This year marks the 100th anniversary of 4-H programming in Wisconsin. The first 4-H club was started next door to us in Walworth County. In 1927 the 4-H motto, “To Make the Best Better” was adopted. For each of us the motto of the 4-H program means something different. Each of us makes the best better in our clubs and communities in different ways. As I was thinking about the Motto this week I found a quote by Michael Josephson that says, “you don’t have to be sick to get better.” I think this concept fits in very well with the 4-H program. 4-H gives us the opportunity to take our learning and our experiences to the next level. Just because life is going well, don’t remain stagnant. Remember that 4-H is not about making the best what it is; it is about going above and beyond to make your best even better. Each year work to improve your communication skills, leadership skills, project skills, and other aspects of your 4-H experience.

Sarah Torbert, 4-H Youth Development Agent

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**Erin Walsh Headed to Japan**

The Wisconsin 4-H program is currently celebrating its 100th year of life skill development through project work. 4-H programs are found in all 50 states; but, did you know that 4-H programs can be found in over 80 different countries? This summer Erin Walsh will have the opportunity to be part of the 4-H LABO program in Japan. Walsh, a member of the Farmington all-Stars 4-H club, has been accepted as a 2014 delegate of the International 4-H Exchange program to Japan. Walsh recently participated in a weekend long orientation at the University of Wisconsin Extension Camp, Upham Wood, in Wisconsin Dells. She will be traveling as part of the Japan 8 week intensive language study program, leaving in June. Walsh will spend the first four weeks staying with a host family in the Tokyo area and enrolled in a language learning program. Upon completion of the language program, she will travel to another host family where she will be immersed in the Japanese culture.

Walsh is working hard to earn the money needed for her experience. Upon completion of her experience, she will be returning to the area to speak about her time in Japan to groups throughout Jefferson County. If your 4-H club, your family, or an organization you are involved with would like to support her efforts, please send your money to the Extension Office. Checks should be written to Jefferson County Leaders Association. A line item has been established for Walsh’s trip.
Centennial News

Statewide Service Month
April 2014 is the 4-H Centennial Statewide Service Month! We want to celebrate the great community service activities that 4-H clubs and groups take on around the state. If your 4-H group has a service activity planned for April, or completed a community service activity in the last 12 months, fill out the form at: http://blogs.ces.uwex.edu/4hcentennial/calendar/statewide-service-month/ and send a few pictures to: jackie.askins@ces.uwex.edu to be featured on this website and the Wisconsin 4-H Facebook page!

4-H Day at the State Fair
Mark your calendars for August 5th as 4-H will be honored at the Wisconsin State Fair. The day will celebrate 100 years of 4-H and bring together youth from throughout Wisconsin who are part of the 4-H program. Please plan to attend or even come to work. This will be an awesome day of Green and White throughout the State Fair Park.

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.

Leaders Association Budget
There were a number of changes in the Leaders Association budget at the March meeting. Please stay up to date on how the money you raise for 4-H is spent by checking out the Budget Description Sheet at http://jefferson.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/leaders-association/.

CELEBRATE! At 4-H Camp
Mark your calendars now! 4-H camp will be held July 30th - August 2nd at Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells. New this year - we will be camping with Sauk and Columbia counties. Due to space, we will only be taking the first 100 campers that register (this limit is for base camp only). Camp applications will be on the web starting March 17th. Camp will fill on a first come first serve basis. Junior Camp will be offered for 3-6 grade youth and Outpost Camp will be offered for 7-8 grade youth.

Applications can be turned in via mail, e-mail, or in person. We will date/time stamp the applications as they come in. The cost of camp this year is $183 (this includes the bus, camp overnight, meals, shirt, snacks, and all programming). The Leaders Association will give a $25 scholarship to all youth. If you have more than one child going to camp the camp cost will decrease by $10 for each child.

We are still in need of adult males to attend camp. Currently we only have one, which means we can only take 10 boys to camp. If you know of anyone that might be able to attend camp please let us know so we can talk to them about leader certification and camp attendance.

General News

Dairy Breakfast Workers Needed
This year’s Dairy Breakfast will be held on May 31st at Fair Park from 6:00 am - 11:00 am. Volunteers are asked to check-in in the East Building.

Workers are needed to fill three shifts through the day. The shifts will run as follows:
- FIRST SHIFT: 5:30 a.m. -8:30 a.m.
- SECOND SHIFT: 8:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.
- THIRD SHIFT: 10:30 a.m. — 1 p.m. (clean-up)

A signup sheet has been included at the end of the newsletter. Breakfast is free for workers and all workers will get a free shirt if they sign up by May 1st. Please follow through with your commitment and work the shift that you signed up to work. For questions or more information please contact Cindy Jaquith at 920-723-9517 or e-mail her at cynthia025@centurytel.net.

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Jefferson County
Club Fundraising Opportunity

Is your club looking for a fundraising opportunity this summer? The Jefferson County Farmer’s Market is looking for someone to run their food stand. The first Market will be held on April 5th from 9 am to 4 pm. If you are interested in this opportunity please contact Market coordinator Cheryl Ann at jfmmanager2012@gmail.com.

Cloverbud Day Camp

Mark your calendars. Cloverbud Day Camp for all current Cloverbuds will be held on August 11th in Jefferson. Look for more information at the Jefferson County Fair in the Cloverbud area.

Fort Farm Challenge

Mark Your Calendars for the 1st Annual “4-H Club Challenge” at Busy Barns Adventure Farm on May 17th! Get a group together and join us for the 4-H Club Challenge. Your club has a chance to win $250 for participating in this activity. The “4-H Club Challenge” winners will be based off of the number of entries each club brings into the event. When a 4-H club member, family member, friend or 4-H club supporter enters the farm (pays the $5 admission), they will be asked who they are here to support. The 4-H club with the most FFC entries will be the winner. Proceeds from the Fort Farm Challenge Day will be given to Jefferson County 4-H, Jefferson County FFA, and Eat Here Eat Well of Jefferson County. What a great way to enjoy family fun and support location organization.

The event will also include a pig roast and barn dance. For more on the events and how your family can participate visit http://fortfarmchallenge.com/.

Leaders Association Scholarship

The Jefferson County Leaders Association will be offering scholarships to high school seniors and/or college freshman. A scholarship application can be found at http://jefferson.uwex.edu/youth-scholarships-grants/. Scholarships are due April 15th.

Join Junior Leaders at Country Springs

The junior leaders would like to invite you to come with them to the Country Springs Waterpark in Pewaukee, WI on April 6th (please note date change). The group will be having fun in the Waterpark at the Country Springs Hotel from 4-8 pm. The cost is a discounted $15.00 per person. Junior leaders, friends, and family can meet at the event at 4 pm or if you need a ride contact Jayne Jenks at 262-896-8305 for more information.

Junior Leaders Day Camp Planning Meeting

The Junior Leaders next meeting will be planning for Cloverbud Day camp on May 27th at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held at the Extension Office. We need anyone and everyone to help. Please plan to attend. Our theme this year is “Under the Big Top” bring your circus theme ideas.

National 4-H Congress

Thank you to Pauline Schlais for doing a great presentation about National 4-H Congress at the last Junior Leaders Meeting! If you would like to attend National 4-H Congress there are TWO delegate spots open for Jefferson County youth.

Delegates participate in self-development seminars, tours, and a service project, while exchanging ideas with youth from across the country in Atlanta, Georgia. Participant must be in 10th to 12th grade at the time of selection. The approximate registration cost $1,100. The county will award up to two $500 scholarships. Additional youth can attend by paying full registration cost. Applicants for this trip will be required to participate in an interview. The trip dates are November 28-December 2, 2014 and applications are due May 1st. For an application, visit http://jefferson.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/trip-awards/.
Banquet Date Set
The Special Emphasis Banquet will be held on September 21st starting with registration at 5:00 pm and dinner at 5:30 pm. Location is yet to be determined. If you have not already started working on the Special Emphasis theme add it to your next agenda items. Club awards are given based on the best activity related to the theme, still plenty of time for your club to participate.

Plan a Booth
"Dive Into Your Career" with 4-H is a broad theme. Tell the public about your club's favorite careers or how your club is leaning about like and career skills through the 4-H program by having a club booth at the county fair. In addition to Special Emphasis Booths you can also do a booth to promote 4-H, safety, health, conservation, or dairy promotion. Let's see EVERY club exhibit at least one booth at the County Fair this year.

Leaders Board Candidates
To date we have one person running for the Jefferson County 4-H Leaders Board. There may be others running, including current board members; however, at this time no other candidate statements have been turned in.

Cheryl Mierendorf is a 4 year leader in the Jefferson Boosters 4-H Club. She has helped with the rabbit, horse, and poultry projects as well as within her club. She has taught classes at Project Learning Day and assisted members with project sign up. Cheryl has a background in social work and has a strong value in empathy and teamwork which will help her on the Leaders Board. She has a willingness to learn about different projects within the county and how she can best help to promote them in a positive way. She looks forward to serving Jefferson County on the Leaders Association Board for a successful 4-H future.

Additional candidates can still turn in Candidate Statements and nominations will be taken from the floor at the May Association meeting.
Camping
Fair Camping: Applications are available online http://jefferson.uwex.edu/files/2014/01/CampsiteForm2014.pdf. The deadline is May 1st. The North/Northwest side is SOLD OUT. There is a waiting list for the N/NW side. You must purchase a spot in a different location in order to hold your spot on the waiting list.

The Importance of Showmanship
When entering animal projects showmanship is one of the most important classes at the fair. Many animal classes are judged on the product you bring into the ring. Showmanship recognizes a person’s skill in fitting, showing animals, and overall presence in the ring. Showmanship is often listed separate from other animal classes, usually at the end of the department. Please remember to enter showmanship this year as part of your animal projects. Proudly display the time and effort you have put into bettering your show-ring skills.

Project News
Information for specific projects is listed in this section. Projects are listed in alphabetical order.

CATS
Help to Have Cat Project Meetings This Year
If you would like to serve in this role (youth or adult) please let Sarah know and she will help you in getting started. THERE WILL STILL BE A CAT SHOW AT THE FAIR.

CLOTHING
Countywide Clothing Event – Making Shorts
We will be offering a Beginning Clothing class on April 26th from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm at the Extension Office where we will be making a pair of shorts! This is great for newer members or even someone who wants to see if the clothing project is for them. If you would like to come, please contact the Extension Office with your name, grade, club, level of sewing, and size of waist in inches. We will take the first TEN applicants. The cost is $5.00. We will supply the pattern.

The items that you need to bring are: 1 ½ yards of 100% cotton prewashed fabric, sewing machine, and sewing supplies (i.e. scissors, tape measure, seam ripper, straight pins and fabric marking pen). If you do not have a sewing machine, please let us know and we can bring an extra one. Everyone is welcome. A parent is required for youth grade 5 or younger. The shorts you make can be used for Clothing Preview, Jefferson County Fair, or just to lounge around in at home.

Clothing Revue
The 2014 Clothing Revue will be held on June 3rd at the Extension Office. Rules and registration materials can be found at the end of this newsletter. Please help this event to grow by getting involved. Member make clothing for themselves or others and model it at the Revue on the 3rd and Sunday of the Jefferson County Fair. Older youth in the project have the opportunity to be part of the State Fair Clothing Revue.

UW-Madison Fashion Show Discount Tickets
On Friday, May 9th there will be a dress rehearsal for “Threads: Remix Fashion Show” on the second floor of Nancy Nicolas Hall on the UW-Madison campus. This is a large-scale design and fashion event produced with collaborative participation of students across campus. With music, lights, dance and runway, “Threads” seeks to engage people in the excitement and appreciation of contemporary design. I have no doubt this would be entertaining and educational event for youth enrolled in clothing and textiles related projects. They are offering discounted rates of $5 per ticket for youth groups of 8 or more to the rehearsal. Email threads.ticket@sohe.wisc.edu with the name and affiliation of your group and they’ll send a hotlink to purchase the tickets.
Subway Fundraiser - Your Help Needed
Attention all youth dairy Exhibitors! The Dairy Youth committee is asking all dairy youth exhibitors to help with our Subway Fund Raiser that will take place during the month of April. During this time we are asking all exhibitors to help us sell Subway Discount Cards for $10 each. As a reminder 100% of this money goes towards the showmanship jackpot that is divided among everyone that participates in the 2014 showmanship contest at the fair. For more information on the Subway Fundraiser, please contact Bill Uecker at 920-285-9125 or e-mail muecker@netwurx.net. There will be Subway cards available to purchase at the Extension office starting April 1 or by contacting me at the above address. The Fundraiser will end on April 30, 2014.

Dairy Youth Bowling Party
The Jefferson County Dairy Committee would like to invite all youth involved in the Dairy Project to a bowling party on April 6th at Rue Lanes in Jefferson from 2-5 pm. This is a family and friend event! Door prizes and snacks will be offered. The cost will be covered by the Dairy Youth Fund.

The event will include bowling, handouts, scrapbooks, and calendars of events for dairy exhibitors. Leaders and youth - please bring your questions, concerns and new ideas! This is a great time to meet other dairy exhibitors and have fun! If you have questions please contact Linda Wright at marlinda@jefnet.com.

Committee Meeting
The next Dairy Committee meeting will be held on April 29th at 7 p.m. at the Extension Office. Come and get involved. We will be discussing upcoming clinics and fun events to keep our dairy youth active.

Show Ring Success Clinic
UW-Extension and Frontier-Servco FS would like to invite you to be part of the Show Ring Success Clinic on April 19th at the Fairgrounds in Jefferson. This clinic will offer tips for dairy, beef, sheep and swine exhibitors. For more information check out their flyer at http://jefferson.uwex.edu/files/2014/03/Show-clinic.pdf. To register call or e-mail Sarah at sarah.torbert@ces.uwex.edu.

Nasco Showing & Grooming Clinic
Dairy exhibitors are encouraged to attend the Nasco Showing and Grooming Clinic on May 10th. Topics for discussion will include: animal selection, proper clipping techniques, choice of grooming equipment and showmanship. Questions may be freely asked during the demonstrations. During each demonstration, door prizes will be given away and each person attending will receive a valuable discount coupon, which may be used at the Nasco Store. The dairy demonstration will be held from 1:15-3 pm and lunch will be from Noon-1. Nasco will provide lunch. There is no charge for attending these informational demonstrations. Pre-registration is due by May 5 by calling the Nasco Store at 920-568-5600. Please include which session you will be attending (additional sessions in Livestock Section) and if you’ll be staying for lunch.

Badger Dairy Camp
Badger Dairy Camp is an annual camp held in June and is open to youth between the ages of 12 and 18. This camp, held on the beautiful University of Wisconsin Madison campus, provides an excellent opportunity for youth to get hands on experience learning how to fit and show animals. Youth also learn about the purebred cattle industry and attend workshops including “Roaming Through the Rumen”. Instructors for the camp include dairy industry leaders, graduate students, and UW professors.

Each year the camp is open to 100 youth. This three day event is open to all dairy youth, come near or far, between the ages 12 and 18. Although the majority of our campers come from Wisconsin, we welcome out of state campers and in the past have had campers come from as far as Texas, Arizona, New Mexico and Washington state! The next Badger Dairy Camp will be held June 11-13, 2014. Visit the following website to find out more or sign up for the camp: http://fyi.uwex.edu/dairyyouth/badger-dairy-camp/

Dairy Fitting & Showmanship Clinic
You are invited to the Nickels Farm, W7478 Provimi Road in Watertown, on Saturday, May 3 from 10:00 am—3:00 pm for a “hands on” clipping/showing clinic. Please come to learn about: fitting, showmanship, bedding, washing, and what to put in your show box! Older youth can come for tips or lend your leadership skills by helping younger youth with clipping and showing.
Dairy Judging

Dairy judging is starting in April. It is open to any 4-H member in Jefferson County. You do not have to be a dairy project member to join the fun! There are two age divisions (juniors and seniors) that we will be training to compete in at the Area Animal Science Day on June 20th. Not only is dairy judging a great way to help you understand what the judge is looking for in a dairy project animal, it is a fun way to meet other 4-H members from around the county and state.

The following dates have been schedule for Dairy Judging practice. You do not need to attend every practice, but as many as possible is encouraged!

- **April 27th; 2:00 p.m.** - Cook's Farm - W5435 Carnes Road, Fort Atkinson -- fun, games, snacks and learning the basics!
- **May 3rd; 8:30 am** - Meet at the Jefferson County Extension Office to travel to Milton for a youth workout with Dane & Rock Counties visiting Barlass Jersey, Sunshine Genetics & Gillett's Ayshires.
- **May 10th; 10:00 a.m.** - Scholten's Jerseys: W7004 Manske Road, Lake Mills
- **May 18th; 2:00 p.m.** - Wright's Farm: County B-East of Johnson Creek, right side of road.
- **May 25th; 2:00 p.m.** - Uglow's Horseshoe Hill Farm - W4932 Horseshoe Road, Watertown
- **June 8th; 2:00 p.m.** - Stillings - W8831 London Road, Cambridge

If you have questions please contact a coach, they are: Maureen DeBruin: 920-650-1020, Kylene Anderson: 608-235-1146, Mark Lundy: 920-563-6137, and Roy Hetts: 920-342-5900. Call or text Kylene Anderson if you need a ride to any practice at (608)235-1146. Please request to join the Jefferson County Dairy Judging Facebook page. Double check dates, times and any changes or updates to the schedule at https://www.facebook.com/groups/127203147302558/
GARDENING AND PLANTS

Join Us to Plant Seeds
There are three events coming up where you can gain information and seed planting opportunities. If you would like more info on the following events call or email Sharon at 920-674-2544 or rwses@idcnet.com.

April 5th at the Spring Farmers Market 9 am - 4 pm at the Jefferson Area Business Center, 222 Wisconsin Drive. Young people will be offered the chance to plant seeds to take home and grow. UW-Extension Jefferson County Master Gardener Volunteers will be there to assist with the planting and answering questions.

April 12th at the Hoard Museum will be the second opportunity to plant seeds for the Museum gardens and for yourself. Registration is required for this event. Call the Hoard Museum at 920-563-7769. Times are 10:30 - 11:30 am or 11:45 - 12:45 pm. Master Gardener Volunteers will also be at this event to give assistance. When you help start seeds for the Museum Gardens you will also be assisting with a community program.

May 3rd visit the plant sale by the Master Gardeners. It will be held at the UW Extension Office. You will be able to see and/or purchase a variety of plants and get information on how to grow them.

GOATS

Goat Project Meeting
The next Goat Project meeting (for enrolled members interested in learning more about Goats) will be on May 22nd at 7:00 pm at the Extension Office. The Goat Fun Show will be held on June 18th at Fair Park.

Goat Committee Meeting
The Goat Committee is working hard to plan the summer show and look for more educational opportunities for youth in the goat project. We welcome new members (youth or adults) to our meetings. The next meeting will be held on April 14th at 6:30 pm at the Extension Office.

Goat Tour of LaClare Farms
The Goat Committee is planning on hosting a trip to LaClare Farms in late April or early May. The farm is in Pipe, Wisconsin. If you are interested in going and missed the March meeting where they picked a date, please contact Stephanie Zimmerman for more information at schadt.stephanie@gmail.com.

HORSE

Horseless Horse
There is one more Horseless Horse meeting on April 26, from 12-1 pm. The meeting will be at Blue Thunder Stables, W3448 Saucer Rd, Watertown. Contact Pam Seidl 920-220-9260 for more information or if you are interested in being a “buddy” to a horseless horse member.

Monday Night Riding Lessons
Planning for Monday Night lessons is in the works. The first lesson night will be April 28. You must bring the original and a copy of a current year Coggins to attend. Cost per lesson is $3. Watch the website for more information and the final schedule.

Monday Night Horse Education
Education sessions are currently being held at the UW-Extension Office every Monday night from 7 to 8 pm. These sessions will continue through the first Monday in May. We are covering material on nutrition to prepare for the State Horse Bowl in May. All horse project members are welcome to attend. Contact Sally Williams for more information 920-206-1994.

Stall Cleaning
The stall cleaning program will start up again May 5. Online sign-up should be ready in early April. Participation in one stall cleaning night is mandatory in order to show at fair. To fulfill the requirement you must sign up online for a stall cleaning night, show up at 6pm, stay until all stalls are cleaned, and sign the sign-out sheet. Note: If you cleaned stalls after Fair 2013, you have fulfilled your requirement for this year’s fair. See the stall cleaning page on the website for more information and for a list of members who have already fulfilled their requirement. Questions - contact Sally Williams at 920-206-1994.
HORSE CONTINUED

Horse Barn Stall Set Up at the Fair Park
Stall Set Up will be held on Tuesday April 29th starting at 6:00 pm. The Horse & Pony project is responsible for supplying labor to help the fair park set up the horse stalls for the upcoming show season. We need plenty of strong hands - especially dads and older brothers. We are usually finished within 1-2 hours and we enjoy pizza and soda afterward. A volunteer sign-up sheet will be available at the April Countywide meeting or contact Sally Williams sallyw29@gmail.com or 920-206-1994.

JCHP Open Show Volunteer Needed
Mark your calendars and share with your friend. The JCHP Open Show will be held, Monday May 26 at the Fair Park starting at 8:00 am. Please sign up to help at a county-wide meeting or contact Tamorah Kaiser at jchpshow@gmail.com or 920-723-7331. The showbill is available on the JCHP website. This is a great opportunity to practice showing before the fair. New this year!! Ranch horse classes added! Come to the April county-wide meeting to see a demonstration following the meeting on the difference between Ranch Horse and Western Pleasure.

Horse Form Due to UWEX May 16
Showing a horse at fair? To show a horse at the fair, you must complete forms for the horse project in addition to the fair class entries. Required forms and instructions are posted online at www.jchp.org. Members must turn in the following forms to a club horse project leader.

1. Horse and Pony Exhibitor Agreement (JCHP-A) 1 per member
2. Project ID Sheets (JCHP-B) 1 per horse
3. Horse and Pony Health certificate/verification of vaccinations (JCHP-C) 1 per horse
4. 3 copies of current coggins (if 6th grade or older and planning on showing at a state show) otherwise only 1 coggins copy is required (per horse)

Leaders must turn in all forms to UWEX no later than 4 pm on May 16, 2014. All paperwork must be received by the UWEX by May 16. NO late paperwork will be accepted.

Spring Workshop
The Spring Workshop will be held on April 5 from 1-4 pm, in the Fair Park Indoor Arena. Topics to be discussed include, fair paperwork, show tack and apparel, banding & clipping, leg wrapping, & chiropractic. This is a great opportunity especially for beginners to get any questions answered about preparation for Fair.

MEAT ANIMAL PROJECT

MAP Committee Meetings
The next MAP meeting will be held on April 8th at 7:00 pm. If you have a public comment or would like to get points for attending meetings anyone is welcome.

Sheep Weigh-In
Just a reminder! Weigh-in for sheep will be held on April 13 from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm. If this time does not work for you please contact your MAP Representative or Sarah.

Swine Changes
A special letter was sent out to all swine exhibitors. If you did not receive a letter please call the Extension Office immediately. There will be NO WEIGH-IN. Each person will be required to self-tag and identify their animals through WILC. The cost for the RFID tag and DNA sample packet is $10 per animal.

Also remember the Jefferson County Fair show will be TERMINAL. This means that if your pig steps foot on the Fairgrounds it will not be able to go home with you.

If you have MAP related questions, please contact your MAP Swine Representatives Cindy Jaquith or Cathie Schoenike or President, Kevin Heckert. If you have fair related questions please contact the Fair Office at 920-674-7148.
Show Ring Success Clinic
UW-Extension and Frontier-Servco FS would like to invite you to be part of the Show Ring Success Clinic on April 19th at the Fairgrounds in Jefferson. This clinic will offer tips for dairy, beef, sheep and swine exhibitors. For more information check out their flyer at http://jefferson.uwex.edu/files/2014/03/Show-clinic.pdf. To register call or e-mail Sarah at sarah.torbert@ces.uwex.edu. This will count for an MAP point.

Nasco Showing & Grooming Clinic
All livestock exhibitors are encouraged to attend the Nasco Showing and Grooming Clinic on May 10th. Topics for discussion will include: animal selection, proper clipping techniques, choice of grooming equipment and showmanship. Questions may be freely asked during the demonstrations. During each demonstration, door prizes will be given away and each person attending will receive a valuable discount coupon, which may be used at the Nasco Store. The schedule for the day will be:

8:30—10:00 a.m.: Sheep Demonstration
10:15—noon: Beef Demonstration
Noon—1:00 p.m.: Lunch and visit Nasco Store
1:15—3:00 p.m.: Dairy Demonstration
3:15-4:30 p.m.: Swine Demonstration (NEW)

Nasco will provide lunch. There is no charge for attending these informational demonstrations. Pre-registration is due by May 5 by calling the Nasco Store at 920-568-5600. Please include which session you will be attending and if you’ll be staying for lunch.

MAP Points earned: 1 point per species, 2 points maximum. Take your point card with you. When ordering through the Nasco Farm & Ranch catalog, please use coupon number 9800229AD and 5% of your total order will be donated back to Jefferson County 4-H.

MAQA Certification and Testing
(formerly known as PQA)
If you did not attend MAP Camp in March please realize that all swine exhibitors (and we suggest beef and sheep also) must be MAQA certified to SELL at the Jefferson County Fair this summer.

• All 1st year swine MAP member (regardless of age or grade) must achieve certification through completing an educational training session.
• If you are 8-11 years old you must achieve certification through completing an educational training.
• All 12-14 year old youth and 15-18 year old youth can achieve certification through completing educational training session with the understanding that certification is only good for 1 year after the completion of the training session OR 12-14 year old youth and 15-18 year old youth (if not 1st year swine project members) can achieve certification through completion and passing of a written test. The testing certification is good from the date the test is passed through the end of the age category they are in.
• 19 year old youth (as of January 1, 2014) must retest regardless of when their certification expires.

The ONLY educational training left will be held on May 12th starting at 6:30 pm. Please call or e-mail Sarah to sign up at sarah.torbert@ces.uwex.edu. The test (for youth 12 and older) will be administered on April 8th from 5-6:30 pm. Please give yourself ample time to complete the test. No tests will be handed out after 6:30 pm. All events will take place at the Extension Office.

Jefferson County 4-H Members, it is time to start getting reading for the Fair! Use this coupon to receive 10% off your purchase at the Nasco Farm Store.

Nasco

10% OFF FOR 4-H MEMBERS
Must be used before the 2014 Jefferson County Fair.
NATURAL SCIENCE
Activities listed under the Natural Sciences are about nature and the environment. Activities are open to all 4-H members and families. For more information on activities in this section please contact Key Leader Sharon Schweitzer at 920-674-2544 or rwses@idcnet.com.

April is a great time to watch for all the signs of spring. It is also time to plan project exhibits for the county fair. Do you plan to do any? Give Sharon a call if you would like to discuss one or need help in creating your projects.

Bird / Nature Hike
May 3rd, 9am at Dorothy Carens Park, west side, there will be a Bird/Nature Hike. The spring birds will be back and hopefully the spring flowers will have started blooming. Come see how many birds, animals, and plants you already know and find a few new ones. A camera, pencil and note pad are good items to bring along with dressing for the day.

POULTRY
Poultry Information
All poultry enthusiast are invited to attend the next informational meeting on April 8th at the Extension Office from 6:30-8:00 pm. The meeting will include speakers on disease prevention, biosecurity, and parasites. Before the meeting check your flock and look for feathers with debris at the base. Pluck one feather and place it is a Ziploc bag and bring the feather to the meeting. If you have questions contact Lori Miller at wingmann@att.net. Check out the webpage for more information on poultry meetings in Jefferson County at http://jefferson.uwex.edu/poultry/.

Poultry Photo Contest
Jefferson County Poultry Enthusiasts start taking photos now to be part of the 1st Annual Poultry Photo Contest. The contest offers three unique categories: photogenic poultry, ugly chicken and cool coops. The entry deadline is June 30, 2014. Please visit the Poultry Webpage for a complete list of rules. This contest is open to both youth and adults. Questions can be directed to 920-912-2412. Complete rules are at http://jefferson.uwex.edu/files/2014/01/2014-Photo-Contest-Final-1-28-2014.pdf.

POULTRY CONTINUED
Poultry Mandatory Meeting for Fair
This Includes Open and Junior Exhibitors
There is a requirement that all poultry exhibitors attend one learning workshop (unless you are exempt. Read the conditions below to make that decision.) This rule is described under Exhibitor Eligibility & General Guidelines in the fair book and is as follows:

All exhibitors who are under the age of 18 shall be required to attend a mandatory learning workshop to be eligible to show. Exhibitors under the age of 18 shall only be exempt from attending this workshop if they have participated in the Jefferson County Fair Poultry Show for more than four consecutive years. Exhibitors which have chosen to exhibit eggs or posters only shall also be exempt from attendance at the learning workshop.

There will be two opportunities to attend a learning workshop this year, in order to be eligible to show. The first learning workshop will be held on Saturday, May 24th from 7:30 am to 9:00 am in the Jefferson County Fair Park Activity Center. The second learning workshop will be held on Tuesday, June 10th from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the Jefferson County Fair Park Activity Center. Please remember that unless you are exempt you must attend one or the other of these sessions (not both) in order to eligible to show.

Also, please add to your calendars the 2014 Pullorum Clinic scheduled on Sunday, June 22nd from 9:00 am to 11:00 am and the 2014 Jefferson County Fair mandatory fair set-up scheduled on Sunday, June 22nd from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

RABBITS
Fair Mandatory Meetings Starting
All rabbit exhibitors should plan to attend the April 17th mandatory meeting at 7:00 pm at the Fairgrounds to fill out fair paperwork.

The rabbit project will meet on May 15th at 7:00 pm to discuss showmanship and clipping toe nails. If you have questions please call project leader Sue Wilpolt at SWILPOLT@amfam.com.
SHEEP

Badger Bonanza Lamb Show
Mark your calendar for this year’s Badger Bonanza Lamb Show on Sunday, May 4, 2014! This event will again be a double-header show that will take place at the Arlington Public Events Center (N695 Hopkins Rd., Arlington, WI 53911). Entry forms and more information will be available online at www.uwsaddleandsirloin.com beginning April 13, 2013. The grand and reserve champion lambs from each show will be awarded cash prizes. Class payouts will be prorated based upon class sizes and showmanship classes will be offered with prizes awarded to the winners of each age category. For more information contact Lynzie Miller at lmiller7@wisc.edu or 262-719-7814. This would be worth an MAP point.

SHOOTING SPORTS

Shooting Sports News
Howdy Shooting Sports Participants. We’re looking forward to another safe, informative and productive project season. Major changes this year include moving the traditionally Wednesday evening meetings to Monday evenings. We will also be physically moving! Monday evening meetings will move from Watertown Conservation Club to Milford Hills. Milford Hills has a roof that will afford us the ability to continue a project meeting, even in rain. Something that was sorely needed last year!

The Watertown Conservation Club is looking for volunteers to assist on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for their Trap Leagues. They can use help for one hour, or longer, on league nights.

Please reserve the dates as follows:
The Mandatory Safety Meeting will be held on April 6th at Farmington Town Hall starting at 1:00 PM. The Farmington Town Hall is located on S Farmington Road just north of HWY B. If needed, you can get directions from https://www.google.com/maps/@43.0772697,-88.6719824,17z?hl=en

Sunday afternoon project dates at Watertown Conservation Club (Shotgun/Trap at 1:00 pm, Air Rifle sy 1:00 pm, .22 Rifle following Shotgun, around 2:00 pm): April 13 and 27, May 4 and 18, June 1 and 8

Monday evening project dates at Milford Hills starting at 5:30 pm (Air Pistol, Muzzleloading, .22 Pistol): April 14 and 28, May 5 and 19, June 2 and 9. Milford Hills is at W5670 French Road, Johnson Creek, WI. Directions can be found at http://milfordhills.com/direction.

Fair Shoot at Watertown Conservation Club will be on June 22nd. Fair Shoot at Milford Hills will be on June 23rd.

Only 6 project days in each location this year and spread out over a longer duration of time because of the holidays, but still completed over two weeks before the fair.

Look forward to seeing you April 6th. If you have question regarding the above shooting sports projects please contact Joe Walsh at 262-894-1652 or Joseph.Walsh@med.ge.com.

SMALL ANIMAL SALE

New Sale Rules
The Small Animal Sale Committee is working to finalize the rules for the Small Animal Sale. A copy of the rules for anyone planning on selling poultry, rabbits, or goats during the Jefferson County Fair should familiarize themselves with the rules. The rules can be found at http://jefferson.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/small-animal-sale/. If you do not have internet access, you can request a copy from the Extension Office.

Club Reports

Country Clovers
The club met on February 19th 2014. Bailey Behm gave a great report on archery. It was the same speech she did for Special Emphasis, where she received an Award of Excellence! We also recognized the many other poster winners. We talked about the MAP swine meeting including the rule changes because of the new virus PEDv.

-Anna Schoenike, Reporter
Farmington All-Stars
The Farmington All-Stars 4-H Club met March 4 at the Farmington Town Hall. We had a guest speaker, Amy Hudson from the Johnson Creek Veterinary Clinic. Three people gave demonstrations. Libby Knoebel talked about judging meat. Hunter Berndt talked about the Pinewood Derby and the Rain Gutter Regatta. Nora Statz talked about Little Dresses for Africa. In old business, the club reviewed recent activities, including Family Learning Day Feb. 8, the sledding party Feb. 9 and the Special Emphasis Poster and Speech contest Feb. 18. In new business, the club decided to have a flower sale, to have a 5K team for the Dandelion Dash to help Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and to make Easter baskets for shut-ins at Heritage Homes. Upcoming activities include a Cloverbud activity March 16th. The club also approved a $30 donation in memory of Mrs. Walechka’s mom to the Johnson Creek Historical Society. The photo challenge for March will be “Something Green.”

- Colleen Wilson, Reporter

Ideal Clever Clovers
The club met on Saturday, March 15th at the Fort Dwight Library. Yesenia Jose-Ehrke, Liliana Reyes-Ehrke and Adriana Reyes-Ehrke showed their posters that they submitted for the Special Emphasis Poster contest from last month. Also showed was Courtney Kreger’s poster which received a blue ribbon, she was absent. Alex Nordberg and Hannah Nordberg talked about their horse project meeting and the upcoming poster and hippology contest. Morgan Allen, Naomi Allen, Hannah Allen and Joe Borchart discussed their beef project. The April meeting will be held on April 12th instead of the 3rd Saturday at the library. Following the meeting a gift was given to Judy Statz for her service with Jefferson County 4-H at the Extension Office and cupcakes were enjoy by all.

- Adriana Reyes-Ehrke, Fill-In Reporter

Hebron Helping Hands
Hebron Helping Hands met on March 4th. A cloverbud activity was held before the meeting. Education was completed by Joshua Yandry and Heidi Begovatz. Future community service projects were discussed. For April, each member will bring a birthday bag for the Food Pantry. The April meeting will be on the 1st.

- Rachael Gerondale, Reporter

Fair Park Dairy Breakfast Volunteer Sign Up
May 31st at Fair Park
Volunteer Sign-Up due May 1st

Name(s): ________________________________________________________________

Club or Chapter: _________________________________________________________

Grade(s) / Adult: _________________________ T-shirt Size(s): ___________________ Adult Sizes Only

Phone: __________________________ Email: _________________________________

Shift:  _______ 5:30-8:30 am
 _______ 8:00-11:00 am
 _______ 10:30- Clean Up
  _______ I can work any shift, please let me know where you need me.

Please return form by May 1st to the Extension Office, 864 Collins Road, Jefferson, WI 53549
or send information to Cindy Jaquith at 920-723-9517 or cynthia025@centurTEL.net
Clothing Revue

June 3, 2014 • Registration at 5:30 pm • Extension Office

Entries Due May 16th to Extension Office, 864 Collins Road, Jefferson, WI 53549

Rules:

- Must be enrolled in a clothing project.
- All garments must have been made by the exhibitor - a garment can only be entered in one class.
- Members should be familiar with the following information at judging time and you may be asked any of the following: a) fiber content, b) intended use, c) care instruction, d) type of interfacing used, if any, and e) preparation of notions, if any (such as zipper, trim, tapes, etc.)
- All blue ribbon winners will be asked to report back for Junior (Grade 3 to 7 Classes D & E) or Senior (Grades 8 and up - Class F) Recognition Selection.
- All Senior (Class F - grades 8 and up) blue ribbon winners will be asked to report back for selection of our representative for the Wisconsin Junior State Fair.
- Garments need to be brought to fair on July 7 between noon and 4 p.m. to be displayed during fair.
- Garments should be picked up at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday to dress for the style show at 1 p.m.

Name: ___________________________ Grade ______________________

4-H Club: ___________________________ E-mail Contact: ___________________________

Put an “X” next to your grade. Also next to all classes you will be entering.

Class: __ F - (Grades 3-5) ___ G - (Grades 6-7) ___ H - (Grades 8+)

Lot

__ 1 - Skirt Only
__ 2 - Pants, slacks, skorts, shorts only
__ 3 - Slacks or pants outfit (2 or more pieces)
__ 4 - Shorts or skirt outfit (2 or more pieces)
__ 5 - Skirt outfit (2 or more pieces)
__ 6 - Dress
__ 7 - Jumper with top
__ 8 - Jumpsuit
__ 9 - Sportswear
__ 10 - Child’s Outfit (pre-school, ages 0-5)
__ 11 - Child’s Outfit (ages 6-12)
__ 12 - Outfit for Another

Grade 8 and Up Only (Class H)

__ 13 - Coordinated ensemble (3 or more pieces)
__ 14 - Formal or Party Wear
__ 15 - Coat, Jacket or Blazer

The required “Style Show Narration Worksheet” form is to be brought with you to the Clothing Preview and is required for each lot number exhibited. We will include this form in your confirmation packet that we will send after May 16.
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.

Jayne and Abby Jenks, Pauline Schlais, and Erin Walsh for representing Jefferson County 4-H at 4-H Day at the Capital.

Abby Jenks for making the State Drama Team.

Pauline Schlais for being selected to be part of the Youth Leadership Council (YLC).

Carol Eck for receiving the Lake Mills FFA Honorary Chapter Degree.

Kylie Eck for being selected as the Lake Mills FFA Star Greenhand.

Thank You From Judy
To My favorite Program 4-H:
We were such a good fit! I could not have done this job all these years if I didn’t believe in it. Like you, as volunteers...you gave your blood, sweat, and tears in Green! It's wonderful to have passion from something so good. Never stop doing what you do. I thank you for the beautiful clover paper weight as being the rock of 4-H, I will treasure it always. AND it was my pleasure helping you through the years.

Thanks Again,

In 4-H...Judy Statz
Retired Administrative Assistant
UW-Extension Jefferson County

Use Experiential Learning When Planning Your 4-H Fair Projects

4-H has adopted a process that allows youth to learn through a carefully planned “doing” experience that is followed by leader led discussion using purposeful questions. The 4-H experiential learning model includes five specific steps:

1. Member experience the activity (perform or do it.)
2. Participant(s) share the experience by describing what happened.
3. Participant(s) process the experience to determine what was most important and identify common themes.
4. Participant(s) generalize from the experience and relate it to their daily lives.
5. Participant(s) apply what they learned to a new situation.

When this model is used, youth both experience and process the activity. They learn from thoughts and ideas about the experience. Each step contributes to their learning.
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See important dates all year long at ...
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