“Focus on 4-H”
4-H Family Newsletter

November/December 2014

Dear 4-H Families,

Welcome to the world of 4-H. We are excited that your family is joining 4-H or reenrolling for another year. There are many exciting opportunities that await you. You may find yourself saying, “WOW – 4-H Does That?!”

4-H has a rich history and a renowned reputation of building our future leaders. Our focus is on youth in leadership roles. This is often done best through nurturing youth and adult partnerships.

We hope your family will get involved in the array of opportunities that builds the leadership skills in our youth. There are many offerings you will find listed in this newsletter. The first one is listed below.

**NEW 4-H FAMILY GATHERING**

So... you’ve just joined up with this 4-H club and now you’ve got questions. That’s O.K.! Because we’ve got the answers (at least most of them)! Our New 4-H Family Gathering is designed for all new 4-H club members & their parents, as well as Cloverbuds, Explorers and anyone else who just wants a little more information on how 4-H works.

Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, December 30, 2014**

**6:00 - 8:30 p.m.** This includes a pizza supper at 6:00 p.m. at the Dodge County Administration Building in Juneau. The program begins at 6:30 p.m.

There will be hands-on activities for the members, a question and answer session with the UW-Extension 4-H Staff and 4-H volunteer youth & adults.

**Find out more about:**

- 4-H Summer Camp & Day Camps
- 4-H County Workshops
- Projects & Record Book
- 4-H Special Events and More!

Register by **Friday, December 5** for the December 30th New 4-H Family Gathering by sending in the clipout inside this newsletter or emailing Tracy at tmalterer@co.dodge.wi.us.

Thanks to Brianna Stapleton-Welch, 4-H Youth Development Washington County

Requests for reasonable accommodation for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. Call the UWEX Offices as early as possible for accommodations so proper arrangements can be made.

“An EEO/Affirmative Action employer, University of Wisconsin-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA requirements.
About Dodge County University of Wisconsin Extension 4-H Youth Development

4-H /Youth Development Educator, Marie Witzel

Mailing Address
Dodge County 4-H Program
Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, WI 53039
Phone: 920-386-3790    Fax: 920-386-3928
Email: mwitzel@co.dodge.wi.us
Web Site: http://dodge.uwex.edu/

The UWEX Office is located on the first floor of the Administration Building, 127 E Oak Street in Juneau (the “old courthouse” building). There is a parking lot east of our building on Miller Street. Office hours are 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

Pre-register to attend 4-H WisLine Audio conferences by calling the UWEX Office prior to the conference so handouts are available, and equipment is set up. Most WisLines can also be called from your home.

Dodge County 4-H Website
4-H information is available at our Dodge County UWEX Web site: http://dodge.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/.

Wisconsin 4-H Website
The website – 4hwi.org - has been launched for use across the state with the goal of recruiting new members. The site is designed to give potential members, parents, and volunteers a brief overview of 4-H Community Club programs, while providing them links to more information. Check this out and share with your friends!

“Focus on 4-H” Newsletter
Newsletter information is due to the UW-Extension Office by the 10th of each month. Drop off your information or e-mail it to Marie Witzel or Bonnie Borden. Your newsletter is your source for all 4-H program and event information.

Newsletters are published ten times per year, (August/September and November/December are joint issues) and are also posted on our Web site as PDF documents. If you wish to receive the 4-H newsletter via e-mail instead of US mail, please contact Tracy Malterer at tmalterer@co.dodge.wi.us. Adobe Acrobat is needed to view the PDF files. If you do not have Adobe Acrobat, you can download it free from: http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html

Register for 4-H programs via mail, along with your registration fee. If no program fees are required, you may fax your registration at 920.386.3928, or e-mail it to:
Marie: mwitzel@co.dodge.wi.us
Bonnie: bborden@co.dodge.wi.us
Tracy: tmalterer@co.dodge.wi.us
Please include all information requested in the registration clip-out.

Please notify us when you have phone, address or e-mail changes so we can continue our “Go Green” efforts. Send updates to Tracy at tmalterer@co.dodge.wi.us

NOTE: Families and leaders who selected “E-Mail” as their correspondence preference upon enrollment with 4HOnline will receive the monthly newsletters via e-mail only. Please contact Tracy Malterer at tmalterer@co.dodge.wi.us or call (920)386-3790 if you have any questions, changes, or problems receiving the monthly “FOCUS ON 4-H” newsletter.

Respectful Building Etiquette
The Administration Building, and the UWEX Office is an outstanding resource for all of us, and is home to countless meetings, workshops and clinics, involving hundreds of youth and adults each month. Certain portions of the building are off-limits to the general public, and all of us are responsible for keeping the Administration Building auditorium, meeting rooms, and the UW - Extension office a friendly and attractive place to meet. Let’s keep it that way!
Dodge County 4-H Endowment Fund Grants

Dodge County 4-H Clubs, County Committees or Groups can apply for grants from the Dodge County 4-H Endowment Fund Committee. Earned interest from the fund is used for these grants. Deadlines are January 31 and June 30. For more information contact Anne Oelke at 920-285-2063. The application form can be found at http://dodge.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/ or call the 4-H Office for a copy.

Giving to the Dodge County 4-H Endowment

Donations and memorials to the Endowment Fund are always welcome. Supporting the Endowment Fund today helps the 4-H youth of Dodge County for years to come. 4-H families are encouraged to consider memorials as well as “In Honor” donations to recognize birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, and other significant achievements. Donations are welcomed from business friends and alumni, civic organizations, and 4-H clubs. All contributions are tax deductible.

To contribute, checks may be made payable to the Dodge County 4-H Endowment Fund and mailed to the Dodge County 4-H Endowment Fund, 127 E Oak St, Juneau WI 53039-1379.

Fundraisers that Support Dodge County 4-H

Discount Cards

Available for purchase at the UW-Extension Office are:
- $10 Pizza Hut Coupons
- $5 Papa Murphy Discount Cards

Proceeds go to the Fairground’s Small Animal Building.

Culver’s Cards — Anytime, Any Culver’s!

$5 and $10 Culver’s Gift Cards are available to purchase! Makes great appreciation gifts for teachers, co-workers, or relatives. Cards available at the UW-Extension office. Call for higher quantities requested.

NASCO 4-H Rebate Program

When you place your order by mail, by calling the toll-free phone order center 800.558.9595, or on Nasco’s website (www.enasco.com), then we will receive a 5% rebate check after the Dodge County Fair to use toward the Livestock Program.

Dodge County’s number is 9800229(P)

Using the 4-H Name & Emblem

Did You Know? The 4-H Name & Emblem is a highly valued mark within our country’s history. As such, it was granted a very unique and special status; it is in a category similar to the Presidential Seal and the Olympic Emblem. This federal protection makes it a mark into and of itself with protection that supercedes the limited authorities of both a trademark and a copyright. As a result, responsibility and stewardship for the 4-H Name & Emblem were not given to the U.S. Patent Office but were given to a higher level of the federal government, a member of the Cabinet, the Secretary of Agriculture. The Secretary has responsibility for the 4-H Name and Emblem, at the direct request of Congress. The “18 USC 707” is the statement in the United States Code that outlines the protection of the 4-H Name & Emblem.

The official emblem is a clover with four leaves and an “H” on each leaf. The clover’s stem must point to the right as you look at the image. The 4-H Emblem is not a plain four-leaf clover. The 4-H Emblem should appear in specific colors and in its entirety. The 4-H Name and Emblem belong to the 4-H Youth Development Program, under the authority of USDA, and anyone wishing to use it must obtain permission. If you are a 4-H member or volunteer, you are permitted to use the emblem. For detailed information on using the 4-H Emblem contact the Extension Office at 920-285-3790 or go to:
http://www.national4-hheadquarters.gov

Co-Branded Logo

UW-Extension has released new guidelines for branding and logo use, including new guidelines for co-branding the UW-Extension logo and the 4-H Clover. The clover should always appear with the UW-Extension logo on all printed materials, including banners, displays and clothing.

There are two versions of the co-branded logo available at:
http://blogs.ces.uwex.edu/4marketing/
These versions are great for posters, newsletters, banners, and other printed material.

Volunteer Tax Deductions

A number of tax benefits are available for volunteers under the general charitable contribution deduction of the IRS Code. Volunteers may deduct non-reimbursed, out-of-pocket expenses directly related to a charitable organization such as 4-H, if they itemize deductions for 2014. Detailed information is available in IRS Publication 525, or check out the “Forms and Pubs” section of the IRS website at www.irs.gov.

Milk Moola—This Program Ends in 2014

The Dodge County 4-H Office collects “Milk Moola” caps and strips from milk containers... this program ends December 31, 2014!

Please have all milk moola caps and strips sent to the 4-H Office by FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19.
Please mail them to Dodge County UW-Extension, Attn: 4-H Office, 127 E Oak Street, Juneau, WI  53039.

---

[39x47]Street, Juneau, WI  53039.
[39x59]Extension, Attn: 4
[39x70]Please mail them to Dodge County UW-Extension, Attn: 4-H Office, 127 E Oak Street, Juneau, WI 53039.
New Families

INFORMATION FOR NEW 4-H FAMILIES
The Focus on 4-H Newsletter is published 10 times yearly for 4-H families in Dodge County. The newsletter contains important information about 4-H policies, countywide activities, and educational offerings. If you wish to receive the newsletter via email instead of the US mail, please contact us at (920) 386-3790 with your request.

If your family receives duplicate mailings of the newsletter, contact the UWEX office at 920.386.3790. Families that move during 2014-'15 should be sure to notify our office of their new address AND update their family profile on the 4HOnline enrollment system.

If you are new to 4-H and haven’t received a copy of the “Dodge County 4-H Family Handbook,” ask your General Leader for one. This guide will give you basic information about 4-H in Dodge County.

WHO CAN JOIN 4-H?

4-H MEMBERSHIP
4-H grade is determined as of October 1, 2014.
• First & second graders (as of 10/01/2014) enroll in Dodge County 4-H as Cloverbuds.
• Third graders enroll as Explorers.
• Starting at fourth grade, members can select from a variety of projects.
• Youth continue to be eligible for membership (1) year beyond high school graduation (grade 13).

Member graduation option:
• Graduate from 4-H following high school graduation -or-
• One year after high school graduation.

4HOnline Enrollment
https://wi.4honline.com

Enrollment is made through local 4-H Clubs, using the 4HOnline Enrollment system. Re-enrolling members MUST complete 4HOnline Enrollment and turn in Behavior Forms, enrollment fees, and extra project fees (if applicable) TO GENERAL LEADERS.

The 4HOnline enrollment must be completed by November 1st for all re-enrolling members. Behavior forms, enrollment fees, and extra project fees (if applicable) are submitted by the General Leader to 4-H Office by November 18, 2014.

New Members (including Cloverbuds and Explorers) should enter their 4HOnline enrollment and return any forms to their local General Leader as soon as they have decided to become members of a club.

New Members must enroll using 4HOnline by December 29, 2014 to SHOW at the 2015 FAIR; however, new memberships are accepted at any time. Once 4HOnline Enrollment is completed projects CANNOT be added or changed!

4-H MEMBERSHIP/COMPETITION POLICY
Statewide 4-H Youth Development has developed two statements about 4-H membership intended to provide consistency to the way young people identify themselves with counties and how they are selected for out-of-county competitive events. For policies purposes, 4-H membership is defined as having an individual enrollment form on file/entered in the computer membership database at the county extension office. Policies are effective as of October 1, 1996.

Membership Policy #1
Youth may not hold 4-H membership in more than one county/state at the same time." This simply requires that they only hold 4-H membership in a single county at any given time.

Membership Policy #2
Youth must qualify for participation in district, state or national 4-H competitions through their county of membership." Members must be selected as representatives of only their county of membership, regardless of the location of the qualifying experience.

NEW FAMILY GATHERING
Tuesday, December 30
Dodge County Administration Building,
127 E. Oak Street, Juneau

Come for the pizza at 6 pm.
The program will begin at 6:30 pm.
We plan to be done by 8:30 pm. This opportunity is designed for NEW 4-H families, but ANYONE with questions is welcome to attend! Plans are for the program to include:
• Get Acquainted with 4-H – What is 4-H ?
• Where do I fit in? How do I participate?
• 4-H Projects and Activities – What are they?
• Dodge County Fair
• Record Books

Return the clip-out by December 5. Cloverbuds and first year members will receive a special letter…it’s only necessary to return ONE clip-out; you do not have to return both!

ADULT NAME(s) ________________________________      ______
Child(ren)/Ages ________________________________________      ______
Phone: ____________________________________________
Club ________________________________      ______
Address: ____________________________________________
Deadline: December 5 to 4-H Office, 127 E Oak, Juneau 53039
VISIT THE DODGE CO. 4-H WEBSITE!
http://dodge.uwex.edu
Hover over the words “4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT” on the yellow bar of the Dodge County website. A drop-down box will appear. Click on the page you wish to see.

4HOnline Enrollment
Look for important dates, online enrollment instructions, and frequently asked questions on how to enroll in a Dodge County 4-H club ONLINE!

4HOnline Enrollment
https://wi.4honline.com
Re-enrolling members MUST complete 4HOnline Enrollment and turn in Behavior Forms, enrollment fees, and extra project fees (if applicable) TO GENERAL LEADERS.

4HOnline re-enrollment must be completed by November 1st for all re-enrolling members.

4-H Club Officers
For the latest 4-H Club Officer forms, click onto “Forms/Guides/Applications” and scroll “4-H Club Officers.” Secretary, Treasurer, and various Officer Training forms are available to keep your club up-to-date with officer info and procedures. If you have any questions please feel free to call Tracy at 920-386-3790.

GOOGLE Calendar Available on Website
Visit http://dodge.uwex.edu and check out the Event Calendars on our website on the right hand side of the homepage. Click on “Dodge County UWEX” to get a quick view of the monthly 4-H activities scheduled on our UW-Extension calendar.

SAVE THE 4-H DATES IN 2015!
Project Day Camp—Saturday, January 31
Family Learning Day—Saturday, February 21
Family Learning Day—Saturday, March 28

CONNECT WITH US
Follow us to stay up-to-date on our latest pictures, recipes, newsletters, and more! Follow us on Twitter to keep up to date on 4-H, Community and Economic Development, Family Living, Horticulture, and Nutrition Education. Visit the website at dodge.uwex.edu and follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest!

Hats Off...
- ...to Emma Meyer, A-OK. Her name was mistakenly omitted from the Achievement “Local Club Honors” list in the October newsletter.
- Jasmine Krahn, Leipsic & Milana Malterer, Sinissippi for attending the State 4-H Arts Camp in October at Upham Woods.
- ...to Leipsic 4-H Club for being recognized in Wisconsin for the Christmas 2013 “Top Friends of Our Troops.” Leipsic 4-H Club participated in the Military Mail-Gram where notes, letters, and cards are sent to the Mail for Our Military campaign.
- ...to the volunteers teaching at the 2014 Officer Training—Youth Leaders: Alexis Luedtke, Leipsic; Dylon Pokorny, Achievers; Emma Whitlock, Astico Perseverance; Adult Leaders: Noreen Dogs, Herman Hornets; Gloria Hafemeister, County Resource Leader; Amy & Courtney Meyer, A-OK; Diane Neff, County Resource Leader; Karen Schmidt, Trenton Highlights; Janelle Wiebelhaus-Finger, Juneau Victorians; Karen Weihert, Tri-County Twisters.
- ...to Leipsic 4-H Club for hosting Achievement Night.
- ...to Juneau Victorians for working with the Juneau Celebrity Read-a-thon at the Juneau Public Library.

Best Wishes from Our 4-H Program Assistant...

Dear 4-H Families,
The time has come for me to announce my retirement and, of course, it is with some excitement. There is also some reservation knowing I will miss being involved in the great Dodge County 4-H organization to the same extent that I have been for the past twelve plus years. Working with Sally, 4-H leaders, youth and families, and UW-Extension staff; my job as the 4-H Program Assistant was an extremely fulfilling and wonderful experience. As I have often said, when a job does not feel like work, great people are involved and this has been my sentiment throughout my time here. I would like to thank all who have touched my life in so many positive ways.

I am looking forward to continuing my involvement in 4-H as a volunteer leader and as a grandmother of 4-H members in multiple counties. I am also looking forward to having more time for all of my grandchildren and family, traveling, and other volunteer opportunities.

With great change comes great opportunity. I challenge each of you to seize opportunities as they come your way. Good luck to all of you in this new 4-H year.

Yours in 4-H,
Deb Wiebelhaus
**Club Happenings**

### OCTOBER

**A-OK** (Lydia Meyer) Reviewed their constitution and elected new officers.

**Astico Perseverance** (Tara Schultz) Elected new officers with Kyla Peterson, president; Tara Schultz, vice president; Tina Kehl, secretary; Emma Whitlock, treasurer; Sydney Moore, reporter; Sean Roche, historian; James Roche, recreation leader.

**Juneau Victorians** (Amanda Gregory) Elected new officers: with Natalia Calvo, president; Brenan Jordan, vice president; Amanda Gregory, secretary; Evan Finger, treasurer; Corey Zirbel, reporter; and Graham Wagner, historian.

**Leipsic** (Alex Bahr) Elected new officers: Alexis Luedtke, president; Marshal McGauley, vice president; Orion Krause, secretary; Andy Boschert, treasurer-elect; Kaitlin Daane, reporter; Jenny Swan, historian; Kyler Schaalma & Mira Krause, sergeants at arms; Morgan McGauley, Mya Hemling, Emmet Lerwick, Linnea Lerwick, Bella Sauer, & Madelyn Adsit, song & cheerleaders.

**Neosho Utopians** (Laura James) Held a Brat Fry with the Neosho Lions club 5k walk/run and promoted 4-H during the last day of National 4-H week at the event.

**Oak Grove Owls** (Samantha Pitterle) Decorated pumpkins and donated them to Bethesda Lutheran Communities.

**River Oaks** Had a Halloween party on October 25.

**Sinissippi** Made plans for the new year and participated in pumpkin jumping jacks to emphasize the 2015 county fair theme of Healthy Living.

**Watertown Badgers** (Abigail Grosnick) Elected officers Emily Torkelson, secretary and Bradley Fenner, flag bearer.

---

**Upcoming Events**

**DODGE COUNTY 4-H Fish & Chicken Dinner**

**Fri. Nov 7th 4:00-8:00 pm**

**Juneau Community Center**

500 Lincoln Drive, Juneau WI

**Advance Tickets:**
$6 for Child 5-10 years
$11 for Adults

**Tickets at the Door:**
$6.50 for Child 5-10 years
$12 for Adults

For more information or tickets contact:
Dodge County UW-Extension Office 920-386-3790

**4th Annual 4-H Small Animal Trivia Night**

Saturday, March 21, 2015

Dodgeland Schools

Door Prizes, Raffles, Silent Auction, TRIVIA FUN

The Small Animal Building Committee will be having a Trivia Night on Saturday, March 21st at Dodgeland Schools. Doors open at 5:00 pm and Trivia begins at 7:00 pm.

More information will be posted in the Leader Logue.
Youth and Adult Leadership

4-H Leader’s Association Meeting
- Tuesday, November 18, 2014 7:00 pm
  Administration Building, Juneau

Re-enrollment Information DUE
- 2014-2015 Enrollment Sheet (blue form)
- Signed Youth Behavior Expectations sheet (gold form)
- Enrollment Fees (payable to Dodge Co. 4-H Leader’s Association)
- Extra Project Fees (payable to Dodge County 4-H)

4-H Leader’s Executive Board Meeting
- Tuesday, December 2, 2014 7:00pm
- Tuesday, January 20, 2015
  Administration Building, Juneau

WI 4-H International Host & Travel Opportunities
Wisconsin 4-H promotes intercultural awareness and understanding and challenges youth and families to become better global citizens by providing opportunities to establish close relationships with people from different cultures through international home-stay and hosting experiences.

Month-long travel and hosting opportunities are available through Wisconsin 4-H and our partnering organizations in Japan, Korea, Mexico, Costa Rica, Argentina, Finland, Norway and Australia, as well as opportunities to host year-long high school students from Japan, Korea, or Eurasia. International learning workshops are offered at the at the county, district and state levels, and adult volunteer leadership positions are available as well as youth exchanges.

For more information, visit the Wisconsin 4-H International Programs at http://wi4hinternational.org/ or check out a brochure at the Dodge County 4-H Office.

Calling all Youth Leaders...
Sign up to teach a station at the Cloverbud/Exploring Workshop on Tuesday, December 16 at the Administration Building in Juneau. The theme is “Make & Take Crafts.”

Got a craft-actural idea to share and make with our Cloverbuds & Explorers?

Email Marie at mwitzel@co.dodge.wi.us or Janet Zander at zandej73@uwosh.edu

4-H Volunteer Orientation—Youth Protection
WHEN: MONDAY, DECEMBER 15th at 6:00pm
WHERE: Dodge County Administration Building, Room 1C

Return clip-out 1 week prior to session.

Dodge County 4-H is part of the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Protection Program. Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development depends on 20,000 volunteers to teach and work with youth. Dodge County 4-H relies on over 250 adults to reach 4-H youth.

All enrolled leaders (including recent 4-H graduates who are now leaders) need to take Youth Protection if they did not take it previously or are new to the program.

All Dodge County 4-H volunteers are required to:
1. Submit a one-page blue application form so a background check can be done with Wisconsin Dept. of Justice; (Dodge Co 4-H Leaders Association will pay $7/leader fee)
2. Be enrolled as a volunteer leader in 4HOnline.
3. Participate in 1 Orientation Youth Protection Session:
   MONDAY, DECEMBER 15th at 6:00PM, Room 1C
   Dodge Co. Administration Bldg, Juneau

Questions about Youth Protection? Call (920) 386-3790.
Youth and Adult Leadership

**Coloring Your 4-H Future**

*Build your palette of leadership skills*

This workshop series is open to any youth enrolled in the youth leadership project or who serves as a youth leader in a specific project area. Other 4-H youth in leadership roles (ambassadors, officers, Special Emphasis team members, etc.) are also encouraged to participate. Sign up by clicking on this link [http://goo.gl/K95Wkv](http://goo.gl/K95Wkv) or calling (262) 335-4478.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Workshop Title</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Date &amp; Time</th>
<th>Location</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Drawing Up a Teaching Plan</td>
<td>Have you been asked to teach at a project meeting? Do you want to share something you know with other youth? This workshop will show you how to design and teach a learning activity. Get ready for hands-on learning and group discussions. You will leave this workshop with an outline for your own lesson plan.</td>
<td>Thursday, August 28 6:00 – 8:00 pm (Register by August 22)</td>
<td>Public Agency Center Room 1113 A/B West Bend</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Primary Hues to Leading Games</td>
<td>Don’t get stuck in an awkward situation when the game you planned turns into a chaotic mess! Come to this workshop to learn strategies for leading group games effectively. You will take home some fun new game ideas to try with groups.</td>
<td>Monday, December 1 6:00 – 8:00 pm (Register by November 21)</td>
<td>Public Agency Center Room 1113 A/B West Bend</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Show &amp; Tell with the Green &amp; White</td>
<td>You like 4-H, but do you know how to explain it to others? This workshop will test your 4-H knowledge, help you craft your messaging, and enhance your communication skills. These will all be useful if you are trying to recruit new members or promoting 4-H at a community event.</td>
<td>Wednesday, February 25 6:00-8:00 pm (Register by February 18)</td>
<td>Public Agency Center Room 1113 A/B West Bend</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Including the Whole Spectrum</td>
<td>Everybody wants to feel included. Are you doing your part to build a welcoming environment in 4-H? We will talk about ways to make sure that new families, people from diverse backgrounds, and people with different learning styles feel like they belong in 4-H.</td>
<td>Wednesday, April 29 6:00 – 8:00 pm (Register by April 24)</td>
<td>United Way Resource Center 1121 E. Sumner St., Hartford</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

An EEO/AA employer. University of Wisconsin Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IX and American with Disabilities (ADA) requirements. Workshops hosted by Washington County UW-Extension 4-H Youth Development.
Youth and Adult Leadership

2014-2015 Sign-up Form for County 4-H Committees

Adult leaders, youth leaders, 4-H members, parents and other adults are needed for committees! Sign up for the committees of your choice. Most committees meet 2-3 times a year to complete their work. Meeting locations vary depending on the committee.

All Committees are seeking volunteers. If you are currently serving on a 4-H committee and intend to remain on the committee for another year, or if you are new to a committee, it is important to complete a committee sign-up form so that our information remains updated. If you are currently serving on a committee and want your name removed from the list, please note that on the sign-up form on the back.

Sign-up Instructions: (Form on opposite page)
1. Check the committees that you want to serve on.
2. Put your name on the portion as requested.
3. Mail or return to the UW-Extension office by November 14.

We have project and activity based committees that are responsible for planning, implementing and evaluating the programs they hold during the year.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Project Committees</th>
<th>Activity and Program Committees</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Cat Committee</td>
<td>Achievement Night</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Clothing Committee</td>
<td>Community Builders Banquet</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cultural Arts</td>
<td>Community Service Lock-In</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dairy Committee</td>
<td>Communication Cultural Arts Committee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dog Committee</td>
<td>(speaking, demonstrations, music, drama)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Explorer/Cloverbud</td>
<td>Endowment Committee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Foods &amp; Nutrition Committee</td>
<td>Fair Food Stand Committee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Goat Committee</td>
<td>Fair Set-Up Committee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Horse Committee</td>
<td>Family Learning Day Committee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Knitting Committee</td>
<td>Family Picnic</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Meat Animal Committee</td>
<td>Farm City Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Photography Committee</td>
<td>Fish Fry (or Fundraising)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Poultry Committee</td>
<td>Fish Pond</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rabbit Committee</td>
<td>Kids, Cops and Canines Day Camp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Small Animal Building Committee</td>
<td>New Family Orientation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shooting Sports Committee</td>
<td>Officer Training</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>Old Time Gathering</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
<pre><code>                                       | Older Youth Committee                        |
                                       | Project Day Camp                             |
                                       | Race Food Stand                              |
                                       | Record Book Committee                        |
                                       | Safety Day Camp                              |
                                       | Silent Auction Committee                     |
                                       | Special Emphasis                             |
                                       | Summer 4-H Camp                              |
                                       | Trip Committee                               |
                                       | Wild Wacky Weekdays Day Camp                 |
                                       | Other                                        |
</code></pre>
**County 4-H Committee Sign Up Form**

Name ________________________________________________________________________  
Address ______________________________________________________________________

4-H Club ___________________________ Phone # __________________________

Email ________________________________________________________________________

Check the Committees you want to serve on this year. (If you want to serve as a Key Resource Leader, please indicate the area of leadership)

**Project**  
- ____ Cat  
- ____ Clothing  
- ____ Cultural Arts  
- ____ Dairy  
- ____ Dog  
- ____ Exploring Cloverbuds

- ____ Foods & Nutrition  
- ____ Goat  
- ____ Horse  
- ____ Knitting  
- ____ Meat Animal  
- ____ Photography

- ____ Poultry  
- ____ Shooting Sports  
- ____ Small Animal Building  
- ____ Shooting Sports  
- ____ Other

**Activity/Program**

- ____ Achievement Night  
- ____ Community Service Lock-In  
- ____ Communication Cultural Arts  
- ____ Family Learning Day  
- ____ Officer Training  
- ____ Older Youth  
- ____ Project Day Camp  
- ____ Silent Auctions  
- ____ Summer 4-H Camp

- ____ Community Builders Banquet  
- ____ Endowment  
- ____ Fair Food Stand  
- ____ Fish Fry  
- ____ Kids, Cops & Canines Day Camp

- ____ Farm City Day  
- ____ Fair Set Up  
- ____ Fish Pond  
- ____ New Family Orientation  
- ____ Old Time Gathering  
- ____ Record Book  
- ____ Safety Day Camp  
- ____ Special Emphasis  
- ____ Other

**Return clipout to:**

Dodge County UW-Extension  
Attn: 4-H Office  
127 E Oak St.  
Juneau, WI 53039

**Return by:** Friday, November 14
Achievement Awards

OVERALL AWARDS
4-H KEY AWARD RECIPIENT
Mikayla Meyer

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT
JUNIOR DIVISION
Alexis Luedtke–Julie Stippich Award
Kaitlin Daane Matthew Gunst
Cassandra Luedtke Marshal McGauley
Katrina Pokorny

SENIOR DIVISION
Nicole Wenzel–Kevin Stippich Award
Michaela Daane Brittany Fink
Madeline McGauley Dylon Pokorny

TOP RECORD BOOKS IN JUNIOR DIVISION
Nick Blome Marshall McGauley
Brielle Blome Cameron Pokorny
Kaitlin Daane Katrina Pokorny
Evan Finger Kyler Schaalmann
Matthew Gunst Alexandria Thrane
Elizabeth Gunst Averi Thrane
Cassandra Luedtke
Alexis Luedtke

TOP RECORD BOOKS IN SENIOR DIVISION
Michaela Daane Natalie Siedschlag
Brittany Fink Solomon Vana
Amanda Kehl Nicole Wenzel
Madeline McGauley
Dylon Pokorny

SECRETARY AWARDS
Top Juniors
Samantha Pitterle, Oak Grove Owls

REPORTER AWARDS
Top Junior
Cameron Pokorny, Achievers
Top Senior
Cassandra Luedtke, Leipsic

THORMAN FOODS AWARD
Faith Rinzel, Lomira Clover Leaves

SPECIAL EMPHASIS AWARDS
“Discover Wisconsin”
Top Clubs: A-OK, Hyland Prairie, Juneau Victorians, Lebanon Luckies
Herman Hornets Leipsic Trenton Highlights

DAIRY PROMOTION CLUBS
Best Dairy Promotion Idea: Trenton Highlights
A-OK Oak Grove Owls
Herman Hornets Portland Boosters
Hyland Prairie Rock River Royals
Juneau Victorians Sinissippi
Leipsic Trenton Highlights
Lomira Clover Leaves Watertown Badgers

4-H CLUB GRADUATES

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name (# of Years in 4-H)</th>
<th>Club</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Eva Arndt (9)</td>
<td>Trenton Highlights</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Angela Bock (10)</td>
<td>Leipsic</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Anna Boschert (12)</td>
<td>Leipsic</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Emily Boyd (12)</td>
<td>Lebanon Luckies</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>John Brebeck (9)</td>
<td>River Oaks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mikayla Meyer (13)</td>
<td>A-OK</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Erin O’Toole (13)</td>
<td>A-OK</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Alexis Ottman (10)</td>
<td>County Line</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Brittany Petrack-Retzlafl (7)</td>
<td>Lomira Clover Leaves</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Janelle Remington (13)</td>
<td>Richwood Rangers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Patrick Roche (12)</td>
<td>Astico Perseverance</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jason Roecker (13)</td>
<td>Trenton Highlights</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Brandon Rux (13)</td>
<td>County Line</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jessica Rynearson (13)</td>
<td>Watertown Badgers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Allison Schulz (13)</td>
<td>Herman Hornets</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Morgan Stebbins (9)</td>
<td>Leipsic</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Meredith Turner (12)</td>
<td>Leipsic</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Karoline Twardokus (11)</td>
<td>Herman Hornets</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kathryn Weipking (13)</td>
<td>Lomira Clover Leaves</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Congratulations!
**Foods**

**Fall Lunch & Learn Webinars**
Dodge County UW-Extension is hosting the *Preserving Wisconsin’s Harvest* Lunchtime Learning Series, which features food preservation methods and food safety tips from Dr. Barb Ingham, UW-Extension Food Safety Specialist.

- **December 1** – Holiday Gifts from the Kitchen – Lemon curd, fruits, spreads, and chocolates are just a few of the holiday gifts sure to delight family and friends.

All meetings are from 12noon—1 p.m., open to the public and free. Bring a bag lunch and join us!
Lunch & Learns are held at the Dodge County Administration Building Auditorium, at 127 E. Oak Street, Juneau. Call 920-386-3790 to pre-register or visit [http://dodge.uwex.edu](http://dodge.uwex.edu).

**Knitting**

**2014 Knitting Workshops**

Interested in knitting? Beginners or refreshers. Anyone is welcome, parents, members, Cloverbuds, Explorers, etc.

Workshops usually be held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month except for August (Fair month). **Knitting Workshops begin anytime after 6:00 pm** at the Dodge County Administration Building, Juneau.

- **Tuesday, November 18**
- **Tuesday, December 16**
- **Tuesday, January 20**

Please return the clip-out by the appropriate dates. It is important to return the clip-out so we know who is coming. If you have any questions, please call Georgia at 920-324-3779.

**Community Service Opportunity**

**Dodge County 4-H Works with this program sponsored by the Dodge County Sheriff’s Department. 4-H members wrap gifts and do crafts with the participants. We need about 50-60 youth and adults to help with this program on December 13 at Bayside Supper Club, Beaver Dam. The exact times will be given to the clubs volunteering. It will be in the morning. If your club is interested, please sign up through your General Leader. The club must have at least one responsible adult that stays with the members. Return by November 21, 2014**

**Cloverbud/Exploring**

**Cloverbuds & Exploring Members**

**2014-'15 Meeting Schedule**

Janet Zander conducts monthly meetings for Cloverbuds & Exploring members at 6:00 p.m. at the Dodge Co. Administration Building in Juneau (unless otherwise indicated).

- **November 20** — *Basic First Aid*  
  **Register by Nov. 7**
- **December 16** — *Make & Take Crafts*  
  **Register by Dec. 5**
- **January 20** — *Special Emphasis Theme*  
  **Register by Jan. 9**

$2.00 Session Fee per person must accompany clip-out. Enclose a check payable to: Dodge County 4-H.

**Return clip-out** to: 4-H Office, 127 E Oak St, Juneau, WI 53039

**Youth Leaders Wanted for December Workshop**

Got a craft-actular idea to share and make with our Cloverbuds & Explorers?
Sign up to teach a station at the Cloverbud/Exploring Workshop on Tuesday, December 16 at the Administration Building in Juneau. The theme is “Make & Take Crafts.”

Email Marie Witzel at mwitzel@co.dodge.wi.us or Janet Zander at zandej73@uwosh.edu

**2014 Knitting Workshops**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name:</th>
<th>Club:</th>
<th>Phone:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Return clip-out**:

- **November 18**  
  **Return Clipout Nov. 7**
- **December 16**  
  **Return Clipout Dec. 5**
- **January 20**  
  **Return Clipout Jan. 9**

Please return the clip-out to:

Dodge County 4-H
127 E Oak St.
Juneau, WI 53039.

**Cloverbuds & Explorers 2014-'15 Meetings**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name:</th>
<th>Club:</th>
<th>Phone:</th>
<th>Email (if preferred):</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>______________________</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Date** | **Day** | **Return Clip out by:**

- **November 20** — Thursday  
  **November 7**
- **December 16** — Tuesday  
  **December 5**
- **January 20** — Tuesday  
  **January 9**

$2.00 Session Fee per person must accompany clip-out. ENCLOSE a check made payable to Dodge Co. 4-H

**Return clip-out** to: Dodge County 4-H Office, 127 E Oak St, Juneau, WI 53039
Rabbit, Poultry, Goat & Pet Pals Project

Exhibitors must attend 2 county meetings to show at the fair. FFA members can have signature from the 4-H county leader or a FFA advisor. 4-H members must have signature from 4-H County Leader in your particular project.

Any questions call: Bill Meyer 920-262-1973 (rabbits); Don Schwandt 920-386-9030 (poultry); Dan Schwandt (poultry) 920-763-8030; Janelle Wiebelhaus-Finger 920-253-7099; April Doll (goats) 920-219-1953.

Poultry Meeting
- January 15, 2015—7pm at Dodgeland School (use middle/high school entrance)
- February 21 at Family Learning Day, Dodgeland High School
- March 28 at Family Learning Day, Dodgeland High School

Raising Broilers & Roasters as a 4-H/FFA Project

There is a brochure up on the Dodge County 4-H website under Poultry Project. http://dodge.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/poultry/

Goat Meeting
- January 2015—TBA
- February 21 at Family Learning Day, Dodgeland High School
- March 28 at Family Learning Day, Dodgeland High School

Beekeeping Scholarship Available

The Dodge/Jefferson Co. Beekeepers Association is offering a Youth in Beekeeping Scholarship as a part of the club’s promotion and educational initiatives for local youth interested in beekeeping.

A scholarship is available for up to 2 youth, each from Dodge and Jefferson County, to apply for one complete hive with bees and engage in one full year of beekeeping.

Winners will be selected through an application process.
- Applicants must be age 12-17 years old
- and a current member of a Dodge or Jefferson Co. 4-H club
- and taking a project in the Natural Sciences, Entomology, or Bees
  OR
- an active member in a Dodge or Jefferson County FFA chapter participating in an SAE (supervised agricultural experience).

Other eligibility rules and requirements apply. To download a pdf of the application, please visit: http://dodge-jeffersonbeekeepers.com or call the Dodge County 4-H Office at 920-386-3790.

Application deadline is January 1st.
4-H Horse Project

HORSE PROJECT MEETINGS

- **NOVEMBER MEETING**—Monday, November 24th at 7pm at the Dodge Co. Administration Building. Come for our Community Service Night!
- **NO MEETINGS IN DECEMBER & JANUARY**
- **FEBRUARY MEETING**—February 26, 2015 at 7pm at the Dodge Co. Administration Building.

NEEDED: IDEAS AND YOUR COMMENTS!!
Program meeting suggestions at Project Day Camp January 31 plus sessions for Family Learning Day on February 21 and March 28 at Dodgeland High School. Bring your ideas for clinics, Speed Show classes, and any other ideas you have!

Looking Ahead
**November 14-16**—WI 4-H Horse Project Leader Conference

HORSE PROJECT REQUIREMENTS
Must be completed by August 1st to show at fair:
- Four meetings (one must be County Project meeting, one must be a Fundraiser, one must be Safety; see approved list);
- SEI approved helmet (State 4-H Rule) & hard soled heeled boots,
- Current Year Coggins (law);
- $5.00 project fee.

WI 4-H HORSE HANDBOOK
The handbook can be found at [http://4h.uwex.edu/onlinpro/HorseHandbook.cfm](http://4h.uwex.edu/onlinpro/HorseHandbook.cfm). The WI 4-H Horse Handbook was updated in 2014. If you have questions on classes, equipment, clothing--check out the Equestrian Guidelines!

QUESTIONS??
Contact Sherry Helmer, N10791 County Rd FF, Fox Lake or phone 920.928.2478 or e-mail helmca29@powerweb.net

E-MAIL UPDATES
If you haven’t been receiving Email Updates, and have an e-mail address, let Sherry know your e-mail address so you can get updates.

Upcoming Opportunities

SAVE THE DATES!

**Project Day Camp**
Saturday, January 31, 2015
Dodgeland Schools
Session Descriptions & registration info for Project Day Camp will be posted on the Dodge County 4-H website at [http://dodge.uwex.edu](http://dodge.uwex.edu) as soon as they are available.

An email notification with a registration form attached will be sent to all 4-H families who have a valid email address. If your family wishes to receive a hard copy of the session descriptions and registration form in the U.S. Mail, please call Tracy at (920) 386-3790.

**Youth Tractor Safety**
Saturday, January 17, 24, 31
8:30am-3:30pm
Dodge Co. Administration Building
127 E. Oak Street
Juneau, WI 53039

Dodge County will offer the 24-hour Tractor and Machinery Safety course for youth in Dodge and surrounding counties. Youth participants between the ages of 12 to 16 years will receive a variety of information and training on the safe operation of tractors and machinery that they may encounter on crop or livestock farms.

Registration costs and information will be posted on our website later this month. Visit [http://dodge.uwex.edu](http://dodge.uwex.edu) for more details!

**WI 4-H Foundation Scholarships**
Scholarship application time is just around the corner!! The 4-H Foundation provides a number of scholarships to deserving 4-H members who are continuing their education at an institution of higher education.

The process for applying is being updated, but information about the application process will be on the 4-H Foundation website at [www.wis4HFoundation.org](http://www.wis4HFoundation.org) by mid-November.

Applications will be due to the 4-H Foundation office by March 1, 2015.
4-H Dairy & Livestock Projects

Bonnie’s Bidding—

Parents: consider being a dairy or livestock leader for your club.

Older youth: I challenge you to develop your skills in leadership by being a youth leader for your animal project.

In this new project year your project group should be meeting 6-8 times to develop more understanding of your animal, OR bring your whole group to the county livestock project meetings! Let’s strive to LEARN and LEAD.

The UW-Extension office is here to help you. Give us a call at 920-386-3790.

---

Dairy Quiz Bowl:
What’s The “Buzz” About?
Looking for New Members!!!

Dairy Bowl is a quiz competition where all the questions are about dairy topics. Teams compete in a double elimination format by giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Each match has both an individual and toss-up questions round.

Teams are divided into 3 age divisions. Junior division is made up of 4 members who are under 14 years of age as of Jan 1. The senior division is for teams of 4 members who are all 14 years of age or older as of Jan 1. A mixed team must contain at least one youth from each age division.

Any 4-H member can join our team (not just Dairy members). Come check out the fun we have competing against the “buzzer”!

We are in need of more adults to help lead these workouts!!! Bring your Hoard’s Dairyman Magazines and Dairy Project Books to the meetings.

Please return the clipout to let us know your interest. We will contact you with practice dates and times.

---

2014-'15 County Livestock Project Meetings

Project Meetings are held at 7:00pm at the Dodge County Administration Building, 127 E Oak Street, Juneau

This counts for 1 point on your MAS Project Activity Card.

Calling all beef, sheep and swine project members and leaders!

☐ Monday, Nov. 17—Skillathon/Quiz Bowl “What is that all about?”
☐ Monday, Jan. 19—Proactive Health Care: implants, deworming, etc.
☐ Monday, Feb. 16—Nutrition & Best Buy for Quality
☐ Saturday, Feb. 21—MAQA (Meat Animal Quality Assurance) - Family Learning Day, Dodgeland School
☐ Monday, March 16—Ag Careers “How can that be for me?”
☐ Saturday, March 28—MAQA (Meat Animal Quality Assurance) - Family Learning Day, Dodgeland School
☐ Monday, April 20—Educational Displays/Barn Etiquette/Show Boxes/Mentoring New Families
☐ Monday, May 18—Showmanship & What Do Judges Look For (Do’s & Don’ts) & “Beef-It’s What’s for Dinner” Taste Testing
☐ Wed. June 24—MAQA (Meat Animal Quality Assurance) (6:00pm test out option) 7:00pm Class

---

Dairy Quiz Bowl Interest

Name(s):__________________________
__________________________
__________________________
Club:________________________________
Grade(s):_____________________________
Phone #:_____________________________
Email:_______________________________

Return by December 5th to:
Dodge County UW-Extension
Attn: Bonnie Borden
127 E. Oak Street
Juneau WI  53039
4-H Dairy & Livestock Projects

**Meats Evaluation Workshops**
Coach Becky Doman is seeking interested youth (and parents) to gain knowledge in meats evaluation! We encourage ALL livestock project members and leaders to attend. Five main areas will be the focus of the training workshops.

1. Yield & Quality Grading of Beef, Sheep & Swine Carcasses
2. Selecting & Ranking Meat Cuts
3. Food Safety, Labeling & Nutrients
4. Identifying Various Meat Cuts from Beef, Pork & Lamb
5. Differences in Quality Grades.

The training workshops will be **begin November 3rd at 7:15pm**. Questions or instructions, please call Becky Doman at 920-386-3790 if you are interested or would like more information.

**Seeking “Ag” vocates!**
Are you interested in becoming more involved in the dairy or livestock project? Are you between the age of 16-20 and enthusiastic about the dairy or livestock industry? Consider becoming a Junior Dairy or Livestock Ambassador. By joining the Junior Dairy or Livestock Ambassadors, you can build your leadership and public speaking skills and show your passion for dairy or livestock. Call Bonnie at 920-386-3790 if you are interested or would like more information.

**Wisconsin Pork Association Scholarship**
The Wisconsin Pork Association scholarship is open to high school seniors pursuing post high school education in agriculture. Preference will be given to those students possessing leadership abilities and a sincere interest in the swine industry. Five finalists will be selected from the applications received to compete for the $500 scholarship, with each finalist receiving $250 for their participation. An interviewing committee will select finalists. The application for this scholarship is posted on www.wppa.org.

**Whitmore Memorial Scholarship**
The Whitmore Memorial Scholarship was established as a legacy to the late Rex Whitmore, a master statesman and communicator who served as the first executive director of the Wisconsin Pork Producers Association.

Applicants must be a registered junior or senior at one of the following University of Wisconsin campuses: Madison, Platteville, or River Falls. This is a $500 scholarship, and priority will be given to applicants pursuing an Animal Science or closely related major, with each finalist receiving $250 for their participation.

The criteria considerations include grade point average (applicant should be in top one-third of class), extracurricular activities involvement and leadership positions, career interest and orientation, and financial need.

**Gunderson Memorial Scholarship**
The Wisconsin Pork Association, in cooperation with the family of Buell Gunderson, has established a scholarship program to recognize the many contributions that Gunderson made to the Wisconsin pork industry. Gunderson, together with his wife, Bernice, served as Secretary/Treasurer of the Wisconsin Pork Producers Association. Gunderson served as the first executive director of the Wisconsin Pork Producers Association and helping to support the pork producers of the state.

Applicants must be a high school senior, in top one-third of class in their senior class, with a GPA of 3.5 and extracurricular activities involvement and leadership positions, career interest and orientation, and financial need.

There has been some confusion regarding the educational points required by the MAS committee for the education point card. “4” points are required and can be obtained by attending educational livestock events. AT LEAST 2 of the points need to be gotten at a county or state educational event. For some youth who have no means to have “local club” learning events, it is always possible to have all 4 or more points obtained from county or state events.

If an “out of county” event is where a point will be obtained, use the back of the card to explain the event AND obtain a signature that can be identified so a call may be given if the committee has questions.

No educational event may give a youth more than 1 educational points (even if other county’s youth obtain 2+ points for such an event).

Youth attending college may obtain a point for agricultural events attended by speaking with Bonnie and obtaining MAS committee approval.

**Application Deadlines**
Individuals wishing to receive a copy of the scholarship applications can contact Wisconsin Pork Association at 608-723-7551 or via e-mail at mmasters@wppa.org. Applications can also be downloaded at www.wppa.org.

**The application deadline is December 10, 2014.**

*The Wisconsin Pork Association’s mission is to insure the future success of the Wisconsin pork industry. WPA represents the interests of the pork industry members with a strong emphasis on social issues, public and government policies, environment, animal welfare and safety.*
4-H Dairy & Livestock Projects

Links on Our Website http://dodge.uwex.edu

Just go to the Dodge County UW Extension website http://dodge.uwex.edu and look at the Youth and Dairy Livestock page under the Agriculture tab. You will find many different educational links to explore!

- http://www.myamericanfarm.org/ Interactive online ag education games
- http://www.whyag.com/ A “One-stop shop” for Interactive Ag Career Exploration
- Farming as Rocket Science: Why American agriculture is different from the European variety
- Lessons Learned on the Show Halter
- Animal Premises Identification
- Integrating Safety into Agritourism Information about using best practices to keep farm visitors safe.
- Consumer Misperceptions About Food – Answers and Conversation Join America’s farmers and ranchers in conversation about how they grow and raise our food.
- Dedicated to Dairy A site for families, schools, health professionals and the public – all about dairy cows, dairy foods, dairy facts and myths and meet local dairy farm families.
- Youth Animal Care Training Website Kansas State University’s free online educational training modules for youth high school age and younger.

Share Basis Calf Project
Would you like to own a registered Holstein female? Or earn savings bonds by caring for a project heifer? If so, the Holstein Association Share Basis Calf Project is for you.

Objectives of the Share Basis Project:
- To promote interest in registered Holsteins among youth
- To provide club members an opportunity to build equity in a registered Holstein by providing the feed, labor & care involved in raising a calf
- To provide a high-quality calf for members with limited funds who wish to purchase an animal through the project
- To encourage members to learn recommended methods of feeding, training, showing, breeding, advertising and merchandising of registered Holsteins.
- To provide a learning experience for youth in the economics and business of dairying. Standard forms for feed records, pedigrees, contracts and agreements are required to help provide this experience.

Eligibility Qualifications include:
1. One year 4-H/FFA dairy project [include showing at Fair]
2. Must agree to keep required records
3. Must have parents’ consent
4. Must fulfill terms/conditions of contract
5. Members must have a dairy home farm herd or be sponsored by a dairy farmer [keep the calf on a dairy farm – daily care would be by member]
6. Member must reside in Dodge County
7. Member must join Jr. Holstein Club and parents are asked to join Dodge County Holstein Association
8. Top rated exhibitor of Share Basis Calf will be one of the Dairy Auction Participants.

If you are interested, return clip-out by NOVEMBER 14. If you have questions please contact Bonnie Borden (920)386-3790.

HOLSTEIN SHARE BASIS CALF PROJECT
I/we have read the objectives and qualifications and are interested in participating in this activity:

Name: ____________________________
Address: _________________________
City _____________________________
Telephone: ______________________
Parent SIGNATURE: ____________________________

Deadline NOVEMBER 14
Send to Dodge County UW-Extension, 127 E. Oak St, Juneau WI 53039

Connect with us on FACEBOOK
Visit dodge.uwex.edu, look for the Facebook icon, and "like" us on FACEBOOK!
4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl & Skillathon Contest

Livestock Bowl is a quiz competition where all the questions are about beef, sheep, swine, and meat goat topics and students use a buzzer in order to answer the questions. Teams compete in a double elimination format by giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Each match has both individual and toss-up question round. The winning 4-H senior team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl competition in Omaha, NE as the AKSARBEN Livestock Exhibition.

Skillathon contest is made up of a written quiz and learning stations such as breed identification, feed identification, equipment identification as well as some team activities such as demonstrating evaluation skills. The top Senior level 4-H team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Skillathon Contest, held each fall in Louisville.

Competition in Quiz Bowl & Skillathon encourages members to develop a more complete knowledge of animals and related subjects. This contest provides an educational program for all project members, including those who may not own a project animal, and provides a way to develop self-confidence. These programs are a great parallel to some similar programs that breed associations and other organizations conduct.

First Workout—Monday, November 3rd - 6pm at the Administration Building, Juneau

Watch our website for workout dates!

State Contest is Saturday March 7, 2015

Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA) Impact Survey

In 2013, youth attending MAQA classes and who were in 6th grade or above and not first year attendees were asked to fill out a survey. They results are charted and tabulated for you (see chart and survey results on proceeding pages).

Questions were designed to measure the following MAQA outcomes:
1) Youth demonstrate animal management skills
2) Youth demonstrate ethical animal care
3) Youth serve as role models for animal care and handling
4) Youth keep records for their animal projects
5) There is increased meat quality due to improved practices
6) Youth are role models for sportsmanship at animal exhibitions and shows
7) Youth communicate with consumers and the ag industry about animal agriculture
8) Youth explore careers in agriculture

The 2013 retrospective survey was given in 58 of the 72 counties to 2164 youth in 6th grade and above who had attended at least 3 MAQA programs completed the paper/pencil survey. County staff then sent completed surveys to UW-River Falls, where data was analyzed by the UW-River Falls Research Center.

Almost all questions showed increased knowledge of more than .50 after they attended MAQA educational sessions. The greatest changes were recorded for these questions:
- identify meat quality problems caused by stress (.84),
- read antibiotic and feed labels (.83),
- give injection in correct location (.82),
- practice appropriate withdrawal times (.82),
- keep written, accurate records (.77),
- identify current issues in animal agriculture (.74),
- identify reputable sources for animal agriculture information (.74), and
- explain production agriculture practices to non-agriculture individuals (.72).

Complete results for the 29 question survey are on the following pages in this newsletter.
Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA) Impact Survey

Team members: Bernadette (Bernie) O’Rourke, UW-Extension Youth Livestock Specialist; Debra Ivey, Iowa County; Alissa Grenawalt, Green County; Bonnie Borden, Dodge County & Pam Hobson State 4-H Youth Specialist

Survey Purpose:
- Access the impact of the MAQA program
- Strategize future direction of the program.

Survey Methods:
- Retrospective self-appraisal design.
- 2164 surveys were processed.
- Questionnaire listed 29 abilities & behaviors before participation in MAQA and after MAQA.
- Staff administered the survey prior to meetings in 2013.

Profile of Respondents:
- Slightly more females among the respondents.
- Largest portion of respondents were 12-15 years old.
- Majority of respondents were enrolled in the swine project, followed by beef.
- Most respondents were 4-H members.

Conclusion:
- Respondents reported post-MAQA increases in all 29 measures in the survey, and all were statistically significant.

Funding:
- Wisconsin 4-H Foundation
- Wisconsin Pork Association

Analysis:
- University of Wisconsin River Falls Survey Center, James Jahnke & David Trechter
### Meat Animal Quality Assurance Program Survey

Please rate your ability with respect to the following:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>After the Program</th>
<th>Before the Program</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Poor</td>
<td>Fair</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Poor</td>
<td>Fair</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### Animal Health

1. Read antibiotic and feed labels
   - After: 18% Poor, 33% Fair, 37% Good, 13% Excellent
   - Before: 18% Poor, 33% Fair, 37% Good, 13% Excellent

2. Give injections in correct location of an animal with proper needles
   - After: 31% Poor, 26% Fair, 27% Good, 15% Excellent
   - Before: 31% Poor, 26% Fair, 27% Good, 15% Excellent

3. Practice appropriate withdrawal times
   - After: 28% Poor, 27% Fair, 30% Good, 15% Excellent
   - Before: 28% Poor, 27% Fair, 30% Good, 15% Excellent

4. Keep written, accurate records of feed and medications
   - After: 17% Poor, 31% Fair, 35% Good, 18% Excellent
   - Before: 17% Poor, 31% Fair, 35% Good, 18% Excellent

5. How to contact a veterinarian
   - After: 7% Poor, 16% Fair, 33% Good, 44% Excellent
   - Before: 7% Poor, 16% Fair, 33% Good, 44% Excellent

6. Asking a veterinarian about animal health
   - After: 8% Poor, 20% Fair, 38% Good, 34% Excellent
   - Before: 8% Poor, 20% Fair, 38% Good, 34% Excellent

#### Animal Management

7. Provide appropriate feed and water to animals
   - After: 2% Poor, 8% Fair, 32% Good, 58% Excellent
   - Before: 2% Poor, 8% Fair, 32% Good, 58% Excellent

8. Identify animals using approved methods
   - After: 12% Poor, 21% Fair, 31% Good, 36% Excellent
   - Before: 12% Poor, 21% Fair, 31% Good, 36% Excellent

9. Observe animals daily
   - After: 4% Poor, 15% Fair, 33% Good, 48% Excellent
   - Before: 4% Poor, 15% Fair, 33% Good, 48% Excellent

10. Monitor weight gain of animal projects
    - After: 11% Poor, 26% Fair, 38% Good, 25% Excellent
    - Before: 11% Poor, 26% Fair, 38% Good, 25% Excellent

#### Animal Handling Skills

11. Identify and understand flight zones and blind spots
    - After: 18% Poor, 28% Fair, 36% Good, 19% Excellent
    - Before: 18% Poor, 28% Fair, 36% Good, 19% Excellent

12. Provide appropriate space and ventilation for animals
    - After: 5% Poor, 16% Fair, 42% Good, 37% Excellent
    - Before: 5% Poor, 16% Fair, 42% Good, 37% Excellent

13. Move, handle and transport animals appropriately
    - After: 4% Poor, 15% Fair, 40% Good, 41% Excellent
    - Before: 4% Poor, 15% Fair, 40% Good, 41% Excellent

14. Ensure animals do not transport disease to or from “farm”
    - After: 10% Poor, 21% Fair, 38% Good, 31% Excellent
    - Before: 10% Poor, 21% Fair, 38% Good, 31% Excellent

15. Identify situations that can cause stress to project animals
    - After: 10% Poor, 24% Fair, 42% Good, 24% Excellent
    - Before: 10% Poor, 24% Fair, 42% Good, 24% Excellent

16. Identify meat quality problems caused by stress
    - After: 24% Poor, 32% Fair, 31% Good, 12% Excellent
    - Before: 24% Poor, 32% Fair, 31% Good, 12% Excellent

17. Identify current issues in animal agriculture
    - After: 19% Poor, 34% Fair, 33% Good, 14% Excellent
    - Before: 19% Poor, 34% Fair, 33% Good, 14% Excellent

18. Identify reputable sources for animal agriculture information
    - After: 21% Poor, 32% Fair, 34% Good, 13% Excellent
    - Before: 21% Poor, 32% Fair, 34% Good, 13% Excellent

---

### Please rate your ability with respect to the following:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>After the Program</th>
<th>Before the Program</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Poor</td>
<td>Fair</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Poor</td>
<td>Fair</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### Understand Agriculture Issues

19. Identify different segments of the food supply chain
    - After: 3% Poor, 15% Fair, 46% Good, 37% Excellent
    - Before: 16% Poor, 33% Fair, 37% Good, 14% Excellent

20. Communicate with Consumers About Animal Agriculture
    - After: 4% Poor, 17% Fair, 43% Good, 37% Excellent
    - Before: 19% Poor, 34% Fair, 34% Good, 13% Excellent

21. Communicate clearly with non-agriculture individuals
    - After: 2% Poor, 13% Fair, 41% Good, 45% Excellent
    - Before: 13% Poor, 27% Fair, 40% Good, 20% Excellent

#### Agricultural Careers

22. Identify career opportunities in agriculture
    - After: 3% Poor, 13% Fair, 40% Good, 44% Excellent
    - Before: 12% Poor, 29% Fair, 38% Good, 21% Excellent

23. Explore agricultural opportunities (job shadow, etc.)
    - After: 6% Poor, 17% Fair, 37% Good, 40% Excellent
    - Before: 21% Poor, 29% Fair, 30% Good, 20% Excellent

### How often do you practice the following?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sportmanship</th>
<th>Before the Program</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Rarely</td>
<td>Sometimes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Poor</td>
<td>Fair</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

24. Play fair
    - Rarely: 1% Poor, 3% Fair, 15% Good, 82% Excellent
    - Sometimes: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Often: 0% Poor, 2% Fair, 11% Good, 87% Excellent
    - Almost Always: 1% Poor, 3% Fair, 16% Good, 80% Excellent

25. Follow the rules of the contest/show
    - Rarely: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Sometimes: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Often: 0% Poor, 2% Fair, 11% Good, 87% Excellent
    - Almost Always: 1% Poor, 3% Fair, 16% Good, 80% Excellent

26. Treat fellow exhibitors with respect
    - Rarely: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Sometimes: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Often: 0% Poor, 2% Fair, 11% Good, 87% Excellent
    - Almost Always: 1% Poor, 3% Fair, 16% Good, 80% Excellent

27. Respect the decisions of judges and officials
    - Rarely: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Sometimes: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Often: 0% Poor, 2% Fair, 11% Good, 87% Excellent
    - Almost Always: 1% Poor, 3% Fair, 16% Good, 80% Excellent

### Mentoring/Leadership

28. Share knowledge with others (e.g., help younger members)
    - Rarely: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Sometimes: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Often: 0% Poor, 2% Fair, 11% Good, 87% Excellent
    - Almost Always: 1% Poor, 3% Fair, 16% Good, 80% Excellent

29. Help others with animal care and management
    - Rarely: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Sometimes: 1% Poor, 1% Fair, 10% Good, 88% Excellent
    - Often: 0% Poor, 2% Fair, 11% Good, 87% Excellent
    - Almost Always: 1% Poor, 3% Fair, 16% Good, 80% Excellent

### 30. What is your gender? | Male | Female |
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>48%</td>
<td>52%</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 31. County? | Write County name in the space below |
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>See Appendix A</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 32. What is your age as of Jan 1, 2013? |

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Age</th>
<th>Number of Participants</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>11 yrs</td>
<td>8%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12 yrs</td>
<td>15%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13 yrs</td>
<td>15%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14 yrs</td>
<td>14%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15 yrs</td>
<td>11%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16 yrs</td>
<td>8%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17 yrs</td>
<td>8%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18 yrs</td>
<td>8%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19 yrs</td>
<td>3%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 33. Projects enrolled in (mark all that apply) |

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Project</th>
<th>Number of Participants</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Beef</td>
<td>31%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dairy</td>
<td>16%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Goats</td>
<td>4%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Poultry</td>
<td>10%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rabbits</td>
<td>8%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sheep</td>
<td>17%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Swine</td>
<td>66%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 34. I am a member of the following: (mark all that apply) |

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Organization</th>
<th>Number of Participants</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>4H</td>
<td>83%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FFA</td>
<td>34%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Breed Association</td>
<td>7%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>2%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
## November 2014

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sunday</th>
<th>Monday</th>
<th>Tuesday</th>
<th>Wednesday</th>
<th>Thursday</th>
<th>Friday</th>
<th>Saturday</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1 Deadline: 4HOnline Re-Enrollment</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Small Animal Bldg. Committee 6pm, Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td>Special Emphasis Committee 6pm, Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>4-8pm 4-H Fish Fry @ Juneau Community Center</td>
<td>Deadline: Knitting &amp; Cloverbud/Exploring</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Community Builders Banquet 6:30pm Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td></td>
<td>Fall Forum (Nov. 14-16) 4-H State Horse Conference (Nov. 14-16)</td>
<td>Deadline: Share Basis</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fall Forum 4-H State Horse Conference</td>
<td>Livestock Project Meeting 7pm, Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td>Knitting Wkshp 6pm Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td>4-H Leaders Assn 7pm</td>
<td>Cloverbud/Exploring Workshop 6pm Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>29</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Horse Project Meeting 7pm Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td></td>
<td>OFFICE CLOSED</td>
<td></td>
<td>OFFICE CLOSED</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### December 2014

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sunday</th>
<th>Monday</th>
<th>Tuesday</th>
<th>Wednesday</th>
<th>Thursday</th>
<th>Friday</th>
<th>Saturday</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>6</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>4-H Leaders Exec Board 7pm, Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Deadlines:</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>- Knitting Wkshp</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>- Cloverbud Exploring Wkshp</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>- New 4-H Family Gathering</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Deadline: Youth Protection Orientation</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Shop with Cops @ Bayside Supper Club</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Youth Protection Orientation 6pm, Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td>Cloverbud/Exploring Workshop 6pm, Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td>Knitting Workshop 6pm, Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td></td>
<td>Deadline: MILK MOOLA CAPS &amp; STRIPS</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>OFFICE CLOSED</td>
<td>OFFICE CLOSED</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>1—Jan. 2015</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>New 4-H Family Gathering 6pm, Admin Bldg, Juneau</td>
<td></td>
<td>OFFICE CLOSED</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Dodge County
UW-Extension
4-H Youth Development

127 E. Oak Street
Juneau, WI 53039
Phone: 920-386-3790
Fax: 920-386-3928
[http://dodge.uwex.edu/](http://dodge.uwex.edu/)

Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Marie Witzel, 4-H Youth Development Educator
mwitzel@co.dodge.wi.us

Bonnie Borden, Youth Dairy & Livestock Educator
bborden@co.dodge.wi.us

4-H Program Assistant Vacancy

Tracy Malterer
Program Support Staff
tmalterer@co.dodge.wi.us
Focus on 4-H
DODGE COUNTY 4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER

Dodge County 4-H Leaders Association
Executive Board

Kim Pokorny, President
Tracie Luedtke, President-Elect
Noreen Dogs, Vice President
Amy Meyer, Secretary
Helen Weisensel, Treasurer
Eric Zillmer, Past President
Sylvia Hinrichs, Reporter
Diane Neff, Fall Forum

Delegates At Large
Carolyn Dehler
Courtney Meyer
Karen Schmidt
Kim Thrane

Youth Representatives
Laura James
Katrina Pokorny
Emma Whitlock
Solomon Vana

Dodge County
University of Wisconsin Extension
127 East Oak Street – Room 108
Juneau WI 53039-1379
Phone (920)386-3790
Fax (920)386-3928
http://dodge.uwex.edu
Office Hours: Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Marie Witzel, 4-H Youth Development Educator
Vacancy, 4-H Youth Program Assistant
Bonnie Borden, Youth Dairy & Livestock Educator
Vacancy, Agriculture Agent
Elsie Gonzalez, Dairy & Livestock Educator
Pattie Carroll, Family Living Educator
Jeff Hoffman, Director, Community Development Educator
Becky Gutzman, Nutrition Education Coordinator
Amanda Hilliard, Nutrition Education
Support Staff: Sheri Lotzer, Tracy Malterer
Receptionist: Deb Struve