“Focus on 4-H”
4-H Family Newsletter
January 2015

WI 4-H Hall of Fame Inducts Three from Dodge County 4-H

The University of Wisconsin-Extension 4-H Youth Development Program inducted 100 laureates into the brand-new Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame Saturday, November 15, 2014. Art Brehm, Pat Hahn, and Nancy Zieman, all from Dodge County, were among those inducted with honors. The Hall of Fame induction ceremony was the last statewide event celebrating 100 years of 4-H in Wisconsin.

From left to right: Carl Brehm (accepting for Art Brehm), Harlan Hahn (accepting for the late Pat Hahn), and Nancy Zieman

Art Brehm served as the Dodge County 4-H & Youth Development Agent from 1954-1982. He was innovative and forward thinking, instrumental in the development of interstate exchanges. He was a pioneer of school programs and partnerships when he brought together local fire departments and UW-Extension 4-H Youth programs to present Fire Safety Programs throughout the county. Art laid the groundwork for a 4-H donor program in Dodge County, which is present today and promoted partnerships, which helped strengthen the program.

Pat Hahn was involved in the Dodge County 4-H program for 44 years, until her death in November 2013. She was the general leader of the Sinissippi 4-H Club and a clothing leader. Her involvement continued onto the county level, where she served on the Dodge County Home & Family 4-H Youth Development Advisory Committee, the Record Book Committee, and the 4-H Leaders Executive Board. A home economics teacher by profession, Pat had a passion in the clothing area and was very active in the Clothing Project at the club, county, and state levels.

Nancy Zieman began sewing at the age of 10 as a Winnebago County 4-H member and has been sewing ever since. She is an author, designer, businesswoman, producer, blogger, and national sewing authority, and host of the popular show Sewing with Nancy. 4-H impacted Nancy’s life and gave her skills she still uses today. She adopted a motto shortly after participating in the State 4-H and Youth Conference, which she still uses today: “If something is worthwhile, you have to work for it.” Nancy has worked for many worthwhile endeavors: she authored the “Let’s Sew” 4-H Clothing literature; provided national 4-H Sewing training via video satellite; founded Nancy’s Notions, a division of Tacony Corporation; and designs patterns, sewing, and quilting products.

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.

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About Dodge County University of Wisconsin Extension 4-H Youth Development

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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/](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](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
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!
January 2015

For Your Information:
Letter Describing Nondiscrimination Policies

Dear Community Partner:

Periodically, UW-Extension takes steps to assure that our partners know and understand our policy of nondiscrimination. This letter is to remind or notify you that the University of Wisconsin-Extension does not discriminate in the treatment of individuals, in the admission or access to its programs and activities, in the provision of services, or in employment.

Further, UW-Extension will not participate with organizations or in activities which discriminate on the basis of any of the legally prohibited categories of discrimination. Categories of prohibited discrimination include race, color, gender/sex, creed, disability, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status, arrest or conviction record, or membership in the national guard, state defense force or any other reserve component of the military service.

Consistent with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons who need materials in alternative format or other accommodations must write or call the UW-Extension contact person for the specific program or call the main telephone number of the Dodge County Extension Office, 920-386-3790, at least ten (10) working days prior to the event.

Individuals who need TTY access may contact the Dodge County Extension Office by calling the Wisconsin Telecommunications Relay System, 1-800-947-3529 or 711.

On behalf of Dodge County Extension and the University of Wisconsin-Extension, we want to thank you for collaborating with our faculty and staff in their many educational endeavors. We appreciate your support and working relationships as we provide educational programs designed to empower the diverse citizens of Dodge County.

Once again, this letter informs you of our nondiscrimination policies and no further action is needed.

Sincerely,

Jeff Hoffman
Community Resource Development/Department Head

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Youth Dairy & Livestock Educator

Pattie Carroll
Family Living Educator

Elsie Gonzalez
Dairy & Livestock Educator

Becky Gutzman
Nutrition Education Coordinator

Amanda Hilliard
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Marie Witzel
4-H Youth Development Educator
### 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. The application form can be found at [http://dodge.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/](http://dodge.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/) or call the 4-H Office at 920-386-3790 for a copy. General Leaders also have a copy of the current application.

Dodge County 4-H member and/or leader can apply on behalf of his/her Dodge County 4-H club; any Dodge County 4-H sub-committee or group; Dodge County 4-H Leaders Association, Inc.; and/or Dodge County UW-Extension agent.

**WHAT ARE THE FUNDING CRITERIA?**
Preference will be given to projects that meet the following criteria:
- Projects with an innovative or educational purpose,
- Projects open to all of your club’s members, and
- Projects that increase awareness of 4-H in your community.

Projects with the same activity and same target audience will **not** be funded a second time.

**WHAT ARE THE APPLICATION PROCEDURES?**
- Grant Application **deadlines are January 31 and June 30.**
- Applications will be reviewed by the Dodge County 4-H Endowment Fund Committee in February and July respectively.
- A letter announcing results will be sent to youth and adult contact person after March 1 and August 1 respectively.
- If funding is awarded, a check will be sent with the results letter.
- Funds are limited for request up to $500. Grants will **NOT** cover total cost of the project. If application has no matching-type funds, time can serve as a monetary value for completion of activity. Include this information on your grant application.
- Not all applications submitted may receive funding.
- Application must be completed and submitted by a member and leader.
- Clubs may submit up to two (2) grant applications per year.
- A follow-up on project must be submitted to the Dodge County 4-H Endowment Fund Committee within 30 days of completing the project or activity. The follow-up will consist of one (1) paragraph on what the members learned, photographs, and any other supporting material in relation to the project along with a Grant completion form. An article for the 4-H Newsletter must accompany this final report. Receipts must be included. The project must be completed within one year of application date.
- Funds not used within the one year time frame, must be returned to the Dodge County 4-H Endowment Fund.

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### 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 Office at 920-386-3790 for a copy. General Leaders Association, INC.; and/or Dodge County UW-Extension agent.

### New Families

#### Planning the New Year & Welcoming New Families

This time of year brings many great opportunities in 4-H from members receiving project awards to leaders being recognized for their years of service to clubs starting their new 4-H Year.

As clubs and the county plan the new 4-H year there are some questions to consider about the events we plan.

- **Why do we do this event?**
- **What will youth learn?**
- **Are we within our county guidelines?**
- **How will youth feel about their involvement?**
- **Will they use these skills for a lifetime?**
- **Did we do a better job than last year?**

Please keep these questions in mind when planning 4-H events.

*In addition to all of these opportunities, is the privilege to welcome new members and families into our clubs. Please remember what it was like your first year in 4-H. What questions did you have? Did a certain person help you through your first year? Did the club invite you to their meetings? It can be very confusing to learn the many facets of 4-H. If you see a new member or leader at your club meeting introduce yourself, sit next to them, help them through the 4-H pledge, invite them to your next club activity.*

#### 4-H Newsletters

Need an extra newsletter to fill out event registrations or clipouts? Visit dodge.uwex.edu where the “Focus on 4-H” newsletter is always available. A monthly “Clipouts” page includes all the event clipouts from the monthly newsletter.

#### 4-H Families are Welcome at the National 4-H Center in Washington DC

If you are planning a trip to Washington, DC, you might want to contact the 4-H Travel Center for assistance. There are many tour packages for 4-H youth and adults through the National 4-H Center. For information, call the Center at 1-301-961-2840.
Fundraisers that Support Dodge County 4-H

**AVAILABLE NOW**

**Culver’s Gift Cards**

$5 $10 $20

Purchase from the UW Extension Office
Proceeds go to the Dodge County 4-H Leaders Association

Support Dodge County 4-H with Easy Fundraisers
Culver’s cards and NASCO earn money for the 4-H Program. Still available for purchase are $10 Pizza Hut Coupons and $5 Papa Murphy Discount Cards at the UWEX Office. Proceeds go to the Dodge County 4-H Leader’s Association.

**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)

**Milk Moola—Extended to 2016!**

The Dodge County 4-H Office collects “Milk Moola” caps and strips from milk containers...this program was extended to December 2016. Our goal is 3,000 caps or strips, so PLEASE KEEP THEM COMING!

Please send milk moola caps and strips to the 4-H Office at the Dodge County UW-Extension, 127 E Oak Street, Juneau, WI 53039.

Hats Off...

- ...to Lebanon Luckies for hosting at the November 2014 Community Builders Banquet.
- ...to the participants representing Dodge County 4-H and/or teaching sessions at the November Fall Forum: Carolyn Dehler, Jessica Gaska, Alexis Luedtke, Tracie Luedtke, Courtney & Amy Meyer, Emma Meyer, Lydia Meyer, Diane Neff, Whitney Rathke, Bill & Karen Schmidt, Kari Schoenike, Laura Schoenike, Sally Schoenike (Hall of Fame Committee), Solomon Vana.
- ...to the clubs who participated in the 2014 Shop with Cops program on Saturday, December 13. Participating clubs were A-OK, Burnett, Inc., County Resource Leaders, Hyland Prairie, Juneau Victorians, Leipsic, Lomira Clover Leaves, Rock River Royals, Trenton Highlights, and Tri-County Twisters.
- ...to the 17 volunteer leaders who completed Youth Protection Orientation in December. Congratulations to George & Debbie Crave (Portland Boosters); Mark Darge (Lomira Clover Leaves); Rich Grulke (Burnett, Inc.); Lisa Hall (Neosho Utopians); Tiffany Hildebrandt (Sinsissippi); Charlene Larson (Astico Perseverance); Lori McKean (A-OK); Bill Meyer (Richwood Rangers); Doyle Pokorny (Achievers); Tim Reinke (Herman Hornets); Patti Roberts (Oak Grove Owls); John Siedschlag (Richwood Rangers); Chelsea Sterr (Lomira Clover Leaves); Kim Swan (Leipsic); Joshua Voigt (Oak Grove Owls); Jennifer Zerjav (Lebanon Luckies).
- To the Dodge County 4-H Centennial Committee for their dedication and hard work in the Centennial events that took place throughout 2014. Thank you to Noreen Dogs, Gloria Hafemeister, Tracie Luedtke, Alexis Luedtke, Amy Meyer, Emma Meyer, Diane Neff, Iris Steffen, Dorothy Strassman, Emma Whitlock, & Eric Zillmer.

**Thank You!**

As we conclude a year of activities to recognize Wisconsin’s 4-H Centennial, we would like to extend our gratitude to the Dodge County 4-H members and leaders for all the hard work, dedication, and commitment to celebrate our history and continuing to Make the Best Better.
November/December

Achievers (Emily Schwanke) Discussed and voted to donate a flock of chickens and hives of honey bees to Project Heifer International.

Astico Perseverance (Tina Kehl) Collected Operation Christmas Child boxes to send to children overseas, turned in our collection of pop tabs that were taken to the Ronald McDonald House, and helped at the Fish and Chicken Dinner. One demonstration included how to wrap a present and add decorative ribbon. Those that attended the club’s new member meeting reported on how to do a record book and what it means to be a 4-H member. Members also attended the Community Builders Banquet, the Columbia County Cottontails Fall Rabbit Show, and the County Cloverbud Meeting.

Hyland Prairie (Bethany Shoemaker) Planted a tree at Prairie View School and decorated the Christmas tree at Juneau Library.

Juneau Victorians (Amanda Gregory) Members did bio-in-a-bag activity; Families participated in Operation Christmas Child by filling a shoe box with small gifts for a child.

Leipsic (Orion Krause) Sang Christmas carols at local assisted living homes.

Lomira Clover Leaves (Tryphena Purdy) collected items for the “Comfort Kids” stuffed animal service project.

Oak Grove Owls (Samantha Pitterle) participated in a community service activity with the Parade of Trees, collected gifts for their stocking stuffer program, and made plans to decorate the town hall Christmas tree.

Richwood Rangers (Natalie Siedschlag) Had fun from a club boat ride on the Horicon Marsh where they saw blue herons. Held a Club Book Cover Contest. Natalie Siedschlag won the contest and her cover will be used on the club booklet this year.

Rock River Royals (Gabrielle LeBouton) Made a donation to the Y.E.S. program; made cards for wounded warriors at Walter Reed Hospital; planned to adopt a family for the Christmas season.

4th Annual 4-H Small Animal Trivia Night
Saturday, March 21, 2015
Dodgeland Schools

The Small Animal Building Committee will be having a Trivia Night on Saturday, March 21, 2015 at Dodgeland Schools. Doors open at 5:00 pm and Trivia begins at 7:00 pm.

We appreciated the great club support we had last year in club participating teams, raffle item donations as well as door prize donations. All proceeds will go toward the Small Animal Building at the Dodge County Fairgrounds. Participation is not limited to 4-H—so bring your friends along. Organize your team today!

Contact Tracy for information at (920) 386-3790. General Leaders also have team rosters available for teams to sign up.

History Book of Dodge County 4-H Clubs Available

In 2014 we celebrated Wisconsin’s 4-H Centennial with a year of activities and events. As we move forward to the next chapter in 4-H, we remember our past with Celebrating 4-H, a book that chronicles the history of 4-H clubs in Dodge County.

Celebrating 4-H is available on our website’s homepage. To view the book, please visit http://dodge.uwex.edu/

To order a paper copy of this book, please contact the Dodge County UW-Extension Office at 920-386-3790. Orders will be taken based on total quantity requested. If we receive enough orders, we will have copies available. The price will be determined on the number of copies requested. Deadline to place an order is February 14.

Please see the clipout at the end of this newsletter to reserve a hard copy of Celebrating 4-H.

What activities is your club doing? Clubs secretaries may submit their meeting minutes by the 10th of each month to the 4-H Office at 127 E. Oak Street, Juneau, WI 53039 or email Tracy Malterer at tmalterer@co.dodge.wi.us. Please indicate what activities from your club that you would like to be highlighted in the 4-H Newsletter

Special thank you to Gloria Hafemeister and the Dodge County 4-H Centennial Committee for their work in creating this book chronicling the history of 4-H clubs in Dodge County.
### Wisconsin 4-H Foundation

#### 2015 4-H Scholarship Applications

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than $10,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing higher education in 2015. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation by March 15, 2015.

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance and future educational goals.

To be eligible for Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships, students must have been a 4-H member for at least one year; have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college or technical school during the 2015-2016 academic school year.

Cover letters, resumes and project lists (a total of three pages) and one photo must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation on or before March 15, 2015.

For a copy of the application information, visit [http://wis4hfoundation.org/](http://wis4hfoundation.org/) or call 608-262-1597.

### WI 4-H International Programs

#### Host an International Student this Summer

Add a great big handful of excitement to your home next summer by hosting an Argentine, Mexican, Japanese, Norwegian, or South Korean young person for one month! You could be a host! If you are between 10-18 years old and want to take part in a two to four week program that will stay with you for a lifetime, apply now! Chaperone hosts also needed for two week periods during July-August. **Applications are due by February 15** or till all delegates are assigned.

#### Summer 4-week International host opportunities include:

- **Argentina** youth b/t 15-19 years old sponsored by the Municipal Government of Lincoln, near Buenos Aires, approximately June 24-July 18.
- **Japan/South Korean Labo or LEX language/cultural club youth** b/t 12-15 years old – a great host opportunity for 10-13 year old 4-H’ers! July 26-August 22.
- **Mexico LEX language club youth.** 12-18 years old. Approximately July 1-30, 2015.
- **Norge 4-H’ers mostly between 16-18 years old.** About 30 youth will visit the U.S. from Norway, approximately June 24-July 18.
- Applications due February 15 but accepted till all youth are assigned.

For more information and an application, visit [http://wi4hinternational.org/](http://wi4hinternational.org/)

### 4-H Foundation News

**Delivered Straight to Your Inbox**

Sign up for the 4-H Foundation e-newsletter and learn about the people, events, and programs that are making an impact on Wisconsin 4-H youth.

### Dodge County 4-H Summer Camp

#### 2015 SUMMER CAMP DATES

4-H Summer Camp will be held from July 12-15, 2015 at Camp Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells.

*Watch for camper registration in an early spring newsletter.*

#### Family Learning Day

**Saturday, February 21st**

Dodgeland Schools

**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

See schedule and registration forms at the end of this newsletter.
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.
Youth Leaders/Older Youth

**Coloring Your 4-H Future Workshop**

*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. This workshop takes place in Washington County and is open to 4-H youth in surrounding counties.

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.

- **Show & Tell with the Green & White**  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.

  **WHEN:** Wednesday, February 25  6:00-8:00 pm  
  **WHERE:** Public Agency Center, Room 1113 A/B West Bend

- **Including the Whole Spectrum**  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.

  **WHEN:** Wednesday, April 29  6:00 – 8:00 pm  
  **WHERE:** United Way Resource Center, 1121 E. Sumner St., Hartford

Interested? Call Tracy at 920-386-3790 for more info.

Several Dodge County 4-H Youth attended the 4-H Fall Forum in November...here are their thoughts:

- **Fall Forum** is a great experience for the older youth. I had fun, met new people, and reconnected with friends I have made on all the ME trips I have gone on. I learned about the STEM program by taking a class on Robotics and learned some fun, interactive games and activities in my other session. I am looking forward to sharing the things I learned with my club and others here in Dodge County. This was the first time I attended and I am glad I did. I encourage more older youth to participate in this great opportunity next year.  **Emma Meyer, A-OK 4-H**

- **Fall Forum** is an excellent opportunity for all youth grades 7 and up. At this conference, you meet so many new people that you will remain friends with year after year. Fall Forum is not only a social event, but it is also a wonderful learning atmosphere. On Friday night, there is a room set up with different stations of activities available to participate in. On Saturday, you have your choice of workshops to attend. Some workshop topics offered in the past include WHEP, robotics, youth and adult partnerships, Cloverbuds, and nylon hose fun. I would most definitely urge you to go to Fall Forum!  **Alexis Luedtke, Leipsic 4-H**

- **Fall Forum** is an amazing opportunity and experience for youth to participate in and a great place to have fun. When I first heard about Fall Forum, I had no idea what it was about. After reading the information in the newsletter, I realized it is like Family Learning Day, but on a larger scale. We traveled to a hotel at the Wisconsin Dells & stayed over night. You get to see old friends & make new ones. I was able to learn how to teach topics that I could share with others at Dodge County Family Learning Days & my local 4-H Club. Subjects like speed stacking, Lego robots, duck tape bags, outdoor technology, team building activities and so much more. I also gained a better understanding as to the inner workings of the County & State level of 4-H and the jobs of the youth delegates. My desire is to help more people participate in Fall Forum, so that we can have new skills learned in club & county activities, to make the best better.  **Solomon Vana, Lakeside 4-H**
Younger Members

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).

- January 20—Special Emphasis 4-H 101 Register by Jan. 9
- February 17—TBA Register by Feb. 6
- March 17 TBA Register by March 6
- April 28—Cooking with Lynn & Nancy Register by April 17
- May 19—TBA Register by May 8
- June 23—TBA Register by June 12

$2.00 Session Fee per person must accompany clip-out.
See clipout at end of this newsletter.

Enclose a check payable to: Dodge County 4-H
Return clipout to: Dodge County 4-H Office,
127 E Oak St,
Juneau, WI 53039

Natural Resources/Shooting Sports/Environmental Education

Archery Classes Begin
Archery begins on Tuesday, January 6, 2015
At the Horicon Marsh Bowmen
5:45 - 6:30 pm Junior and 1st year members
6:35 - 7:20 pm Intermediate and Senior members

Classes run through March 31st (last class awards and pizza and Fun Shoot). Classes held at Horicon Marsh Bowmen on County Road V. Please bring your bow and arrows if you have them.

Letters have been sent to all archery members. Project Fee is $12 and check should be made out to Horicon Marsh Bowmen and brought to the first meeting along with health waiver and parental consent forms. If you are in the Archery project and have not received this letter, please call Tracy at 920-386-3790.
Any questions call Courtney or Amy Meyer at 920-387-2717

Wildlife WHEP WI 4-H
Are you looking for something new for your group? We can assist you with setting up wildlife classes. Participation in Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H activities is open to all enrolled Wisconsin 4-H club members interested in wildlife. You can be enrolled in any 4-H project to participate in the wildlife activities. For more info, visit the website: http://fvi.uwex.edu/whepw4h/

Call Courtney or Amy Meyer at 920-387-2717 if you are interested in this program.

Communication & Cultural Arts

2015 WI 4-H Art Lab for Teens & Adults
January 31—February 1
Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells

The 4-H Art Lab will be held January 30-31, 2015, at our State 4-H Environmental Center, Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells. The registration fee is $50.00. 4-H Art Lab is sponsored by 4-H Arts and Communications. The registration deadline is January 6, 2015.

The mission of the Art Lab is to provide an in-depth and focused experience in the “art track” of choice. This year’s tracks include Print Making, Basketry, Taekwondo, Digital Storytelling, Photography, Print Making and Theatre Arts! Each participant will choose one track for the entire weekend.

4-H youth and adults will select one of a wide variety of educational tracks to go “in depth” and explore the art form that interests them the most! Participants will also work together in large groups for team building and sharing.

Why not get a group of youth and adults together from your county for a weekend of fabulous 4-H bonding and ART!

Additional information, a brochure, the registration form and other required forms (please see note below regarding the other forms that are required) are on the State 4-H Website at www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/artsleadership.cfm

2015 WI 4-H ART BEAT FOR GRADES 3-5
4-H ArtBeat! March 20-21, 2015
Camp Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells WI
Cost: $50.00

Registration Deadline: February 20, 2015

It’s time to break out to the new beat! The 4-H ArtBeat that is! Created for 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their parents and leaders, 4-H ArtBeat! is the introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H Arts and Communication! ArtBeat! will be held March 20-21, 2015, at our State 4-H Camp, Upham Woods in the Wisconsin Dells. The weekend will feature a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, arts and crafts, juggling and more! Also the weekend will feature some surprise performances created just for this year’s ArtBeat!

4-H members will explore their own creativity while discovering the great variety of 4-H Arts & Communication experiences available to them now and in the near future. Session leaders will be 4-H older youth, adult leaders and 4-H staff members with a wealth of experience to share. Youth and adult participants will rotate through a variety of sessions which are hands-on and active and held at various sites throughout camp, including outdoors. Both youth and adult participants stay in the cabins on cabin hill. Camp begins Friday evening at 7 pm and ends Saturday afternoon at 3 pm.

The $50.00 fee will include all materials and supplies, special snacks, overnight lodging and breakfast and lunch on Saturday. For more information: http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/4HArtBeat.cfm
2015 Knitting Workshops

Interested in knitting? Beginners or refreshers. Learn more about your 4-H knitting project. 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, January 20** Return clipout Jan. 9
- **Tuesday, February 17** Return clipout Feb. 6
- **Tuesday, March 17** Return clipout March 6
- **Tuesday, April 21** Return clipout April 10
- **Tuesday, May 19** Return clipout May 8
- **Tuesday, June 16** Return clipout June 5
- **Tuesday, July 21** Return clipout July 10

Return clipout to: Dodge County 4-H Office, 127 E Oak St, Juneau, WI 53039 or email tmalterer@co.dodge.wi.us 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.

See clipout at end of this newsletter.

Sausage Making Class

**Wednesday, February 11 6:30 pm**

Administration Building Auditorium, Juneau,
1 pt on MAS Activity Card
1 pt on Dairy Youth Award Card
**COST $35**

Join us for this popular and “hands on” fun of learning to make homemade sausages. Jeff Sindelar, UW Madison Meats Lab Specialist will be answering your questions about processing and recipes. You will take home, about 5 lbs of products.

**Class is first-come, first-serve and limited to 50 participants**

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Make check payable to Dodge County UW-Extension and mail to: Dodge County UWEX, 127 E Oak St, Juneau. WI 53039.

Scholarship Opportunity

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For more info, contact Katy Katzman at: (262) 903-6727 or katzman@idcnets.com

**Learn About Hummingbirds**

Dodge County HCE invite any 4-H youth—especially those in the Flowers project to a learning session

**The Magic of Hummingbirds**

**Wednesday, March 18th at 6pm**

**at the County Administration Building in Juneau**

Learn how to create a sanctuary for the ruby-throated hummingbird in your own backyard through the use of annual and perennial plants, shrubs, trees and hummingbird feeders. Presenters are Michael and Kathi Rock of Madison.

**Call the UW-Extension Office at 920-386-3790 to register on or before March 4th.**

**Mechanical Sciences**

Youth Tractor Safety

Dodge County UW-Extension (UWEX), in cooperation with high school agriculture instructors and others will again offer the Youth Farm Tractor and Equipment Operations Safety Training program. This program includes classroom instruction and a practical test and is held only once each year.

This course’s curriculum is the model for county programs across the country and includes instruction on topics: Safety—It’s an Attitude; Livestock Safety; Pesticide Safety; Electrical Safety; Confined Space Safety and many others.

**2015 Classroom Dates are three Saturdays - January 17, January 24 and January 31.** All Classes will be held in the Dodge County Administrative Building Auditorium, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau. Classes are 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., with a short break in the morning and afternoon and lunch about noon. Students must bring their lunch. Parents should plan on attending the first 45 minutes of the first class for orientation. Dates for the late April/early May practical driving test at the fairgrounds will be announced to participants when registrations are confirmed.

Pre-registration is required. Registration fees are $35/youth if registered by January 9 and $45 after January 9, 2015. To register, complete a registration form for each youth and return with payment to the Dodge County UWEX Office, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau. WI 53039. Registration forms are available at the Dodge County UWEX Office and online at [http://dodge.uwex.edu](http://dodge.uwex.edu).

Wisconsin state law (Act 455) requires that any youth under the ages 12--16 who operates a tractor or self-propelled equipment on the highway for a parent, must successfully complete a Tractor and Machinery Safety program. The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) require those youths ages 14-16 that work for a non-parent must complete an approved farm safety course. Class participants younger than 14 will receive their federal certificate after they turn 14.

Questions? please call Dodge County UW-Extension at (920)-386-3790. Please submit 1 clipout per youth.

See clipout at the end of this newsletter.

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Dog Project
If you have any questions call: Tiffeny Herioux 920-285-3275; Shannon Desjarlais-Caine 920-887-2545; Hannah Lynch 920-319-2207; Luther & Sandy Pohl 920-348-5030; Julie Schmiedlin 608-240-0544.

Be sure to READ this Countywide Dog Project section of your newsletter EACH MONTH to help you become aware of valuable training regulations/dates/and notices pertinent to your participation in the Dodge County 4-H Dog Project.

The 2013-2015 Dog Project Handbook and forms can be found on the Dodge County 4-H website….for information, visit: http://dodge.uwex.edu/2013/03/dog-project-handbook-forms/

Dog Project Orientation—DATE to be Announced
*TRAINING SESSIONS are held at the Dodge County Fairgrounds Youth Building. Session dates TO BE ANNOUNCED.

Goat Project Meeting
☐ January 2015—No Meeting
☐ February 21—Family Learning Day, Dodgeland High School
☐ March 28—Family Learning Day, Dodgeland High School
☐ April 28—7pm Dodge Co. Administration Building, Juneau
☐ May 26—7pm Small Animal Barn—Dodge Co. Fairgrounds
☐ June 23—7pm Small Animal Barn—Dodge Co. Fairgrounds
☐ July 11—10am Small Animal Barn—Dodge Co. Fairgrounds
☐ August 1—10am Sheep Barn—Dodge Co. Fairgrounds
☐ September 22—7pm Dodge Co. Administration Bldg, Juneau
☐ October 27—7pm Dodge Co. Administration Bldg, Juneau

Goats County Resource Leader
April Doll (goats) 920-219-1953

Poultry Project Meetings
☐ January 15, 2015—7pm at Dodgeland School Room 312 (use middle/high school entrance)
☐ February 21—Family Learning Day, Dodgeland High School
☐ March 28—Family Learning Day, Dodgeland High School
☐ April 16—7pm Dodgeland School, Room 312
☐ May 21—7pm Youth Building—Dodge Co. Fairgrounds
☐ June 18—7pm Youth Building—Dodge Co. Fairgrounds
☐ July 16—7pm Youth Building—Dodge Co. Fairgrounds
☐ September 17—Dodgeland School, Room 312

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/

Project Literature Update:
The Learning Store has discontinued project resource material From Egg to Chick and it is no longer available. 4-H’ers who requested this will instead receive resources appropriate to their project level.

Poultry County Resource Leaders
Dan Schwandt 920-763-8030; Don Schwandt 920-344-6884; Janelle Wiebelhaus-Finger 920-253-7099

Rabbit Project Meetings
☐ January 22 2015—7pm at Dodgeland School Room 312 (use middle/high school entrance)
☐ February 21—Family Learning Day, Dodgeland High School
☐ March 28—Family Learning Day, Dodgeland High School
☐ April—No Meeting
☐ May 28—7pm Small Animal Bldg—Dodge Co. Fairgrounds
☐ June 25—7pm Small Animal Bldg—Dodge Co. Fairgrounds
☐ July 23—7pm Small Animal Bldg—Dodge Co. Fairgrounds
☐ September 24—7pm Dodgeland School, Room 312
☐ October 22—7pm Dodgeland School Room 312

Rabbits County Resource Leaders
Bill Meyer 920-262-1973; Don Schwandt 920-344-6884

Rabbit, Poultry, Goats & Cavies/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.
**HORSE PROJECT MEETINGS**

- **FEBRUARY MEETING**—February 26, 2015 at 7pm at the Dodge Co. Administration Building. For our Community Service Project, we will be doing a collection for the Dodge County Humane Society. A list of needed items will come with the meeting notice.

- **MARCH MEETING**—Monday, March 23, 2015 at 7pm at the Dodge Co. Administration Building.

February Family Learning Day sessions that count for attendance include: Model Horse Showing and Horse Themed Christmas Ornaments.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**DCHA TACK SWAP:** Saturday, January 31, 2015 at the Juneau Community Center from 9 am to 1 pm. We will be having a Bake Sale for a Fundraiser plus you can help with set-up and tear down for the fundraiser requirement.

—See flyer near the end of this newsletter—

**MIDWEST HORSE FAIR** April 17-19 at Alliant Center in Madison. Attendance counts as a meeting requirement. You can help at the WI 4-H Horse Tack Sale for at least two hours and it will count as a fund-raising requirement. If you work for at least four hours, you can get your admission for one day back—remember to sign in if you plan on doing this in the volunteer book.

**STATE 4-H CONTESTS AND SHOWS**

*May 8-9:* Speaking & Demo Contest; Horse Bowl; Hippology-UW-EX Office Building-Wausau—deadline is April 22

*June 26-28:* Hunt & Dressage Show & Clinics; Sheboygan Co Fairgrounds, Plymouth—deadline is June 7—Riders need to be at least six grade and remember you need signatures!

**STATE 4-H HORSE ASSOCIATION MEETING**

January 9-10, 2015-Holiday Inn & Suites, Rothschild 715-355-1111

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

WI 4-H HORSE ASSOCIATION: LINK [http://4h.uwex.edu/onlinpro/documents/HorseAssociationScholarshipInformation_001.pdf](http://4h.uwex.edu/onlinpro/documents/HorseAssociationScholarshipInformation_001.pdf)

Postmarked by March 1, 2015!

WISCONSIN HORSE COUNCIL, Attn: Scholarship Program, PO Box 72, Columbus, WI 53925 by February 15th, 2015

**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 UPDATED FOR 2015**

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 2015. 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 email address, let Sherry know your e-mail address so you can get updates.

**HORSE PROJECT RELATED LINKS**

Visit the WI 4-H Horse Project website for more related links: [http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/horses.cfm#support](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/horses.cfm#support)

**American Youth Horse Council**

AYHC is a non-profit organization providing leadership and resources for the youth horse industry. AYHC develops and distributes educational materials, promotes communication and provides training opportunities to those looking to teach kids about horses. Site features activities, events, resources and many horse-related related links.

**National 4-H Online Horse Project**

Visit this site for additional National 4-H Horse Project activities, information and links.

**Oconto County 4-H Project Resources**

This web site provides links for many animal science projects including links for fun project ideas on horses.

**Saddle and Sirloin Club**

UW-Madison student club that organizes and administers the Little International Horse Show, Badger Kick-off Classic Steer and Heifer Show, and the Badger Bonanza Lamb Show.

**UW-Extension Animal Sciences: Horse**

UW-Extension Horse site with links to the Horse Pasture Management Course, Wisconsin State Horse Council, and more.

**Wisconsin State Horse Council**

Council promotes the state’s equine industry through leadership, education, service and communication.
Bonnie's Bidding—
In this new year, my goal is to have more information posted on our website for dairy & livestock youth. You should be able to find new information faster than waiting for the next newsletter. The Agriculture Calendar of Events will list all Ag events within our area that may be of interest—check it for updates and in next month’s newsletter.

Most forms needed for fair or record books can also be found on our website [http://dodge.uwex.edu/](http://dodge.uwex.edu/). Follow the links for 4-H Youth Development or Agriculture to find lots of information. The UW-Extension office is here to help you. Give us a call at 920-386-3790.

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**BEEF STEER WEIGH-IN**
Saturday, February 28, 9:00 AM—1:00 PM
MILWAUKEE STOCKYARD
N3645 County Rd J, Reeseville

The Beef Committee will weigh-in your Dodge County Fair entries. Families may have up to 5 feeder calves per project member identified and weighed in. Families must identify project member names at time of weigh-in, but animal may remain in the “Family Name.” Members are asked to be present to assist the weigh-in of their project animals. BRING YOUR PREMISE ID information with you for your animal. **NOTE: No animal over 2 years old (lacking milk teeth)**

If weather is EXTREMELY inclement making transport IMPOSSIBLE, SUNDAY MARCH 1st will be the alternate date. If in doubt, tune in to 1430 AM WBEV. If you experience vehicle difficulties getting cattle to weigh-in call one of the cell phone numbers: 920.210.1938 or 920.210.0006.

ATTENTION: ALL calves should be haltered & dehorned for safety!

**NOTE: If the 1:00 pm time is a problem, please call Mike Guenther (210-1938) or Ralph Pahl (210-0006).**

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**Market Beef Heifer Class**—all rules apply. Refer to page 158-159 and page 23 of current fair book. Winner of Market Beef Heifer class will be eligible for champion drive of beef market animals.

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Attention Livestock Project Members Planning on SELLING ANIMAL AT THE FAIR... Members of the Goat, Sheep, Swine, and Beef projects as you start preparing to purchase project animals for the next year, please remember to fill out the COOL affidavit recording information about the seller/breeder of your project animal. This affidavit is an important part of the Country of Origin Labeling Program (COOL). Please fill out this affidavit as completely as possible and keep it in your files for two years. If it is not possible to go back and get the seller’s signature, please attach the bill of sale to the affidavit. Retention of this affidavit is imperative to the audit process the USDA can perform on any animal that is USDA inspected.

The affidavit and a fact sheet on the COOL program is available online at: [http://dodge.uwex.edu/files/2010/06/exhibitorcoolsheet.pdf](http://dodge.uwex.edu/files/2010/06/exhibitorcoolsheet.pdf). **Any questions or to request a copy of the affidavit, please contact the Extension Office 920.386-3790.**

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

- **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
4-H Dairy & Livestock Projects

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.

2015 Youth Pig Project Announced

The Wisconsin Pork Association Youth Committee is offering Youth Pig Project scholarships, designed to assist 4-H and FFA members in establishing swine projects that can lead to development of life skills and career opportunities in the Wisconsin pork industry.

4-H and FFA youth are eligible to apply for a $50.00 scholarship used to offset costs associated with their 2015 pig project. Up to ten $50.00 scholarships will be awarded. Age divisions are as follows: Ages 9-12, 13-15, and 16-19 (as of January 1, 2015).

In the application, youth must provide project goals for the year; PQA and/or MAQA certification date; a simple project budget; future goals and how they relate to the pork industry; and “why should the WPA select you for the scholarship.” To receive a copy of the application, please contact the WPA office at 1-800-822-7675 or download the application from the website at www.wppa.org.

Interested youth must complete and mail the Youth Pig Project application form no later than Feb 1, 2015, to: WPA, P.O. Box 327, Lancaster, WI 53813. Youth who receive a scholarship will be asked to complete a follow-up questionnaire after their project year is complete.

In addition, Wisconsin Pork Association is teaming up with show pig producers from across the state of Wisconsin to make this program even more beneficial. In addition to the $50.00 scholarship awarded by WPA, scholarship recipients may also be eligible to receive a buying credit from a cooperating Wisconsin producer. Producers interested in helping sponsor this program can contact WPA for additional details.

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.

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MAS Project Member Activity Card
(Orange Card)

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.

Sausage Making Class

Wednesday, February 11 6:30 pm
Administration Building Auditorium, Juneau,

1 pt on MAS Activity Card
1 pt on Dairy Youth Award Card
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Class is first-come, first-serve and limited to 50 participants

See clipout at the end of this newsletter.
4-H Dairy & Livestock Projects

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.

**Practices held on most Monday evenings.**

Watch our website for workout dates or call Bonnie at 920-386-3790

State Contest is Saturday March 7, 2015


**Contest Details**
Entry is open to ALL youth enrolled in 4-H or FFA that are eligible to exhibit at their local show. Contestant must be a 4-H or FFA member in good standing in Manitowoc, Calumet, Sheboygan, Outagamie, Brown, Kewaunee, Winnebago, DODGE, Green Lake or Fond du Lac Counties. Contestant must show proof of ability to house and care for an animal appropriately.

You may view the latest post at http://fyi.uwex.edu/ldlmeat/2014/11/24/2015-country-visions-coop-goat-giveaway/

**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.

Questions or instructions, and workshop dates, please call Becky Doman at 920-248-9311. **Contest is on February 14th in Madison.**

**4-H Meats Judging Contest**
http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/4hmeatscontest/

**What:** This Contest test the knowledge of youth in placement of carcass and retail cut classes, carcass grading, retail cut identification and a quiz. This contest occurs annually with the first place senior team going to Kansas City, MO and second place senior team traveling to Denver, Co. There is a Junior Division as well.

**When:** Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015, 12:30 registration
**Where:** UW Madison, Muscle Biology Lab

**Livestock Resource Manuals**
There are three (3) livestock manuals available from the Ohio State University and they are GREAT!!!

- Beef Resource Handbook - $18.25
- Swine Resource Handbook (Market/Breeding projects) - $19.50
- Sheep Resource Book (Market/Breeding projects) - $27.50

The Dodge County Extension Office will have a copies of each on hand for you to borrow for short intervals. However, if clubs wish to purchase copies to have their leader’s use or leaders and families who wish to own their own copy—we will order them for you. You may do this by returning the clip-out by **April 1.**

Please include a check for the correct amount; check payable to UW-Extension. **See clipout at the end of this newsletter.**

Connect with us on FACEBOOK
Visit dodge.uwex.edu, look for the Facebook icon, and “like” us on FACEBOOK!
4-H Dairy & Livestock Projects—DAIRY

DAIRY YOUTH PROJECT— EDUCATIONAL CARD!
The Dairy Youth Advisory Committee has created an educational card to encourage Dairy project members in their quest to improve dairy knowledge and skills.

The “purple” dairy activity card is no longer valid!

Download your copy of this card from our website [http://dodge.uwex.edu/agriculture/youth-dairy-livestock/](http://dodge.uwex.edu/agriculture/youth-dairy-livestock/) and go to the Dairy page.

Completing the requirements will qualify dairy youth for exhibiting at the Wisconsin State Fair AND for being eligible to qualify for Dairy Recognition Auction lots.

The intention for creating this new card is to encourage more Dairy youth project members to participate and advance their learning at the many opportunities which have been created by willing volunteers.

Check out the new card today and see that you may have a few requirements already completed by your participation during the 2015 Dodge County Fair!

Dairy Fitting & Showmanship Clinic
2015 DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

Watch next month for details!

This “hands on” clipping/showing clinic is for ALL DAIRY YOUTH. Please come to learn about: fitting, showmanship, bedding, washing, and what to put in your showbox!

OLDER DAIRY YOUTH, come for tips and lend us your leadership skills by helping younger youth with clipping and showing:

DAIRY LEADERS: please encourage your project members to attend and join them.

Lunch will be provided. Bring your dairy activity card!!!

Looking for YOU to join Junior Dairy Ambassadors
Youth ages 16 to 20 who are active in the dairy project are encouraged to join the Dodge County Junior Dairy Ambassadors. This newly formed group helps youth develop leadership and communication skills. Junior Dairy Ambassadors become advocates for the dairy industry and have a variety of opportunities to communicate positive messages about the dairy industry to the public.

If interested call Bonnie at the UWEX office (Mon-Wed. 8:00 am to 2:30 pm) at 920-386-3790 for more information.

Dairy Promotion Scholarship Opportunity
The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board will award three $1,000 scholarships, for use during the second semester of the 2015-16 school year, to 3rd or 4th year college students pursuing dairy-related or food science degrees at one of Wisconsin’s four-year universities. Two additional $1,000 scholarships will be made available to high school seniors planning to pursue a dairy-related or food science degree at one of Wisconsin’s four-year universities or students studying in a two-year, technical school program related to dairy or food science.

The application is available at [http://wistatefair.com/competitions/dairy-promo-board/](http://wistatefair.com/competitions/dairy-promo-board/) Application deadline is Friday, March 27, 2015

For more info, contact Katy Katzman at: (262) 903-6727 or katzman@idcnet.com

Links on Our Website [http://dodge.uwex.edu](http://dodge.uwex.edu)

Just go to the Dodge County UW Extension website [http://dodge.uwex.edu](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/](http://www.myamericanfarm.org/) Interactive online ag education games
- 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.
Youth interested in showing market beef, sheep or swine at the 2015 Wisconsin State Fair will need to get their animal projects DNA/RFID identified through the Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium (WLIC) by the respective State Fair eligibility deadlines. WLIC is coordinating a statewide DNA/RFID identification program for Wisconsin County and State Fairs. This identification system allows animals which are DNA/RFID identified through the WLIC County and State Fair program to meet Wisconsin State Fair identification requirements as long as the process is completed (all forms returned and samples on file) by the respective Wisconsin State Fair identification deadline postmark.

2015 Wisconsin State Fair DNA/RFID identification deadlines (postmark):
- Beef: Monday - February 9, 2015
- Sheep: Monday - May 11, 2015
- Swine: Monday - May 11, 2015

How do I get my animals identified?: Request DNA/RFID tag identification by going to the WLIC website at www.wiid.org/county-fair-dna-id-project. Print out, complete and mail the request form with payment to WLIC. Make sure you return DNA and required paperwork to WLIC by the Wisconsin State Fair identification postmark deadline listed above. Tags and paperwork are ONLY available through WLIC. The Wisconsin State Fair Office no longer processes DNA/RFID tag requests.

How much will DNA/RFID identification cost?: $10 per animal identified for required DNA and RFID tag identification. If your animal has an existing 840 RFID ear tag you can purchase and submit a DNA envelope separately for $5.00. Be sure to list the existing RFID ear tag number on the paperwork and DNA submission.

Will my County DNA/RFID tag qualify for Wisconsin State Fair?: Wisconsin State Fair will accept all DNA/RFID samples submitted through WLIC by the respective Wisconsin State Fair identification postmark deadline. Samples for Wisconsin State Fair postmarked after the Wisconsin State Fair identification postmark will NOT be accepted. Please check the WLIC website (www.wiid.org) to verify which counties are participating in the statewide DNA/RFID identification program.

What if my County is not participating in the statewide DNA/RFID program?: No problem! Request Wisconsin State Fair DNA/RFID identification through WLIC. Make sure you return DNA and required paperwork to WLIC by the Wisconsin State Fair identification deadline postmark listed above.

Do I need to let Wisconsin State Fair know I have my animal DNA/RFID identified?: No required DNA/RFID identification paperwork needs to be sent to Wisconsin State Fair. Wisconsin State Fair will receive eligible market animal identification numbers from WLIC after the Wisconsin State Fair DNA/RFID identification postmark deadline. Potential exhibitors are required to submit their Fair entries prior to the June (online or paper) entry deadlines by entering directly with Wisconsin State Fair. DNA/RFID identification is NOT your entry to the Fair.

Performance Sites: The 2015 Wisconsin State Fair Junior Beef Performance contest weigh in sites and dates will be announced very soon. Please check: http://wistatefair.com/competitions/junior-livestock/

Questions related to the DNA/RFID identification process contact: WLIC helpdesk@wiid.org – 888.808.1910
Questions related to Wisconsin State Fair or entry procedures contact: entryoffice@wistatefair.com or 414.266.7000

Wisconsin State Fair Dairy
Dairy Youth Advisory State Fair Committee would like to begin preparation work for this year’s fair. If you are a youth age 12 or older interested in showing dairy cattle at the 2015 Wisconsin State Fair, please return the clip-out by March 15 indicating your interest.
Call Bonnie at the Extension Office 386-3790 with questions, Monday through Wednesday.

Please see the clip out at the end of this newsletter.
Dodge County Horsemen’s Association
2015 Tack Swap & Craft Sale
Saturday, January 31, 2015
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Juneau Community Center
500 Lincoln Drive
Juneau, WI 53039

Guest speaker is Karen Meekma
“Introduction into the world of Model Horse”

Interested in being a part of our event? Include the portion below by January 10, 2015 along with a check payable to DCHA and mail to Kathy Schauer, W2385 Lomira Drive, Brownsville, WI 53006.

For more information call 920-960-8484 or e-mail kschauer@nconnect.net

Name: Phone:
Address: 
Number of Spaces @ $15.00 each = Total
How many chairs? Do you need a table?

*Preference for table space is based on order of payment (1st to pay = 1st to pick space)*

Through your past generosity we were able to offer door prizes which are always an added bonus to a great day of shopping and bargains! Thank you for past contributions and please consider donating to this annual event once again

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DCHA annual Banquet and awards dinner January 31, 2015
Family Learning Day Schedule & Descriptions

Join us for the 4-H Family Learning Day - a day of family fun and education scheduled for Saturday, February 21, 2015 at Dodgeland Schools, 401 S. Western Avenue, Juneau WI. 4-H volunteers, businesses, and community individuals teach a variety of sessions on topics related to 4-H projects and individual learning opportunities.

FAMILY LEARNING DAY SCHEDULE
February 21, 2015
 Dodgeland Schools
401 S. Western Avenue
Juneau, WI

8:15 – 8:45 am  REGISTRATION
9:00 – 9:30 am  Keynote: 4-H 101
9:40 – 10:40 am  Session 1
10:50 – 11:50 am  Session 2

** Lunch Break **
12:35 – 1:35 pm  Session 3
1:45 – 2:45 pm  Session 4

**Lunch available for purchase or bring a bag lunch!! **

REGISTRATION DUE DATE: January 30th

• EACH person fills out a SEPARATE form!
• EACH person selects ONE course per session.
• ALL pay $3.00 registration fee (including Observing Adults) plus 1st Choice session fees (if applicable).
• SECOND & THIRD Choice MUST be indicated.
  (If course has a limit or is cancelled, you automatically receive your 2nd/3rd choice. If NO 2nd choice is indicated, you WILL receive ANY course open! If you sign up for a session that requires a fee or supplies you will be notified if you do not receive your first choice.)

• Registrations sent in without payment will not be processed.
• Pre-registration REQUIRED… NO WALK-INS!

See Session DESCRIPTIONS on following pages

LATE REGISTRATIONS
Registrations received after the deadline (within a reasonable time determined by the office) will have a $5 per person late fee, providing there is room in the sessions.

Mail/Send registrations to:
Dodge County UW-Extension
Attn: 4-H Office
127 E. Oak Street
Juneau, WI  53039
Questions? Call 920-386-3790.

KEYNOTE: 4-H 101
Presented by the 4-H Youth Leaders & Special Emphasis Committee

This year the Special Emphasis theme is 4-H 101.
4-H 101 presents a fun pathway to guide 4-H Youth and volunteers to understanding the structure, best practices and guidelines for the 4-H program.

Join us for this fun and interactive Keynote for Family Learning Day 2015 and learn about the Special Emphasis theme!

FAMILY LEARNING DAY LUNCH MENU
Hosted by Rock River Royals 4-H Club

• Sloppy Joe Sandwich  $1.50
• Hot Turkey Sandwich  $1.50
• Bowl of Chili  $1.50
• Bowl of Macaroni & Cheese  $1.00
• Hot Dog  $1.00
• Soda or Water  $1.00
• Assorted Desserts  $.50
• Chips  $.50/bag
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Fido Finds a Family
FAMILY LEARNING DAY SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

All About Animals – Bonnie Borden. Increase your dairy and livestock knowledge with skill-a-thon style games. *1 point on Dairy or Livestock Education Card. (3)

Arrowhead or Deer Horn Necklace Terry Doerr. Fee $3 Limit 15 Create your own necklace with arrowheads, deer horn, and beads. (3)

Beef! It's What's for Dinner – Fee $1. Bonnie Borden. From farm to table, learn to cook a simple and savory meal with beef. *1 point on Dairy or Livestock Education Card. (4)

Cavies Katie Schroedl. Learn all about the different breeds of guinea pigs and how to show your guinea pig at the fair. (3)

Crochet with T-shirt Yarn: Double Session. Limit 10. Emma Meyer. Come have some fun learning how to take recycled, plain colored t-shirts and turn them into yarn to make fun projects! Each person will go home with one finished project. Please bring the following materials: 6 plain colored t-shirts with no seam on the sides (as least size M), size P (11.5 mm) crochet hook, self-healing mat and rotary cutter, and yard stick. (1-2)(3-4)

Dairy Promotion Karen Schmidt. Learn about the latest dairy products on the market. Share dairy promotion ideas and learn how to fill our Dairy Report Forms. (Clubs applying for Dairy Promotion funding MUST attend to receive funds). (2)(3) *NOTE: This session is only offered at the February Family Learning Day.

Deerskin Indian Medicine Bag Fee $3 Limit 15 Terry Doerr. A deerskin bag will be laced, fringed and assembled for your Indian Medicine Bag. (2)

Dog Safety Join Kim Waugus for a session on pet responsibility. Learn how to keep you and your dog safe, properly greet a strange dog and the signs of a friendly or unfriendly dog. (2)

Fido Finds a Family Kim Waugus. Learn about how to select the right pet for your family. Learn the important details when you choose a cat, fish, bird, dog, or other house pets. Learn about purchasing a companion animal -vs- adopting from a shelter or rescue, pet ages, commitments and expectations, new pets with small children, and recommended dog breeds. (1)

Found Object Necklace Double Session. Fee $3. Limit 15. Michele Polster & Lisa Hall. Learn how to make a necklace with everyday objects! Participants can bring found objects to add to their necklace like small toys, coins, beads, metal pieces, etc. Youth age 8 and under must be accompanied by a parent. (1-2) (3-4)

Goats April Doll. Get going with your goat knowledge and learn more about breeds, the many uses of goats, and general care of your goat. Designed for beginners in the Goat project. (2)

Grandma's 4-H: A Look at 4-H in the Olden Days Esther Hart & Klecker Family. Take a trip back in time to Depression-era 1930s South Dakota and learn how 4-H changed a farm girl’s life. 4-H projects from the 1930s will be displayed, hear stories of “the olden days” and play a 4-H trivia game. (3)

Hearts of Light Paper Crafting Fee $2 Limit 15 Noel Eedy-Weber. Turn on your heart light with this paper crafting luminary project. Makes a great valentine’s gift. Cloverbuds/Explorers must be accompanied by an adult. (3)(4)

Horse Themed Christmas Ornaments Fee $3 Sherry Helmer. Learn how to make a decoupage Christmas ornament. If you have a favorite napkin horse design and a pair scissors, please bring along. (4)

Introduction to Martial Arts Professional Black Belt instructors from Martial Arts America will introduction Martial Arts/Karate/ TaeKwondo.(1)

Iris Folding Fee $1.50. Limit 10. Marianne Zastrow & Sandy Peirick. Learn this paper folding technique and make a photo frame with cardstock paper. Participants must bring a 1 ¼ inch x 2 inch head shot photo (head to shoulders or head shot only) and a scissors. Children under age 10 must be accompanied by a parent. (3)

Knitting with Arms Limit 10 Tara Schultz. Learn to make a fun and festive scarf by using your arms as knitting needles. Bring two full skeins of different colored homespun or other bulky yarn. (2)
Leather Craft  Fee $12  All day session.  Courtney Meyer.  Come learn the basics of leather craft. If you ever wondered what the leather craft project is about, come to this Project Day Camp session and get your feet wet without the big investment. Participants will make a luggage tag or set of three coasters.  All materials will be supplied.  (1-4)

MAQA-(Replaces PQA III) Double Session. Bonnie Borden.  For all livestock members to learn Meat Animal Quality Assurance in project work with animals. *1 point for Meat Animal Sale Activity Card  (1-2)

Model Horse Showing  Kallie Kiesow. Come learn about showing your model horse! In this session you will learn everything from packing to tacking to proper placement. Basic techniques and customizing your model horse will be covered. Bring your model horse and tack for a mock show! Also, come with any questions you may have. This is your chance to ask what the judge is looking for. (1)

Poultry  Don Schwandt. Be informed about NEW state regulations for poultry, 2015 poultry swap info, chicks, and getting ready for exhibition. (4)

Rabbits  Bill Meyer. Learn about breed identification, body part, and animal care with the Rabbit project.  (1)

Record Books—The Fun & Easy Way!  Emma Whitlock, Dodge County 4-H Youth Leader.  4-H’ers learn to take the mystery out of Record Books. Learn simple stress-free ways to make your record book organized, and tell all about you and your 4-H experience! (1)

Self-Defense for Kids, Teens and Adults  Professional Black Belt Instructors from Martial Arts America will teach the basics of self-defense for kids, teens and adults.  (2)

A Walk in the 4-H Forest: Barb & Norb Yogerst. Learn about Wisconsin 4-H Forestry and its connection to Wildlife Habitat Education Program (WHEP). Learn how to identify trees and their basic characteristics. Activities include: making leaf prints, pine cone owllets, and finding your way through the forest using a compass. We’ll also make plaster tracks of wildlife critters that live in the forest. (3)

Woodcarving Double Session. Fee $7. Limit 5 Hunter Schultz, Dodge County 4-H Youth Leader. Learn how to carve wood into a decorative piece of home art. Sharp knives will be used. 4th grade and up only. (3-4)

Family Learning Day Registration Reminders

- Indicate a 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Choice
- Choose a session for all time slots
- Indicate Session Fee, if applicable, for 1st Choice
- Each participant fills out a separate form
- All participants are required to pay $3 registration fee
- Adults Observing Youth are required to pay $3 registration fee
- Fees are non-refundable
- Make checks payable to Dodge County 4-H
- Registrations will not be processed without an enclosed payment

Weather Questions? Listen to Radio Stations WTKM-Hartford, WBEV-Beaver Dam for cancellation of ANY scheduled 4-H programs throughout the year!
**DODGE COUNTY 4-H FAMILY LEARNING DAY REGISTRATION**

February 21, 2015 – Dodgeland School

**DUE DATE JANUARY 30, 2015**

Name __________________________

Child’s grade ____________________

Phone Number ____________________

Club ____________________________ E-mail

**EACH PERSON FILLS OUT A SEPARATE FORM**

For additional forms, go to http://dodge.uwex.edu or photocopy this form.

$3 Registration Fee applies to all youth and adults (observing and adults taking part)

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**FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE**

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Enclose a check payable to DODGE COUNTY 4-H for the TOTAL amount.

Mail to Dodge County UW-Extension, 127 E. Oak Street, Juneau, WI 53039
Dodge County “Focus on 4-H” January 2015

**DODGE COUNTY 4-H FAMILY LEARNING DAY REGISTRATION**

February 21, 2015 – Dodgeland School

**DUE DATE JANUARY 30, 2015**

**Name**

If your first choice has a fee, ENCLOSE that amount with registration fee.

**Child’s grade**

If you receive 2\(^{nd}\) or 3\(^{rd}\) choice, and there is no fee, you will receive a refund.

**Phone Number**

If you receive 2\(^{nd}\) or 3\(^{rd}\) choice, and there is a fee, you will be contacted.

**Club**

E-mail

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**TOTAL 1\(^{ST}\) CHOICE SESSIONS FEES**

| **REGISTRATION FEE** (applies to all youth and adults) | **$ 3.00** |

**FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE**

This form will not be processed unless CORRECT FEES are included.

Enclose a check payable to **DODGE COUNTY 4-H** for the TOTAL amount.

Mail to Dodge County UW-Extension, 127 E. Oak Street, Juneau, WI 53039
Cloverbuds & Explorers 2015 Meetings
Name: ________________________________
Club: ________________________________
Phone: ________________________________
Email (if preferred): ________________________________

Date       Day       Return Clip out by:
☐ January 20  Tuesday  January 9
☐ February 17  Tuesday  February 6
☐ March 17  Tuesday  March 6
☐ April 28  Tuesday  April 17
☐ May 19  Thursday  May 8
☐ June 23  Tuesday  June 12

SESSION FEES are $2 per person and must accompany clipout
ENCLOSE a check made payable to Dodge Co. 4-H
Return clipout to: Dodge County UW-Extension,
Attn: 4-H Office, 127 E Oak St, Juneau WI 53039

SAUSAGE CLASS—Wednesday, February 11
Administration Bldg Auditorium, Juneau, 6:30 pm
Names: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
City/Zip: ________________________________
Phone Number: ________________________________
_____ # Adults  _____ # Youth
Enclosed a check in the amount of $_______
Make check payable to Dodge Co. UW-Extension
Mail clipout & check to:
Dodge County UWEX, 127 E Oak St, Juneau WI 53039

Celebrating 4-H: History of Dodge County 4-H Clubs
Name: ________________________________
Phone: ________________________________ Club ________________________________
Email: ________________________________

Yes, I am interested in ordering a hard copy of Celebrating 4-H. Please reserve #__________ copies.
Return to Dodge Co. 4-H, 127 E. Oak St, Juneau, WI 53039
DEADLINE: Feb. 14

Livestock Resource Manuals  DEADLINE: April 1
Name: ________________________________
Phone: ________________________________ Club ________________________________
I/We are interested in owning a copy of:
___ Beef Resource Handbook $ 18.25 each
___ Swine Resource Handbook $ 19.50 each
___ Sheep Resource Handbook $ 27.50 each
Check attached made payable to UW-Extension.

2015 Knitting Workshops
Name: ________________________________
Club: ________________________________
Phone: ________________________________

☐ Tuesday, January 20  Return clipout Jan. 9
☐ Tuesday, February 17  Return clipout Feb. 6
☐ Tuesday, March 17  Return clipout March 6
☐ Tuesday, April 21  Return clipout April 10
☐ Tuesday, May 19  Return clipout May 8
☐ Tuesday, June 16  Return clipout June 5
☐ Tuesday, July 21  Return clipout July 10
Return the clip-out to Dodge County UW-Extension,
Attn: 4-H Office, 127 E Oak St, Juneau, WI 53039.

JUNIOR STATE FAIR DAIRY
Name: ________________________________ Age ________
Name: ________________________________ Age ________
Address: ________________________________
City: __________________ Zip: __________
Phone: __________________
Parent’s Name: ________________________________
Grade: __ Age: ______ Date of Birth ______
Gender __________
Make check payable to: Dodge Co. UW-Extension
RETURN to Dodge Co. 4-H, 127 E Oak St. Juneau, WI  53039

YOUTH PROTECTION —Dodge Co. Admin Bldg, Juneau
Name: ________________________________
Club: ________________________________
Email ________________________________
☐ January 12, 2015 (call for time) Dodge Co. Admin Bldg,
☐ February 23, 2015—7pm Dodge Co. Admin Bldg, Juneau
Return Clip-out 1 week prior to session
4-H Office, 127 E Oak St, Juneau WI 53039

TRACTOR SAFETY—Deadline January 9, 2015
Cost: $35 on/before Jan. 3 ($45 after January 9, 2015)
Name: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
City: __________________ Zip: __________
Phone: __________________
Parent’s Name: ________________________________
Grade: __ Age: ______ Date of Birth ______
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Make check payable to: Dodge Co. UW-Extension
RETURN to Dodge Co. UWEX, 127 E Oak St, Juneau 53039.
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 January 16.

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

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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 Cloverbud

_____ Foods & Nutrition
_____ Goat
_____ Horse
_____ Knitting
_____ Meat Animal

_____ Poultry
_____ Shooting Sports
_____ Small Animal Building
_____ Shooting Sports
_____ Other

Activity/Program
_____ Achievement Night
_____ Community Builders Banquet
_____ Community Service Lock-In
_____ Endowment
_____ Communication Cultural Arts
_____ Fair Food Stand
_____ Family Learning Day
_____ Fish Fry
_____ Officer Training
_____ Kids, Cops & Canines Day Camp
_____ Farm City Day
_____ Fair Set Up

_____ Fish Pond
_____ New Family Orientation

_____ Project Day Camp
_____ Record Book
_____ Old Time Gathering

_____ Safety Day Camp

_____ Special Emphasis

_____ Summer 4-H Camp

_____ Wild Wacky Weekdays Day Camp

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

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## February 2015

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### Events

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- **Dodge County 4-H Youth Development**

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Focus on 4-H

DODGE COUNTY 4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER

Dodge County 4-H Leaders Association
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Helen Weisensel, Treasurer
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Diane Neff, Fall Forum
Cy, 4-H Youth Program Assistant

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Amanda Hilliard, Nutrition Education
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