



# Club News

4-H AWARDS NIGHT  
DECEMBER 5, 7:30 pm  
Youth & Ag Center

## **BLAKE'S PRARIE BOMBERS** by Quinn Crubel

- Doing Chris Clover letters for newspaper.
- Having club fair.

## **BUSY BADGERS** by Shelby Schramm

- Handing out enrollment forms.
- Planning a Halloween Party at our next meeting.
- Discussing the games our club will have for the Junior Leaders Halloween Party on October 25 at 1:00 pm.
- Discussing National 4-H week and writing a letter to the editor.
- Reminding everyone to bring their completed record books to our next meeting.
- Welcoming new members Madison Marchese, Tya Lau and Alyssa Simpson.
- Having our next meeting October 11 at 6:00 pm.

## **BOSCobel BIG GREEN 4-H** by Joelle Bohringer

- Marching in the Boscobel 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade.
- Congratulating Michaela Boughton for her grand champion goat at the Grant County Fair.
- Learning about 4-H camp from Joelle Bohringer.
- Congratulating everyone on doing well at the fair.
- Welcoming new members: Augusta Vande Hey, Ryan Vande Hey, Madison Vande Hey, Johseh Vande Hey, Erin Beck and Nathan Beck.
- Talking about ideas for upcoming meetings and events.
- Discussing ideas for promoting 4-H during National 4-H Week.
- Having our next meeting September 20, at 5:00 pm, in the basement of the library.

## **TOWN & COUNTRY KIDS** by JJ Donar

- Discussing the up-coming camping trip.
- Discussing Kieler parade.
- Discussing Harvest Day parade.
- Discussing Jr. Leaders Halloween booth and club Halloween party.
- Discussing National 4-H Week.
- Discussing t-shirts and 4-H dances.
- Deciding to sell light bulbs for adult leaders.
- Approving to have calendar for Betsy to be done by the President and Treasurer.
- Discussing up-coming calendar events, 4-H camp, committee night, 4-H Leaders Banquet.
- Having our next meeting October 11, ATV and gun safety.



# Thanks & Congrats

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## TAKE THE TIME TO THANK THE FOLLOWING FOLKS FOR HELPING WITH 4-H...

- ... **Town & Country Kids 4-H Club** for donating \$100 to the new 4-H Scholarship fund.
- ... **Charter Fuels** for donating the Wii game to the top ticket seller at the Livestock Appreciation Banquet. **Dorothy Noble** for donating a \$50 Savings bond to the second highest ticket seller.

## TAKE THE TIME TO CONGRATULATE THE FOLLOWING FOLKS FOR A JOB WELL DONE:

- ... **Kodi Knoble** for being the top ticket seller at the Grant County Livestock Appreciation Banquet. **Rebecca Frank** for being the second highest ticket seller.
- ... **Heather Gerlach, Austin Cooley, Jenna Vesperman, Miranda Yoose, Kyler Bartell, Mictchell Phelps, Tyler Cummings, Brady Vaassen, Keegan Morely and William Uppena** for placing in the top ten in the Grant County Fair Total Swine Evaluation contest. **Jena Vesperman** also had the top swine carcass.
- ... **Kelli Retallick, Reba Keene, Dusty Jentz, Holden Cauffman, Erick Trefz, Amanda Patterson, Amy Brogley, Tammy Wiedenbeck, Jessica Jentz and Amber Patterson** for placing in the top ten in the Grant County Fair Beef Total Evaluation contest. **Rebecka Dieter** for placing first in the Dairy steer contest. **Kelli Retallick, Reba Keene, Dusty Jentz and Tyler Bode** for winning the top Beef Heifer Awards.
- ... **Allison Lineman, Rachel Emendorfer and Andrea Patterson** for placing in the top three in the Grant County Sheep Total Evaluation contest.
- ... **Bekki Reuter** for receiving the Cord LaBarge Good Shepherd Award.
- ... **Amanda Patterson, Courtney Buskee, Kevin Seng and Brooke Samuelson** for having the top FFA Beef Carcasses.
- ... **Cecelia LaBarge, Julie Orth and Andrea Patterson** for having the top FFA Sheep carcasses.
- ... **Heather Gerlach, Scott Snyder, Zach Meier and Miranda Yoose** for having the top FFA Swine carcasses.
- ... **Michael Adams** for winning a \$200 scholarship, **Katelyn Zenz** a \$150 and **Kodi Knoble** a \$100 scholarship at the Livestock Appreciation Banquet.
- ... **Leandra Wagner and Bridgette Linneman** selected as candidates for the Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council.



The Grant County Cat Project had a special guest at this years' cat show! Carolyn Schuldt honored her mother, Zelma's (pictured here) memory with a presentation of \$50 to the cat project. She presented Donna Cyborski, the cat project leader, with this contribution at the 2009 Grant County Fair Cat Show on August 23rd.

Thank you Carolyn for supporting the Grant County Cat Project!

# GRANT COUNTY 4-H BLOG

Check out the new 4-H Blog at [grantcounty4h.blogspot.com](http://grantcounty4h.blogspot.com). It has information on upcoming activities and is a place for Grant County 4-H members, leaders and parents to generate, share and keep up with activities, happenings and achievements.



## Yea! 4-H week is here!

It is the perfect time to talk to your friends about 4-H. 4-H members, leaders and parents can all share the great things about 4-H. As you know 4-H has projects, activities and opportunities that could fit anyone's interests. The beginning of the 4-H year is the perfect time to encourage your friends to join the fun.

Are they interested in science? Talk to them about Gateway Academy or 4-H SET.

Are they interested in meeting new people? 4-H has countywide and statewide opportunities to meet people that you have something in common with.

Are they interested in sports? Tell them about the kickball tournament, bowling party and 4-H camp where they can play lots of outdoor games.

Are they interested in animals? 4-H has projects for any animal lover, rabbits, cats, dogs, cows. . . . the list goes on and on.

Invite a friend to come with you to your next 4-H meeting, today!

Yours in 4-H,  
Betsy Olson, Grant County 4-H Youth Development Agent



## 4-H Week Video and Story Contest

### Grand Prize: iPod Shuffle

Grant County 4-H is happy to announce the first annual Video and Story Contest. 4-Hers can submit videos or stories about activities they have done in 4-H this year. Submit your video or story by September 30th to be considered for the Grand Prize iPod Shuffle.

Videos and stories will be judged on:

- How well it relates to the theme: 2008-2009 4-H activities
- Appropriate length
- How interesting the content is
- How well it promotes Grant County 4-H

Videos can be a photo slide show or a live action video. If a story wins, the winning story will be published in several local papers and the ECHO. If a video wins, the winning video will be posted on the blog ([grantcounty4h.blogspot.com](http://grantcounty4h.blogspot.com)) and recognized in the ECHO.

Don't miss the submission deadline: September 30th. Submit electronically by sending to [GrantCounty4h@yahoo.com](mailto:GrantCounty4h@yahoo.com). Remember files larger than 10MB cannot be sent via email. Address for submissions is: Youth & Ag Center, PO Box 31, Lancaster, WI 53813. Videos can be submitted as a DVD or on a flash drive.

All entries will receive a free A&W ice cream cone certificate and recognition in the ECHO.  
***We can't wait to hear about all that you have done in 4-H this year.***





# Leader News

## CLUB COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANTS AVAILABLE

Does your 4-H club have a great idea for a community service project?

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation is now accepting Community Service Grant applications.

The 4-H Community Service Grant Program is looking to support 4-H club's community service projects that are...

- determined by and led by youth, with support from adults,
- have a lasting and positive impact on the community,
- and involve organizations and individuals outside of 4-H as partners.

*Funding that goes directly to another organization as a charitable contribution is not available.*

Your club can ask for as little as \$50 and up to \$200 for your community service project, however, the grant cannot cover the entire cost of a project. A total of \$2,000 dollars is available for distribution.

You can request a copy of the Community Service Grant application from your county 4-H Youth Development staff or by downloading a copy from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation website at [www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/foundation/grantscomm.cfm](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/foundation/grantscomm.cfm). Applications are available in a word or adobe acrobat editable format. Applications must be postmarked no later than January 30, 2010.

## 4-H Junior Leaders August 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Old Business:

- Tour of jail, will talk more at October meeting, need a date
- Fundraising Ideas—Discussed car wash and asked members to bring new ideas
- Halloween Party
  - No flashlights donated, wondering about getting glow sticks instead
  - Need more room for Haunted House
- National 4-H Week—asked people
  - have people talk in Elementary Schools
- 4-H Member Recruitment
  - signs in schools
  - put flyers in grocery bags
  - wear 4-H shirts and carry groceries out
- 4-H candles
- Fundraising Ideas
  - Car wash/Lemonade Stand
  - Street Party
  - Fundraising
    - candles
    - music
    - car show
- Melissa Tranel will check into dance on Sept. 26
- Whitney Wiederholt moved to get a new royalty sign, Megan Morshead 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.
- Made Oragami
- Having our next meeting October 24, Y & Ag Center.

Julie Orth, Secretary

## GRANT COUNTY 4-H LEADER'S ASSOCIATION MEETING, SEPTEMBER 9

**Old Business:** Britt Vondra reported on the 2009 camp. Dates for camp in 2010 are July 5-8. There was a profit of \$504 on the 4-H Project Benefit Auction at the fair. Leaders earned \$453 for helping the fair sell 50/50 raffle tickets in the grandstand. There has been a profit of approximately \$450 on dip sales. Clubs will be asked to help sell Christmas tree lights and light bulbs. Deadline for trip applications is October 9. Discussion on creating a new scholarship for older members entering college. Alicia Adams will check on pavers for the front of the Y & A as a way to recognize Endowment contributors. There will be no more take home leader certification, possibly have a certification during the Junior Leader Halloween party.

**New Business:** The theme for 2009-2010 is "Giving Them Our Best". Discussion on recruitment ad in newspaper, decided not to do this year. We are asking all clubs to put a special effort in recruiting new members. 4-H Enrollment information was presented to club leaders. The Livestock Appreciation Banquet is September 16, asking for volunteers to help serve. Award Application workshop is September 21, remind members to attend to receive help on filling out Award Application. 4-H Leaders Banquet scheduled for Wednesday, October 7. Active Americans is serving meal, we will be having a Dollar Auction. Items include: decorated wreath, dip basket, 4-H chair, blanket, and cranberry basket. Members who attended WI 4-H & Youth Conference will be guest speakers. National 4-H Week is October 4-10. Promotion contest deadline is November 6. State 4-H Leaders Fall Forum is October 17 and we are looking for an adult to attend. 4-H Committee Night is November 18 and several committees are looking for new volunteers. Leaders were reminded to fill out the 990 tax for after January 1. Leaders broke out into district meetings.



# Leader News

## COMPETE IN THE 4-H PROMOTION CONTEST

Your club can compete for cash prizes in the 4-H Promotion contest sponsored by the 4-H Leaders Association. Club leaders will be receiving a promotion packet. Some ideas your club can do are window displays in local businesses, have members write editorials about their 4-H experiences, make posters to display in your schools, and challenge each member to recruit a new member.

All clubs participating in 4-H promotion must complete a 4-H Promotion Booklet to receive an award at Awards Night. Entry deadline is October 23.

Make plans now so your club can compete for cash prizes. First place is \$50, second place is \$25 and all the rest of the clubs participating will receive \$10.

Items to be considered in selecting the winners will include window displays during National 4-H Week (October 4-10), letters to the editors, newspaper articles, new member recruitment and whatever else your club decides to do.

## DAIRY PROMOTION PACKETS

The Wisconsin Milk Marketing Dairy Promotion forms are due into the Extension Office on Friday, October 23. The 4-H club with the top dairy promotion idea will receive \$60 from the Milk Marketing Board and all other entries will receive \$35 for participating. If you did not receive a packet, contact the Extension Office. Awards will be handed out at the 4-H Award Night on Saturday, December 5 at 7:30 pm.

### RECORD BOOKS DUE OCTOBER 9

### RECORD BOOK CHECK

Record books are due in the Extension Office by October 9. Leaders are reminded that there are three record check forms for each club. One from for grades 3-5 and one from grades 6-8 to provide a greater opportunity for younger members who do not have the involvement in county activities and club committees a chance to score 65 or above. Forms for grades 9 and over allow points for State and National activities. Members need to keep in mind that in order to qualify for full monetary awards from the county and award discs at Awards Night, you **must** complete a record book.

4-H members in grade 9 and over who have scored a 65 or above on the club level will have their books judged at the county level. Clubs will need to provide checkers based on the number of projects turned in. Judging will start at 6:30 pm on Thursday, October 15 at the Youth & Ag Center. We will also have books ready by that afternoon for leaders who can not come in the evening. Remember there are special awards in dairy that are selected by record book scores, so it is nice to have a group decision. Contact your club leader if you can help.



# Miscellaneous

## 4-H LEADERS' FUND-RAISER—DIP'N GOOD DIPS

The Grant County 4-H Leaders' Association is selling dips from Dip'n Good Dips. Each dehydrated package makes two cups of dip and will be sold for \$5 with \$2.50 profit for the Leaders' Association. We still have dip available, contact the Extension Office to purchase the dip.



## Are You Ready for Christmas?

The Grant County 4-H Leader's Association is selling LED Christmas lights. The strings contain 35 lights and use 98% less energy. Support 4-H and help your pocketbook.



## Are You in the Dark?



The Leaders Association is also selling energy efficient light bulbs. You can order 60 Watt, 75 Watt or three-way 100 Watt soft white light bulbs.

Get your Christmas light and light bulb order and payment in by November 1st so your Christmas lights will be here in time to decorate. Call your local 4-H club leader or the Extension Office 723-2125 for information. Send orders to P.O. Box 31, 916 E. Elm St., Lancaster, WI 53813.

**LANCASTER HARVEST FESTIVAL**—The Harvest Festival Parade and celebration is scheduled for Saturday, October 3. For more information contact the Lancaster Chamber Office at 723-2820.

**TRIP BROCHURES ARE DONE**—Information on trips, teams, and camps available in the county and beyond is provided. Anyone interested in receiving one, please contact the Extension Office or view it on line at <http://grant.uwex.edu>.

**SALE ON PLAT BOOKS**—The Grant County Plat Book prices were reduced from \$30 to the rock bottom price of \$20. Snatch them up before supplies are gone!

**GRANTS AVAILABLE**—4-H clubs in Grant County may wish to apply for a Youth Development Grant through the Roundtable of Grant County.

*Have you checked out the 4-H web site at [grant.uwex.edu](http://grant.uwex.edu) for:*

*4-H Record Book forms  
Award Applications &  
Lots of other information...*

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