Happy Birthday Wisconsin 4-H!

Happy birthday to us,
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Ok, maybe that was corny, but we are REALLY excited in the 4-H office about Wisconsin 4-H’s 100th birthday! We are even more excited that we get to say that one of our fantastic clubs is the first club in the entire state of Wisconsin. Spread the word—it’s exciting information!

Our 4-H Centennial Committee, spear headed by Letha Kuecker, Mary Kaye Merwin, and Ginny Hall, is working hard to get ready for the 2014 Walworth County Fair. With a theme of “We’re Still Having Fun...4-H is Still the One,” there is a large emphasis on our birthday this year. Club leaders and members are asked to do some detective work to learn more about the history of your clubs. Here are a few ideas to get you started on your detective work:

- What date did your club start?
- Were there major events for your club?
- How have the most popular projects changed?

You and your club can look in newspapers, ask older members in the community, or ask older members in your club. The committee wants representation from all clubs at the fair!

I can’t wait to see what you find!

Chelsea Dertz
4-H YD Coordinator
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Enrollment Reminders

The 4-HOnline enrollment deadline for re-enrolling 4-Hers wishing to show at the 2014 Walworth County Fair is December 1st. However, members can still add or drop projects until March 1. So, if you find yourself wishing you’d have signed up for something you didn’t sign up for, there is still time to fix it!

...And if you are suddenly realizing that you may have bitten off more than you can chew, you can fix that, too! Keep in mind that any projects you’re signed up for after March 1 are your responsibility to finish—all the way through to submitting records on them.

Brand new 4-H members have until March 1 to enroll and make their project selections.

Have your cake and eat it too this year!

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http://wi.4honline.com
Winter Cancellations

Occasionally, travel conditions force county 4-H event cancellations. During the winter months, you can check for cancellations by calling 262-741-3193. Be aware that club cancellations will not be available at this number.

Enrolling as a Volunteer?

Adults wishing to serve as Wisconsin 4-H volunteers are required to complete the three steps of the 4-H Volunteer Screening Process:

1. Participate in a Youth Protection Training.
2. Complete an Extension Volunteer Application (and the subsequent background check).

Until all 3 steps are complete, an adult cannot serve in a 4-H volunteer role (leader, project committee member, chaperone, etc.).

Upcoming Youth Protection Trainings are set for January 27 from 5:45-6:45pm and March 24 from 5:45-6:45pm in the County Government Center in downtown Elkhorn. If you are planning to attend, please call to register by the Friday before each training.

The Extension Volunteer Application is provided as a Youth Protection Training hand-out.

Volunteer Opportunities

If you’re an adult who enjoys working with kids and learning by their side, you might consider becoming a 4-H project leader or county project Key Leader.

4-H project leaders serve one-year renewable terms at the local club level and work with members in their club who share a particular project interest with them (e.g. art, pets, birds, foods/nutrition, sewing, etc.). Project leaders coordinate and conduct 2-6 project workshops annually for members. These are usually 1-2 hours long. Project leaders serve as resources for their project members by helping them set goals, progress towards accomplishing those goals, and guiding fair sign-up. They can also support county project committee efforts by assisting with fair set-up, clean-up, or judging/weigh-in activities. Let your local club leader know if you are interested in a club project leader role, and he or she can help you get started.

County 4-H Key Leaders do kind of the same thing as club project leaders, but they work at the county level and have greater responsibilities at fair time. Job descriptions for both roles are available on the UWEX website.

County Key Leader Applications are still being accepted for the following project areas: Crafts, Consumer Ed, Leadership, Mechanical Science, Technology (including Robotics), and Woodworking.
Closed for the Holidays

The Extension office will be closed December 24-25 for Christmas and December 31 and January 1 for New Year's. The office will be open December 26 and 27 and will resume regular scheduling on January 2.

Member Expectations

4-Hers are expected to do several things during the course of the year to finish in “good standing:”

1. Enroll in a 4-H club and pay the required program fees by the enrollment deadline pertaining to you.
2. Sign up for at least one project.
3. Attend at least 50% of your club's regularly scheduled meetings (effective from the time of enrollment).
4. Follow the guidelines set in the Walworth County 4-H Family Behavior Agreement.
5. Complete the minimum required elements of a 4-H Record Book.
6. Actively participate in club activities, including one community service project.

Each 4-H club has its own policies or “bylaws” that explain what is expected of members at the local club level. If you haven’t seen a copy of your club’s bylaws yet, ask your general club leader for a copy.

Club bylaws are also posted on the UWEX website for easy reference. You can find them under the “Clubs & Enrollment” tab. Updated bylaws will be posted after the first of the year for the handful of clubs that have submitted recent changes.

Be aware that if you have not participated in 50% of your club’s regularly scheduled meetings, you may be declared ineligible to participate in the county fair junior shows this summer. If you anticipate a problem making half of your club’s meetings, talk to your club leaders NOW.

New 4-H Family Orientation

If your family is a new or recent addition to our Walworth County 4-H Family, please consider joining us on January 23 for New Family Orientation!

This action-packed program will run from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the County Government Center in Elkhorn. The evening will include fun activities and a discussion of important things your family needs to know for a successful Walworth County 4-H experience. Pre-registration is required by January 16. Sign up by calling 262-741-4951 or by emailing sclark@co.walworth.wi.us with “New Family Orientation” as your subject line. Please identify how many adults and youth (including youth ages) will be attending and provide a phone number where you can be reached.

Interstate Exchange

Interstate Exchange is currently looking for a new location to travel. They have been exchanging for over 20 years and just finished an exchange in with SE Kansas. They are looking forward to traveling to new places and meeting new friends!
Centennial T-shirt Contest

Happy 100th Birthday, Wisconsin 4-H! We are celebrating 100 years of kids doing projects, growing leadership skills, building life-long friendships, and creating memories!

Walworth County 4-H will be doing a few special things to commemorate this milestone year. Help us get the county dressed up to celebrate by participating in our 4-H CENTENNIAL T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST!

Who can enter?
Any Walworth County 4-H member

What are the rules?
- Create a vertical design on a piece of 8.5” X 11” paper.
- Draw your design using black ink OR generate a simple design using your computer.
- Keep your design simple so it can be clearly seen and understood from several feet away.
- Include the words “100 Years of Walworth County 4-H”
- If you use a 4-H Clover in your design, it must be an official logo. Contact the Extension office to have one emailed to you. You may not put anything on or behind the official logo. If you want to put things on a clover, use a simple 4-leaf clover instead.
- Neatly write your name, grade, age, and club name on the back of the design.

Entry Deadline?
Entries are due in the UW-Extension office by January 10, 2014. A winning entry will be selected by a panel of judges and will be announced in the February/March Newsclip. Orders for shirts will be taken at that time.

4-H Bowling News

The 2014 4-H Bowling Tournament is scheduled for 12:30pm on January 11, 12, 18, and 19 at both Lake Geneva Lanes and Hawks Bowl in Whitewater.

Club teams should consist of five members each. Not to worry if you only have one or a few participants, we can combine clubs to form full teams. Each team will bowl two games. Cost is $5 per person or $25 per team. Club reservations will be accepted from general leaders or designated bowling coordinators on a first call, first reserve basis. Cloverbuds are welcome to bumper bowl at the same $5 rate or $25 per team.

Each team will fill out a registration form and turn it in to the Extension Office no later than January 3rd along with payment for your club teams. At this time you will be able to reserve your lanes. Registration and lanes reservations will not be accepted without payment. Please make your club check payable to: Walworth County Junior Leaders’ Association. During the third, fifth, and seventh frames of each game, 4-H members who bowl spares will earn coupons from local restaurants. 4-H members who have strikes in those frames will each receive a $1 bill. (Cloverbud bowlers are not eligible for these incentives, but will receive a participation prize!)

Your 2014 4-H Bowling Committee: Lillie Cauffman, Brandan Constable, Cole Flitcroft, Jack Flitcroft, Devon Frederick, Oliver Kozak, Zander Zilly.

The Junior/Senior Leader Bowling Tournament is set for January 26 at Wheeler’s Bowling Center in Delavan. More information to come.

Walworth County 4-H Camp will be held July 6-9 at Upham Woods in the Wisconsin Dells. 4-H Camp is open to youth currently in grades 3-8. It will include three nights and three days of fun, friends, and adventure. Registration materials will be available mid-January on the UWEX website and from club leaders. The cost will remain the same as last year--$105 for regular registration; $115 for late registration. The fee will include a t-shirt.

Camp counselor applications will be available in mid-December. Application deadline will be February 3, and candidate interviews will be held at the County Government Center on February 18. Counselor candidates must be in grades 9-13 and at least 15 years old at the start of camp. Camp counseling is a blast! If you like camp and kids, consider giving it a try!
4-H Softball 2014

The 4-H Softball Committee and anyone interested in participating in the committee are invited to attend a Softball Committee Meeting on **January 16** at 6:30 pm at the County Government Center with a snow date of January 23 at 6:30pm.

We will be electing officers for the Commission for 2014, bylaws will be reviewed, and game/tournament rules for clubs will be discussed. The Coaches’ meeting and club team registration will be in April.

Current 2014 Softball Commission members include: Mark Worland, Dan Hegeman, Barb Dowty, Ken Baerwald, Nancy Lee, Lillie Cauffman (Youth Rep), Brandon Constable (Youth Rep), and Nathan Welsh (Youth Rep).

A big CONGRATULATIONS to the 2013 Walworth County Softball Champions:

**Senior Tournament Champion:**
Spring Prairie/ Harvesters
Senior Season Champions:
Spring Prairie/ Harvesters

**Junior Tournament Champion:**
Spring Prairie/ Harvesters
Junior Season Champions:
LaGrange

Junior/Senior Banquet News

The Junior/Senior Leaders’ Assn. Banquet was held on November 17. Awards that evening honored a number of individuals for outstanding service and achievement. Some individuals recognized that evening were:

**Honored Guest**
Delavan Tractor Supply Company

**Volunteers Celebrating Milestone**
Anniversaries
Jodi Swatek, 1 year
Brenda Warrenburg, 1 year
Rachelle Haacker, 1 year
Rita VanSchyndel, 1 year
Stacy Jacobs, 5 years
Sheane Martin, 5 years
Michelle Young, 10 years
Rodney Lee, 20 years
Dan Kundert, 20 years
Nancy Lee, 25 years
Sally Morgan, 25 years
Virginia Carlson, 30 years
Chris Jones, 35 years
Terry Kegley, 55 years

**House of Pork Honorees**
Doug Amon, Ken & Peggy Stopple, Steven Schoenbeck, Terry Schmidt, Dale Wutke-Wilson Farm Meats, Rick Griffin-Pepsi

Friend of 4-H Award Recipients
Bob Arnold, Jerry Fassbender

Walworth Co. Farm Bureau Outstanding Youth Award Recipients
Kayla Decker, Sam Dowding

4-H Outstanding Youth Recordkeeping Awards
**Grades 3-4:** Madelyn Kleist, Emma Wade, Molly Wade, Gavin Storlie
**Grades 5-6:** Sydney Anderson, Taylor Bikowski, Hannah Koss, Sage Rushing
**Grades 7-8:** Catherine Strait, Amelia Hayden, Samantha Fleckenstein, Joshua Ohrwall
**Grades 9-10:** Sarah VanDan, Taylor Radtke
**Grades 11+:** Sam Dowding, Madelyn Goedland, Anna Goedland, Kayla Decker

**Special Awards**
Int. Leadership—Ag—Katelyn Gonzalez
Int. Leadership—Misc—Amelia Hayden
Senior Leadership—Ag—Jillian Cline
Elaine Papcke Memorial Award—Hannah Koss
4-H Cultural Arts Award—Hannah Earle
Florence Sweno Leadership Award—Quentin Cauffman
Key Award—Quentin Cauffman, Maria Vigueras, Kevin Lee, Sam Dowding

Youth who are engaged with 4-H are 41% less likely to engage in risky behaviors.

—4-H Study of Positive Youth Development
Junior Leaders’ Update

The Junior Leaders’ Association celebrated fall by building scarecrows at their September meeting and conducting a pumpkin carving/decorating contest at their October meeting. They also enjoyed presentations from Matt Meiners and Logan Riese. Matt shared artifacts and a slide show highlighting his recent 4-H Exchange experience in Australia. Logan shared pictures of his National Shooting Sports Competition experience. At the November meeting, members made decorations for the holiday tree they have since decorated for the Christmas festival in Elkhorn. The tree is on display in the Walworth County Historical Society’s Heritage Hall through the 2nd weekend of December. They also heard from Emily Cadman and Leslie Reinke who attended the annual state Fall Forum.

Upcoming Activities
The Junior Leaders will be hosting a HOLIDAY PARTY on Sunday, December 15 from 3-5 p.m. at the County Government Center. Pre-registration is required by December 9. The party will include a light meal, holiday treats, and festive activities. Participants are asked to bring a wrapped WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT for exchange and a HOLIDAY TREAT TO SHARE. Register by calling 262-741-4951 or email deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu.

They are also conducting two service projects: purchasing toys for the county’s Holiday Care program and ringing the bell for the Salvation Army (November 30).

The next Junior Leaders’ Association meetings are set for January 27 and February 24 at 7 p.m. in the County Government Center. The January program will be a wildlife presentation (details TBA). The February program will be a cookie contest (details TBA). Junior Leaders is open to all 4-Hers in the county who are in grades 6 and up! Come and check it out!

4-H Ambassadors Named

Five Walworth County teens will be serving as 4-H Ambassadors during the 2013-2014 program year:

* Jared Blada, Linn 4-H Club
* Kathryn Dodge, Lyons 4-H Club
* Kendel Gustisha, LaGrange 4-H Club
* Taylor Radtke, Linn 4-H Club
* Adam Smith, Linn 4-H Club

The group has begun to plan for the months ahead, and will be offering presentations to 4-H clubs after the first of the year. They will also be conducting outreach programming in area schools later in the school year.

Grads Recognized

Walworth County 4-H program graduates were recognized during the Junior/Senior Leaders’ Banquet held on November 17. Our best wishes go to all of these young men and women: Bailey Abbott, Stephanie Anderson, Nathan Anhalt, Linnea Baas, Kaila Babiak, Thomas Bellrichard, Holly Brewer, Quentin Cauffman, Katherine Ceschi, Jillian Cline, Kayla Decker, Travis Fellmeth, Allison Hammerstad, Anna Harter, Morgan Henriott, Macall Hill, Kevin Lee, Emily Neinfeldt, Erik Papenfus, Brandon Riese, Megan Sorenson, Melanie Sorg, Jon Stopple, Myles Walker, Josh York
Senior Leaders’ Assn. News

NEXT MEETING
The next Senior Leaders’ Association meeting will be January 27 at the County Government Center starting at 7:00pm.

An Executive Board meeting will be held on January 15 at 7:00pm with the Junior Leaders’ officers leading.

DISTRICT REP NEEDED
We are still looking for a District Rep to fulfill the second year of a two year term representing the NW District. District Reps serve as voices for the clubs in their district, assist with House of Pork coordination, partner with the Extension staff to coordinate annual county programs, and serve as members of the county Executive Board. If you are interested in filling one of these roles, contact VP Lisa Brockman at (414) 303-1422.

The NW District includes LaGrange, Richmond, & Whitewater 4-H clubs.

AWARDS REPS NEEDED
We are also looking for one more Awards Committee member for each district except Central. Central district has all positions filled. Awards Committee members help decide on scholarships, trip applications, record book judging, and other related areas of 4-H.

CHARTERING FOLLOW-UP
The 2013 4-H Chartering process is complete. Thank you to all of the club/group leaders and officers who helped to complete and gather the various documents that were a part of that effort.

Club charters will be placed in club mailboxes when they are ready. Group charters will be mailed to the group’s contact person. Please keep in mind that the financial reporting for 2014 chartering will start with the 2013 end balances for any checking and savings accounts you have. You’ll want to keep your 2013 paperwork handy when you get it back, so that your job is easier to tackle when July 1 comes around and it’s time to fill out financial forms once again.

HOUSE OF PORK TRAILER
The new HOP trailer purchase is something that the 4-H Exec Board has decided to pursue. A committee is working on how to cover those costs, providing the Executive Board with two options—one keeping the trailer in the current location and another flipping the trailer long ways. After given the two options, they will make a decision on how to proceed. The trailer is not to cost more than $60,000 dollars.

MANDATORY TRAININGS
This year’s mandatory leader trainings to meet state chartering requirements will be held in conjunction with the North Central Volunteer Leader E-Forums. Walworth County will be hosting two workshop dates. At least one 4-H leader from each chartered CLUB or GROUP (including project groups) needs to attend ONE of the trainings. Dates are: December 3 (Engaging Teens and Older Youth); and February 3 (Exploring the Science of 4-H Projects). Both will be held from 6:30-8:30 in the County Government Center.

BP Grant Inspires New Programming

Community funding grants, averaging $20,000, are given annually to BP Amoco distributors throughout the country. Rote Oil Company, owned and operated by Dave and Kelly (Rote) Schwartz, was the recipient of one of the grants in 2013. Rote Oil, located south of Lake Geneva, serves agricultural businesses, service stations, and other businesses throughout Walworth County and SE Wisconsin.

The Schwartz family has chosen to share $10,000 of their grant with Walworth County 4-H, with the request that it be used for agriculture and technology.

Funds will be used to help cover costs associated with two things:

- Start-up of a new 4-H Ag Technology Day program for 4th and 5th grade classrooms
- Activities/displays to be featured in the Youth Tent at Farm Technology Days ’16 which Walworth County is hosting.

Plans for the 4-H Ag Technology Day program are just getting underway. The program will include an annual hands-on workshop day for students covering a vast array of topics from animal, milk, and egg production to veterinary science, wind power, GPS, biofuels, and biotechnology. A follow-up newsletter series will provide students with on-going learning about aspects of farming across the seasons, as well as ag-related careers. The objectives of the program will include:

1) Increasing students’ awareness of the intricate ways in which agriculture impacts their lives and their world on a daily basis.
2) Growing students’ knowledge of the role technology plays in various facets of agriculture.
3) Expanding students’ awareness of agricultural careers.

Plans for the Youth Tent at Farm Technology Days ’16 will be explored in the months ahead.

Individuals interested in getting involved in either effort are invited to call Debbie Burkman at 262-741-4959 or email her at deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu.
Beef Project News

BEEF WEIGH-IN
The annual Beef Weigh-in will be held on Saturday, February 1 in the calf barn at the Walworth County Fairgrounds from 9:00am to 11:00am. The snow date is February 8.

All steers must be weighed and tagged on this date in order to be exhibited and sold at the 2014 Walworth County Fair. Steers will be weighed on a family basis (rather than a member basis). The steers will then be identified by exhibitor at weigh-in during fair week.

Weigh-in Guidelines:
♦ For everyone’s safety, all steers must be broken to lead at the time of this weigh-in.
♦ Each exhibitor can weigh up to 8 steers.
♦ All steers must be dehorned prior to weigh-in, or they will not be weighed or identified.
♦ Steers brought to weigh-in with bull leads or wires through noses will not be allowed to weigh.
♦ Exhibitors must report to the recording table while their steer is in the chutes. Make sure all information on the weigh-in forms you turn in is accurate.
♦ If someone other than you will be bringing your steer/s, be sure that person knows your address, grade, club/chapter, phone number, etc. They have to fill forms out for you.
♦ Know ahead of time if you wish to make a Carcass Contest entry and the breed of the carcass animal. There is a $5 non-refundable fee for carcass entries. Carcass steers count as one of the 8 steers you can weigh. Dairy beef and dairy steers are also eligible for Carcass Contest and must be identified at the weigh-in.
♦ Walworth County steers may be DNA tested at weigh-in.
♦ Following weigh-in, any lost tags must be reported to Superintendent Doc Sterken as soon as they are noticed. Steers will be retagged, and the UWEX office will record the new tag numbers.
♦ If weigh-in must be cancelled due to inclement weather, the cancellation will be reported to WSLD radio station, 104.5 FM.
♦ Breed animals will require registration papers in the exhibitor or family name. Papers will not be required for commercial animals—honor system.
♦ Tattoos will be read prior to the show.

3rd Annual Steak Cook-Out
On July 17th, the “Friends of the Walworth County Junior Beef Project,” the Beef Committee, project members and families held the 3rd Annual Steak Cook-Out in the Activity Center at the fairgrounds. This year, 1150 people attended and were treated to excellent rib eye steaks, baked potatoes, corn on the cob, beverage, and homemade desserts. We want to thank all those who came, and the many generous donations and awesome volunteers who made it a success. We are already planning the 2014 event, so mark your calendars for July 16th and watch for advertising!

If you are interested in sponsoring a trophy, or have any other questions - please contact Doc at 262-949-5890.

Small Pets Project News

The Stateline Area Rabbit Breeders Show takes place Saturday, December 28th from 8:00am-6:00pm. This is an opportunity for all guinea pig enthusiasts to show your pigs, learn from the judges, talk to breeders, and purchase new guinea pigs. The Stateline Area Rabbit Breeders have a Facebook page. So check it out for more information. You can also talk to Alice Gott about how these shows work. Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity so close to home.

If you are looking for guinea pigs to purchase, please contact Alice Gott. She has some available. Watch the upcoming Newsclips for information on meetings that will begin in the new year. The first meeting is scheduled to take place on March 4, 2014. Please check the next Newsclips to make sure the date hasn’t changed and for the time and location. Happy Holidays!!
Goat Project News

Hello, goat members! Our first meeting will be **January 16** at the Government Center at 7:00pm. We will talk about the year in general and answer any questions you might have about the commitment to this project. We want every member to be a success, so come and get informed about the GREAT GOAT project. I hope you check out the GOAT project. We have lots of fun planned for you...NO KIDDING!!!

Below is a list of the rest of the meetings for the year, but be aware that dates may change due to conflict beyond our control.

—Susan Earle and the rest of the goat committee

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You are required to attend at least 2 meetings and the mandatory meeting in August. **These other events will also be accepted as attending a Meeting:**
Any other pre approved goat show or The Wisconsin State Fair
*YOU MUST SHOW* at these events for it to count towards attendance

Any questions, you can contact Susan Earle at (262) 642-5746, Searle@co.walworth.wi.us, or battygoats@centurytel.net
Rabbit Project News

Our 2014 meeting schedule will go out in December. If you are a new member, please contact Margaret Vacula at (262) 275-3995 to be sure we have your contact information.

Our first meeting for the new project year will be on Thursday, January 9 at 7:00pm and will be held in the Activity Center at the fairgrounds. Please bring your rabbit.

Remember to address and resolve any of your cold weather concerns now. We are always here to help.

If you are interested in becoming a Youth Leader please contact Judy Paul at (262) 742-2731 for more information or to sign-up.

Upcoming events: Lakeland Rabbit Breeders Association Show, Sunday, February 9th in Elkhorn

Wisconsin Polish Rabbit Club Double Polish Specialty and All-Breed Youth Fun Show (rabbits and cavies) and Showmanship Contest

January 11, 2014
Richfield Fire Hall (2008 Hwy 175 Richfield, WI)
*Registration begins at 8am, show begins at 9am

Entry Fees: $3.00 per rabbit / $1.50 fur (Polish shows)
$2.00 per rabbit/cavy (Fun Show) – Showmanship is free

For more information or any questions please call Jennifer Diehn at (262) 993-5734 or e-mail her at jenny42093@aol.com

Poultry Project News

1. Remember every exhibitor must attend at least one poultry project meeting to be eligible to exhibit at the 2014 Walworth County Fair—Why not attend this first meeting to be sure you do not run out of time?
2. This will be the important meeting that we hand out updated guidelines as to entering and exhibiting your project at the fair, along with a breeder list.
3. A list of individuals to contact with questions about the poultry project will also be available.

2014 Meetings: All meetings to be held at 7:00 pm.
December 5th - Important information to be handed out
January 16th
March 20th
May 15th
July 17th
August 14th - Cage set-up and strongly suggest scratches to be handed in
If you are enrolled in the scale models project, there is a communal toolbox available for your use at the monthly meetings. It has all the tools you’ll need to finish your latest project. Scale Model leaders will be available to explain each tool and its uses, as well as demonstrate how to use them.

Meetings are held every third Sat., (second Sat. in April), 10 A.M.-2 P.M. at the Delavan Community Center, 826 Geneva St., Delavan. Remember, if you are signed up for the Scale Models Project, you are eligible for a 10% discount at Hobby Town USA. A "hobby club" card is available at the meetings. You must show proof of registration in the project to receive the "hobby club" card.

For information call: Keith Reimers (262) 728-1483
Richard Morgan: (262) 215-0287
Bob Carey: (608) 207-9223

Scholarship Opportunities

William Yurs Agricultural Scholarship: William Yurs was a registered Holstein dairy farmer in Elkhorn for 50 years. The Williams Yurs Agricultural Scholarship is a $1,000 scholarship in his name that will be awarded for second semester of the 2013-2014 school year to a student enrolled in a university, technical college, or community college in the U.S. Applicants must be a resident of Walworth County and be enrolled in an agriculture related field. Deadline to apply for this scholarship is January 10, 2014 and payment to the scholarship winner will be made directly to the student’s school by January 31, 2014. Contact Chelsea Dertz at chelsea.dertz@ces.uwex.edu for an application.

Wisconsin Pork Association: The Wisconsin Pork Association is offering scholarships to high school seniors and college students. Students with a severe interest in the swine industry are encouraged to apply.

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

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

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

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

Gunderson Memorial Scholarship
The Wisconsin Pork Association, in cooperation with the family of Buell Gunderson, has established a scholarship program to recognize the many contributions that Gunderson made to the Wisconsin pork industry. Gunderson, together with his wife, Bernice, served as Secretary/Treasurer of the Wisconsin Pork Association for 20 plus years and assisted in growing the organization from its initial roots to the successful organization that it is today--sponsoring scholarships, developing youth programs and helping to support the pork producers of the state.

The Wisconsin Pork Association will accept recommendations or applications from county pork producer organizations, industry members, pork producers, and colleges or technical schools for recipients of the Gunderson Memorial Scholarship on an annual basis. Individuals who have shown considerable dedication and involvement in the pork industry will be considered for the $500 scholarship.

Application Deadlines
Individuals wishing to receive a copy of the scholarship applications can contact Wisconsin Pork Association at 1-800-822-7675 (in Wisconsin), 608-723-7551 (outside Wisconsin), or via e-mail at tvaassen@wppa.org. The application deadline is December 10, 2013.

The Wisconsin Pork Association’s mission is to ensure 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.
Officer Training Recap

4-H Officer Training was held on November 21st for members across the county who are serving in leadership roles for their clubs during this program year. The evening kicked off with an hour-long whole group session focused on “The 4-H Product” and its implications for both individual officers and club officer teams.

The second hour of the program was devoted to break out sessions focused on the specific duties of each office. Thank you to our guests: Kathy Papcke, Walworth County Farm Bureau, who led the “Presiding Officers” workshop; Sue Clark, who led the “Secretarys” workshop; and Marlene Schoenbeck who led the “Treasurers” workshop.

Officer training participants included:
Elkhorn: Josh Henry, Ryley Rand, Elly Russell, Caroline Terry
Harvesters: Katelyn Rosenow
Lakeland: Lauren Wuttker, Rhinannon Wuttker
Linn: Braden Kundert
Lyons: Tom Moran
Richmond: Lauren Staller
Sharon: Amelia Hayden
Springfield: Jack Etten, Connie Haacker, Hailey Friemoth, Meghan Etten, Jessica Reiff
Sugar Creek: Lisa Koss (for Hannah Koss who was sick)
Valley View: Taylor Pogue
Whitewater: Kimberly Powell-Farage, Molly Wade

International 4-H Opportunities

The purpose of The Wisconsin 4-H International Programs are to emphasize the value of 4-H and similar programs around the world, give 4-Hers the chance for a cross cultural experience, provide the opportunity to know and appreciate other cultures, help individuals better understand themselves and their own culture, and help develop the world’s most valuable resource: it’s young people.

The deadline for outbound travel is December 1st, but not to worry if you missed it, you can always host an international youth. Applications to host are due February 15th. If you are interested but unsure, please contact one of our international program coordinators: Caroline Cornelison at (262) 742-4315 or Betty Barr at (262) 470-3317. They can answer all of your questions from experience.

For an application, please visit http://wi4hinternational.org/.

4-H Shooting Sports Orientation

A project orientation for all youth enrolled in SHOOTING SPORTS projects (rifle, shot-gun, archery, muzzle loading, air rifle, or air pistol) will be held on February 5 from 6-9 p.m. in the ELKHORN HIGH SCHOOL cafeteria. In past years it has been at the middle school, but it will be at the high school this year.

Shooting sports instructors from each district will be present to explain where and when district shooting workshops will be held this year.

Shoot-off registration forms and the 2014 project rules will be distributed. This is an important meeting, particularly for members new to the project.

If you have not yet signed up for Shooting Sports, it is not too late! You can add the project by March 1 in order to be eligible to participate in the 2014 Walworth County Shoot-off. If you intend to sign-up, plan to attend the orientation.

Members not able to attend must call one of the instructors to get started in the project. Contact the Extension office for contact information.

To be eligible to participate in events at the county and state meets, you must be enrolled by March 1 in each discipline for which you will be competing.

If you have questions, please contact Al Iseppon, President of the Shooting Sport Committee, at 608-201-5023.
Wisconsin 4-H will celebrate its 100th birthday this year. Our very own Linn 4-H Club was the first club in the state!

### Judging Teams

4-H members, grades 3-13, who are interested in ramping up their knowledge and skills in dairy, livestock, or meats evaluation are encouraged to participate in Dairy, Livestock or Meats Judging Contests! If there's enough interest, Walworth County 4-H judging teams can form. If you're interested, call the Extension office by January 15. Be prepared to share your name, age, club, a phone number where you can be reached, and your area of interest—meats, livestock, or dairy.

### Kids College

Kids’ College ‘13 is set for Saturday, **January 25** at the County Government Center, Elkhorn. Adult and teen workshop presenters are needed for this event! Sign up today to teach 90-minute hands-on sessions! If you can help, call the Extension office or email chelsea.dertz@ces.uwex.edu ASAP. Sign-up information will be distributed as soon as it is available.

A planning meeting for Kids College will be held on **December 2** at 6:00pm at the County Government Center for the youth and adult district reps AND the youth and adult leaders from the NW and NE Districts. Come if you are interested! NW District includes: LaGrange, Richmond, and Whitewater 4-H Clubs. NE District includes: Lake Beulah, Lyons, Spring Prairie, and Troy Center 4-H Clubs

### National Youth Summit Series

The National Youth Summit Series brings together high school students from around the country to focus on specific issues. The three STEM and healthy living conferences are held annually in Washington D.C. for high school students, grades 9-12 at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center. For more information or registration visit www.nationalyouthsummit.org.

- **Healthy Living Conference**—January 9-12, 2014
- **Agri-Science Conference**—January 16-20, 2014
- **Robotics Conference**—February 13-17, 2014

### H.O.P. Coordinator Needed

The Walworth County 4-H program is looking for an enthusiastic volunteer to provide leadership of the 4-H House of Pork during fair week ‘14. This individual will work closely with the existing leadership to ensure that the trailer and needed supplies (food, paper products, etc.) are ready to go for each of the events. They will also work with District Reps and clubs to organize the workforce for fair week. This can be challenging, but it is also a lot of fun and affords you the opportunity to meet a lot of terrific people. If you are interested or have questions, please call the UW-Extension Office at 262-741-4951.
Ag Truths Not Tails Conference

Interested in learning and practicing skills to join the next generation of communicators for Wisconsin’s livestock and dairy industry? Mark your calendar for the Ag Truths, Not Tails conference, coordinated by the University of Wisconsin-Extension. Enrollment is open to youth ages 13 to one year past high school in dairy, beef, sheep, swine and goat project areas. The conference will be held January 24-25, 2014 (Friday night stay and social activities are optional) at the Beaver Creek Reserve in Fall Creek, WI.

Enrollment closes January 15, 2014. For more information, visit the conference website at http://fyi.uwex.edu/agtruthsnottails/. Registration materials can be found at http://fyi.uwex.edu/agtruthsnottails/registration-materials/. Contact Bernie O’Rourke, Extension Youth Livestock Specialist, with questions at 608-263-4304 or borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu.

Livestock Learning Webinar

University of Wisconsin-Extension will be hosting a “Livestock Learning Webinar Series” this winter. This series is best suited for new families exhibiting livestock (Beef, Sheep, Swine & Meat Goats) however, experienced families are encouraged and invited to attend as well. These webinars can be taken from your home using a computer and your phone. These sessions will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The topics and dates are: Jan. 16 – General Overview, Feb. 20 – Beef, March 27 – Swine, April 17 – Sheep, May 15 – Meat Goats.

If you wish to participate, please register by going to this website https://uwex.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_blx33PC8T5gQ2NX. An email address is required to receive materials and the connecting information. There are a limited number of lines available, so please register early. The information for this program can be found at: http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/livestock-learning-webinar-series/ Continue to visit the site as we confirm speakers. If you have any questions about this series, please contact Bernie O’Rourke, Extension Youth Livestock Specialist, with questions at 608-263-4304 or borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu.

Badger Meats Judging Camp

Mark your calendars for the Badger Meats Judging Camp to be held on Friday, Feb. 7 at the University of River Falls Meat Lab, River Falls, WI. This camp is for youth who have completed 3rd grade through one year past high school that are interested in building their knowledge on the evaluation principles associated with retail identification, carcass & retail evaluation. There will be an additional activity in the afternoon at Sailor Meats for those that can attend. The cost of the camp is $5 per person, which includes morning refreshments, and materials and is limited to the first 100 people. FFA chapters are limited to 5 youth. Pre registration is required before Feb 3.

Go to the Youth Livestock Website for a registration form and additional information. http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/badger-meat-judging-camp/. Send registrations and $5 fee (checks payable to UWEX) to Lynn Pfeiffer, 430 Lowell Hall, 610 Langdon St. Madison, WI 53703. Contact Bernie O’Rourke, Extension Youth Livestock Specialist, with questions at 608-263-4304 or borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu.
We Need Your Recipes!

In celebration of the 100th year of 4-H in Wisconsin, we will be producing a third edition to the Walworth County 4-H cookbook.

As a result, we need your favorite recipes. We are looking for traditional recipes as well as recipes pertaining to crockpot cooking, 5 ingredients or less recipes, grilling and healthy eating recipes, and recipes incorporating herbs.

You can obtain the recipe form via the next page of the Newsclip, on the 4-H website, or go to the Walworth County Extension office for a hard copy.

On the form it will ask you for your name and email. This is solely for our use and will be destroyed before sending the recipe to the printer.

Time is very important as we want to get this book out soon to celebrate 100 years of 4-H in Wisconsin. Please submit your recipes to the Extension office by:

**February 15, 2014**

Part of the money made from the cookbook sales will go toward the cost of the new House of Pork trailer.

Here is a great example submitted by Chris Jones that is perfect for any gathering!

**Ho Ho Cake**

**Layer 1**
- 1 box chocolate cake mix
- Ingredients to make cake mix

**Layer 2**
- 1 cup sweetened condensed milk
- 2/3 cup buttered Crisco
- 1 cup butter
- ¾ cup powdered sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

**Layer 3**
- 1 can milk chocolate frosting

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour a jelly roll pan.

2. Prepare chocolate cake mix according to directions. Place in greased jelly roll pan and bake 20 minutes. Let cool.

3. Combine Layer 2 ingredients. Beat with a mixer on medium speed for 15 minutes, or until firm. Spread on cooled cake.

4. Remove cover from can of frosting. Microwave for 30 seconds. Stir until dissolved. Spread over Layer 2.

5. Refrigerate until hardened.

Artwork Needed for 100th Anniversary of Wisconsin 4-H

We are having a contest in regards to our new cookbook cover. If you are interested, please submit your artwork to the Walworth County Extension by January 30, 2014. The winner will receive $25.00 as well as acknowledgement in the new cookbook. The size of the artwork should be 7.5 x 4.5 inches.
## Recipe Form

**Brennan Printing**  
**502 20th Ave. SW**  
**Independence, Iowa 52345**

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Walworth County Alumni

Walworth County’s 4-H Centennial Committee is collecting information about alumni, too! If you were a Walworth County 4-H alumni, or you are now a Walworth County resident who grew up in 4-H elsewhere, they’d love to hear from you! Complete the coupon below and mail it to the UW-Extension office at 100 W. Walworth Street, POB 1001, Elkhorn, WI 53121 or email the info to deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu with “4-H ALUMNI” in the subject line. If you registered as an alumni during the 2013 Walworth County Fair, there’s no need to do it again.

YES! I AM 4-H ALUMNI!

NAME:________________________________________________ (MAIDEN NAME)________________________
ADDRESS:__________________________________________________________________________________________________
PHONE NUMBER:_________________________________  E-MAIL:___________________________________________________
What years were you a 4-H member?______________________________________________________________
What years were you involved as a 4-H Volunteer?__________________________________________________
Which 4-H Club(s) have you been associated with?__________________________________________________
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In what Counties?_________________________________________________________________________________
The following county volunteers are available to help you be successful in your project areas this year. If you have a project-related question, need advice, or want to bounce around some ideas, let them know!

**Aerospace:** Damian Daniels – 262-745-7233  
**Art:** Richard Morgan – 262-723-3874  
**Beef:** Doc Sterken – 262-728-9749  
**Beekeeping:** John Kendall – 262-470-3294  
**Cats:** Ashley VanSchyndel – 262-215-1765  
**Child Development:** Deborah Nehs – 262-745-3508  
**Citizenship:** Caroline Cornelison – 262-742-4315  
**Clothing/Looking Good:** Cathy Duesterbeck – 262-728-8569  
**Cloverbuds:** Kathie Benhart – 262-903-6201 or Carol Henningfeld – 262-642-7843  
**Crops:** Kerry Jenkins – 262-723-3907  
**Dairy:** Lisa Konkel – 262-725-8012  
**Dogs:** Shelly Weeks – 262-215-9199  
**Equine Education:** Torell Geffers – 920-527-1500 or Heidi Hall – 262-903-8945  
**Exploring:** Kathie Benhart – 262-903-6201 or Carol Henningfeld – 262-642-7843  
**Flowers:** Marlene Schoenbeck – 262-723-4211  
**Food-Nutrition, & Health:** Laurie Giorno – 262-473-6065 or Sally Morgan – 262-723-3874  
**Food Preservation:** Marlene Schoenbeck – 262-723-4211  
**Goats:** Sue Earle – 262-642-5746  
**Home Environment:** Bonnie Cornue – 262-374-0370  
**Home Grounds:** Marlene Schoenbeck – 262-723-4211  
**Horse & Pony:** Donna Kundert – 262-275-5155  
**Houseplants:** Marlene Schoenbeck – 262-723-4211  
**International & Citizenship:** Caroline Cornelison – 262-742-4315  
**or Betty Barr – 262-470-3317**  
**Knitting & Crocheting:** Nancy Lee – 262-724-5330  
**Natural Science:** Kathy Tober – 262-642-5857  
**Photography:** Linda Amann – 262-249-0182  
**Poultry:** Dale Wheelock – 262-882-3633  
**Rabbits:** Margaret Vacula – 262-613-4045  
**Scale Models:** Keith Reimers – 262-728-1483  
**Sheep:** Tim Ehlen – 608-676-2569  
**Shooting Sports:** Al Iseppon – 608-201-5032  
**Small Pets (Cavies):** Alice Gott – 262-642-5434 or Kathy Combs – 262-767-1469  
**Swine:** Jim Henriott – 262-903-9273  
**Theater Arts:** Caroline Cornelison – 262-742-4315  
**Vegetables:** Kerry Jenkins – 262-723-3907  
**Vet Science:** Judy Paul – 262-742-2731
WALWORTH COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR

December, 2013

December 1 On-line enrollment deadline for continuing current 4-H members
On-line enrollment deadline for continuing leaders

December 2 Kids’ College Planning Meeting, County Government Center, 6:00 p.m

December 3 4-H Mandatory Leader Training Option #1 (Engaging Teens), County Government Center, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

December 5 Poultry Project Meeting, Fairgrounds Activity Center, 7 p.m.

December 9 Centennial Planning Committee Meeting, County Government Center, 1 p.m.

December 15 Junior Leaders’ Holiday Party, County Government Center, 3-5 p.m.

December 21 Scale Models/Aerospace Project Meeting, Delavan Community Center, 10 a.m.

December 24 UW-Extension office Closed

December 25 UW-Extension office Closed

December 28 Stateline Area Rabbit Breeders Association Show, Walworth County Fairgrounds, 8:00 a.m.

December 31 UW-Extension office Closed

January, 2014

January 1 UW-Extension office Closed

January 10 Centennial T-Shirt Contest entries due to the UW-Extension office by 5 p.m.

January 11 4-H Junior Leaders’ Bowling Tournament, Lake Geneva Lanes and Hawks Bowl, Whitewater, 12:30pm

January 12 4-H Junior Leaders’ Bowling Tournament, Lake Geneva Lanes and Hawks Bowl, Whitewater, 12:30pm

January 15 Executive Board Meeting (Junior Leaders to lead), County Government Center, 7:00 p.m.

January 16 4-H Softball Committee Meeting, County Government Center, 6:30 p.m. (snow date: January 23)
Poultry Project Meeting, Fairgrounds Activity Center, 7 p.m.
4-H Goat Project Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.

January 17 Deadline to submit Newsclip articles for the February/March Issue (4-Hnewsclip@co.walworth.wi.us)

January 18 Scale Models/Aerospace Project Meeting, Delavan Community Center, 10 a.m.
4-H Junior Leaders’ Bowling Tournament, Lake Geneva Lanes and Hawks Bowl, Whitewater, 12:30pm

January 19 4-H Junior Leaders’ Bowling Tournament, Lake Geneva Lanes and Hawks Bowl, Whitewater, 12:30pm

January 23 New Family Orientation, County Government Center, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

January 25 Kids’ College, County Government Center

January 26 Junior and Senior Leaders’ Bowling Tournament, Wheeler’s Bowling Center, Delavan, 12:30 p.m.

January 27 Youth Protection Workshop, County Government Center, 5:45 p.m.-6:45 p.m.
Junior Leaders’ Association Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.
Senior Leaders’ Association Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.

January 30 4-H Cookbook artwork due to the Extension office by 5:00 p.m.
WALWORTH COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR

February, 2014

February 1  Beef Weigh-in, Walworth County Fairgrounds Calf Barn, 9-11 a.m.
February 3  4-H Mandatory Leader Training Option #2-Exploring Science, County Government Center, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Application deadline for Upham Woods 4-H Camp counselors
February 5  Shooting Sports Orientation, ELKHORN HIGH SCHOOL cafeteria, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
February 15 Scale Models/Aerospace Project Meeting, Delavan Community Center, 10 a.m.
Applications for International Host Families are due
4-H Cookbook recipes due to the Extension office by 5:00 p.m.
February 18 4-H Camp Counselor Candidate Interviews, County Government Center, Times TBA
4-H Goat Project Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.
February 24 Junior Leaders’ Association Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.
Senior Leaders’ Association Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.

March, 2014

March 1  On-line enrollment deadline for new 4-H members
On-line deadline for members to add or drop projects
March 15 Scale Models/Aerospace Project Meeting, Delavan Community Center, 10 a.m.
March 20  Poultry Project Meeting, Fairgrounds Activity Center, 7 p.m.
March 19 4-H Day at the Capitol, Madison, Details TBA
March 21  Deadline to submit Newsclip articles for the April/May Issue (4-Hnewsclip@co.walworth.wi.us)
March 24 Youth Protection Workshop, County Government Center, 5:45 p.m.-6:45 p.m.
Junior Leaders’ Association Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.
Senior Leaders’ Association Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.

April, 2014

April 9  4-H Executive Board Meeting (Senior Leaders to lead), County Government Center, 7 p.m.
April 12  Scale Models/Aerospace Project Meeting, Delavan Community Center, 10 a.m.
April 22 4-H Goat Project Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.
April 24 2014 4-H Softball Coaches’ Meeting, County Government Center, 6:30 p.m.
April 24-28 Space Camp, Huntsville, Alabama
April 28  Junior Leaders’ Association Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.
Senior Leaders’ Association Meeting, County Government Center, 7 p.m.
4-H families that wish to receive hard copies of the 4-H Newsclip by mail may do so by completing a $10 subscription and submitting it to the Extension office. That subscription will be good through the December 2014/January 2015 issue. 4-H families with email addresses on file in the Extension office will automatically receive an email alert when new issues of the Newsclip are available online.

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