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WISCONSIN STATE FAIR PREMIER EXHIBITOR COMPETITION RESULTS

WEST ALLIS, Wis. – August 12, 2014 – There are so many reasons to attend Wisconsin State Fair – for some it’s the rides and others it’s the food. But for more than 300 4-H and FFA members, one of their favorite reasons to attend is to compete in the Premier Exhibitor competitions.

The Premier Exhibitor competitions are educational contests which test junior exhibitors’ project knowledge in a variety of events. The species event included: judging competitions, skillathons, knowledge quizzes, showmanship, and an industry interview. Premier Exhibitor contest opportunities were offered for the following species: beef cattle, dairy cattle, goats, sheep, swine and rabbits. Awards were given to the top ten exhibitors in each species contest and also to the top exhibitor in each event. Please join us as we congratulate all participants and winners who have demonstrated exceptional project and industry awareness. The Wisconsin State Fair would also like to thank the generous award sponsors for these events.

Dairy Cattle:

- Overall Dairy Premier Exhibitor:
 - 1st - Jessica Pralle, Clark County
 - 2nd - Charlie Hamilton, Grant County
 - 3rd - Lizi Endres, Dane County
 - 4th - Cody Getschel, Polk County
 - 5th - Valerie Kramer, Fond Du Lac County
 - 6th - Trent Dado, Polk County
 - 7th - Sierra Lurvey, Richland County
 - 8th - Ethan Dado, Polk County
 - 9th - Elizabeth Sarbacker, Dane County
 - 10th - Abigail Martin, Rock County

- Skillathon: Lizi Endres, Dane County
- Quiz: Cody Getschel, Polk County
- Judging Contest: Alex Huibregste, Sheboygan County

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Beef Cattle:

- Overall Beef Premier Exhibitor:
 - 1st - Aaron Zimmerman, Marathon County.
 - 2nd - Rylee Black, Polk County
 - 3rd - Michaela Remiker, Manitowoc County
 - 4th - Ashely Zimmerman, Marathon County
 - 5th - Heidi Tremaine, Waukesha County
 - 6th - Bailey Jones, Lafayette County
 - 7th - Kallie Kastenson, Racine County
 - 8th - Alexis Papke, Eau Claire County
 - 9th - Kevin Welke, Eau Claire County
 - 10th - Hannah Tremaine, Waukesha County

Skillathon: Aaron Zimmerman, Marathon County

Quiz: Aaron Zimmerman, Marathon County

Ashley Zimmerman, Marathon County

Matthew Wiersma, Dodge County

Judging contest: Heidi Tremaine, Waukesha County

Industry Interview: Aaron Zimmerman, Marathon County,

Kallie Kastenson, Racine County

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Goats:

Overall Goat Premier Exhibitor: 1st - Lyndsay Megan Fenner, Sheboygan County

2nd - Hannah Shilts, Rock County

3rd - Becky Shilts, Rock County

4th - Josie Robinson, Kewaunee County

5th - Kimberly Van Donsel, Kewaunee County

6th - Laura Munger, Lacrosse County

7th - Shawn Lamers, Calumet County

8th - Arica Kite, Racine County

9th - Deborah Deth, Iowa County

10th - Virginia Kuenzi, Waukesha County.

Skillathon: Hannah Shilts, Rock County

Quiz: Arica Kite, Racine County

Judging Contest: Lyndsay Fenner, Sheboygan

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Sheep:

Overall Premier Exhibitor: 1st - Jessica Taylor, Columbia County.

2nd - Kailen Smerchek, Marathon County

3rd - Haley Yunker, Polk County

4th - Hannah Taylor, Columbia County

5th - Dathan Smercheck, Marathon County

6th - Clifton McClintock, La Crosse County

7th - Katelyn Schmoll, Marathon County

8th - Malorie Schmoll, Marathon County

9th - McKenna Kent, Outagamie County

10th - Reese Johnston, Polk County

Skillathon: Samuel Nehls, Dodge County.

Quiz: Haley Yunker, Polk County

Judging Contest: Kailen Smerchek, Marathon County

Industry Interview: Kailen Smerchek, Marathon County

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Swine:

Overall Swine Premier Exhibitor: 1st - Samantha Piper, Walworth County
2nd - Kate Griswold, Dane County
3rd - Jessica Taylor, Columbia County
4th - Aubrey Doherty, Jefferson County
5th - Ben Veum, Dane County
6th - Stephanie Witberler, Marathon County
7th - Bailey Fritsch, Iowa County
8th - Mikayla Wehrle, Waupaca.
9TH – Joey Carey, Marathon County
10TH – Hannah Taylor, Columbia County

Skillathon: Samantha Piper, Walworth County

Judging Contest: Stephanie Witberler, Marathon County
Hannah Taylor, Columbia County

Quiz: Stephanie Witberler, Marathon County

Industry Interview: Erin O'Toole, Dodge County

Competition sponsors: **Wisconsin State Fair, Wisconsin Pork Association, Wisconsin Show Pig Association, Profiles Show Supply & Custom Embroidery, and Andis Co.**

Rabbits:

Overall Rabbit Premier Exhibitor: 1ST - Nichole Wilson, Rock County
2ND - Shelby Tone, Dane County
3RD - Sydney Tone, Dane County
4TH - Rachel Penterman, Outagamie County
5TH - Allyse Sullivan, Wood County
6TH - Yvanna Strait, Walworth County
7TH - Kate Broesch, Washington County
8TH - Randy Niffenger, Sheboygan County
9TH - Angela Penterman, Outagamie County
10TH - Kitty Peirick, Dodge County

Judging Contest: Tommy Jensen, Kewaunee County

Breed I.D.: Nichole Wilson, Rock County

Industry Interview: Nichole Wilson, Rock County

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