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. Please do so 10 days before the program activity so that proper arrangements can be made.

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Vernon County 4-H Leaders Retreat
July 17, 2013—10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Kickapoo Valley Reserve
Potluck—Please make sure and bring a recipe card for the newsletter!
Updates: State, County & Federation - New Curriculum
Inspiration: Ideas From Other 4-H Leaders
Please contact Colleen with topics you would like addressed.
Please RSVP on or before July , 10, 2013

4-H Clothing Revue
Information on the 4-H Clothing Revue will soon be mailed to all clothing project members. Additional forms will be available at the Extension office. The revue date has been set for Tuesday, June, 18th. Registration is at 6 p.m. sharp, Viroqua Church of Christ, 825 Nelson Parkway, Viroqua. Entry deadline is, Tuesday, June 4th.

Show Your Support of the WI 4-H Foundation...Like Us on Facebook
The mission of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation is to generate resources to invest in positive development of 4-H youth. Annually, the Foundation supports dozens of 4-H youth development programs, helps fund attendance at national competitions and conferences, and provides college scholarship support to 4-H youth continuing on to post high school education. The resources generated by the Foundation benefit the nearly 350,000 4-H youth across the state! Help us spread the word about the Foundation and our work by “liking” us on Facebook. Liking our page is easy. Just visit http://www.facebook.com/Wisconsin4HFoundation and click the “like” button. Then, engage with us by liking or sharing a couple of our posts each week. This is a great way for us to expand our audience and reach more people as we continue to build awareness and financial support for 4-H youth across the state. Please take a few minutes to show your support and share the Revolution of Responsibility! Visit www.wis4Hfoundation.org, call (608) 333-2023 or email us at info@wis4Hfoundation.org with questions or for more information.

34th Vernon County Dairy Breakfast
Saturday, June 1st, 2013
Lee and Cheryl Johnson—Whispering Pines Dairy Farm
Lee and Cheryl Johnson will host the 34th Vernon County Dairy Breakfast on Saturday, June 1, at Whispering Pines Dairy Farm, on Bishop Road near Retreat, 25 minutes south of Viroqua. Breakfast will be served from 7–11 a.m. and will cost $5 for each adult. Meals for children younger than 10 will cost $2 apiece. The breakfast menu will consist of eggs, pancakes, sausage, orange juice and an array of dairy products. Tim and the Floppy Cowboys, along with the Grilled Cheese Experience, will provide entertainment. The Vernon County Dairy Promotion Committee will sponsor the event.

A Message From: Ally, Rachel, Savannah, Lily, Sabrina, Gus, Brandon, Austin, Issac and Josh
Vernon County 2013 Space Camp attendees!
Space Camp is a fun and safe place for everyone to learn with hands on activities and simulators. We would recommend this trip to anyone interested in science, math and meeting new people! A special thank you to our chaperones, Betty Night & Ray List!
Old Business: We decided that with the extra money our club has that we are going to go bowling on Sunday, April 21, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. The club will be paying for the pizza, Brittany Dunnum made a motion for the club to pay for the pizza and Mackenzie Berg seconded. People that performed at Arts Fest shared there results. Good job everyone! New Business: We decided that we are going to have a float in the Syttende Mai parade. The parade is May 19th, more details to follow. The mandatory beef weight-in is Friday, April 12th from 4-9 pm and Saturday, April 13th 8-noon. If you intend to participate in the meat animal sale at the fair you must be at the weight-in. We decided to donate fifty dollars to the Hoff family, for their hard time. John Lucas made a motion to donate fifty dollars to the Hoff family and Hunter Moilen seconded. The next meeting will be April 21, 2013 at 1:30 at Nordic Lanes. There will be pizza and a brief meeting. Please think of float ideas for the next meeting. Katie Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting and John Lucas seconded.

Lucky Clovers – Rachel Falkers
April - President Brady Nigh called the meeting to order. Alicia Penchi led the 4-H pledge, and Joseph Falkers the pledge of Allegiance. The Secretary’s minutes and the Treasurer’s report were given. Jim Bomkamp and Anne Marie spoke on the past parent meeting. Rachel Nigh spoke about May Baskets and that was followed by club discussion on that subject. For the cleaning of Zion Church: Brady Nigh will update via email. Following the meeting, we assembled tissue paper flowers for the May Baskets and that was followed by club discussion on that subject. For the cleaning of Zion Church: Brady Nigh will update via email. Following the meeting, we assembled tissue paper flowers for the May Baskets and That was followed by club discussion on that subject.

Youth Ambassadors!
Given the many June 4-H activities already scheduled, the Youth Ambassadors decided not to have a June meeting. Check out these opportunities:

- June 1st Dairy Breakfast – help is always needed and appreciated.
- June 3rd Edrick the Inventor author Craig Kunce who is an entertainer and educational author.
- June 8 – 9th Horse Camp/Super Saturday Combo!
- June 9th Shooting Sports Orientation
- Week of June 10th FFA Convention
- June 17 – 19th Tractor Safety
- June 18th - Clothing Revue
- June 19 - 20th Camp Counselor Training
- June 24 – 27th 4-H State Youth Conference
- Community Service and fun planned for July!
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The Springville Super Stars 4-H Club welcomes all clubs in the county to join us for an “annual” county-wide event made possible through a grant from the Vernon County Parent-Leader Federation. This year’s program will take place Monday, June 3rd—7:00 at the Vernon Memorial Healthcare Expo Center at the Vernon County Fairgrounds and features Craig Kunce who is an entertainer and educational author. That evening he will show readers, artists and inventors how he writes, illustrates, publishes and markets his series of children’s books, titled “Edrick the Inventor.” He also discusses other books he illustrates, like the Darien book series. During the program, he also reads Edrick’s books, shows how a hardcover book is made, demonstrates how he draws Edrick on a digital drawing tablet, and always leaves time for questions and answers. The digital format being offered will also be a new experience. The program will provide a mini business plan. You can also check out Craig’s website at http://edricktheinventor.com/author_visits.html for more information. This presentation is a great opportunity for clubs from across the county to join together for educational programming. Reading is a great hobby, past time and educational need for our 4-H members. Mr. Kunce teaches graphic arts classes through WTC and can share information related to careers in the graphic communications field as well. If you plan to attend, please email or call Julie Larson at julie.larson@merial.com or 608.778.2459 by Friday, May 31st. Please make your calendar now and plan to join us.

Reminder!

State Fair Paper Entry Deadline!
Wednesday, June 5th

State Fair Online Entry Deadline!
Wednesday, June 19th

Animal Projects

2013 4-H DAIRY JUDGING SCHEDULE

Thank you to the dairy producers who are opening their farms to host this year’s 4-H dairy judging workouts. We couldn’t offer a 4-H dairy judging program without them!! All workouts will start at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 8—Petersheim Family
E5633A Sag City Rd, Viroqua, WI
608.675.3893

Wednesday, May 15—Steve & Kay Holte
E7166 Tri-State Road, Westby, WI
608.634.4545

Saturday, May 18—Two-farm practice day. The 4-H van will be available as transportation to and from these farms

Wednesday, May 22—Peterson Jerseys
S3667 Peterson Lane, Viroqua, WI
608.634.3243

Wednesday, May 29—Cary and Joy Moser
264 Coon Prairie Ave, Westby, WI
608.632.1401

Wednesday, June 5—Norse-Star Jerseys
S1175 Lovaas Ridge Rd, Westby, WI
608.606.9337

Saturday, June 8—Two-farm practice day. The 4-H van will be available as transportation to and from these farms

Wednesday, June 12—Paul and Darlene Buhr
S4166 Orchard Rd, Viroqua, WI
608.637.3480

Friday, June 14—Area Animal Science Days Judging Contest – Jefferson County Fairgrounds

If you need directions to the farms, please call them directly as the phone numbers are listed. More details on the judging practices and contest will be provided at the first workout. If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact the Junior Team coach, Mike Hall at 608.632.1509 or the Senior Team Coach, Chrissy Meyer at 608.512.9140 or chrissymeyer1@gmail.com.

We look forward to seeing you all at the first workout!!
Vernon County Fair
Weigh-in Reminder!

Hog Weigh-in
The Mandatory Hog Weigh-in is scheduled for Friday, May 17, from 4-8 p.m. and Saturday, May 18 from 8 a.m. to NOON. The weigh-in will take place in the Livestock Show and Sale Arena at the fairgrounds. You must have your hogs weighed if you intend to participate in the 2013 Meat Animal Sale at the Vernon County Fair.

Sheep Weigh-in
The MANDATORY sheep weigh-in will be held at the same time and location as the hog weigh-in (please read the above article). You must have your lamb weighed and identified if you intend to participate in the 2013 Meat Animal Sale at the Vernon County Fair. You can fill out your “sheep registration” form at the time of weigh-in. All lambs that are to be weighed-in MUST have their scrapies ear tag.

Vernon County Dog Project News
Obedience Classes
Registration night will be Monday, May 20, 2013 at the Vernon County Fairgrounds in the Hanson Arena from 5:30 to 6:15pm without dogs. First class will be on Monday June 3rd with dogs starting at 6:00p.m. Agility practice will start in Mid July. A pre-registration form is required! Forms are available at the Extension Office and on the website: vernon.uwex.edu. Please bring the completed form with you to the Monday, May 20th meeting. Cost for this program will be $10 for 4-H member with a maximum cost of $25 per 4-H family and $25 for each non 4-H member. If you have questions contact Jenni Miller: 634-7608, 625-6224, or 606-9600.

Horse
Project Acknowledgement
Form Deadline-June 1st!
Area Animal Science Days
June 28th, Iowa County
For other project events, see pages 8, 9 & 10 of this newsletter!
Vernon County 4-H Horse & Pony Project Trail Ride

Saturday, June 29, 2013
Duck Egg County Forrest
Located approximately 9 miles west of Viroqua, along Irish Ridge Road off of County Trunk Hwy Y
We will meet at the Upper parking area
Check-in 10:00 a.m. – Ride out 11:00 a.m.
Cost:  Members $2.00—Non 4-H Members $4.00

Open to Vernon County 4-H & Non – 4-H Members & Friends

Potluck—Bring Dish to Pass
Project Will Provide Hot Dogs, Beverages & Paper Products

All Riding participants must: Wear helmet when mounted (adults included) & boots- provide current coggins (original & copy) - Parent/Guardian must accompany youth.

For further information contact: Gail Bolstad—(608)788-8806 or UW-Extension Office 637-5276

Vernon County 4-H Horse & Pony Project Trail Ride Registration Form
Registration Deadline—Friday, June 21st, 2013

(Must complete individual registration form for each participant. May send one check for multiple participants.)
Make checks payable to Vernon Co. Horse & Pony Project and mail them to: Vernon Co. UW-Extension Office, 318 Fairlane Dr., Suite 392, Viroqua, WI 54665.

I, ____________________________________________ (Participant), acknowledge that I am voluntarily participating in this event either as a Vernon County 4-H Horse & Pony project member and or a non 4-H Member. I am aware that the above described activities may be hazardous and agree to assume any and all risks of bodily injury, death or property damage and do not hold the Vernon County 4-H Horse & Pony Project responsible.

Print Name: _______________________________________________________________________

Youth Signature ____________________________________________ Parent/Guardian Signature _______________________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Phone: __________________________ Email ______________________________________________

4-H Member? Yes  No  If no what 4-H member are you a guest of? ___________________________

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2013 VERNON COUNTY SUPER TWO FOR ONE SATURDAY!
4-H HORSE/PONY CLINIC/CAMP/FUN SHOW
JUNE 8TH & 9TH, 2013—VERNON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Super Saturday For Non Horse & Pony Project Members, Saturday, June 8TH
The Vernon County 4-H Horse & Pony Project is holding "two" events in "one" that day! Do you currently not own a horse and or pony, but would like to learn more about this exciting and rewarding project? Please join us on Saturday, June 8th for a Super Saturday Horse & Pony project experience! Check-in for Super Saturday participants will be at the VMH building at the center of the fairgrounds between 8:00 a.m.—9:00 a.m. Name tags, educational materials and the schedule for the day will be handed out upon your registration. Please see below on “What” for topics that will be demonstrated that day for you to observe and see “What” this project is about!

Clinic/Camp/Fun Show For Current Vernon County 4-H Horse & Pony Project Members, Saturday, June 8th & Sunday, June 9th, 2013
What: Fantastic opportunity for Vernon County 4-H Horse & Horseless Horse/Pony project members, offering instruction in English and Western horsemanship, showmanship, trail class, horse/pony health care, safety and more! Not only is this a chance to enhance project knowledge but to also make new friends, and have FUN!

Some of our scheduled guest speakers and clinicians are:
Doctor Latricia Meeks, DVM
Pat Stevens, Certified Judge

Who: Open to members of the Vernon County 4-H Horse & Horseless Horse/Pony Project. Registration deadline is May 17, 2013. Registration is not complete until all required forms are turned in and payment in full has been received.

When/Where: June 8th – 9th at the Vernon County Fairgrounds. Check in between 8 AM and 9AM on Saturday, June 8th. Enter at the East gate of fairgrounds!
Cost: $25 per clinic participant which includes the cost of t-shirt. Extra t-shirts will be available for $12. Checks should be made out to: Vernon County 4-H Horse & Pony Project. Camping fee: $15. Please make a separate check for this fee payable to Vernon County Ag Society. Payment (s) must accompany registration form! Campers will be asked to bring an item for a potluck dinner to be held on Saturday evening on June 8th.

Complete camp information is available at the Extension Office and on our website at: http://Vernon.uwex.edu.
Any questions, contact Gail Bolstad, gailandaaron@yahoo.com or by phone 608-788-8806.
SHOW IS OPEN TO ALL VERNON COUNTY 4-H HORSE & PONY PROJECT MEMBERS!

Classes:
1. Open Pony @ Halter
2. Open Horse @ Halter
3. Pony Western Showmanship (grades 3-7)
4. Pony Western Showmanship (grades 8-13)
5. Horse Western Showmanship (grades 3-7)
6. Horse Western Showmanship (grades 8-13)
7. Pony Hunt Showmanship (grades 3-7)
8. Pony Hunt Showmanship (grades 8-13)
9. Horse Hunt Showmanship (grades 3-7)
10. Horse Hunt Showmanship (grades 8-13)
11. Horseless Horse Showmanship (grades 3-7)
12. Horseless Horse Showmanship (grades 8-13)
13. Open Bareback (walk/trot)
14. Horseless Horse Walk/Trot Pleasure (grades 3-7)
15. Horseless Horse Walk/Trot Pleasure (grades 8-13)
16. Horseless Horse Walk/Trot Horsemanship grades (3-7)
17. Horseless Horse Walk/Trot Horsemanship grades (8-13)
18. *Hunt/Western Walk/Trot - Beginner
19. Driving Class

~ Lunch Break ~

20. Pony Hunt Equitation (grades 3-7)
21. Pony Hunt Equitation (grades 8-13)
22. Pony Hunt Pleasure (grades 3-7)
23. Pony Hunt Pleasure (grades 8-13)
24. Horse Hunt Equitation (grades 3-7)
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26. Horse Hunt Pleasure (grades 3-7)
27. Horse Hunt Pleasure (grades 8-13)
28. Pony Stock Seat Equitation (grades 3-7)
29. Pony Stock Seat Equitation (grades 8-13)
30. Pony Western Pleasure (grades 3-7)
31. Pony Western Pleasure (grades 8-13)
32. Horse Stock Seat Equitation (grades 3-7)
33. Horse Stock Seat Equitation (grades 8-13)
34. Horse Western Pleasure (grades 3-7)
35. Horse Western Pleasure (grades 8-13)
36. Open Western Riding
37. Open Trail
38. Open Egg & Spoon

*COGGINS PAPERS REQUIRED*
Both the original and copy for our files

The 4-H exhibitor is the only person allowed to ride their animal while at the horse show.
No one under grade 3 is allowed to handle or ride an animal at any time. Boots with a 1/2” cutout heel and ASTM/SEI approved helmet, buckled, are mandatory while mounted. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Required Horse & Pony Project Safety Checks Will Be Performed That Day!
Bring your own lunch!

Note:
*If entered in walk trot may not enter canter classes. Rule excludes the bareback class.

State Expo Entry Rules:
Must be a 4-H member in good standing and be in grades 6-13. The horse/pony must be carried as a 4-H project. The animal with which you qualified is the one you must use. One expo class entry MUST be a class in which the exhibitor won a blue ribbon at the county qualifying show. Qualifying classes are showmanship; equitation or driving reinskmanship; pleasure riding, or pleasure driving; trail, obstacle driving, or western riding. Bareback, halter, costume, Gymkhana or other game classes are not qualifying classes. The remaining five classes may be selected in any combination. Further state 4-H entry information is available at the Extension Office or on the website:
http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/HorseHandbook.cfm

For more information contact:
Gail Bolstad – (608)788-8806
Extension Office - (608) 637-5276

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This Managerial Project Agreement is entered into on (Date: mm/dd/yyyy) _________________ between

Owner: Name: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________

Address: _______________________________________________________

Youth (Lessee): Name: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________

Address: _______________________________________________________

The owner hereby agrees to lease to the aforementioned Lessee listed above the following animal(s):

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The owner and the Lessee mutually agree upon the items stated below:

In return for the privilege of working with the above referenced managerial animal(s), the Lessee agrees to:

1. Assume responsibility for care and management of the project animal.
2. Read and understand the rules and responsibilities of the lease and agree to abide by the stated requirements of the managerial program.
3. Read and understand the release of liability and have signed the same.

Youth (Lessee): ___________________________ Date: __________

I have read and understand the rules and responsibilities of the Junior Dairy Managerial Project Agreement and agree to abide by the requirements of the managerial program in the Wisconsin State Fair rules and regulations.

Owner ___________________________________________ Date: __________

I have read and understand the contractual agreement entered into by the Lessee and owner and agree not to hold the owner liable for any injury or financial liability that the Lessee may incur during this contractual agreement. I will be responsible for any damages or loss because of the lack of care by the Lessee.

Parent or Legal Guardian: ___________________________ Date: __________

The Lessee is a member in good standing of our respective youth organization and has a Junior Dairy Managerial Project Agreement on file in the County UW-Extension Office.

Approved Youth Group Leader: ___________________________ Date: __________

4-H County Extension Agent, Agriculture Education Instructor, Breed Association Advisor or Other
JUNIOR DAIRY MANAGERIAL PROJECT RELEASE OF LIABILITY

A RELEASE OF LIABILITY for Vernon County Fair Junior Dairy Managerial Project Agreement as follows:

I, ___________________________ as Parent/Guardian of Participant

_____________________________ hereby acknowledge that I am aware that working with animals and related equipment and being on the premises of an operating farm poses certain risks of injury, including but not limited to, being stepped on, kicked, knocked down or against equipment and structures, struck by moving equipment, gates, falling objects, such as bedding, feed stuffs and equipment, as well as exposure to various types of materials which might cause allergies or other reactions.

Recognizing these possibilities of danger and in consideration of the opportunity to participate in the Vernon County Junior Dairy Managerial Project, I agree to release

_____________________________ (Owner) and all other persons and entities associated with the ownership or management of the animal and farm in question from all liability resulting from any injury of any nature whatsoever based on the Managerial Project Agreement.

It is my specific intention that this release is on-going and is effective for the entire project year and is effective not only on the farm of origin of the animal but at all other places where I am working with said animal.

I further hereby release Vernon County Fair and Youth Dairy Managerial Project, including, but not limited to, its officers, agents, employees, volunteer workers, and all other entities and persons working with the Project, without limitation.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT. I FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Dated this______________ day of __________________, 20____

Participant: ____________________________________________ Date: ____________

Parent/Guardian of Participant: ______________________________ Date: ____________

Witness: ______________________________________________ Date: ____________

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**2013 4-H High School Seniors in the Spotlight**

**Allison Brey—Hillsboro Hotshots**  
High School: Hillsboro  
Graduation Date: May 24th, 2013  
Years in 4-H: 11  
Parent(s): Steve and Melissa Brey  
Plans after graduation: Attend Western Technical College  
La Crosse for Accounting  

*In Allison’s own words:* 4-H projects I have really enjoyed are dogs, dress revue, and food and nutrition. In the Hillsboro Hotshots 4-H club, I have held every office and am currently the President. The club activities I have enjoyed the most include the banana split, dairy promotion and making crafts with Senior Citizens. Three years ago, I went to the State Dog Show in Marshfield with my dog Scrappy. We received 3rd place. Besides 4-H, I have been active in Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, National Honor Society, H-Club, Forensics, FFA, FBLA and band. Also I belong to a church youth group. The advice I would give 4-H members about staying active in 4-H until they graduate is to stay involved because the skills you learn and the confidence you gain will greatly benefit your future.

**Chelsea Daines—Springville Superstars**  
High School: Westby  
Graduation Date: June 1, 2013  
Years in 4-H: 12  
Parent(s): Greg and Jen Daines  
Plans after graduation: Attend Iowa State University  
Majoring in Animal Science/Pre-Vet  

*In Chelsea’s own words:* 4-H has been an influential factor in my life. My experiences in 4-H have helped determine my career path to be a Large Animal Veterinarian. I have been an active member in 4-H since I was little. I have participated in activities from bug collecting, baking, and photography to musicals. My favorite 4-H activity by far has been showing cows. I have shown dairy cattle at the Vernon County fair as a managerial project for many years. My involvement was and is special to me because I do not own cattle or live on a farm. Another awesome experience I encountered through 4-H was showing cattle at the Wisconsin State Fair. It was an awesome opportunity to do something I love on a large stage and meet new people from many counties in Wisconsin. Along with 4-H, I am involved in various other activities in my school and community. I am a member of The National Honor Society and Student Council. I am also a member of the Westby FFA. I also participate in Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Green Club, Band, Color Guard, Girls Basketball and Cross Country. I also enjoyed being a Big Buddy Mentor at Westby Elementary school. I enjoy volunteering my time at Bethel Butikk. My advice for younger 4-H members is to stick with it. There are many opportunities in 4-H for members of all ages. I have met and made many great friends and have had many experiences that I will never forget all because of 4-H.

**Brynn Deaver—Liberty Pole Boosters**  
High School: Viroqua  
Graduation Date: May 25, 2013  
Years in 4-H: 13  
Parent(s): Eric and Deb Deaver  
Plans after graduation: Attend University of Wisconsin-Stout  

*In Brynn’s own words:* After 13 years of being involved with 4-H, I have experienced so much. Some of my projects I have done for the fair are knitting, photography, nutrition, woodworking and sewing. I have been the Liberty Pole Boosters club’s treasurer and historian for a few years. I think my favorite club activities are the Noah’s Ark trips, roadside cleanup, and the fundraiser brat sales. Besides 4-H, I have been involved in many school activities and clubs, plus church and Toys for Tots. The best advice I can give is be as involved as you can and get to know everyone in your club. Just be friendly and have fun, because it doesn’t last forever!

**Cole Johnson—Retreat Ramblers**  
High School: De Soto  
Graduation Date: May 24, 2013  
Years in 4-H: 10  
Parent(s): Lee and Cheryl Johnson  
Plans after graduation: Attend College and/or Farm  

*In Cole’s own words:* My main projects were beef and pigs. I really like working with the beef steers. I would have younger kids come to our farm and show them how to show steers and pigs. My favorite club project was roadside clean up. Our whole family would get involved. My favorite club project was roadside clean up. Our whole family would get involved. My other favorite activity is showing at the fair. I make a lot of friends at the fair. I like to wrestle, play football, tractor pull, snowmobile and I am in FFA. I am glad I have stayed in 4-H until I graduated. It sets an example for those little kids who look up to me and it is a commitment I made and I should finish it.

**Elizabeth Primmer—Mapledale Motivators/Rt 56**  
High School: Viroqua  
Graduation Date: May 25, 2013  
Years in 4-H: 13  
Parent(s): Debra Primmer  
Plans after graduation: Attend Luther College for a double major & minor in math and music education  

*In Elizabeth’s own words:* Throughout my time in 4-H, I have participated in many enjoyable projects. When the Vernon County Fair comes around, I enjoy showing my dairy cattle and goats, watching the judging of my sewing, baking and other crafts. Within my club, I have found pleasure in serving as vice-president and helping with the many community service projects my club does. I was also given the opportunity to represent our county at the State Fair in the clothing revue. Outside of school, I am active in my schools national honors society, the library council, ukulele group and multiple other math and music related activities. Despite all of these activities, 4-H has been one of the most fun and most rewarding experience.
~Seniors in Spotlight Continued~

James Schipper—Davis Diggers/Belgium Builders
High School: Viroqua
Graduation Date: May 25, 2013
Years in 4-H: 10
Parent(s): Pam Schipper
Plans after graduation: Attend UW-Richland
In James’s own words: What I love about 4-H is there is something for everyone. Some of my favorite projects include Plant & Soil Science, Foods & Nutrition, Shooting Sports, Photography and Legos. I also value 4-H’s commitment to community service. My favorite club activity is donation Christmas trees (complete with stand, ornaments and light,) to families in need. I was fortunate enough to be in Mr. Hardy’s construction class that built the new 4-H food stand. Now, when I look at the new and improved building, I cannot help but feel proud that I contributed to its success. As a 4-H ember I have served my club as treasurer and currently serve as club president. Outside of 4-H, I have played basketball and ran track throughout my high school years. I am also involved with the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. I have been a team member since 2004 and have served on the Relay for Life Planning Committee since 2010. I am active in my church as an alter server and usher. Being a member of 4-H has helped mold me into the person I am today. The 4-H Pledge has helped me focus on the most significant aspects of life; clearer thinking, greater loyalty, larger service and better living. Through 4-H, I have realized the importance of setting goals and the strategies available to help me reach those goals.

Kathryn Swenson—Liberty Pole Boosters
High School: Kickapoo
Graduation Date: May 25, 2013
Years in 4-H: 13
Parent(s): Ralph and Nicole Hendrickson and Brian Swenson
Plans after graduation: Attend UW-Richland
In Kathryn’s own words: I have been involved with 4-H since I was in cloverbuds. I have always enjoyed showing dairy cattle as a 4-H project. I have shown dairy cattle at the Vernon County Fair, Wisconsin State Fair, Viola Horse and Colt Show and the District 3 Holstein show. I have also held leadership positions such as reporter, secretary and treasurer while in 4-H. The activities that I have done through 4-H have been dairy quiz bowl and dairy cattle judging. My most memorable activity was attending the National 4-H Dairy Conference held in Madison. I am thankful to the Vernon County 4-H Leader/Parent Federation for this wonderful opportunity. Other activities I have been involved in include high school sports, band and FFA. I also belong to the Jr. Holsteins group and the Vernon County Amateur Radio group. I would encourage everyone to join 4-H because it is a fun opportunity to meet new people and to learn new skills.

Vernon County Fairest of the Fair
2013 Official Entry Rules

Entry Deadline: Monday, July 8, 2013 by 4:30 pm to the Vernon County Extension Office, Erlandson Office Building, 318 Fairlane Dr., Suite 392, Viroqua, WI, 54665. No late applications will be accepted.

Contest Date: Saturday, July 27th, with interviews beginning at approximately 8:00 am. Selection will take place at the Ferris Wheel Pancake Breakfast.

Additional details about the event will be sent to the applicants.

Requirements:
- Applicant must be a resident of Vernon County, or the majority of their fair activities take place in Vernon County, and a Wisconsin resident for at least one year prior to application.
- Applicant must be 18 years of age by January 1, 2013 and possess a valid driver’s license, as the applicant may be required to travel.
- Applicant must be able to attend the Vernon County Fair, September 11-15, 2013. Applicant gives permission to have their photo published on the Vernon County Fair website, in newspapers, and in the Vernon County Fair official premium list.

Responsibilities:
- Vernon County Fairest of the Fair must be able to represent Vernon County in the Wisconsin Association of Fairs Fairest of the Fairs state contest held January 5-8, 2013. Two banquet tickets for the state contest will be provided by the Fair Board.
- The Vernon County Fair Board reserves the right to ask the Fairest representative to step down from their position if their behavior and actions do not portray a positive image for the Vernon County Fair and the county’s youth.

The Fair Board provides an expense allowance for activities as Fairest of the Fair.

To Apply: Find a sponsor for the contest such as a business, youth organization, or civic organization. The sponsor fee is $30.00 which covers one breakfast ticket for the sponsor, one ticket for the applicant and contest expenses. Sponsor checks should be written to the Vernon County Extension Office. Complete the entry form and submit to the Vernon County Extension Office. Please include two photos, with name and address written on the back for newspaper use. Photos will be returned to you. The public is welcome to attend the Ferris Wheel Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, July 27th from 7-11 am with the selection of the 2013 Fairest at approximately 10:00 am. 

Complete entry information is available at the Vernon County UW-Extension.
Come join us in celebration of our Vernon County 4-H program!

2013 4-H Trips Vernon County Youth Have Participated in!

- Space Camp—Huntsville, Alabama—April 18-22
- Citizen Washington Focus—Washington D.C.
  (Dates Range—June 15th—July 14th)
- 4-H State Youth Conference—Madison, Wi.—June 24-27

2013 4-H Scholarship Recipients!

Allison Brey, Hillsboro Hotshots 4-H Club
Alexis Dunnum, Nerison 4-H Club
Elizabeth Primmer, Mapledale Motivators/Rt 56 4-H Club
James Schipper, Davis Diggers/Belgium Builders 4-H Club

Each club is to provide at least one pie and a small door prize!

Honored Guests: Vernon County Ag & Extension Members Kevin Larson, Will Beitlich, Frank Easterday, Jerry Johnson & John Mitchell

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Attention Vernon County 4-H Club Leaders and Members! A letter has been sent to each club with details of this fun and "amazing" club activity! This is a reminder to all club leaders. If your club is going to participate and have a team or teams in the Amazing Race, please make sure and contact Cheryl (637-2209) or Deb (625-4484) by June 7th. They need to know how many teams and the names of who is on each team for final planning purposes.
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Here’s What’s Cookin’
June Dairy Month Recipe
From the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board
Wisconsin Muenster Cheese Spread

Ingredients
2 cups (8 ounces) Wisconsin Muenster Cheese, shredded
8 ounces cream cheese, softened
3 to 4 drops Tabasco®, or to taste
1 tablespoon prepared horseradish
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
1 tablespoon chives, chopped
4 slices bacon, fried crisp and chopped

Cooking Directions
In bowl, stir together all ingredients.
Serve with crackers or cocktail rye

Congratulations to all of the 2013 Vernon County 4-H Graduating Seniors!
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