

# Agriculture News

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Hello everyone,

It's that time of year where it is getting colder, and snow is either here by the time you are reading this or just around the corner. Holidays are also fast approaching. I love the winter because I feel it's a great time to reconnect with my family and friends after a busy summer and fall. This is also the start of my busy season. Normally I'm planning for a lot of in person educational sessions, but with everything going on it is looking like virtual learning will continue into the spring. I'm excited for the virtual line up we have, and I hope you are too. This edition of the Agriculture Newsletter is highlighting a lot of great winter programming Extension has to offer. If you have questions about registering with these programs feel free to reach out to me and I can help you get signed up. I'm just a phone call or email away. I look forward to the day we can meet in person again, until then see you soon on a screen near you!

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## **Pest Management Update**

The format for the Wisconsin Pest Management Update will be different this year because of COVID-19. Presentations will include pest management information for Wisconsin field and forage crops. Speakers will include Mark Renz, Nick Arneson, and Rodrigo Werle, Weed Scientists, Damon Smith, Plant Pathologist, and Bryan Jensen, Entomologist. Virtual meetings with the same content will be offered multiple times the week of November 9 and will run for 2 hours each. There are also 2 CCA CEUs in the area of Pest Management available for this meeting. Register by November 2, 2020.

Register here: <https://go.wisc.edu/78t2bd>

Dates & Times	Moderators
Tuesday, Nov. 10 9am-11am	Jerry Clark, Chippewa County Agriculture Educator
Wednesday, Nov. 11 11am-1pm	George Koepp, Columbia County Agriculture Educator
Thursday, Nov. 12 1pm-3pm	Josh Kamps, Lafayette County Agriculture Educator

## **Heart of the Farm Fall/Winter Coffee Chats**

Madison, Wis. – University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension's Heart of the Farm-Women in Agriculture program will start its statewide online 'Coffee Chat' Fall/Winter program on Monday Nov. 9, 2020 at 10 a.m. 'Coffee Chats' will be held on the 2nd Monday of each month (10 a.m. – 11 a.m.) through March 2021. The Heart of the Farm-Women in Agriculture program addresses the needs of farm women by providing education on farm business topics, connecting them with agricultural resources and creating support networks. There is no charge for attending the series but you must register at:

<https://uwmadison.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJltceirrzkvEtFMSSLLjrhhSJFMymAHHUA4>

## **Wildlife Abatement Committee**

The Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program (WDACP) is a 100% state funded program designed to provide relief to farmers who are experiencing damage to their crops from the presence of wildlife. Wild animals are an important part of our environment. They contribute to our enjoyment of outdoor recreational activities, and are major components of a healthy environment. La Crosse County is looking for new members to join our team. Our next meeting is February 22nd at 8:30. For more information or if you are interested please contact Kaitlyn @ 608-785-9593/kaitlyn.davis2@wisc.edu

## **Farm Ready Research Webinar Series**

Watch your mailbox, we will be sending information out in the next few weeks about how you can get signed up for the Farm Ready Research Webinar Series. The post card will include when and what time different topics will be offered. Those topics include Dairy, Beef, Small Ruminants, and Farm Management. The post card will give you more information about the programs and how to connect to them. In the meantime if you have any questions please reach out to the La Crosse County Extension office at 608-785-9593 or you can send me an email at Kaitlyn.davis2@wisc.edu.



*"Agriculture is our wisest pursuit, because it will in the end contribute most to real wealth, good morals & happiness."*

*Thomas Jefferson*

## **Resources**

### **La Crosse County Extension Opportunities**

<https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/virtual-programming-opportunities/>

### **Harvest of Hope**

<https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/news/2020/08/24/harvest-of-hope-resources/>

### **Livestock Webstie:**

<https://extension.wisc.edu/agriculture/livestock>

### **Farm Management:**

<https://farms.extension.wisc.edu/>

### **Crops and Soil:**

<https://extension.wisc.edu/agriculture/crops-and-soils/#:~:text=The%20Extension%20Crops%20and%20Soils,manage%20crops%20efficiently%20and%20profitably>

