



UW EXTENSION -- AGRABILITY FEBRUARY 2007 UPDATE

AgrAbility of Wisconsin promotes success in agriculture for individuals with disabilities. In a partnership between UW-Cooperative Extension and Easter Seals Wisconsin, the program assists farmers and farm workers with disabilities or chronic health conditions to continue to farm safely and productively. For more information on AgrAbility's services, call (608) 262-9336, toll-free at 1-800-422-2324, or e-mail aaw@mailplus.wisc.edu.

AGRABILITY WEBSITE ADDITIONS

This month I added the past AgrAbility Updates from 2004 - present to the AgrAbility of Wisconsin website. You can find these past updates under the UWEX Ag Agent Updates section. Please feel free to visit the website for AgrAbility news, current and past newsletters and PDF versions of the AgrAbility of Wisconsin Brochure at <http://www.bse.wisc.edu/agrability>.

NEW STAFF AT EASTER SEALS WISCONSIN FARM PROGRAM

The FARM Program recently hired a new staff member to replace Carlene Volbrecht, who left the program in November 2006. Jeff Kratochwill will begin working as the new Rural Rehabilitation Specialist for the northern Wisconsin area on February 26, 2007. Jeff has an OT background and grew up on a farm outside of Madison. He is currently in a beef cattle partnership with his parents.

AGRABILITY ON THE ROAD

If I will be in your area in the near future, stop by and say hello:

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 3, 2007 **Fond du Lac Ag Showcase and Celebration, Fond du Lac**
- March 6-7 **Eau Claire Farm Show, Eau Claire**
- March 17 **WFC Farm Couple Weekend Getaway Reunion, Stevens Point**
- March 27-29 **WPS Farm Show, Oshkosh**

PLOWING AHEAD NEWSLETTER

The Winter 2007 Plowing Ahead Newsletter was mailed the beginning of February. The newsletter features Ron Schuler, the project director for AgrAbility of Wisconsin, who officially retired on January 4, 2007. Other articles include an update about the ESW FARM calf project, the 2006 Easter Seals Wisconsin Board of Directors Meeting to a former AgrAbility client and a Partner's Piece by Ron Schuler. Look for the Spring 2007 newsletter around the end of March. If you do not receive the newsletter and are interested in receiving it, please contact me at 608.262.9336 or aaw@mailplus.wisc.edu. You can also access the current and past newsletters online at www.bse.wisc.edu/agrability.

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