Visioning Session

What do you think the future of Jefferson County 4-H should look like? How can we get more kids involved and what can we do to make your current experience even better? On October 23, 2014, we will be holding a visioning session at the Extension Office. Each club will be asked to send one adult and one older youth (7th grade or older) to participate in this activity. At your upcoming club meetings think about what you think is the best part of the Jefferson County 4-H program and what things you might like to see changed or added.

Work to find the best youth and adult to represent your ideas at the October 23rd meeting. We would like names of anyone coming so please RSVP. Larger clubs who may have more than one youth and adult, please contact Sarah to let her know you have additional people that will be attending.

Your $25 Goes a Long Way

Many of you may be wondering why you pay $25 to be part of the 4-H program? $20 of your 4-H dues goes to Jefferson County, a fee that was established by the County Board in 2008. The county puts that money directly back in the UW-Extension budget. Our budget pays for 100% of the things that happen in our office. This includes meeting space at the Extension Office, paper for the newsletter, postage for all of the letters we send out, secretarial support in the office, computers for us to send e-mails, phone so we can talk to you, the summer 4-H intern, travel money so Sarah can visit your meetings and events, professional development money so we can be up to date on what is happening in youth development, pencils, markers, brochures, and so much more. While the $20 fee is a small part of our overall budget it goes a long way to provide you with the services available in the 4-H program. When you think about it, if you get involved in 4-H you get a lot for just $25. The additional $5 fee goes to the Leaders Association. This group provides awards, scholarships, trip support, project support, snacks, trainings, project materials, curriculum books, supports Special Emphasis and more. Of course you realize the $5 fee doesn’t cover everything so we also do fundraisers like the Pizza and Pie Sale.

Thank you for joining the 4-H program and thank you for paying the $25 to support the great things we offer through 4-H! If any member needs financial assistance please contact Sarah Torbert.
General News

County to Host Listening Sessions
Do you have comments you would like to share about the Jefferson County 4-H program? In light of our upcoming visioning session we are offering parents, leaders, and members the chance to speak one-on-one with Southwest District 4-H Liaisons Chris Viau and Deb Ivey to share your thoughts and comments.

Listening Sessions will be held on October 15th at the Extension Office from 3-7 pm. You are encouraged to sign up for a 10 minute slot by calling Stephanie or Kim at the Extension Office at 920-674-7295. The last appointment will be offered at 6:50 pm. If you are unable to attend you can share your views directly with Chris at chris.viau@ces.uwex.edu.

Enrollment Online ONLY
This year all 4-H enrollments will be ONLINE. All members and leaders (new and returning) will need to enroll online. Go to the following website https://wi.4honline.com to start your enrollment process. If you need assistance online enrollment instructions can be found at http://4h.uwex.edu/resources/mgt/4honline.cfm.

4-H Online often has troubles with Internet Explorer, if you are having issues try using a different browser like Firefox or Chrome.

The fee for 4-H in Jefferson County will continue to be $25 with $20 going to Jefferson County and $5 going to the Leaders Association. All payments will go through your 4-H club. Please check with your club on how payments are to be made.

If you do not have access to the internet, an enrollment station is located at the Extension Office where you can sign up anytime during regular business hours.

Celebrate National 4-H Week
National 4-H week is October 5-11. Show your 4-H pride by wearing your club 4-H shirt to school or asking to talk about 4-H to your class. Contact your leader to see if your club has any ideas planned to celebrate National 4-H Week. October is a great month to invite your friends to your club meeting to see if they want to join you in having fun in 4-H.

Care to Share?
The Jefferson County 4-H program and the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development Program are always looking for ways for leaders, parents, member, and/or supporters to provide valuable input to aid in the success of the 4-H program. With this in mind a “Care to Share” form has been added to the Jefferson County UW Extension website under the 4-H Youth Development Section.

This form is the most appropriate way for an individual or group to address an issue or concern. The form can be mailed to you if you do not have access to the internet or can be found online at http://jefferson.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/.

Newsletter Submissions
If you are hosting a project meeting, activity or event that the entire county should know about, please be sure to submit your article to the Extension Office by the 15th of the month so it can get in the newsletter. This includes any project meeting dates, community service or fundraisers that might be relevant to members outside of your club. Please note we have the right to edit submissions based on newsletter space and appropriateness.

Paper Clover at Tractor Supply Company
Tractor Supply Company will be hosting a Paper Clover Campaign from October 8-19. Stop by the Watertown Tractor Supply store and purchase a paper clover for $1.00. 100% of the proceeds go to benefit the 4-H program. $.60 from each clover is donated to Jefferson County 4-H! Many clubs are planning to have events at Tractor Supply during this time. Please stop in and see what is going on around the county. Encourage your friends and family to visit Tractor Supply during the Paper Clover Campaign.

Country Springs Offers Discounts
Celebrate your 4-H club’s achievements at Country Springs Water Park. Country Springs is offering 4-H discounts until December 13, 2014. Passes for Monday – Thursday are $9.00 per person and Friday or Sunday passes are $15.00 per person. For more information call Maria Morgan at 262-970-5410.
Pizza and Pie Fundraiser

Pizzas and Poyer Pies will be ready for pick up on Saturday, Nov. 1, 2014. Pick up times will be announced later. Please check with your club on pick up information for Pine Cone as each club has a different date!

As voted on by the Leaders Association, each club MUST participate in this year's fundraiser. If a club does not participate, they will be required to pay an additional $10 per person in dues or create a countywide fundraiser that raises at least $10 per member of your club. If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office.

Create an Ice Cream Flavor

Cedar Crest Ice Cream and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation have teamed up to present a Create an Ice Cream Flavor Contest. The contest is open to all Wisconsin 4-H groups. Entries must be sent or emailed to Cedar Crest Ice Cream no later than October 31, 2014. Your entry must include the ice cream name, the ice cream description, your club name, your county, and your club leader's name, address, phone number, and e-mail. Photos, drawings or stories about the development of the flavor may be included with the entry, but are not required. These items may be used by Cedar Crest and the 4-H Foundation for promotional purposes.

Six finalists will be named and the winning club will receive a Cedar Crest Ice Cream Party and a $300 prize. In addition, the winning flavor will be produced in June 2015 and featured on all materials announcing the 2015 Feature Flavor line-up for the year.

Some past feature flavors include: Udder Delight - Vanilla ice cream with chocolate-covered waffle cone pieces, fudge ribbon and peanut butter cups. Shipwreck - Vanilla ice cream with a sea salt caramel ribbon and candied almond splinters. Jumping Jersey Cow - Peanut butter flavored ice cream blended with chocolate-coated caramel mini cows and swirled with chocolate fudge. Let's get creative in Jefferson County. What a fun topic to discuss at your next club meeting.

Officer Training

The new 4-H year is starting which means that new officers are working hard to make meetings run smoothly. We would like to invite new officers and ANYONE who is interested in learning more about being an officer to Officer Training on October 27, 2014 at FAIR PARK. The agenda for the evening will include group activities and training for specific officers (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, historian and recreation). Leaders please encourage any club member who might be interested in learning more to attend, and of course your officer team should be there too. Hope to see you there!

Koats for Kids

Koats for Kids needs your donations of hats, mittens, snow pants, children's winter boots and extra-large sized coats are also welcome. All donations can be taken to any Lake Mills Cleaners pick-up site in Jefferson County or at their storefront in Lake Mills (804 N. Main St.). CAC will also accept donations at its office in Watertown (114 E. Main Street). The deadline for donations is October 20th. Spend some time cleaning out your closets and make a donation to this great cause. Take pictures of your club and family donations and we will post them on the Jefferson County 4-H Facebook page!

Special Emphasis News

2015 Special Emphasis Theme

We know that many clubs are planning their 2014-15 4-H year and wanted to share next year's theme with you so it can be included in your events. This year's theme will be "4-H Building Friendship and Memories." If you or your club would like a Special Emphasis Activity booklet please visit http://jefferson.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/special-emphasis/ or request one from the Extension Office.
Library Recruitment Events
As part of her internship, Kamilla Thoma, will be presenting programs at the library which started in September. The following dates have been established.

October 4th at 10:30 am - Watertown
October 11th at 11 am - Palmyra
October 18th at 11 am - Waterloo
October 25th at 10 am - Fort Atkinson

We will be reading an excerpt from the Centennial, Badger State Buddies book and also want to have demonstration, crafts, petting zoo, and other 4-H related topics to show off to the library patrons. If you can help please contact Kamilla directly with the date or dates you can help with at kamilla.thoma@mail.wlc.edu or 920-988-0788 and 920-691-6033.

Fall Forum
Fall Forum 2014 will be an opportunity for more youth and adult leaders to attend the statewide training weekend and join in the Centennial Celebration. Planned by a team of youth and adult volunteers from Adult Leader Council (ALC) and Youth Leader Council (YLC) with the support of county and state staff, we hope you will promote to youth and adult leaders in your county! The event will be held November 14-16 at Chula Vista in Wisconsin Dells.

The cost is $125 for youth and $150 for adults (Includes meals, registration and supplies plus - 2 nights lodging with up to 4 youth in a room and a minimum of 2 adults in a room.) Market Fresh Buffet will be used for lunch and breakfasts. The program will include Hands-on Learning Activities (STEM/Robotics, Wildlife Ecology, Shooting Sports, Ice Breakers and Team Building, WI Centennial Jeopardy, Duct Tape Projects, Service Projects, International Experiences, Commodity Carnival, Origami, and Camping).

To register please contact Sarah if you are interested. Also you are encouraged to fill out a fund request form from the Leaders Association to help pay for your expenses. Registration must be completed by October 4, 2014.

Badger State Buddies Centennial Book
The Badger State Buddies book is now available for your clubs to use to celebrate the WI 4-H Centennial and promote 4-H in a fun new way. The Jefferson County UW Extension Office recently purchased 20 books that will be donated to local libraries and used in our library promotional events.

Book readers will have a chance to meet the Badger State Buddies in a new children's book. These 3rd and 4th graders explore Wisconsin history and serve their community. While engaging in 4-H activities, they learn about themselves, their state and the value of strong relationships. Use ‘Badger State Buddies’ to promote 4-H in our communities.

If you would like your very own copy of the book you can purchase our extra copies from the UW Extension Office for $6.00 each. Check out the following website for other ways you can use the book at http://fonddu lac.uwex.edu/bsb/.

Fair Park News
Activity Center Banners
Have you ever noticed the clubs banners in the Activity Center at the Jefferson County Fair Park? Some clubs are missing banners, some of the banners are really dirty, and some clubs might be looking for a chance to update their banners and make them even better. Please talk about this opportunity at your next club meeting. Check out last month's newsletter for information on how to make your banner. We have two club banners in our office that were removed because the clubs disbanded. If you would like to see those banners please stop by for new ideas.

2015 Fair Judging Date
The Indoor Projects that were judged this year on Saturday will be judged on Monday, July 6th from 12-7 pm in 2015. Foods, Cake Decorating, Plants and Gardening will be judged on July 7th, all other indoor projects will be judged on July 6th.
Score a TOUCHDOWN at the 2014 Awards Celebration

On November 9th we will be honoring the achievements of our 4-H members, leaders and supporters. The event will be an afternoon of food, fun and prizes starting at 3:00 pm at the Activity Center. We will have a program of awards followed by a tailgate party.

Those in attendance can tailgate their way through trips and activities 4-H has to offer. Youth who received trip awards in 2013-2014 will work together to prepare displays about their trips. After the awards ceremony, 4-H members and their families will have an opportunity to visit the booths and ask the youth questions about their trips. (The youth will have the opportunity to give a presentation during the awards ceremony but are not required to do so.)

Like last year, adults and youth involved in other projects are encouraged to have a booth. Suggestions include Junior Leaders, Special Emphasis, Summer Camp, Horse and Pony, MAP Committee, Foods Revue, Clothing Preview and more. Display boards are available to anyone who would like to make one. You can also bring the display you used last year. Please let Sarah know if you are planning to have something so we have enough table space.

No pre-registration is necessary for the Awards Celebration. Families are asked to bring their favorite Football Party snack to share with others. The Leaders Association will provide beverages, silverware, napkins, forks, etc. If you have questions please contact the Extension Office. A flyer has been included with this newsletter.

Awards Banquet Display Meeting

If you would like to make a display to promote a 4-H project or activity for the 2014 Awards Celebration please join us on October 9th at 6:00 pm at the Extension Office. We will provide a tri-fold display, markers, and other creative materials. You will need to bring your own photos or materials to put on the display board. If you have questions please contact Sarah.

Space Camp

Youth in grades 6th-8th are encouraged to apply to attend Space Camp. Space Camp will be held April 16-20, 2015 in Huntsville, Alabama. The cost per delegate is $500. The Leaders Association will award two $250.00 scholarships and additional fundraising opportunities are available. The 4-H Missions in Space program is a fun-filled weekend at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center where participants will complete a simulated Space Shuttle mission, experience training simulators, tour the U.S. Space & Rocket Center and learn about becoming an astronaut. An application can be found on the Jefferson County 4-H website at http://jefferson.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/trip-awards/ or by contacting the Extension Office. Applications are due November 1st.

Washington D.C. Trip - CWF

Youth who are in 10th grade or older are eligible to attend Citizenship Washington Focus this summer. The trip is a 7 day experience in June. Three dates are offered and youth can pick when they choose to go. The cost is approximately $1000, and the Leaders Association will provide two $500 scholarships and additional fundraising opportunities are available. Interested youth need to apply by November 1st in order to be considered. The process includes an application and interview. Please consider applying. Applications can be found online at http://jefferson.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/trip-awards/ or by contacting the Extension Office.
Board and Association Meetings
All certified leaders and youth leaders are invited to attend the upcoming 4-H Leaders Association Meetings. This is the best way to find out what is going on in the world of 4-H and help in the decision making process. The next Association meeting will be held on October 16 at 7:00 pm at the Extension Office. If you have agenda items or questions please contact Board President, Amy Heine or Sarah Torbert.

New Leader Training
Are you new to 4-H, or finally deciding to take the plunge and enroll as a volunteer? All first year or first time volunteers must attend a 4-H Volunteer Training. This year the event will be held on November 17th at 1:00 pm OR 7:00 pm. Please contact Stephanie or Sarah at the Extension Office to let us know which session you will be attending. We need to make sure we have enough supplies and of course SNACKS!

If you are unable to attend this meeting, but would still like to be a volunteer please let us know. All potential volunteers can register online to be leaders, however we will not approve your volunteer status until your training is complete.

Project News
Information for specific projects is listed in this section. Projects are listed in alphabetical order. If you want to lead a countywide project please contact Sarah for more information.
For those of you looking for projects that have leaders and meetings, please consider being part of the following countywide projects. Check back each month to see if additional projects have been added. Youth can enroll in projects online until March 1st in order to qualify for fair.

Aerospace (Rockets)   Cats
Dog Care             Goats
Horse and Pony        Junior Leaders
Photography          Poultry
Rabbits              Robotics
Exploring Your Environment (Natural Science)
ALL Shooting Sports

BEEKEEPING
Honey Producers Poster Contest
The Wisconsin Honey Producers Association (WHPA) invites 4-H members throughout Wisconsin to participate in this contest. The theme for 2014 is: Honey - Goodness by Nature. Divisions include: 2nd grade and under, 3rd-5th grades, 6th-8th grades, and 9th-12th grades. Prizes will be awarded for each Division: 1st: $35, 2nd: $25, 3rd: $15.

Posters should be created on 11x14 inches on poster board. Print clearly on reverse side: Name, address, age and grade. Include the theme in the design. Posters become the property of WHPA. Note: most bees live in bee hives. Paper wasps live in nests hanging from a tree branch - not bees. Mail by: October 25, 2014 to Sharon Pufahl, W6435 Hwy O, Mauston WI 53948. Call: 608.847-4407 if you have questions.
FOODS

Committee Meeting
The Foods Committee will be meeting on October 2 at 6:00 pm at the Extension Office. We will be planning the 2014-15 year, reviewing the fair, and looking at next year's Foods Revue. We are always looking for new members, especially youth! Please attend and share your ideas. If you have questions please contact Monica Gerner at mgerner@ball.com.

HORSE AND PONY

New Members
If you are a new member to the Horse & Pony project, please plan to attend the monthly county-wide project meetings. This is the best way to get a better understanding of the project. Meetings are generally held the 3rd Tuesday of each month @ 7pm at the Jefferson County Fairpark Activity Center. There are a few exceptions to meeting dates & times so please watch the newsletter for up-to-date information. The Horse project website https://sites.google.com/site/jchporg/ also has current information on meeting dates and times, and all project activities.

New Attendance Record Keeping
JCHP will begin using “Fair Qualification Cards” & “Point Cards” this year for members to track and verify their attendance. The JCHP will no longer be responsible for keeping track of these items. Each member will be responsible. If you have not attended a Project meeting yet this year it is highly suggested that you try to attend the October meetings so you can find out how the process will work. You can pick up the two different cards at the Extension Office or at the JCHP meetings. Please check out last month’s newsletter for a detailed description of the two different cards. The cards are also explained in the JCHP Handbook online at jchp.org.

Lesson Fun Night
We have rescheduled the Monday Night Lesson Fun Night for October 6, 2014. If you plan to attend we ask that all horse are tacked and ready to go by 6:30 pm.

Annual JCHP Cheese Sale
We will be having our annual JCHP cheese sale again this year. Watch the website for more information. Order forms were handed out at the September county-wide meeting. All orders will be due at the October County-wide meeting. Pick up of orders will be at the annual JCHP Banquet in early December. This is a great way to support JCHP - and the cheese makes a great Christmas gift!!

Handbook Updated
An updated version of the JCHP Handbook (for 2014-15) can be found at jchp.org. If you already have a handbook and you would like a copy of the changes made they will be available at any upcoming JCHP project meeting. Major changes are related to fair qualification, points payouts, dates, and committee members. Members are expected to read the handbook and ask questions if they need clarification.

Annual JCHP Banquet 2014
The Banquet will be held December 13th at the Fair Park Activity Center - PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE. This fun annual event includes awards, potluck, DJ, and lots of fun! Watch the website and future newsletters for more information. The subcommittee will be chaired by our new JCHP Ambassador, Natalie Ciciva. Help is needed. If you would like to be on the banquet subcommittee, please contact a committee member.

Summary of upcoming meetings:
Oct. 21 - JCHP County-wide meeting, Fair Park Activity Center, 7:00PM. Cheese sale order forms due.

Dec 13 - Annual JCHP Banquet/ County-wide meeting at the Fair Park Activity Center. Pick up cheese sale orders.
MEAT ANIMAL PROJECT

MAP Committee Meeting
The next MAP Committee Meeting will be held on October 14, 2014 at the UW Extension Office. We will be finalizing the handbook and yearly calendar.

MAQA Required for ALL SPECIES
New this year! MAQA will be required for anyone planning to sell in the 2015 MAP Sale, no matter what species. In the past this was only required for Swine members. MAQA can be done at Livestock Camp, Livestock Activity Night or by taking a test. Check out the 2014-15 MAP Handbook for more information or attend your species kick-off meeting. Dates for these activities will be available in October.

Calendar of Events
November 10, 2014 - Beef Kick-Off @ 6:30 pm
December 13, 2014 - Beef Weigh-In @ 9 am
January 27, 2015 - Record Book Training @ 6:30 pm
February 9, 2015 - Swine Kick-Off @ 6 pm (veterans)
February 9, 2015 - Swine Kick-Off @ 7 pm (new)
February 16, 2015 - Sheep Kick-Off @ 6:30 pm
April 14, 2015 - MAQA Testing Night, 5-7 pm
May 11, 2015 - MAP Activity Night @ 6:30 pm
May 29, 2015 - Point Cards Due
June 12, 2015 - Buyer Cards Due

NATURAL SCIENCES

Get Involved in Natural Sciences
You may be confused when you are looking to enter the Natural Sciences project. The title Natural Sciences isn't a 4-H project, it is a fair category. If you want to enroll in Natural Sciences you can enroll in any of the following projects: Beekeeping, Birds, Entomology, Exploring Your Environment, Fishing, Forestry, Hunting and Wildlife, or Outdoor Adventures. Most of the activities that are part of the countywide Natural Sciences project are best suited for the Exploring Your Environment project area.

As you get started this year think about the following exhibit ideas related to the Natural Sciences project areas:
- Trees & Flowers - Fall is a great time to gather leaves and seeds for tree/plant ID.
- Take beautiful fall pictures to help show the life cycle of trees/plants.
- Start a nature log on seasons, birds, or animals.
- Consider an environmental question or problem.
- Enjoyment and/or management of the environment - hiking, camping, fishing, boating, bird watching, hunting.
- Be a Safe Hunter-- Have you completed hunter safety? Is your equipment ready for the hunting season? Do you know all the rules and guidelines? Check the DNR web site for information. Hunting Season is here. Know your hunting area and hunting partners. Be a safe hunter and manage our wildlife thoughtfully.
- Attend meetings and activities, county events or programs.

The Natural Science countywide project is led by Sharon Schweitzer. Anyone is welcome to attend meetings and events in the Natural Sciences Project section. For more information on this project area or the events listed here please contact Sharon Schweitzer at 920-674-2544 or rwses@idcnet.com.

Gem and Mineral Show
Join us at the Gem and Mineral Show at Fair Park in the Activity Center on Saturday, October 4th from 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday, the 5th from 10 am to 4 pm. The theme is "Rocks of Wisconsin". There always much to see and so. This year there will be discussions and examples of the many types of rocks we can find here. Natural Sciences countywide project leader, Sharon Schweitzer, will be in the "Rock-n-Wisconsin" fun geology activities, be sure to stop and see her.
**PHOTOGRAPHY**

*Countywide Meeting – October 11th*

Join Jana Strobel for the first Jefferson County 4-H Countywide Photography project meeting at Jelli’s Market just outside of Johnson Creek (N5648 S Farmington Rd, Helenville, WI 53137) on October 11th. Come one, come all. Bring your family, siblings, and have fun! All can come and enjoy the pumpkins, apples, leaves, corn, games, and much more!

We are covering topics such as focus, exposure, and the 6 rules of composition. We will have a photography scavenger hunt which will include taking photos that have interesting texture, photograph a shadow, etc.

There will be two sessions 9–10 am and then 10–11 am. **Please choose one of those two times to come**, both will be the same. Jana will speak, followed by guided learning, finalized with an independent scavenger hunt.

Jana has been a photography judge at the Jefferson County Fair and Wisconsin State Fair. She also teaches photography at the Watertown High School and is an alumni of the Lucky Clovers 4-H Club. If you would like more information please contact Jana at dancecoach4eva@yahoo.com.

**WOODWORKING**

*Wood Turning Opportunity*

Did you see the Badger Wood Turners at the County Fair? Are you interested in turning your own top or beautiful pen? You Can! Wood Turning for Youth is being offered this fall. Classes are held every Tuesday from October 14th through November 25th from 6 to 9 pm at the Jefferson High School Wood Shop. Local wood turners will be on hand to instruct youth interested in taking wood turning classes. The Youth Turning program follows the state and national guidelines with specific projects for Phase One and Phase Two Certificates upon completion.

The instruction and guidance provided are voluntary on the part of the instructors and students. Instructors and students are to follow all standard safety guidelines at all times. All participants and observers are to wear safety glasses at all times that equipment is operating. Depending upon the operations being performed or demonstrated, additional safety equipment and instruction may include, but are not limited to the use of a face shield, ear protection, gloves and the use of a dust mask appropriate to sanding and finishing operations.

There is a charge for this class which could include needed project hardware, example: pen kits, special turning blanks, finishing materials or turning tools required for turning and completing special projects. Special project supplies should be ordered at least two weeks before the class.

Advance registration is required. To register or find out more about specific weekly session topics contact Sharon or Robert Schweitzer at rwses@idcnet.com, or 920-650-0561 cell, 92-674-2544 house. Spaces are limited.

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**SMALL ANIMAL SALE**

*Committee Looking for Youth Members*

The Small Animal Sale Committee is looking for youth to serve on their committee. If you are an older member in 4-H or FFA and would like to be part of the group that puts on the Small Animal Sale please let Sarah know at 920-674-7299 or sarah.torbert@ces.uwex.edu. They are looking for at least one representative from each of the three species to be part of the group: goat, poultry, and rabbits.
It is important to honor our 4-H members for their accomplishments both in and out of the 4-H program. If you have something to add to this section please send a note to sarah.torbert@ces.uwex.edu.

- The Country Clovers 4-H Club and Liz Nitardy for a job well done hosting the 2013-14 Special Emphasis events.
- Mikayla Kind for receiving a $500 scholarship from the Governor’s Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction Scholarship.

Clovers too...

**Club News**

Farmington All-Stars
The Farmington All-Stars 4-H Club met Sept. 2 at the Farmington Town Hall. We turned in Record Books. Laura Traver and Cole Ducklow talked about going to the state dog show. The demonstrations were: Jamison Richardt demonstrated his robot; Miranda Blake showed her state-award-winning paper mache sheep; Drew Dettmann talked about calf diets; Thomas Naatz talked about collecting printer cartridges for the Johnson Creek library; and Jesse Topel gave a demo on showing his poultry in open class.

In old business, we talked about swimming at River Bend, the cookout at Pernat’s, corn picking for the Second Harvest food bank, and the club’s float in the Junk Parade. In new business, the club talked about the pizza/pie sale that’s coming up, the tractor supply activity in October and the Johnson Creek veterinary clinic opening Sept. 6. Upcoming activities include the Special Emphasis Banquet Sept. 21 and the 4-H Awards Tailgate Party Nov. 9. The photo challenge for the next month will be “People.”

-Casey Skindingsrude

Stone School
Stone School had their August meeting on Sunday the 10th, at 4:00. We had a potluck picnic, and we want to thank everyone that brought a dish to pass. Our meeting began with some awesome presentations. We had members bring in ducks and alpacas for us to learn about. Next, we discussed the fair. Our general consensus was: it was a huge success! Good job to everyone that showed this year! The 2015 Jefferson Co. Fair will be July 8-12. We also decided that our annual fall banquet will again be held on a Sunday in October, at the Methodist Church in Whitewater. (Exact date is TBD).

Then we moved on to record books. We want to remind everyone that the regular 4-H record books are no longer required, but we still encourage you to fill one out anyway- they still will be judged at the county. Also, even if you didn’t show or sell, if you weighed an animal in at the fair, you MUST fill out an MAP record book to be eligible to sell next year. They are due to the county, not Crystal, by September 4th - make sure they are not late!!! Also remember to check the newsletter for any important dates. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sep. 2, and we will be electing our new officers, so think about if you would like to become an officer!! We would love to see some new faces up there!!

-Coleen Wilson, Reporter

Like us on Facebook!

Stay up to date on what is going on in Jefferson County 4-H. Like us on Facebook. Our Facebook page includes Monday Memos, Throw Back Thursdays, and updates on what is going on in the program.

https://www.facebook.com/JeffersonCounty4HWI
“It’s Touchdown Time”

It’s time to honor our 4-H members and leaders for their accomplishments throughout the 2013-14 4-H year at our 4-H Awards Tailgate Party!

Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

November 9, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.
Jefferson County Fair Park, Activity Center

Support your favorite football team, prizes awarded for most unique outfit.

- Award Presentations
- Slide Show of Year Events
- Tailgate through Trips and Activities
- Lots of Fun

Bring your favorite Football Party Food to share with others.

The Leaders Association will provide the drinks, plates, napkins, and silverware.

Questions? Call the University of Wisconsin Extension Office at 920-647-7295.
After reading the headline above you may be thinking that this page is about our 4-H shooting sports program. While 4-H does have a great shooting sports program, 4-H is on target in so many other ways. Last month the newsletter highlighted the Essential Elements of Youth Development: Belonging, Mastery, Independence, and Generosity.

Teaching life skills through project work also makes 4-H unique in its approach to Youth Development. The model below is called the "Targeting Life Skills Model". It was developed by Iowa State Extension. Many of the desired Life Skills that we are looking to instill in our youth are listed on this model, categorized by one part of the 4-H pledge. As you plan your next 4-H club meeting, 4-H project meeting, or even as parents and youth participate in 4-H related events, think about how you can instill different life skills into your meetings and events. What conscious effort can you make to help young people learn about communication, self-esteem, marketing, cooperation, character, or goal setting.

Life Skill Learning Activity
Try the follow activity with your club. This activity can focus on a variety of Life Skills including: Critical Thinking, Decision Making, Cooperation, Communication, Teamwork, Contributing to a Group Effort, and more.

- Choose a set of five items (shoes, pencils, homemade cookies) that are similar, but have slight variations in looks. Divide the members into groups of four and have them judge the items. They must reach a consensus as a group. Place the items as first through fifth place. The group must also choose a spokesperson to give oral reasons for their placing. After the judging event, have each group report.

- Discussion: Do you think the placing's were fair? Did all the groups agree? Was there more information you needed to make your decisions? What information influenced your decisions? How does this relate to judging of 4-H projects at the fair?

Do you have a life skill learning activity to share with other 4-H members and clubs? Send your ideas in to Sarah at sarah.torbert@ces.uwex.edu. Life Skill Learning Activities will be featured in upcoming newsletters!
### OCTOBER

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