

**2015 WLBA “SPRING AHEAD” LIVESTOCK EDUCATION SESSIONS
and the
WISCONSIN LIVESTOCK BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
2015 ANNUAL MEETING BANQUET & RECOGNITION PROGRAM**

**Saturday, March 28, 2015
Arlington Agricultural Research Station, Public Events Facility
N695 Hopkins Rd, Arlington, WI**

8:15 am – 11:25 am: Master Stockman Interviews

10:00 am: Education Session Welcome – WLBA President, Andy Mindemann

“Spring Ahead” Livestock Education Sessions

10:00 -11:00 am: “Showmanship & Sportsmanship”

Discussion led by Cara Cross, UW-Extension Agent Marquette County & Cross Show Pigs

Cara Cross will lead a discussion about how young people can stand out in the show ring as well as practicing good sportsmanship and professionalism outside of the ring. Topics will include how your livestock project can help you develop leadership skills and talk to the public about animal agriculture.

11:00 am – 12:00 pm: “Feeding Your Livestock for Optimum Body Composition”

Mitch Schaefer, PhD Candidate, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Knowing how to feed your livestock to have them at their peak for the big show is important. We will discuss how swine, cattle and sheep develop and how to tell if they are carrying the right amount of condition by knowing where to look for fat cover in both market and breeding livestock.

12:30 pm: Wisconsin Livestock Breeders Association Annual Meeting Banquet

1:15 pm: 2015 WLBA Annual Meeting & Recognition Program

(Including the announcement of the Master Stockman Award Winners)

Youth who require education points for their county fair livestock programs should highly consider attending the “Spring Ahead” Livestock Education Sessions. Questions about the sessions or the WLBA Annual Meeting can be directed to Executive Director Jill Alf at alfhamp@centurytel.net or 608-868-2505.

2015 Wisconsin Livestock Breeders Association Calendar of Events

May 1, 2015 ~ Entry Deadline for the WLBA Spring Preview Show

May 15, 2015 ~ Registration Deadline for the WLBA/Purina Animal Nutrition Livestock Show Camp

June 6, 2015 ~ Spring Preview Show, Jefferson Fair Park, Jefferson, WI

June 13-14, 2015 ~ 17th Annual WLBA/Purina Animal Nutrition Livestock Show Camp, WI State Fair Park

July 31, 2015 ~ Entry Deadline for the WLBA Summer Spectacular Show

August 22, 2015 ~ WLBA Summer Spectacular Show, Central WI State Fairgrounds, Marshfield, WI

Entry/Registration forms for all Wisconsin Livestock Breeders events can be found on the WLBA website at www.wisconsinlivestockbreeders.com