alumni Award Applications need to be POSTMARKED and sent to the state office by NOVEMBER 30<sup>th</sup> to be eligible.**

Appropriate signatures must be included with the applications. If you have any questions, please call the Wisconsin FFA Alumni Executive Director Regina Oldendorf at 608-989-2187 or e-mail at [execdir@wisconsinffaalumni.org](mailto:execdir@wisconsinffaalumni.org)

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### Agricultural Career Network

A new and better way of registering your members will finally be here this fall! If you have ever felt your frustration level grow while trying to fill out the excel roster, you are in store for a breath of fresh air. The new Agricultural Career Network or A.C.N. will be live on September 1<sup>st</sup>. The A.C.N. is a web-based system that the alumni affiliates and agricultural instructors will

be using to submit their members. This is however only one of the many functions this system will be able to do! The Wisconsin FFA Alumni Association is excited for this much needed improvement.

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## Congratulations 2011 -2012 Wisconsin State FFA Officer Team



President – Ethan Giebel  
Vice President – Abbie Baker  
Vice President – Alissa Milonczyk  
Vice President – Ashleigh Schlewitz  
Vice President – Katie Dreier  
Vice President – Kayla Hack  
Secretary – Nicole Petrie  
Treasurer – Brian Guza  
Parliamentarian – Stacey Kunde  
Reporter – Isaac Christenson  
Sentinel – Sara Raschein

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## Calendar of Events

November	11 - 12	Council Meeting in Prairie du Sac
November	18	Newsletter Deadline
<b>November</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>All State Award Applications Due to State FFA Alumni Office (POSTMARKED DATE)</b>
December	13	Deadline to submit resolutions to State FFA Alumni Office
February	10 - 12	State FFA Alumni Convention – Janesville

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**“Don’t Be the Missing Piece”**



**2012 Wisconsin FFA Alumni State Convention  
February 10, 11 and 12, 2012**

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