



UW EXTENSION -- AGRABILITY JANUARY 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.

ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

Former AgrAbility of Wisconsin Clients Randy Hartjes and Gary Lechleitner were currently featured on the national television show, America's Heartland, for the AgrAbility program. In September 2006, the television crew made the trip to Wisconsin and also interviewed Cheryl Skjolaas of the National AgrAbility Project and Paul Leverenz of the Easter Seals of Wisconsin FARM Program. Unfortunately, the episode will not be viewable in Wisconsin unless you receive RFD-TV. However, please feel free to access the short video and article on the America's Heartland website at:

http://www.americasheartland.org/episodes/episode_218/help_for_the_disabled_farmers.html

AGRABILITY WEBSITE ADDITIONS

In the next month I will be adding the past AgrAbility Updates to the AgrAbility of Wisconsin website. There is also a new section to the website called News & Updates. 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>.

AGRABILITY ON THE ROAD

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 31-February 1, 2007 **Jefferson County Farm Show, Jefferson**
- February 10, 2007 **Family Dairies USA Annual Meeting, La Crosse**
- March 3, 2007 **Fond du Lac Ag Showcase and Celebration, Fond du Lac**
- March 6-7 **Eau Claire Farm Show, Eau Claire**
- 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. 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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