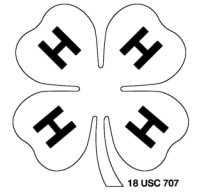


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Life Skills



4-H Focuses on.....

- Decision Making
 - Problem Solving
 - Relating to Others
 - Planning and Organizing
 - Learning to Learn
 - Communicating with Others
 - Leading Self and Others
 - Relating to Change
 - Applying Science & Technology
 - Developing Self
- Mental and Physical Health



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4-H Youth Ambassadors



Vernon County 4-H was well represented at the North Central Regional Volunteer Forum held recently in Wichita, Kansas. Pictured at the left are Colleen Pulvermacher, 4-H Youth Development Educator, Joanne Hornby, longtime volunteer and forum alumni, along with Johanna Schuh and Allison Hawthorne, Youth Ambassador officers. The conference theme was There's No Place Like 4-H and that was proven over and over by the excellent hands on, interactive workshops on a wide variety of topics from robotics to sewing to leadership and much more.

Johanna Schuh, Youth Ambassador President, comments,

"I had the great privilege to attend the 2012 North Central Regional Volunteer Forum, this was a fun and educational opportunity to meet and learn from other people involved with 4-H in the Midwest. We had great sessions to choose from and one of my favorites was robotics. I learned a lot of new things about 4-H, which I will use in my projects, 4-H club and Youth Ambassadors. On Saturday night, there was a fancy banquet followed by a closing ceremony, in which I served as the Wisconsin flag receiver. The dance afterwards was great fun. Sunday we headed home after a great weekend of learning, meeting new friends and making lots of good memories. I would heartily encourage others to participate in 4-H opportunities like this because it is so much fun! I would like to thank the Leader-Parent Federation, Youth Ambassadors and the Stojanovich fund which helped make this trip possible. Thanks also to Colleen for coordinating this great opportunity for us."



Vernon County 4-H Youth Leadership Day!
Dec. 27th (all youth 7th grade and older & club officers).
Watch for further details!



Putting their hands, heads, hearts and health into the project, 4-H youth ambassadors partnered with the Vernon County Fairboard members and representatives of Badgerland Financial to improve our grandstand seating. This project was made possible by those who took the time to *vote for their favorite county fair*. Vernon County garnered enough votes to apply for grant funding. Bill Marohl, Roger Hooker and Colleen Pulvermacher worked together to write the grant which resulted in generous funding provided by Badgerland Financial, with replacing a section of the very old lower grandstand seating as the priority project. Thanks are extended to Krista Peterson, Badgerland Financial Public Relations Coordinator, for her assistance in organizing this project. The work crew consisted of: Sam Krause, Cordell Sagler, Julia Wiltinger, Emma Penchi, Roger Hooker, Ann Krause, Colleen Pulvermacher, Kay Penchi, Eileen Wiltinger, Leo Nickelotti, Kathy Sagler, Ken Karwoski, Ben Haynes, Kevin Larson, Wayne Umberger, Ken Deaver, James Schipper, John McClelland, David Wright and Stan Zube.



4-H Club News



Nerison—Jordan Lucas

August— The Nerison 4-H club monthly meeting was called to order by President Allison Hawthorne on Monday, August 27, 2012 at 6:30 pm at the Hawthorne farm. Pledges were led. The secretaries' report was read by Allison. Emily Palm made a motion to accept the secretaries' report and Eva Gjewski seconded.

OLD BUSINESS: Jim gave an update on the October farmer's market in Viroqua. It will be the first weekend in October. We will have a table to sell birdseed and bird feeders as our fundraiser. We will also have forms for members to do individual sales.

We still need members to sign up to work in the food stand at the fair. Remember one two crust pie per family for the food stand, also.

NEW BUSINESS: Fair tag pick up will be Monday, September, 10th at the Coon Valley Village Hall from 6 pm -6:45 pm. Jen will be there to distribute tags and tickets. Project activity reports are due November 1, 2012. We will fill these out together at our next meeting. Raffle tickets and money are due at the next meeting in September.

Congratulations to the Nerison members who participated at the county wide shooting sport competition. It sounds like you did us proud!!

The next meeting will be Monday, September 24, 2012 at the Coon Valley Village Hall at 6:30 pm. Servers will be Fauske and Bolstad families. John Lucas made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Christopher Palm seconded.

Meeting adjourned.

September—Teresa Falter

The monthly meeting of the Nerison 4-H Club was on September 24th, at the Coon Valley Village Hall at 6:30 pm. Our president, Allison Hawthorne called the meeting to order and led us in the pledges. Secretary Jordan Lucas read the secretary's and treasurer's reports and took the roll call. Members were asked to turn in their raffle tickets and money to Jordan before they left. All families signed up to provide snacks and activities for one of our meetings. We had nominations for Friend of 4-H, Special Leader Award and Volunteer of the Year Award. Jen Lucas passed out re-enrollment forms and then members shared their successes at the Vernon County Fair. Congratulations to all members! They did a great job! Shelley and Haley Fauske told about their experience at the Viola Horse and Colt Show. Good job with your sheep Haley! We will be selling bird seed at the Farmers Market in Viroqua on October 6th, from 7 to noon. We will have a Halloween party at our next meeting on October 22 at the Coon Valley Village Hall at 6:30. The Bekkums are the servers. Meeting adjourned. Snacks were served and members filled out their re-enrollment forms and project activity reports.

Springville Superstars—Jessica Nelson

October—The October meeting of the Springville Superstars 4-H club was called to order by President JJ McClelland at 7:00 p.m. The pledge was led by the Bakkum, Anderson, and Cade families. The new members introduced themselves. Julie Larson gave the leaders report, handed out the meeting/activities schedule, and the member enrollment form. The club would like to thank the families who worked in the concessions at the fair and for making the pies. Due to an unanimous vote on email, we will no longer be having treats and refreshments at the end of the meetings. Joseph Roethel made a motion that we purchase a flag for Cornerstone Christian Academy for allowing us to hold our meetings at their building and Amber Nelson second it, it was passed. On October 14th Mark and Emily Nelson will be holding a hayride at 3:00 p.m., Julie Larson will email all the members directions to their home. The Bakkum, Anderson and the Cade families are responsible for set-up and clean-up for the October meeting. The next meeting will be held on November 5th at 7:00 p.m. Amber Nelson moved a motion to adjourn the meeting and Nicole Bakkum second it. Motion passed. After the meeting, Mikalyn Clements from our club talked about her trip to space camp in April and what she did. Jessica King, Emma Penchi and Maura Rem from the Vernon County Youth Ambassadors talked about the State 4-H Conference held in Madison and about Youth Ambassadors.

Lucky Clovers - Rachel Falkers

October—The meeting was called to order by President Emil Walleser at 7:20 P.M. Rachel Nigh and Ally Stilwell shared about different parts of the Ghoulies in the Coulees program. We decided to give two thanksgiving baskets to needy families in our community. We decided to give Zion Church a plant, donuts, and a card to thank them for letting us use their church for our meetings. New officers were installed. Record books are to be turned in at the November 5th meeting. Award trip application due date is November 1st. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P.M. The next meeting will be November 5th at 7:20 P.M. at Zion Church.



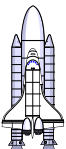




2013 4-H ARTS FESTIVAL
Saturday, March 2, 2013
Westby Area High School
(Snow Date: March 9th)

2013 4-H UPHAM WOODS CAMP
Wednesday, July 31 –
Friday, August 2nd



December 2012



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Space Camp Application Deadline 
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 Christmas Eve Office Closed	25 Christmas Day Office Closed	26	27 Youth Leadership Day (officer training and more!) 	28	29
30	31 New Years Eve—Office Open 	 Office Closed				



Vernon County 4-H Leader/Parent Federation

October 10, 2012



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Present: Executive Board: President-Jim Hawthorne- Nerison, Deb Primmer, Tammy Sherry-MM/Rt 56, Beth Lee-Springville Super Stars, Leaders: Cathy Sagler Enterprise Eagles, Joanne Hornby- DD/BB, Heather Dregne- East Ridge Beavers, Anne Marie Elwing-Lucky Covers, Betty Nigh-Lucky Clovers, Kyle Moser-Youth: Cordell Sagler, Colleen Pulvermacher – 4-H Youth Development.

President Jim Hawthorne called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Pledges were recited. Secretary's Report of September 19, 2012 was handed out and read by those attending. Heather Dregne made the motion to approve the Secretary's Report and, seconded by Joanne Hornby. Motion carried.

Correspondence: A Thank You card was received by Hannah and Teresa Falter for paying their admission to the WI State Fair Clothing Review and their stay at the Youth Center. It was a great experience for them.

Treasurer's Report. The Account Balances and Transaction Report for the month of September was handed out and gone over. The Treasurers Report was approved as read, Betty Nigh made a motion to approve and seconded by Heather Dregne. Motion carried. Bills presented to be paid for the month and authorization to pay the Umpham Woods bill. Heather Dregne made the motion, seconded by Cordell Sagler. Motion carried

Committee Reports: Food Stand – The Bunn coffee maker was moved to the Extension office so the water that was in it would not freeze. The Fair Board will blow the water lines on October 16. There was discussion on the concrete between the Cornerstone building and ours and discussion on the electrical bill and that will be followed up on at the next meeting.

Old Business: The attendance requirements were discussed and will be talked about at the next meeting. The requirements will take place next fall 2013. There will be input from all the clubs and then discussed at the Leaders Retreat in February. Colleen said there was a grant from the Agriculture to help pay for some of Tjarks salary because he also helped them this year.

New Business: We will need a new Vice-President and Secretary this year. These positions will be voted on at our January Banquet. Anyone interested please contact Jim Hawthorne or Tammy Sherry. The Vice-President will have one year and then go to President for one year and the Secretary will have the full two year commitment. It has been an enjoyable job to be the Secretary for the last two years.

The Springville Superstars Applied for a Service Grant. They would like Craig Kunce who is an entertaining and educational author. He will show young readers, artists and inventors how he writes, illustrates, publishes and markets his series of children's books, titled Edrick the Inventor. He will show how a hardcover books is made, demonstrates how he draws Edrick on a digital drawing tablet. The presentation will take place sometime in June of 2013. A motion was made by Cordell Sagler to approve \$150 for this service grant and seconded by Kyle Moser. Motion carried.

Educators Report – Colleen shared a handout listing the projects she has been working on at the county, regional, state and national levels. Projects cover a wide variety of youth development activities including, but not limited to, grant writing, conference planning, national 4-H week promotion, bully project, teen court to space camp.

Next meeting will be after the fair on Wednesday November 14 at 7:00pm at the extension office.

Cordell Sagler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Heather Dregne.

Meeting adjourned by Vice-President Lee at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Tammy Sherry, Secretary

Reminders!

All 4-H re-enrollments are due on or before November 15th to the Extension Office.



4-H WANTS YOU

To be able to participate in competitive events such as fair, June 1st is the deadline to enroll in 4-H and or add/change projects.

A \$5.00 late fee applies to all re-enrollments received between November 15th and June 1st.



Do you have questions or interest in a project? Here at the Extension Office we have a resource library full of project information!

This material may be checked out just like a library book!

**Our office hours are:
8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.
Monday-Friday**



4H Arts Camp by: Eva Gajewski

On October 6th I went to Arts Camp in Upham woods at the Dells .It was an experience I will never forget. When I arrived, the counselors told me the cabin I would sleep in and they led me to it to unpack. All of them were very kind. One of the reasons I went to Arts Camp was because my cousin Shannon Rabotski was a counselor. Throughout the day, we did many crafts and activities such as learning how to juggle. That was really fun! At the end of the day, we had a big campfire and a talent show behind the cabins. It was a great way to end the day. In the morning, we woke up and played even more games. I will definitely go back next year. I hope you will come too!



Vernon County 4-H Volunteer Orientation Thursday, November 29th, 6:30 p.m. UW-Extension Office—1st Floor Conference Rm

Please call 637-5276 or email cdaniels@vernoncounty.org to register for this required class for 4-H volunteers on or before Monday, Nov. 26th.

Salvation Army Launching Annual Bell Ringing Campaign for Vernon County



November 23rd thru December 24th

Viroqua Locations

Village Market—Indoors, Food Coop—Indoors,
Agricenter—Indoors or Outside, Wal-Mart—Outside

Many families are finding it hard to stay afloat. The Salvation Army looks to our community for their generosity and reaching out to those in need by volunteering to ring bells. This is a wonderful way to help our neighbors. Last year the total collected was over \$13,000.00. Donations last year were made to individuals in need such as: Fire Victims, Toys for Tots, Food Pantries, a Weather Radio Program for the Elderly and Stuff the Bus (back packs filled with school supplies) just to name a few.



If you or your 4-H club is interested helping with the 2012 Bell Ringing Campaign for Vernon County, please call Linda at 608-637-2216 or gilardi2@frontiernet.net. Donations can be mailed to: Attention Linda Gilardi, 205 Lincoln Ave., Viroqua WI 54665. Ringing the bell can be an hour to two hours or longer if a club wishes to take a longer time frame.

Thank You,
Linda Gilardi

NOVEMBER



ANIMAL PROJECT NEWS

DAIRY PROJECT



4-H DAIRY QUIZ BOWL AND SKILL-A-THON SATURDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2013

Entries for the Wisconsin 4-H Dairy Quiz bowl contest on Saturday February 2, 2013 are due on January 15, 2013. The event will be held at **Portage High School** in Portage, WI with registration for the event starting at 9:45am. The cost for the event will be \$10 per team.

NEW THIS YEAR Senior participants will also be eligible to compete in a Skill-A-Thon contest the same day as the Quiz Bowl Contest. Details for this new event are still being worked out so please check back to the Wisconsin Dairy Youth website in mid November for more information on this event. In the dairy bowl, contestants will answer a variety of questions about dairy cattle. All questions will come from the sources listed in the official dairy bowl rules which can be found on the Wisconsin Dairy Youth website at www.uwex.edu/ces/dairyouth/qbowl.php Teams compete in a double elimination format by giving oral answers to questions posed by the moderator. There will be three divisions; Junior, Senior and Mixed which may be composed of both Junior and Senior aged participants. Junior participants must be aged 9-13 on January 1, 2013 and Senior participants must be aged 14-18 on January 1, 2013. The winning dairy bowl team will represent Wisconsin at the Invitational 4-H youth Dairy Bowl Contest at the North American International Livestock Exposition (N.A.I.L.E) in Louisville, KY. More information on the Wisconsin 4-H Dairy Bowl may be found at www.uwex.edu/ces/dairyouth or by contacting Beth Heinze at heinze2@wisc.edu



Fair projects and ribbons that were not picked up after the fair this year may be here at the office. Please check with your club leader to see if they will be picking up these items or if you need to come to the Extension Office yourself. All projects and or ribbons must be picked up before Friday, November 30th or they may be thrown away!

Horse & Pony Project



The Horse & Pony Projects monthly meeting was held on Sunday, October 21st, at the UW-Extension Office. Youth attending the meeting were: Katrina

Bjornstad, Christine De Pooter, Drew Dravis, Jessica King & Joselyn Wiltrout. Adult leaders attending the meeting were: Joann Schultz and Gail Bolstad? Meeting was called to order by our youth president. A project activity was first on the agenda. We made horse treats for the members' horses and ponies.

Old Business: Vernon County 4-H Horse and Pony Comments and Ideas Cards were collected and ideas such as new stalls in the horse barn at the fair grounds and the project requirements to show at the fair were discussed. Any other youth and/or parents that did not turn in these sheets may do so at the next meeting or via e-mail to Gail Bolstad, gailandaaron@yahoo.com. We have six individuals attending the 4-H Horse Leaders Conference Nov. 9 -11. A motion was made by Jessica King to pay for the three youth members that are attending the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Leaders Conference in River Falls, seconded by Katrina Bjornstad. Motion was passed.

New Business: Gail Bolstad from Nerison 4-H Club has agreed to be the new County Horse & Pony Project Leader for 2013. The project is also in need of volunteers for several committees. One is having someone to help with organizing and ordering ribbons for next year's show season. If anyone is interested in volunteering for this and or other committees, please contact Gail. A big thank you to Kristen Cowden and Joann Schultz for all of their hard work and leadership this year!

Next Meeting: November 18th, 1:00 p.m., UW-Extension Office. On the agenda is to plan out next year's calendar of events. Please bring your calendars. Members have expressed interest in having two fun shows in 2013, the summer show, which is also the qualifying show for state Horse Expo, a trail ride, an overnight clinic and some gymkhana fun nights! Meeting was adjourned.

Gail Bolstad,
Vernon County 4-H Horse and Pony Project Leader



4-H ADULT VOLUNTEERS — THE FEDERATION NEEDS YOU!



The Vernon County 4-H Leader Parent Federation is looking for interested adults to serve as vice president and treasurer for the 2013-2015 term which will begin after the recognition banquet in January.

The purpose of the Federation is to:

- a. Assist the Vernon County University Extension office staff in planning, conducting and administering the 4-H program in Vernon County.
- b. Set policies and provide financial support for 4-H activities, trips and programs.
- c. To serve as an advisory body to County Extension personnel with regard to the county 4-H program.

The ***Vice President*** role is a two year term, the first year being a support to the President of the federation and the second year to moving into the President role.

Duties include:

Filling in for executive officers that may not be able to attend a meeting, including leading the Federation meeting if the President is not able to attend.

Serve as chairman of the promotion committee.

Assist in providing 4-H officer training.

Please consider:

--Consistent attendance at the monthly 4-H Leader Parent Federation Meetings (currently held second Wednesday evening of the month at 7 p.m. Meetings last 1 –2 hours).

--Willingness to learn other officer roles.

--Provide leadership on the promotion committee and in organizing 4-H club officer training.

The ***Secretary*** position is a two year term.

Duties include:

Keep minutes of the meetings of the 4-H Leader Parent Federation.

E-mail minutes to the Extension office on a timely basis for publication in the 4-H newsletter.

Work with the Extension Office on special correspondence and communications as necessary.

Please Consider:

—Consistent attendance at the monthly 4-H Leader Parent Federation Meetings (currently held second Wednesday evening of the month at 7 p.m. Meetings last 1-2 hours).

—Proficiency with Microsoft word and e-mail is essential.

For further information, or to express interest, please contact Jim Hawthorne, Federation President, 634-4424 or Beth Lee, Vice President, 637-2608. Voting is conducted at the January recognition celebration.

2012 Leader/Parent Federation 4-H Calender Raffle Winners!

Congratulations!

Date	Names Drawn	Sold By Name/4-H Club
10/1/2012	Dariel Ebert - Sparta	Deacan Carpenter - Springville Superstars
	Harley Helgeson - Westby	Arik Helgeson - East Ridge Beavers
10/2/2012	Kim Dravis - Stoddard	Drew Dravis - Retreat Ramblers
	Ellen House - Chatfield, MN	Tewalt Toilers
10/3/2012	Kathy Brownell - Sparta	Deacan Carpenter - Springville Superstars
	Mary Nelson - Westby	Arielle Konze - Seas Branch Smithies
10/4/2012	Tom Bridges - Westby	Kiara Yttri - Liberty Pole Boosters
	Steve O'Reilly - Goodhue, MN	Dawson Swenson - Liberty Pole Boosters
10/5/2012	Diane Langaard - Westby	Dustin Bekkum - Nerison
	Craig Tunks - Stoddard	Samantha Tunks - Enterprise Eagles
10/8/2012	Faith & Gavin Pederson - Phoenix, AZ	Unknown - Nothing noted on back of stub
	Ytri Plumbing, Viroqua	Kiara Yttri - Liberty Pole Boosters
10/9/2012	Steve Brey - Hillsboro	Ali Brey - Hillsboro Hotshots
	Alicia Bonner - Goodhue, MN	Ella Swenson - Liberty Pole Boosters
10/10/2012	Nora Soltau - Viroqua	Tahmara Hendrickson - Liberty Pole Boosters
	Dewayne Kastner - Westby	Emilie Brose - Seas Branch Smithies
10/11/2012	Hannah Falter - Westby	Hannah Falter - Nerison
	William Charaf - Land O' Lakes, WI	Kai Clark - Liberty Pole Boosters
10/12/2012	Kimberly Cade - Viroqua	Brynn Cade - Seas Branch Smithies
	Brad Hauser - Westby	Ty Nottestad - Seas Branch Smithies
10/15/2012	Brynn Cade - Viroqua	Brynn Cade - Seas Branch Smithies
	McKenna Jothan - Westby	Aubrey Jothan - Nerison
10/16/2012	Leif Quackenbush - Viroqua	Andrew Quackenbush - MM/Rt 56
	Susie Clark - Knoxville, TN	Kai Clark - Liberty Pole Boosters
10/17/2012	Cindy Schoonover - Westby	Mallory Schmitt - MM/Rt 56
	Thelma Berger - Westby	Gunnar Hanson - Seas Branch Smithies
10/18/2012	Steve Rumppe - Westby	Trista Rumppe - Springville Superstars
	Sarah Jepsen - Westby	Eli Jepsen - East Ridge Beavers
10/19/2011	Carolyn Williams - Hillsboro	Owen Williams - Hillsboro Hotshots
	Randy Hedrington - Holmen	Alia Henrichsen - Enterprise Eagles
10/22/2012	Coleen Peterson - Soldiers Grove	Chase Voelker - Retreat Ramblers
	Joy Moser - Westby	Courtney Moser - Seas Branch Smithies
10/23/2012	Emily Fortun - Viroqua	Emily Fortun - Seas Branch Smithies
	Gene Cary - Viroqua	Brecken Fortney - Liberty Pole Boosters
10/24/2012	Whitney Mislivecek - Chaseburg	Brittany Mislivecek - Enterprise Eagles
	Kim Yehle - Onalaska	Ashah Roth - Davis Diggers/Belgium Builders
10/25/2012	Rick Pietruszka - Viroqua	Cordell Sagler - Enterprise Eagles
	Thomas Larson - Viroqua	Katherine Larson - Springville Superstars
10/26/2012	Sarah Coady - La Crosse	Emma Hanson - Enterprise Eagles
	Julia Wiltinger - Genoa	Julia Wiltinger - Mississippi Steamers
10/29/2012	Tim Seland - Viroqua	Darik Moilien - Nerison
	Kimberly Culp - La Crosse	Michael Krause - Enterprise Eagles
10/30/2012	Joanne Dach - Viroqua	Max Dach - Mapledale Motivators/Rt 56
	Patty Pulvermacher - Richland Center	Extension Office
10/31/2012	Sandy Curran - Madison	Courtney Moser - Seas Branch Smithies
	Riley Cade - Viroqua	Riley Cade - Seas Branch Smithies

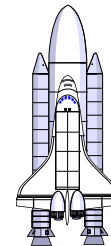
SPACE CAMP

4-H Missions in Space

Huntsville, Alabama

April 18-22 2013

Boldly go where other 4-H'ers fear to tread...



- WHAT:** A fun-filled educational weekend at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, AL: participants will complete a simulated Space Shuttle mission, experience training simulators, tour the U.S. Space & Rocket Center and learn about becoming an astronaut.
- WHO:** Enrolled 4-H members in good standing in their counties who are in grades 6-8 may apply. Adult Advisors will be selected at a ratio of one per ten youth to accompany the group of 100+ youth on the trip. (Interested adults should ask their county 4-H office staff for a State & National Adult Leader Application, due March 1. All adult leaders must be certified Wisconsin 4-H leaders over 21 years of age. Mandatory Adult Leader training workshop will be held March 16, 2012 in Madison.
- WHY:** Explore the fascinating world of space exploration, space science and technology!
- WHEN:** Departure will be morning on Thursday and return to Wisconsin on Monday. A mandatory teleconference orientation is scheduled for 7:00-8:20 pm., Tuesday, March 5, 2013. Details will be provided with a confirmation letter and on the State 4-H website (<http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/spacecamp/index.cfm>). An optional workshop has been scheduled for 1:30-3:30 p.m., Saturday, March 16, at UW Space Place (Madison, WI) so delegates can meet others from their mission and experience hands-on space exploration activities prior to travel.
- WHERE:** U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. A motor coach will make pickups at Eau Claire, Wausau, Madison and Milwaukee before traveling overnight to Huntsville. Return sites are the same.
- COST:** Tentative registration fees including coach travel are approximately \$500 depending on transportation costs. Final fees will be confirmed and announced in February. Only written cancellations will be accepted. No cancellations can be accepted and no refunds will be issued after February 1. Medical emergencies will be considered for partial refund on a case by case basis. Same-gender substitutions may be made until March 1. Payment is due to your county 4-H office by March 15 written payable to UW-Ext.
- HOW:** Call your county UW Extension 4-H/Youth Development office or go on-line to the Wisconsin 4-H website to obtain a Space Camp (Pathfinder Mission) application. All selections for applicants are made within counties. The completed application must be postmarked to your county Extension 4-H Youth Development office prior to December 1 or county-established deadline. Priority selection will be given to first time applicants; alumni are welcome to apply and will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis after registration closes on January 11. ALL applicants will be notified of their status (confirmed or on waiting list) shortly thereafter. An expectation form and a health form are due February 1.

Program details: During this program, you will travel on a motor coach; sleep overnight on the coach on the return trip; eat in restaurants and a camp cafeteria, share same-gender sleeping and restroom facilities, sleep in double or bunk beds, work with a team of 12-15 similar aged youth to help them solve problems, and read a script aloud during a mock space mission under the guidance of an adult advisor. Youth will be under the direct supervision of adult 4-H volunteers, Wisconsin 4-H staff, Space Camp staff adult counselors and WI 4-H youth counselors. Adult Advisors are assigned at a ratio of 1:10 youth. A Youth Counselor will be assigned to each youth camper lodging room; at least one adult of the same gender will be housed per floor. Both genders will be housed on the same floor. The health staff is a Wisconsin 4-H adult volunteer who has first aid/CPR training. Participants may be able to experience some or all of the following activities: train like the pioneers of Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo; tumble and spin in a Multi-Axis Trainer; float on air in a 5-Degrees of Freedom Chair; walk like Apollo astronauts in a 1/6th Gravity Chair; experience a world without friction in the MMU – Manned Maneuvering Unit; explore the past, present and future of space flight; and experience a giant screen IMAX® theater. Activities may also include large group games and running which allow personal contact with other campers; walking or standing for several hours on concrete floors or sidewalks; climbing on an indoor climbing wall with safety equipment; swimming in a hotel pool with non-lifeguard trained Adult Advisors present; writing; public speaking; and performing skits. For more information about Space Camp and to connect to other great links, visit www.spacecamp.com. Sample schedules can be found in the [Wisconsin 4-H Participant Handbook](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/spacecamp/index.cfm) (<http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/spacecamp/index.cfm>).

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. If you need an interpreter, materials in alternate formats or other accommodations to access this program, activity or service, please contact Outreach Specialist Kay Hobler at (608) 262-1557 as soon as possible preceding the scheduled event so that proper arrangements can be made in a timely fashion. Note that meals are prepared in institutional kitchens where cross contamination of nut, wheat, or other food product residue could occur, making it impossible to guarantee certain food-allergen-free meals. All requests are kept confidential.

SPACE CAMP APPLICATION

WISCONSIN 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

4-H MISSIONS IN SPACE: PATHFINDER PROGRAM, HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

Depart Thursday morning, April 18; return Monday, April 22, 2013.

Note: This is an application only. Priority selection will be given to first time applicants; alumni are welcome to apply and will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis after registration closes on January 11.

All applicants will be notified of their status soon thereafter.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY WITH BLACK INK

Name _____
Last First Middle

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Gender _____ Female _____ Male Date of Birth _____ Age (at time of camp) _____

Check grade currently attending: _____ 6th _____ 7th _____ 8th

Race/Ethnic Code, optional (used for statistical purposes only):

Ethnicity (check one): _____ Hispanic _____ Not Hispanic

Race (check all that apply): _____ American Indian/Alaskan Native _____ Asian _____ Black/African-American
_____ Hawaiian/Pacific Islander _____ White _____ Two or more races _____ Other _____

Daytime Phone (_____) _____ Evening Phone (_____) _____

E-mail Address _____

Parents/Guardians Names _____

Parent/Guardian's cell Phone (_____) _____

T-shirts are adults sizes and are 100% cotton so they run small (sorry, size "small" is unavailable.)

__ Medium (36-38) __ Large (40-42) __ X-Large (44-46) __ 2X (48-50) __ 3X (52-54)

Are you or have you been enrolled in a 4-H Aerospace project? _____ Yes _____ No

Number of years in the Aerospace project _____ Attended WI 4-H Space Camp before: _____ Yes _____ No

I wish to board the bus at: _____ Eau Claire _____ Madison _____ Milwaukee _____ Wausau

I wish to get off the bus at: : _____ Eau Claire _____ Madison _____ Milwaukee _____ Wausau

Signature of person attending program

Please print name

Parent or Guardian's signature

Date

Keep a copy of your completed application for your records.

Postmark or deliver to your County Extension 4-H Office by December 1, 2012

University of Wisconsin-Extension in an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Institution, Wisconsin 4-H Youth educational programs and materials, and all other Cooperative Extension programs and materials, are available to all without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, or age.

2013 WISCONSIN 4-H ADULT ADVISOR OPPORTUNITIES

Love working with youth? Interested in aerospace? Citizenship? Leadership? International travel?

Wisconsin 4-H Wants You!

What opportunities exist?

Citizenship Washington Focus bus trips to Washington, D.C. (June-July);
National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia (late November);
Space Camp bus trip to Huntsville, Alabama (late April);
International trips to Argentina, Australia, Finland, Japan, Korea, Mexico, or Tanzania (summer).

Who can apply?

Applicants must be at least 21 years old (25 for some international experiences) at time of trip.
Applicants must have completed the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Protection program and currently be registered as 4-H leaders.

What are the expectations of Adult Advisors?

Applicants must be in good physical condition to withstand rigors associated with the trip. Expect much walking on hard surfaces, handling luggage, and sharing a sleeping room. Sleep deficit is common.
Space Camp and Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) leaders can expect long periods of riding on a bus.
CWF participants usually experience high temperatures with humidity in Washington D.C.
Public speaking is required.
Adult leaders must work cooperatively with fellow Advisor team members and remain with the delegation at all times during the trip.
Adult leaders are required to submit a report and evaluation upon completion of the program.

Participation at scheduled teleconference or in-person orientations is mandatory.

How much time does it require?

Advisors are required to attend both Adult Advisor and delegate orientations.
Preparatory time and time to complete a follow-up report and evaluation must also be scheduled.
Most trips are for three to seven days but international trips are four to eight weeks, depending on the program.

What does it cost?

Registration, lodging and travel expenses are covered for national trips; some meals are at the Adult Advisor's expense.
Selected international Advisors will need passports and physicians' reports; some fees apply.

What are the criteria for Advisor selection?

Motivation: An applicant's first and foremost reason for applying must be motivated by a genuine desire to lead a youth group, attending to the group's welfare and education, ***not for a vacation or to experience a son or daughter's trip.***
Experience: An applicant must have previous experience chaperoning local, county, district or state overnight or extended trips, whether for 4-H, school, Scouts, or other youth groups.
Gender: Youth must be represented by adults of their same gender.
Geographic location: Bus trips for CWF and Space Camp originate in Eau Claire where an Advisor is needed at the initial loading site for each trip. If a leader is not from that area, it should be noted on the application if he/she is willing to board/disembark at Eau Claire. National Congress requires Advisors at three or four widely dispersed airports.
Interpersonal communication: Leaders must be team players who work together.
Leadership ability. Effective teams unify a variety of talents: organization, "people skills", guiding....
Previous travel experience: National Congress leaders must have flight experience; international Advisors must have traveled internationally at least once.
Sense of humor! A vital part of state and national 4-H trips is having fun, both for youth and adults.

How do I apply?

For an application, contact a county 4-H office or call 4-H Outreach at 608/262-1557 or 608/262-0575 or visit <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/volunteers/index.cfm> .

A complete application must be submitted before March 1 (January 1 for international trips).
A county 4-H Youth Development Agent's reference is required. Other references may be required.
All applicants will be notified of their status in early March.

Each trip has a different focus with different desired attributes for leaders. If someone doesn't fit into one position, they might be great elsewhere. Advisor applicants will experience some wonderful hot competition for a few positions! If you are not selected this year, please don't be discouraged! Apply again next year!

4-H Shooting Sports Certification Training



To serve as a Shooting Sports Leader, 4-H leaders must complete the Youth Protection process, be at least 18 years old, and participate in at least one state-level 4-H Leader Training Shooting Sports certification in the discipline in which they are providing supervision. If an adult leader is not certified, he/she cannot provide hands-on or safety instruction without a certified leader being present.

Certification workshops are not designed to teach volunteers how to use archery equipment or shoot a firearm, but are designed to teach adults how to conduct safe, supervised, shooting experiences for 4-H members enrolled in the project. **Therefore, only adults who have experience in safely handling archery equipment and/or firearms should enroll in these certification workshops.**

In 2012, there was three certification workshops offered—one Eastern, one Western and one Central. In the future, we plan to offer the Central certification every year in the fall. Coordinator, Pistol and Muzzleloader will only be offered at the annual Central certification in addition to Archery, Rifle and Shotgun. For 2013, we will offer certification workshops in the north and south as well as the central area.

REVISED CERTIFICATION POLICY—Add an additional certification with a one-day/eight-hour/two-year option:

Starting in 2012 and in the future: If you complete a 12-hour certification, you *may be eligible to add an additional discipline certification by attending an eight-hour Discipline certification only. For example, if you attended the Eastern-Area 12-hour certification workshop in April 2012 (which included the four-hour Guidelines session on Friday evening and an eight-hour range session on Saturday) and then attend the Central Area certification in September, you only need attend the eight-hour Saturday range session to be certified in another discipline.*

If you add an additional certification after attending a 12-hour workshop in 2012, you have up to two years from the date that you attended the workshop to add another discipline certification using the eight-hour option. As long as you add another eight-hour certification within two years of your last certification, you do not need to repeat a 12-hour certification. If two years expire before your next certification workshop date, the 12-hour certification workshop is required. Those attending certifications for the first time must attend the 12-hour certification workshop before they can be considered eligible for the eight-hour option.

Special thanks are extended to the Wisconsin Chapter National Wild Turkey Federation, State Chapter Safari Club International, Northeast Chapter Safari Club International, MidwayUSA, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Federal Cartridge, Friends of the NRA, and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation for making these certification training sessions possible.

2013 4-H Shooting Sports Certification Training

Watch our Vernon County 4-H newsletter for 2013 training dates and location information!

2013 Competitive Shoots (to date):

Shawano County All-Star Shootout

May 10-11, 2013

Shawano County Summer All-Star Shootout

June 15, 2013

2013 National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational

June 23-28, 2013



Wisconsin Pork Association Announces Scholarships

The Wisconsin Pork Association announces scholarships available to high school seniors and college students. Students with a sincere interest in the swine industry are encouraged to apply.

Wisconsin Pork Association Scholarship

The Wisconsin Pork Association scholarship is open to high school seniors with a sincere interest in the pork industry. Preference will be given to those students possessing leadership abilities and interests in the swine industry.

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. 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 scholarship.

Application Deadlines

Individuals wishing to receive a copy of the scholarship applications can contact Wisconsin Pork Association at 1-800-822-7675, via e-mail at wppa@wppa.org, or can download the applications at www.wppa.org. The application deadline is December 10, 2012.

The Wisconsin Pork Association's mission is to insure the future success of the Wisconsin pork industry. WPA represents the interests of the pork industry members with a strong emphasis on social issues, public and government policies, environment, animal welfare and safety.

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Ag Truths Not Tails Conference, January 25-26, 2013

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 25-26, 2013 (Friday night stay and activities are optional) at the Upham Woods 4-H Environmental Education Center in Wisconsin Dells.

Bring a team of youth and adults to these interactive networking sessions focused on animal welfare, led by leaders in the livestock and dairy industry.

Enrollment closes January 16, 2013. **This is a great opportunity for county educational credits.** 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.

4-H International Outbound Programs for 2013



Travel the world! Experience another culture! Become a global citizen! If you have ever wanted to explore all the world has to offer than 4-H International programs are for you. This is your chance to learn about the world around you by immersing yourself in daily life as a member of a family in a different country. You will gain a sense of independence and confidence that will stay with you for a lifetime!

If you're a 4-H youth 12 or older, you can apply to travel with other 4-H'ers from around the U.S. to visit Argentina, Australia, Finland, Japan, or Tanzania through Wisconsin 4-H International Programs. By participating in a homestay instead of traveling as a tourist you'll have the opportunity to learn about the country's culture from an insider's perspective, evolve as a global citizen, quickly adapt to new situations and ways of communication, and develop friendships and memories that will last a lifetime.

There are also a number of benefits to traveling as a 4-H Youth Exchange delegate. First of all, the outbound programs offered by Wisconsin 4-H are offered in partnership with States' 4-H International Exchange Programs where safety is a top priority. All 4-H international delegations are accompanied by carefully selected and trained adult advisors who serve as a resource for youth delegates to ensure that they have a positive experience.

In addition to teleconference meetings to answer questions early in the travel preparation process and departure orientations in gateway cities as delegates leave the United States, Wisconsin also provides delegates with a comprehensive weekend-long orientation in early March, where everything from cultural preparation to travel is covered. Finally, Wisconsin 4-H delegates can fundraise through their county program to help offset costs while participating in community outreach.

The exchanges to Argentina, Australia and Finland are month-long experiences, while the inaugural Tanzania Exchange is a two-week program. Japanese programs offer a month-long exchange with an optional additional month of intensive Japanese language training. Visit <http://wi4hinternational.org/> for additional information and applications. Applications are due to the Wisconsin 4-H International Programs office by January 1, 2013.



FRESH FROM WISCONSIN!

Attention 4-H Clubs: Enter to win Cedar Crest Ice Cream's Feature Flavor Contest

Cedar Crest Ice Cream of Cedarburg, Wisconsin and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation present a contest in which the 1600 Wisconsin-based 4-H Clubs may compete for a \$300 cash prize and an ice cream party for club members, plus the winning flavor will be produced by Cedar Crest Ice Cream Company during June dairy month next spring. The "Create and Name the Ice Cream Flavor" contest gives 4-H youth a unique opportunity to develop a new ice cream product and name it, with the winning entry to be produced by Cedar Crest Ice Cream in 2013 in time for June Dairy Month celebrations. Taste-testers and judges chosen by Cedar Crest will review submissions.

Official ice-cream contest entry forms are found on Cedar Crest Ice Cream Company's website: www.cedarcresticecream.com and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation's website: <http://wis4hfoundation.org> or call the WI 4-H Foundation at 608-262-1597 or Kay Schmit at Cedar Crest Ice Cream 1-800-877-8341. Entry deadline is December 1, 2012. Rules: One entry per club or program. Mail entries to: Cedar Crest Ice Cream, 7269 Hwy 60, Cedarburg WI 53012 or email to kschmit@cedarcresticecream.com

Friends and family members of youth now in Wisconsin 4-H, along with 4-H alums should get involved also -- by sharing ideas with current club members!

For more information, contact: WI 4-H Foundation's Executive Director of Development, Kristi Thering-Tuschen at 608-262-1597 or Kay Schmit, Marketing Manager at Cedar Crest Ice Cream at 800-877-8341 kschmit@cedarcresticecream.com



**Here's What's Cookin'
December Recipe**
*From the Kitchen of Marcia Meshbesher
Vernon County Fair Cultural Arts Superintendent*



Chicken and Dumplings

Ingredients

- 2 pounds skinless, boneless, chicken thighs, cut into pieces.
- 2 cups diagonally cut celery
- 2 cups cup up carrots
- 2 cups chopped onion
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 12 sprigs parsley
- 4 bay leaves
- 12 cups chicken broth
- 2 1/2 cups flour
- 5 tablespoons chopped parsley
- 1 1/4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 1/4 teaspoons salt
- 1 1/4 cups milk



Instructions

Heat large pan. Coat with cooking spray. Cook chicken until browned. Remove chicken and add celery, and next 5 ingredients, through bay leaf and sauté until onion is tender. Return chicken to pan and cook another minute. Add broth and bring to boil. Cover, reduce heat and simmer for 30 minutes. Comb flour, parsley, baking powder, salt in bowl and then add milk, just stirring until moist, then add by small teaspoonful into broth mixture. Cover and simmer 10 minutes or until dumplings done. Discard parsley springs and bay leaf and serve. Makes about 16 plus cups. (Freezes well)

DAY	DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
Thursday	Nov 1	Trip Award/Friend of 4-H/Special Leader/Vol of Year/ Proj Disc-Deadline!	4:30 p.m.	UW-Extension Office
Thursday	Nov 1	Beginning Sheep Shearing School—Registration Deadline		Contact: Todd Taylor 608-846-5858
Sat—Sun	Nov 3-4	Youth Leadership Derby		Sheboygan Falls, Wis
Sunday	Nov 4	Standard Time Change — 	1:00 a.m.	
Fri—Sun	Nov 9-11	Wisconsin 4-H Horse Leaders Conference		UW-River Falls
Fri—Sun	Nov 9-11	Youth as Partners in Civic Leadership		Camp Matawa, Campbellsport, WI
Monday	Nov 12	Veterans Day Observed—Office Closed		
Wednesday	Nov 14	Leader/Parent Federation Meeting	7:00 p.m.	UW-Extension Office
Thursday	Nov 15	4-H Re-Enrollment Deadline	4:30 p.m.	UW-Extension Office
Thursday	Nov 22	Thanksgiving—Office Closed		
Friday	Nov 23	Office Closed		
Monday	Nov 26	Volunteer Orientation—Registration Deadline	4:30 p.m.	UW-Extension Office
Thursday	Nov 29	Volunteer Orientation	7:00 p.m.	UW-Extension Office
Saturday	Dec 1	Youth Leadership Conference		Chula Vista
Saturday	Dec 1	Space Camp Application—Deadline		UW-Extension Office

Daylight Saving time change this fall is Sunday, Nov. 4. at 2 a.m.



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