Winnebago County
4-H News and Views
January-February 2015

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**Calendar Dates**

**If event location isn’t listed, it will be at the JP Coughlin Center**

**January**
- Jan 9– New Leader Orientation @ 9:30-11am
- Jan. 14- Meat Animal Board Meeting @ 7pm
- Jan. 16– Winter Leadership Camp Applications are DUE!
- Jan. 17– Fundraising Session @ 9am-noon
- Jan, 17– New Leader Orientation @ 1-2pm
- Jan. 20– 4-H Leaders Association Board Meeting @ 7pm
- Jan. 26– Horse & Pony Project Meeting @ 7pm
- Jan. 27– New 4-H Leader Orientation 5:30-6:30 pm
- Jan. 27– ALL COUNTY MEETING @ 7pm
- Jan 28– State 4-H Art Show Applications are DUE!

**February**
- Feb. 1– Pig Project Applications are DUE!
- Feb. 3- Lego Club @ 6-7:30pm
- Feb. 7- Horse & Pony Beginner Clinic
- Feb.7—Dairy Quiz Bowl– Portage
- Feb. 11– Meat Animal Board Meeting @7pm
- Feb. 17– 4-H Leaders Association Board Meeting @ 7pm
- Feb. 20– ArtBeat Applications are DUE!
- Feb. 21– Foods Meeting @ 9am-noon
- Feb 21- Watertown Pigeon Club Annual Pet Swap @ 6:30am-11:00am- Jefferson County Fairgrounds
- Feb. 23– Horse & Pony Meeting @ 7pm
- Feb 24– Oratorical Speaking Contest @ 6pm– Webster Stanley Elementary School
- Feb. 26– 4-H Scholarship Applications are DUE!
- Feb. 28– Beef Weigh in @ 9-noon– the Fairgrounds

**Winter Weather Cancellation**

In the event meetings are cancelled due to weather conditions, 4-H clientele can call the Extension Office at 920-232-1974 to check on meeting status. The regular voicemail message will be replaced by a message detailing cancellation information.

**Note to all committee chairs: If you decide to cancel a meeting, contact the Extension Office. Weekday cancellations must be made by 4:00 pm**
What do you think about the Newsletter?

The 4-H staff at the extension office is wondering who reads the newsletter and what they think about it. Please tell us the following things…

How old are you? 0-7  8-12  13-18  19-24  25-35  35-45  45-55  55-65  65+

What parts of the newsletter do you like most?

Is there something else you would like to see?

Do you read a mailed copy or an electronic copy?

Anything else you would like to tell us about the newsletter?

Please send your answers to Winnebago County 4H, or e-mail to 625 E. County Rd. Y, Suite 600 Oshkosh, WI 54901 Mpeplow@co.winnebago.wi.us

P.S. If you have more than one person in your home who reads the newsletter, please have them fill out a separate survey and send it in.
Reflecting on Activities
By Matt Welter

I recently attended training sessions for 4-H Youth Educators at both the state and the regional level. In these training sessions and learned why I have a closet full items such as a bag of squishy balls, hula hoops, fuzzy animals, colorful ropes, golf balls, musical instruments and playing cards.

Although these items may seem like toys and games, they are also ways 4-H youth can learn about others, learn how to work with others and how to reflect on what they have done.

Try this. Take a 20-foot-long garden hose and stretch it out on your lawn -- okay snow! 4-H club members all line up on it, holding hands in random order. Challenge: They have to re-order themselves in alphabetical order by the first letter of their first name. Sounds a pretty easy, right?

Wait for it… They can’t touch the ground and they aren't allowed to talk to each other... And that they have five minutes to complete this. How’d it go?

Now try again. This time. Once lined up alphabetic order by middle name. This time though they, that they can talk about how they get to plan and they can take as long as they want and talk as much as they as they want as long as that once everyone agrees and they start moving, no one talks.

Want to find out something more interesting. Once this is over ask everyone what was different about the two activities. Pass a koosh ball around and let only one person at a time share one person at a time share what they learned.

The thing is that garden hose is just a challenge to help Club members look at the world differently. Whenever they do whether it is a bean bag toss, or Pictionary or a human knot, after the activity its better to reflect on it. One blub member may think it was fun while another might have been inspired to write a song.

**BTW— If your club ever needs an activity to challenge your club, please give me a call or e-mail. I have a closet full of fun!**
Upcoming Board of Directors Meeting
The Board of Directors is the Executive Branch of the Leaders Association who work with the on-going business of the 4-H Leaders Association such as fundraising, committee requests, and programming. Anyone interested in learning more about the 4-H Board of Directors or wanting to share ideas can attend the meetings.

The next meetings are Tuesday, January 20 and February 17 at 7:00 PM at the JP Coughlin Center.

Contact Kay Lettau, 4-H Leaders Assn. Co- President at 920-419-4849/lettau@new.rr.com or Stephany Beck, 4-H Leader Assn. Co- President at 920-232-1972/ mpeplpw@co.winnebago.wi.us at least one week in advance of the meeting if you would like to add an item to the agenda.

All County 4-H Meeting, Tuesday, January 27
All 4-H adult and youth leaders are invited to attend the all county 4-H meeting on Tuesday, January 27 starting at 7:00 pm at the JPCC. This is an opportunity for youth and adults from county 4-H clubs to learn what’s happening in the 4-H program. 4-H Youth Development Educator Matt Welter and 4-H Youth and Science Educator Sarah Thompson will be leading the program to give an overview of all events happening throughout the year, as well as a new opportunity for youth to earn service learning hours with the after school program.

Prior to the meeting, from 5:30-6:30 there will be a new volunteer orientation. New volunteers should watch the mandatory reporting video (http://wcwpds.wisc.edu/mandatedreporter/) before the program and print out their certificates to bring to the orientation. If you are planning on attending the orientation, please call Michelle Peplow 48 hours prior to the meeting at 920-232-1974.
Ambassadors will be meeting soon to plan for bowling later this spring and also be working on creating a new event for winter time. Keep an eye on the website for the date. We’re always looking for new members. Anyone in grade 6 or older can join. We are just starting on the new year so you haven’t missed any meetings. Come check us out and join the group. It’s a great chance to get to know and work with other youth from the county. Parents are encouraged to attend and help the group. Meetings are held at Joe Kuehnl’s house at 6767 County Rd T in Oshkosh. If you have any questions about the Ambassadors, call Joe Kuehnl at 920-836-1736.

2015 East Metro Region Winter Leadership Camp

Attention youth leaders in grades 6-8 and adult 4-H volunteers! Don’t miss your chance to participate in the 2015 East Metro Region Winter Leadership Camp. It is always a great weekend full of leadership development and fun! From teambuilding, group facilitating, and goal setting to sledding, night hikes, and campfires, there will be something for everyone! Mark your calendars now for a terrific time…this year’s 4-H East Metro Region Winter Leadership Camp will be held February 6-8, 2015, at Camp TaPaWingo near Mishicot, WI.

Older youth from throughout the East Metro Region will come together at 4-H Winter Leadership camp to work on improving their leadership skills through hands-on, interactive leadership sessions. Youth will gain a better understanding of what it means to be a leader and how to apply being a youth leader in their club, county, and school. Along with leadership learning, youth will have opportunities to participate in a variety of recreational activities that may include sledding/tubing, snowshoeing, crazy games, and other outdoor activities.

Adult leader volunteers are needed as chaperones to support youth in learning leadership skills and experiencing the great outdoors.

If you’re interested attending, please contact your UW-Extension Office or visit http://winnebago.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-and-applications/ to download an application. **Applications are due in the office by Friday, January 16.**
Older Youth Needed at 4-H Summer Camp

We are still in need of camp counselors for the 2015 Upham Woods Summer Camp Experience on July 19-22. Older youth grades 9-12 (and at least 14 years of age at the start of camp) will help with planning prior to camp and help with activities and cabins during camp. Positions include Jr. Director, Outpost Counselors, Cabin Counselor, Craft Director, Nature Director, and Recreation Director.

This is a great opportunity to work on leadership skills in a fun-filled camp environment. Come be part of the fun at Upham Woods! Applications are available on the 4-H website. If you are interested in becoming a counselor, please contact the 4-H office ASAP. Call 920-232-1974 or email mpeplow@co.winnebago.wi.us

Dairy Project News

Anyone who is still interested in practicing and competing for the dairy quiz bowl/management contest, please contact Amy Jo Domke 920-232-5401. Competition date is February 7, in Portage.

Events

Oratorical Speaking Contest
The annual Oratorical Speaking Contest will be held Tuesday, February 24 at Webster Stanley Middle School in Oshkosh. The event starts at 6:00pm There are three divisions: Speech, Demonstration, and Optimist Speaking Division. This event is open to any youth (4-H and non-4-H) in grades K5-12.

Speaking participants can use cards and props. Demonstration speeches must show how to use something. The Optimist speech topic is “How My Optimism Will Help Me Press on to Greater Achievements in the Future” and needs to be between 4-5 minutes long.

Invite your friends to participate! There will be three levels that are judged with first-third place plaques. The winner of the Optimist Speech will receive $100.

Complete information, including a registration form, will be available mid-January at: http://winnebago.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-and-applications/

Or call Anne Marie Luker at (920) 688-5213 for details
LEGO Club
LEGO Club will be up and running again! We will be kicking off the year on Tuesday, February 3, 6:00 -7:30pm at the JP Coughlin Center. Come join us as we build, explore and learn about science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) through the use of LEGOS. You can follow step-by-step directions to create tweeting birds and chomping alligators, or you can create robots and program them to do many creative things using the NXT Mindstorm Kits. The opportunities are endless. LEGO Club is a free program that is sponsored by Winnebago County UW Extension. Parent participation is welcome. No previous knowledge or long-term commitment required!

Upcoming 2015 dates:  Tuesday, February 3,  
               Tuesday, March 3,  
               Tuesday, April 7  
               Thursday, May 7

Fundraising Session on January 17
On Saturday, January 17, from 9:00 – noon, Matt Welter will be hosting a fundraising session, where you can learn some great ideas for helping to boost participation from the youth and also strategies and ideas for youth to use in fundraising. Matt is looking for volunteers who are willing to present their winning ideas and business people who know how to improve sales. He is also looking for a volunteer videographer who can tape the session and create a 3-6 minute video that can capture some of the best moments of the training session so that youth unable to attend can benefit from it. If interested contact Matt at 920-232-1974 or mwelter@co.winnebago.wi.us.

We hope to see you there!

Interested in Helping Make a New Banner for the State Fair?
Youth and Youth Leaders who are interested in designing, cutting, sewing, and completing a new banner to represent Winnebago County 4-H at the State Fair should contact Carol Kaufmann at 216-4668 or ckaufmann@new.rr.com
State 4-H Group On-line Application Form is up and ready to go!

Posted on December 4, 2014 by Lynn Pfeiffer
Attention all 4-Hers in grades 9-13 interested in participating in one of Wisconsin’s State 4-H Arts Groups for 2015. 4-H Art Team, 4-H Showcase Singers, 4-H Drama Company and 4-H Press Team can all be applied for on-line at: http://wi.4honline.com

Information, Job Descriptions, Photos, Video and Timelines can all be found on our new WordPress website at http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/

Application forms and audition materials are due January 28, 2015, so please spread the word and encourage your friends to apply!

For more information contact Christina Rencontre, 4-H Youth Development Communication Arts Specialist, (608) 262-1536, christina.rencontre@ces.uwex.edu

2015 4-H Art Lab

Posted on November 13, 2014 by Lynn Pfeiffer
The 4-H Art Lab will be held January 30-31, 2015, at our State 4-H Environmental Center, Camp Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells. The registration deadline is January 6, 2015. The registration fee is $50.00. 4-H Art Lab is sponsored by 4-H Arts and Communications.

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

4-H youth and adults will select one of a wide variety of educational tracks to go “in depth” and explore the art form that interests them the most! Participants will also work together in large groups for team building and sharing. Why not get a group of youth and adults together from your county for a weekend of fabulous 4-H bonding and ART!

Send registration and the other required forms with payment to Lynn Pfeiffer at the State 4-H office by January 6. Additional information, a brochure, the registration form and other required forms are on the State 4-H Website at www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/artsleadership.cfm
4-H ArtBeat!
Posted on December 10, 2014 by Lynn Pfeiffer

4-H Art Beat! was created for 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their parents and leaders and is the introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H Arts and Communication!
ArtBeat! will be held March 20 and 21, 2015, at our State 4-H Camp, Upham Woods in the Wisconsin Dells. The weekend will feature a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, juggling and more!

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

The $50.00 dollar fee will include all materials and supplies, (including a very cool ArtBeat! backpack!) special snacks, overnight lodging and breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Why not get a whole carload of youth and adults together from your county for some genuine 4-H bonding time?

Come join the excitement of this opportunity available to some of our youngest (and often most enthusiastic!) 4-H members!

Register early! This camp fills up fast!

Registration Deadline: February 20, 2015.
Go here for more information: http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/artbeat/

For more information contact Christina Rencontre, 4-H Youth Development Communication Arts Specialist, (608) 262-1536, christina.rencontre@ces.uwex.edu

Have a 4-H project or event you would like to showcase or report in the Newsletter, please e-mail it to mpeplow@co.winnebago.wi.us
**WI State 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl and 4-H Skillathon Contests**

Would you like to test your knowledge about beef, sheep, swine and meat goat topics? We are looking to form a team (or more than one!) to represent Winnebago County at the WI State 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl and Skillathon contests which will be held Saturday, March 7, 2015 at UW Madison.

Livestock Bowl Teams compete in a double elimination format by giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Each match has both an individual and toss-up question round.

The Livestock Skillathon contest is made up of a written quiz and learning stations such as breed identification, feed identification, equipment identification as well as some team activities such as demonstrating evaluation skills.

Please contact the UW Extension Office 920-232-1974 for more information or email Sarah at sthompson@co.winnebago.wi.us

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**Fair Board News**

The Winnebago County Fair board is still looking for some more new members to join the board for the upcoming term. Three members stepped down from the board and a couple of people joined to help keep the fair tradition alive and strong. Some of you say you never run because can't get voted on, well here is your chance to join a fun and creative group. Please contact Tom Egan at 685-3013.

I am writing this letter for the last time as a fair board member. My life is taking me on a new path in the near future, hopefully, so I have chosen not to run for another term on the fair board. Over the past 15 years I have had the chance to meet and work with many great people, whether on the board, in 4-H, in FFA, or parents of youth. I have many excellent memories to take with me. I would like to thank everyone for being part of my fair experience. I am planning on coming back as a helper but I will no longer be part of the complaint department.

Thank you,
Tim Doolittle
Food Project News

There will be a Foods Meeting Saturday, February 21, 2015 9:00am-noon at the JP Coughlin Center. There will be a Food Review and other exciting activities. More information to come! Contact Jane Cowling with any questions.

Highlights

National 4-H Conference
National 4-H Conference is an annual event that brings 4-H youth and adults from around the nation together to work towards strengthening and expanding the 4-H Youth Development program at the local, state, and national levels. The conference is held at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland, and it usually takes place around the beginning of April. Last year, there were approximately 350 delegates from the country, with only six delegates representing Wisconsin. This year, our nominee Stephany Beck was chosen to be one of those delegates to attend the conference. Congrats Stephany and way to represent our county!

The UW-Extension Office now has an outdoor locked Dropbox!
Need to drop off an application or payment but can’t make it during our business hours? There is now a green locked drop box located outside our office doors on the north side of the JP Coughlin Building (actually box pictured to the left). If you put any documents in it, please notify the office at 920-232-1971 or email mpeplow@co.winnebago.wi.us
Club Reports
Ridgeway December Meeting

Submitted by: Meghan Numrich

The December meeting started at Parkview Health Center on December 7, 2014. We sang Christmas carols and had some special performances from the club members, including, Lauren Harvath on the Violin, Meghan Numrich and Ashlynn Numrich singing, Abigail Petersen on piano, and Caleb Race on piano.

After Caroling, the club left and went to the Extension office. The meeting was called to order by Adia Kolell and Roll call was taken by Secretary Meghan Numrich. The question was what is your favorite holiday tradition? The Meeting was adjourned by Grace Weber and seconded by Wren Scott at 4:40pm. Afterwards there were refreshments. Games were led by Meghan Numrich and the Games Committee, and included Jingle, Jingle, Bell; Hidden Bow; Pass the Candy Cane; and Build a Snowman. Crafts were led by Mrs. Pieper and the Crafts committee and included, Fruit Loop Wreathes; Snowman Spoons; and Snowman Tea Lights. All of the crafts were ornaments. The Final game was called Decorate a tree, and Meghan and Ashlynn Numrich were decorated like Christmas trees!

If you have a club report with pictures and a paragraph that you would like to send into our newsletter for our next issue send, e-mail it in as a .jpg or .png of 2MB or less to mwelter@co.winnebago.wi.us. Make sure you have permission of both 4-H and their parents to go into the newsletter.
The University of Wisconsin-Extension 4-H Youth Development Program inducted 100 laureates into the brand-new Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame Saturday, November 15. The Hall of Fame induction ceremony was the last statewide event celebrating 100 years of 4-H in Wisconsin.

Winnebago County 4-H is proud to be represented by Clarence Westfahl who was inducted at the ceremony.
IN MEMORY OF
JOYCE TRAXLER

February 14, 1936 – December 17, 2014

A 4-H leader for 33 years, Joyce loved kids, 4-H and the Winnebago County Fair. She was a dog project leader, trainer and judge, a leader in Cloverbuds, Exploring, Pets and Ceramics. She enjoyed reading 4-H record books and writing positive, encouraging notes to each member. Twenty-six years ago Joyce created the name “Cloverseeds” for little brothers and sisters of Poygan Go-Getters members, recognizing them as the future of 4-H. Joyce was a warm, caring, kind and generous lady with a heart of gold. We will miss her.

Jim Barthel recognized in Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development Hall of Fame

Jim spent his life and career educating and giving back to others. His career began as a Peace Corps Volunteer in El Salvador. This was followed by a 29-year UW-Extension career as a 4-H Youth Development Educator, first in Green County and then in Winnebago County. He retired Professor Emeritus in 2000 and was inducted into the National 4-H Hall of Fame in 2012.

Jim motivates, guides, and facilitates youth and adults to tackle tough issues and celebrate success.
Horse Project News

Lots of exciting changes coming for the Horse and Pony Project! Come to the project meeting at the JP Coughlin Center on Monday, January 26, at 7:00 PM. We’ll be going over a lot of new information including, but not limited to:

- New Achievement Books
- Tack Sale Volunteer Sign-Up
- NEW Mentorship Program
- New member clinic coming in February

The meetings are the best way to keep up with your H&P Project news, but watch Facebook and your email for updates throughout the month.

Noteworthy dates:
- January 26: Project Meeting 7:00 at the JP Coughlin Center
- February 7: Beginner clinic at the JP Coughlin Center
- February 23: Project Meeting 7:00 at the JP Coughlin Center
- March 7: Tack Sale at Sunnyview Expo Center
- May 9: Warm up show (English)
- May 10: Warm up show (Western)

Meat Animal Board News

CORRECTION! The max payout for swine was updated to 300 pounds for the 2015 Meat Animal Sale. This was listed incorrectly in the Nov/Dec 2014 News & Views.

January/February Meat Animal Events:

- Jan 14 7:00 PM Coughlin Center -- Meat Animal Board Meeting
- Feb 11 7:00 PM Coughlin Center -- Meat Animal Board Meeting
- Feb 28 9:00 AM-12:00 PM Fairgrounds -- Beef Spring Weigh In

Meat Animal Project Points Attendance Forms can be accessed at http://winnebago.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-and-applications/
Planning for next Fair, start looking at different breeds, Standard, Bantam, Game
A good place to start your search.
- http://www.sagehenfarmlodi.com/chooks/bantam.html#game
(The bantams and game fowl have different pages)

If you choose a breed and can not find a private breeder, ask, I have the latest APA Year Book, a good source book for show bird breeders.

Remember your birds for fair need to be four months old by mid-July, no exceptions. This is a state law that all birds have to be blood tested to be shown at a fair, which means they need to be four months or older. Another good reason to have a bird four months or older is that they can be correctly sexed and breed identified.

Hatchery purchased birds do not make good show birds, most are crossbreds, or do not follow breed standard. Birds from the Co-op (ie: red or black sex link), leghorns, Road Island Red and even Australorps are production birds and also don’t make good show birds. The exception is Cornish Cross, they are a 10-week project for anyone new to poultry, or someone who is not interested in keeping birds over winter.

http://fyi.uwex.edu/poultry/files/2012/05/Raising-Roasters-Broilers.pdf

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How to ID an Araucana, an Ameraucana, An Americana or an EE (Easter Egger)

- An Araucana is tailless and tufted.
- An Ameraucana is tailed, muffed and has slate blue legs, if you look at the pads of the feet they will be white without a hint of yellow, color will be solid, Blue, Black, White, or Wheaton. These are the purebred stock and are to be shown as Ameraucana.
- An Easter Egger (EE) or Americana is any chicken that possesses the "blue egg" gene, but doesn't fully meet any breed description as defined in the APA standards. One way to ID the difference between a purebred and crossbred is the feet an EE has yellow pads and green legs. This type of chicken is a crossbred and will be shown as a crossbred. Most if not all EE’s, Americanas are sold through large hatcheries.

EE’s will not be allowed to be shown as Ameraucanas at the next fair. If you are unsure of what your bird is, I will ID it for you so it is placed in the right class.

Swap meets (so far) for 2015:

Watertown Pigeon Club Annual Pet Swap
Jefferson County Fairgrounds
Feb 21 2015
6:30am-11:00am

Wisconsin Bird & Game Breeders
Fond du Lac Co Fairgrounds
March 14 2015
6:30am-1:30pm

Beaver Pigeon and Bantam Club
Jefferson County Fairgrounds
New Location (this is the Beaver Dam swap)
Saturday, March 28th 2015,
6:30AM – 10:30AM
Now on **Saturday**, not Sunday

**A Word from the Pizza Committee**
The Pizza Committee would like to thank those who came and worked at Fall Pizza Making on Friday, October 31 and Saturday, November 1.

-Past Co-Chairs Sarah Winkel and Scott Richter
Winnebago County 4-H Scholarships
The Winnebago County 4-H Leaders Association awards up to four $500 scholarships to current 4-H members who are high school seniors. This includes one scholarship from the Judith Gruszynske Memorial (Oshkosh Area Community Foundation), one from the Paul Stevenson, and two from the Winnebago County 4-H Board of Directors.

Students must meet the following requirements:
• Student must have been a 4-H member for at least 5 years
• Student must have exhibited at the fair
• Student must have displayed an active leadership role
• Student must graduate from high school
• Student must attend College, Technical College, University, or for a special education program either full time or part time
• Tuition costs must be at least $500 to receive the entire scholarship
• Student must have achieved a 2.0 or higher after the first semester of study

The scholarship will be awarded after the recipient successfully completes a program of study or semester of post-high school classes. “Successfully completes” is defined as achieving a 2.0 (“C”) or higher. The scholarship is non-renewable.

Applications are due on or before 4:30 pm, on the last Thursday in February to:
Winnebago County UWEX
4-H Scholarship Application
625 E Cty Rd Y Suite 600
Oshkosh WI 54901

For more information and to download the application visit: http://winnebago.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-and-applications/
Winnebago County shooting sports would like to give a big appreciation to all who donated and contributed their time to help us run a successful program. Our donations for 2014/2015 came from Critters and Talk of the Town of Winneconne, Fast Signs of Appleton, Larson Co op, Larsen Engineering, Mohnens Family Restaurant, Ryf Heating and Air Conditioning, Scheels Sports, United Auto Aero Ag Implement workers, Waynes Piggly Wiggly, Whitetails Unlimited- Oshkosh Chapter and Winnebago County Fair Association. We would also like to thank Elizabeth and Nick Fahrenkrug and Dan and Amy Jones of the trappers association and also Matt McHugh the 2013 predator calling champions.

We have the dates set up with the Boys and Girls Brigade in Neenah for the 2015 year.

- Archery will be January 31, February 7, 14, 21, 28 and March 7. We will have 9:00am and 11:30am sessions for archery.

- We will have an ecology session from 10:30 to 11:30 all of the days listed above.

- The rifle range dates for air rifle will be on January 31, February 14 and 28. The range dates for .22 will be on February 7 and 21. The time for the rifle range will be from 11:30am to 1:00pm.

Please have all forms filled out when you come to the first session. We will have them on line at: http://winnebago.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/projects-and-activities/ soon.
2015 Youth Pig Project Announced

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

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

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

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

We just wanted to give a special shout out to Hanna Wilkinson, whose name was missing as one of the Outstanding Record Book Award Winners. Great job Hanna!!!

Way to start out the new 4-H year! We currently have
436 Youth Members
76 Youth Volunteers
179 Adult Leaders
enrolled on 4HOnline!
Before you color this turtle, write the names of as many members in your 4-H club inside the turtle's shell plates.
Four Prep Questions for the Livestock Quiz Bowl and Skillathon

1. Iron injections are given to baby pigs to prevent _________.
   F) Flu  G) Parvovirus
   H) Anemia  I) Infection

2. ________ causes swelling and lameness.
   A) Foot Rot  B) BVD  C) Pinkeye
   D) Hardware disease

3. A group of cattle managed together is called a _____
   L) Flock  M) Grade  N) Herd  O) Sire

4. Which of the following is a breed of sheep?
   A) Hereford  B) Chester White  C) Polled Hereford  D) Southdown

The answers when given in order spell out a part of the body important to 4-H members that livestock animals do not have.

This person was once a 4-Her, can you tell who she is?
Some hints: She has a library program that runs in different locations including Oshkosh. She likes butterflies. She sings country songs.

The answer is on the bottom of the next page.
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