



4-H Informant

PIERCE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

January & February 2014

We are excited about what 2014 can be for all of us—from members, to leaders, to parents, this is going to be an incredible year. The Pierce County 4-H Youth Development staff at UW-Extension is ready to roll into the year with you!

Members: this year is about exploration, learning and doing. Whatever projects you have enrolled in, remember that this year is your chance to dig in and get hands-on with your projects. Do everything you can. Attend project meetings. Attend county meetings. Read materials. Research online. Try new things. Make mistakes and learn from them. *Get involved!* And ask for help when you need it. That is why we, as adults are all here in 4-H—because we believe in you and want to see you succeed.

Parents and leaders: thank you for being an active partner in this 4-H journey for so many youth. This year, youth will be engaging in hands-on learning, and we are excited you have them (and you) working with us. We hope that you will be youth helpers this year. Some projects are easy for some youth, and harder for others. It is our job, as adults, to help youth think and learn. Be a "shadow helper" (helping from behind - asking questions and being there to help if they need it) - either to your own or other youth. Guide, advise, help....but let them do their own work. Encourage them when they succeed and even more when they fail. Help them be good sports and recognize the success of others when they succeed. We are building skills through the 4-H program. Critical thinking. Communication. Creative Problem Solving. Collaboration. We just happen to be using the projects to teach them. Help youth think, communicate and work together.

When working as that "shadow helper", remember the "What? So what? Now what?" youth development philosophy: **WHAT:** What happened? What did you do? What did you plan to do? What worked? What was easiest? What was hardest? **SO WHAT:** What did you learn? What does it matter? What problems came up? What similar things have you done and how might your previous experience help you figure this out? **NOW WHAT:** What will you do differently? What have you learned? What will make this successful? How can you use this in future projects or challenges?

If, throughout the year, our staff can be of any assistance, please give a call, send an email or stop in. That is why we are all here! Here's to a wonderful 2014! **(Taken from Brown County UWEX)**

Sincerely,

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4-H Family Calendar

January

- 12 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m..
- 14 North Central e-Forum, PCOB LLMR, 7:00 p.m.
- 14 Horse Committee, EOC Room, 7:00 p.m.
- 16 Livestock Learning Series Webinar PCOB Rm. C, 6:00 p.m.
- 18 Music and Communication Festival, Meyer MS 9 a.m.
- 18 Youth Protection Training, 10 a.m. Meyer MS
- 19 Winter Round Up, Seyforth Building, 3-5 p.m.
- 19 Youth Protection Training, 3 p.m. Seyforth
- 19 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m.
- 20 Poultry Workshop, Seyforth, 6:30 p.m.
- 25 Llama Informational Meeting, Seyforth, 9-11 a.m.
- 26 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m.
- 29 Let's Get Robotic Seyforth, 6:00-8:00 must register
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- 31 Western District Gymkhana Meeting, Baldwin, 7 p.m.

February

- 1 Winter Wonderland Day Camp, Seyforth 12:30-4:00
- 2 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m.
- 3 Youth Protection Training, PCOB LLMR 6:00 p.m.
- 3 North Central e-Forum, PCOB LLMR, 7:00 p.m.
- 4 Horse Committee, EOC Room, 7 p.m.
- 7 Meat Judging Camp, UWRF
- 9 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m.
- 10 Bluebird Workshop, Ellsworth High School 6 p.m.
- 13 MAQA Webinar, PCOB 7 p.m.
- 14 State 4-H Trip Chaperone Applications Due

- 16 Older Members Action City Trip, 12 p.m-9 p.m.
- 16 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m..
- 17 Older Members Meeting, Seyforth Building 7 p.m
- 20 Livestock Learning Series Webinar, PCOB Rm. C, 6:00 pm
- 23 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m.
- 26 Robotic Workshop, Seyforth 6:00-8:00 must register
- 27 Robotic Workshop, Seyforth 6:00-8:00 must register

March

- 1 Younger Members The Works Trip! 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- 2 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m.
- 4 Horse Committee, EOC Room, 7 p.m.
- 8 Air Rifle Practice, River Falls Armory 10 a.m.-noon
OR 1 p.m.-3 p.m.
- 8 Air Pistol Practice, River Falls Armory, 3 - 4:30 p.m.
- 9 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m.
- 9 Air Rifle Practice, River Falls Armory, 1 p.m.-3 p.m.
- 15 Air Rifle Practice, River Falls Armory 10 a.m.-noon
OR 1 p.m.-3 p.m.
- 15 Air Pistol Practice, River Falls Armory, 3 - 4:30 p.m.
- 16 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m.

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- 19 State 4-H Day at the Capitol, Madison, 8 a.m.
- 22 **Cultural Arts Extravaganza, Meyer MS 9 a.m.**
- 22 Air Rifle Practice, River Falls Armory 10 a.m.-noon
OR 1 p.m.-3 p.m.
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- 26 Battle of the Robots, Seyforth 6-8 p.m. must register
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April

- 5 Air Rifle/Pistol Shoot Off, River Falls Armory, 9-4
- 6 Horse Bowl Practice, PCOB Lunch Room, 2-4:30p.m.
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Club Dues

County Dues Update

Has your 4-H Club Leader been asking? Don't forget to have your dues (\$2.00 per member) into the county office from club Treasurers by **February 15th**. They will go up to **\$3.00 per member after February 15th**. All dues must be paid in full by **May 1** or clubs will not receive their Fair entry forms.

4-H Club News

Club meeting minutes can be found on the website.

Pierce County Fair

Welcome New Fair Secretary

The Pierce County Fair Office would like to welcome Tammy Pitzen as the new Fair Secretary replacing retiree Ginny Huber. Tammy started with the Fair Office on December 26 and will be working a couple days a week during the winter months and then more full time as the spring/summer approaches. She lives in River Falls with her husband Brad and two sons Zach & Sy. Tammy can be reached at the Fair Office at 715-273-6874 or tammy.pitzen@co.pierce.wi.us. We are looking forward to an exciting Fair year with Tammy's extensive Fair/4-H background. Let's all welcome Tammy as part of the Pierce County Fair Team!

2014 Fair Dates

August 7-10, 2014

Pre-Fair Motocross - Friday, August 1st at 7pm

Also, reminder to cash your premium checks if you haven't already.

Save the Date

4-H Day at the Capitol

March 19, 2014 is 4-H Day at the Capitol in Madison. Look for information in the March Informant!

Centennial Committee

The Pierce County 4-H program would like to form a committee of several individuals to help create ideas for Pierce County's involvement in celebrating 100 years of 4-H in Wisconsin. Please contact the Extension Office at 715-273-6781 if you are interested in helping! It's a once in a century opportunity!

Youth Protection Trainings

Youth Protection Trainings will be held the following dates and times:

January 18 at 10 a.m. at Meyer Middle School
January 19 at 3 p.m. at the Seyforth Building
February 3 at 6 p.m. in the Lower Level Meeting Room

Please note: All Wisconsin 4-H volunteers are required to attend a 4-H Youth Protection training and undergo a background check before they can become leaders in the 4-H program and before they can start to work with 4-H youth.

Cultural Arts Extravaganza



Cultural Arts Extravaganza

The Cultural Arts Extravaganza will be held on Saturday, March 22nd, 2014 at Meyer Middle School in River Falls. Rules and entry forms are enclosed in this newsletter.

Life in Pierce County Contest

The Life in Pierce County Photo Contest will be held in conjunction with the Cultural Arts Extravaganza on Saturday March 22nd, 2014. See the Cultural Arts Extravaganza information in this newsletter for more information.

North Central Volunteer E-Forum

Please remember that instead of the Annual 4-H Leaders training that have been offered in the past, the North Central Volunteer E-Forum will be the new event for Adult Leaders to attend.

Remember, one leader per club must attend to meet your annual charter requirements. Please RSVP to the Extension Office 24 hours in advance! Attendees may select from any one of the topics to meet your Annual Leader Training obligation.

Please see page 11 for upcoming dates and times!

Trips

Adult Chaperone Applications for Statewide 4-H Trips

Applications for 2014 State and National 4-H outreach program volunteer and staff Adult Advisors are available at <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/volunteers/index.cfm>.

If you enjoy working with teens, collaborating with others as part of a unified leadership team, and experiencing another part of the country, consider applying to serve as an Adult Advisor to Space Camp, Huntsville, AL; Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF), Washington, D.C.; or National 4-H Congress, Atlanta, GA. Note the **new deadline of February 14, 2014**, a change from previous years. We've had numerous adults from Pierce County take part in this opportunity. Consider traveling with WI statewide 4-H youth today!

State Arts Opportunities

Art Team Opportunities

Interested in participating in the State 4-H Art Team, 4-H Showcase Singers, 4-H Drama Company or 4-H Press Team? Information, Job Descriptions, Photos, Videos, and Applications can all be found at:

<http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/state4hteams.cfm>

Applications and audition materials are due January 28, 2014. Contact the UWEX office with questions.

4-H Art Beat

4-H ArtBeat! North is the exciting introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H Arts and Communication for 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their parents and leaders! Scheduled for Friday and Saturday, February 14-15, 2014, at The Beaver Creek Reserve, Fall Creek, the weekend will feature a look at a variety of arts projects including music, photography, drama, visual arts, juggling and more!

4-H members will explore their own creativity while discovering the great variety of 4-H Arts & Communication experiences available to them now and in the near future. Both youth and adult participants will rotate through a variety of sessions which are hands-on and active and held at various sites throughout camp. Camp begins Friday evening at 7 pm and ends Saturday afternoon at 3 pm. Registrations due to Madison by **January 13** and can be found at: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/4-HArtBeat.cfm>

Camp

Camp Counselor Applications

The 2014 Camp Counselor applications are enclosed in this newsletter. Applications for Junior Director and Lead Counselors are due on January 28th, 2014 and applications for all other camp counselor positions are also due on January 28th, 2014. **Tentative Camp Dates are June 10-13, 2014 at Kiwanis Scout Camp in Marine-on-St. Croix.**

The Counselor Application and Job Description are located in the back of the Informant!

Older Members

Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on February 16th during our pizza break at Action City. Bring your ideas for upcoming activities for the months of April, May and the summer to discuss with others. We also need to elect officers!

Action City Trip

We will be going to Action City/Chaos Indoor Waterpark on Sunday February 16th. The bus will leave Ellsworth at Noon! Youth will have the ability to go between both the Waterpark and game area. There will be a room to use to leave your things. Pizza and pop will also be served! Interested? See more on the flier at the end of the newsletter.

newsletter and check out their website at:
www.theworks.org

Rain Barrels

Older Members will be having a work day for Rain Barrels on Sunday, February 9th from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. We need to make these Rain Barrels and sell them for our fundraiser. We have fifty barrels donated by the Creamery that need to be transformed. We need your help in making this fundraiser successful or the cost of Older Members will increase. Please RSVP to Heidi by February 7th to heidi.vanderloop@ces.uwex.edu to let her know if you are attending. We need at least five youth and an adult volunteer to help make the barrels.

Trip Winners

Congratulations to the 2013-2014 Award Trip Winners! Outstanding job on your ME forms! If you are interested in any 4-H Trip, applications are due each year on October 15!

WI 4-H Youth Conference

Grace Anderson, Tianna Cebulla, Alicia Hoffman, Grace Larson & Paige Nelson

Space Camp

Hunter Donnelly & Jaclyn Kielen

Service Learning Trip

Tiffany Stauffer & Mariah Stewart

Citizenship Washington Focus

Elizabeth Anderson, Bryce Sherwin & Elizabeth Klecker
7th and 8th Grade Adventure Trip

Ben Anderson, Jacob Boatman-Smaida, Shelby Murphy, Mitchell Nelson & Catherine Stewart

Younger Members

Winter Wonderland

On Saturday, February 1st, 2014 youth in Kindergarten through 3rd grade are invited to attend our annual day camp. Please see the registration form at the end of this newsletter for more details.



The Works!

Calling all 4th-7th graders! Join Heidi in a trip to the Works on Saturday, March 1st! Located in Bloomington, MN this hands-on discovery museum will intrigue the young scientist! Interested? See the registration form at the end of the

Poultry Project

Poultry Workshop

A Poultry Workshop will be held on Monday, January 20th at 6:30 in the Seyforth Building. The workshop will cover the correct classes to enter, along with poultry and how to raise show poultry. There will also be live chickens to show what to look for when selecting a chicken for the fair. Questions? Please contact Joe Kearns at joeke17@hotmail.com or 715-797-3647.

Goat Project

2014 Focus on Goats Conference

Profitability and Progress is the theme for the 2014 Focus on Goats Conference. Registration is now open for this event, which will be held on February 7 and 8 at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

The two-day conference will begin with a keynote address by Katie Hedrich of LaClare Farms in Chilton. Hedrich won the 2011 U.S. Championship Cheese for Evalon, a hard goat's milk cheese made from the milk of her family's goat herd. There will be eight different breakout sessions during the Conference. Some will discuss dairy goat selection, feed options and goat health. Other topics include retrofitting a dairy barn, record keeping, business planning and adding value to milk.

DATCP Secretary Ben Brancel will speak during Friday's lunch program. A cheese reception will be held on Friday evening, which will be open to the public for a \$5 fee at the door.

A trade show will be available throughout the conference. Vendors will speak briefly about their products and services during Saturday's breakfast.

Wisconsin is a national leader in dairy goats. In 2012, Wisconsin was home to 46,000 milk goats, more than any other state. More than a dozen Wisconsin dairy processors use goat milk in producing cheese.

To register, visit <http://www.wdga.org/fog-2014>. The full registration of \$65 for an individual and \$110 for two people includes access to all sessions, the trade show, meals and cheese reception. Interested individuals can also pay \$40 for a single day registration.

There are special registration rates for students. Students may attend the full conference for \$45 or pay \$25 to attend a single day.

This event is organized by DATCP, the University of Wisconsin-Extension and the Wisconsin Dairy Goat Association. For more information, contact DATCP's Becky Paris at 608-224-5115 or rebecca.paris@wisconsin.gov.

Livestock News

Livestock Judging

The 4-H Livestock Judging Program is a valuable educational experience for our county youth. While youth gain considerable knowledge about various aspects of livestock evaluation through their participation in this program, the important life skills these youth learn through participating are the real hallmark of the Livestock Judging Program. Judging practices will be taking place every Tuesday evening now (January) - June 2014.

Who: Livestock enthusiast grades 3-13 and parents

What: Livestock Judging Practice

Where: Ellsworth High School, FFA Classroom

When: EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT!

Junior Judges grades 3 - 8, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Senior Judges grades 9 - 13, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Why: To meet and make new friends who share the same interests as you. Likewise to increase youth and adult knowledge about livestock market animals, breeding animals and the vast changing industry. The program enhances youth's ability to think, reason and communicate. For more information please contact the Pierce County Extension office at 715-273-6781.

MAQA Certification Training for Facilitators, Volunteers, and Advisors

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/maqa/>

The topic for 2014 is Animal Health Products. The current curriculum material will be on the website sometime the week of Dec. 16 to accommodate many of you that have meetings over holiday

break. During these trainings, it is our hope to be able to present the data from the MAQA survey conducted last year. We will be hosting the MAQA trainings for 2013-2014 on the following dates:

*Feb. 13, 2014, Thursday from 7-9 p.m.,
Webinar at the PCOB in Ellsworth*

Please note this event is for Livestock Volunteers and FFA Advisors and not for project members!

Livestock Learning Webinar Series

Below is a description of the upcoming webinars that will take place at the PC Extension Office. All webinars will be hosted from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 16 - General Overview - Explore the general rules and policies of livestock exhibition, learn about program, resource and event opportunities and gain insight on why belonging to livestock projects is a great educational experience. This is an important session to have under your belt before the species orientated webinars.

Feb. 20 - Beef, March 27 - Swine, April 17 - Sheep, May 15 - Meat Goats

These seminars will focus more specifically of the general management of the species: nutrition, selection, well-being and much more. Some tips for getting ready for the fair, in addition a panel of experts to answer questions and provide insight.

Ag Truths Not Tails Conference for Youth

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/agtruthsnottails/>

This is a great educational session to teach youth about ag advocacy and giving youth the tools to communicate to the non-ag community about agriculture. The conference will be held on Jan. 24-25, 2014 in Beaver Creek Reserve in Fall Creek, WI.

Meats Judging Camp

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/badger-meat-judging-camp/>

This is the first time we are offering a meats judging camp/clinic. This experience was built off of previously successful statewide livestock judging camps. Youth will gather information on retail identification and cookery methods as well as carcass evaluation. The event will be held on February 7, 2014 right here in Pierce County, morning session at the UWRF Meats Lab and afternoon session at Sailers in Elmwood!!

Llama Project

Informational Meeting

There will be an Informational Meeting for all in the Llama Project on Saturday January 25th. From 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Seyforth Building at the fairgrounds.

Please be at this meeting to get all the updates for the year! If you CAN'T be at this meeting and plan to be in this project PLEASE CALL Gina at 715-307-3419 or email her at gmklecker@hotmail.com or email back to this address if you can't be there. Otherwise we will expect to see you on the 25th.

Shooting Sports

Spring 2014 Air Rifle Practice Information

Safety Program required for ALL first and second year shooters, regardless of age, will be on Saturday, March 8, 10 am or Sunday, March 9, 1 pm.

Additional air rifle practices will be held Saturdays throughout March 8, 15, 22, 29 at 10 am- noon and 1-3 pm and Sundays throughout March 9, 16, 23, 30 at 1-3 pm. All practices will be held at the River Falls Armory.

Spring 2014 Air Pistol Practice Information

Saturdays (March 8, 15, 22, 29) and Sundays (March 9, 16, 23, 30) from 3-4:30 p.m. All practices will be held at the River Falls Armory.

Spring 2014 Air Rifle/Pistol Shoot Off

The Shoot off will be held April 5 from 9-4 pm at the River Falls Armory. To be eligible for placing's and awards, participants must have attended 4 or more of the practices in air rifle. To be eligible for placing's and awards in air pistol, participants must have attended 2 or more practices. This is a separate competition from the fair.

Spring 2014 Archery Practice Information

Archery practice will be held on Sunday, April 6 and 27 from 1-4pm. All practices will be held at the River Falls Armory.

Practices are opened to all 4-Hers 3rd grade and 8 years and older, even if they are not enrolled in the Shooting Sports project.

To be eligible for the fair shoot and achieve in the project area of **Air Rifle and/or Archery, 4-Hers** must complete 1 practice session provided in the listings above.

To be eligible for the fair shoot and achieve in the project area of Air Pistol, 4-Hers must complete 2 practice sessions provided in the listings above. If a youth will be 12 by the fair shoot we allowed them to practice air pistol in the spring so they can get the practices in. There will be a packet sent out in February to members who enrolled this past fall in any of the Shooting Sports project areas with more information and registration sheets.

4-H Horse News

Winter Round-Up

The Winter Round-Up is Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014, 3 - 5 pm in the Seyforth Building at the Pierce Co. Fairgrounds. 3 pm is for 1st and 2nd year members and all Horseless Horse project members, and at 4 pm handbook and form information for all horse and horseless horse project members.

The Winter Round Up is MANDATORY. If you cannot attend please contact the Pierce County Horse Committee by email at piercecounty4-horseproject@outlook.com We will highlight this year's events: Summer Riding Program, Drill Team, Clinics, Fair information, Handbook updates and Fundraising. The Winter Round Up is where you will get your project handbook and all required forms and due dates for paperwork that you will need to return to participate in the horse and horseless horse project.

Upcoming Horse Committee Meeting

The January Horse Committee meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday Jan. 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Emergency Management Room (E.O.C of the Pierce County Courthouse Building). The main entrance for this building is on the west side of the building, facing the Holiday station. All 4-H horse, horseless horse, and clothes horse project leaders are encouraged to attend the committee meetings. If you have a scheduling conflict and cannot attend a meeting but want to be involved please email the committee at piercecounty4-hhorseproject@outlook.com. The committee meets the 1st. Tues. of each month at 7 pm either in the PCOB or the Pierce County Courthouse Annex EOC room.

Youth Horse Project Group Meeting

All Horse and Horseless Horse project members are welcome and encouraged to attend the Pierce Co. 4-H Youth Horse Project meetings. These meetings assist youth development by project planning, leadership, education, and camaraderie; their project goal for 2014 is hosting a 4-H horsemanship clinic in June. The meetings are the same date and place as the monthly horse committee meeting and start at 7 pm and run 20 to 30 minutes. If you have any questions please contact youth advisor Laura Swancutt at 715-647-2068.

Horse Bowl 2014

Are you knowledgeable about all things horse? Horse Bowl is fun and an exciting way to learn more about horses and no experience or horse is necessary to participate and helps improve your hippology knowledge. All Horse and Horseless horse project members are eligible and encouraged to participate.

Join the 4-H Pierce County Horse Bowl Team; test your knowledge and compete against other teams from across the state. There are beginner (gr. 3-5); junior (gr.6-8); and senior (9-12) teams. Practices are Sundays starting Jan. 12, 2014 at the PCOB lower level lunch room, 2 -3 pm for beginners and 3 - 4:30 pm for junior and senior team members. For more information please contact coaches Jennifer Weinert 715-415-4845 or Jacque Stauffer 715-647-5029.

Congratulations Elisabeth Carston!

The Pierce County Extension office and the Pierce County Horse & Pony Committee would like to congratulate Elisabeth of Rock Elm Skyrockets 4-H Club on receiving a 2013 WI State 4-H Sportsmanship Award. She was also elected at the 2013 WI State 4-H Horse Leaders Conference to be a 2014 Western District youth representative to the WI State 4-H Youth Horse Project Committee. Elisabeth will represent Pierce County as well as the Western District by attending the State 4-H youth horse project meetings throughout the year. If you have any questions or concerns about the horse and horseless horse project at the district and state level or want to wish her well, please contact Elisabeth at 715-772-4808.

Western District Gymkhana Meeting

The Western District Gymkhana meeting is on Jan. 31, 2014. The meeting will take place at the Ag Center in Baldwin (1960 8th Ave.) at 7:00pm. Any questions can be directed to Deland Richter at 715-246-6330 or delandr@frontiernet.net or Bridget Lentz at 715-381-0407 or pblentz@sbglobal.net.

Beekeeping Essay Contest

The Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees has announced the topic for the 2014 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest:

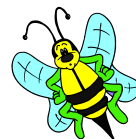
"Beekeeping in Colonial Times"

Contest rules & essay requirements are available at <http://honeybeepreservation.org/2013/05/2014-essay-contest-topic/>

Cash prizes will be awarded to the 3 Top Winners:
1st Place - \$750.00, 2nd Place - \$500.00
3rd Place - \$250.00

Each state winner will receive a book about honey bees, beekeeping, or honey. The contest is open to active 4-H Club members only. 4-H'ers can submit their essays to terry.boehner@cesuwex.edu/.

The deadline for entry is February 1, 2014.





Bluebird Conservation Workshop

Using a proper nest box and monitoring a bluebird trail.

The program will include the Bluebird Restoration Association of Wisconsin program to conserve the eastern bluebird, others birds that use tree cavities to nest and the different nest box designs that are felt to be most attractive to bluebirds. Proper placement of the nest box in bluebird habitat is important as well as predator protection to discourage raccoons and feral cats. Weekly monitoring of the nest box will be discussed. Some nest boxes will be displayed. They will provide plans for you to build your own nest box.

Monday Feb. 10th at the Ellsworth High School at 6:00 p.m. You **MUST** register for this class, call by Feb. 3rd 715-273-3911 to sign up. Presenters: Jim Beix and Lowell Peterson

National Ag Day Essay

National Ag Day Essay Contest Announced

The Agriculture Council of America (ACA) calls on ninth- to 12th-grade students to submit an original, 450-word essay or a two-minute video essay about the importance of agriculture. This year's theme is "Agriculture: 365 Sunrises and 7 Billion Mouths to Feed" and the deadline is January 31, 2014. The ACA asks teachers and parents to encourage student participation.

The theme, "Agriculture: 365 Sunrises and 7 Billion Mouths to Feed," presents an opportunity for students to address how the agriculture industry is an endless source of opportunity for growth and development. Entrants may choose to either write an essay and/or create a video focusing on how today's growers are overcoming challenges to provide a safe, stable food supply and sustain the significant role agriculture plays in everyday life.

"CHS enthusiastically supports rural youth and is proud to showcase their ideas," says Annette Degnan, marketing communications director, CHS Inc., one of this year's essay contest sponsors. "The essay and video contests provide an engaging platform for their voices, vision and dreams to be shared with a broader audience."

The national written essay winner receives a \$1,000 prize and round-trip ticket to Washington, D.C., for recognition during the Celebration of Ag Dinner held March 25 at Whitten Patio at the USDA. During dinner, the winner will have the opportunity to read the winning essay as well as join with industry representatives, members of Congress, federal agency representatives, media and other friends in a festive ag celebration. The video essay winner wins a \$1,000 prize, and the winning video will play during the Celebration of Ag Dinner.

This is the 41st anniversary of National Ag Day. The goal of the ACA is to provide a spotlight on agriculture and the food and fiber industry. The ACA not only helps consumers understand how food and fiber products are produced, but also brings people together to celebrate accomplishments in providing safe, abundant and affordable products.

The Ag Day Essay Contest is sponsored by CHS Inc., *High Plains/Midwest Ag Journal*, National Association of Farm Broadcasting, National Agri-Marketing Association, Country Living Association, Farm Progress Companies and McCormick Company.

All written entries should be sent to: 2014 Ag Day Essay Contest, Agriculture Council of America, 11020 King Street, Suite 205, Overland Park, KS 66210, or submitted by e-mail to essay@agday.org. Students may upload video essays at <http://agday.leapfile.net> and follow the directions on the page, or students may choose to mail video entries on a compact disc to the address above. Visit www.agday.org or www.hpj.com/agdayessay to read official contest rules and for more details regarding entry.



Copies of the 4-H Informant/Newsletter

If you would like the newsletter regular mailed to you then please call the UW Extension Office with your request and mailing address. Otherwise the newsletter will only be regular mailed to 4-H homes one to two times a year and will be sent to you electronically via email all other times. The 4-H Informant is also available on our website. <http://pierce.uwex.edu/>

Scholarships

Pierce County Adult Advisors Scholarship

Pierce County Adult Advisors will once again be awarding \$400 Scholarships to seniors in Pierce County. Criteria and application forms are available at the end of the Informant.

Applications are due in the Extension Office on March 25, 2014. No late applications will be accepted.

WI 4-H Foundation Scholarships

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation plans to award more than \$9,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing undergraduate degrees in 2014. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation by March 31, 2014. Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance, financial need and future educational goals with specific criteria for designated awards. The 2014 scholarships are as follows: • 4-H Agricultural Scholarship - \$1,000 (2) • 4-H Leadership Scholarship - \$1,000 (3) • 4-H Community Service Scholarship - \$650 (2) • 4-H Animal Sciences Scholarship - \$700 (2) • 4-H Natural Resources & Environmental Education Scholarship - \$500 (1) • Elizabeth Salter-Eby Memorial Scholarship - \$475 (1) • Betty Krueger Memorial Scholarship - \$350 (1)

To be eligible for these scholarships, students must: have been a 4-H member for at least one year; have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale; be enrolled or planning to enroll in a university, college or technical school during the 2014-2015 academic school year; and meet any other eligibility requirements specific to the individual scholarship. For additional information on the 2014 Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships and to print a scholarship application, visit www.Wis4HFoundation.org or contact the

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation at (608) 262-1597 or info@Wis4HFoundation.org.

WI State Fair Dairy Promotion Board Scholarship

The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board will award \$1,000 scholarships to three students who will be third or fourth-year college students during the 2014-15 academic year. Two additional \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors, who will be first-year college students during the 2014-15 academic year.

Any Wisconsin resident who will enroll in or is currently enrolled as a full-time student in a two or four-year Wisconsin school or short course program and is pursuing a dairy-related or food science degree is eligible for scholarship consideration. PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY.

All applicants are required to submit an application electronically no later than MARCH 28, 2014. Save the file as LAST NAME, FIRST NAME.DOC and e-mail to: katzman@idcnet.com using the subject - Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board Scholarship Application. HAND-WRITTEN APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Applicants will be evaluated on scholastic achievement, involvement and leadership in ag-related activities, and career plans. The scholarship committee will select finalists from the eligible applications received. Finalists will be interviewed, with the recipients to be recognized at both the Dairyland Youth Celebration and Blue Ribbon Cheese & Butter Auction during the 2014 Wisconsin State Fair.

Scholarship recipients must continue enrollment in the suggested curriculum and maintain an overall GPA of 2.5 or higher and a major GPA of 2.75 or higher or forfeit scholarship monies. For more information, contact Katy Katzman at 262-903-6727 or katzman@idcnet.com

NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL VOLUNTEER E-FORUM 2013-14 YOUR LEADERSHIP FLIGHT PLAN



TUESDAY JANUARY 14 2014 –DESTINATION...Using Technology to Enhance Your 4-H Experience

“Research from the University of Minnesota found that youth in 4-H have a higher level of comfort in using social media than adult 4-H volunteers. Social media can be a compelling method to communicate with 4-H members, but volunteers need the skills to use it effectively.”

MONDAY FEBRUARY 3 2014

DESTINATION.....Exploring the Science of 4-H Projects

“National 4-H research shows that youth who have positive experiences with STEM-related projects are more likely to pursue education and careers in math, science and engineering.”

To check in for your e-Forum Leadership Flight, contact [Frank Ginther at 715-273-6781](mailto:Frank.Ginther@ces.uwex.edu) or francis.ginther@ces.uwex.edu 24 hours in advance of the training you wish to attend. The 4-H Volunteer e-Forum has been developed and provided by the 12 states of the North Central region.

e-Forum’s will be held at the Pierce County Office Building, Lower Level Meeting Room at 7:00 p.m.

Robotic 101 Calling all robotic fanatics!

Let’s Get Robotic

Pierce County 4-H Robotics volunteers are offering robotics classes using the LEGO MINDSTORMS NXT 2.0 robots. Come and explore the diversity of design. From developing basic robotic models to advancing models though intellectual design, youth in grades 4 and up will use their critical thinking skills to master art of design. Innovation, creativity, and independence of thought are what the Pierce County 4-H Robotics volunteers would like to promote using these LEGO robotics. We will be offering this workshop two times, either Jan. 29th or 30th and all youth in grades 4 and up are welcome. Classes are limited so sign up soon.

Date: Jan. 29 **OR** 30th Time: 6:00-8:00 Cost: Free but **MUST register call 715-273-6781**
Deadline for sign up: Jan. 25 Location: Seyforth Building, Pierce County Fairgrounds

Programming; Feel the Movement

LEGO MINDSTORMS NXT is the second generation of robotics products from the LEGO group with LEGO MINDSTORMS Robotic Invention Systems. These robots will introduce entry-level robotics with state-of-the art hardware and easy-to-use programming software. Through this third class of the robotics workshop series spend the entire night programming the LEGO MINDSTORMS Robots through challenging courses using ALL of the robot sensors. From using light sensors, touch sensors, ultrasonic sensors to using sound sensors that making robots speak, youth grades 4th through grades 19 will be challenged to master them all. We will be offering two sessions of this class and youth are welcome to participate in one or both but **MUST** pre-register. Space is limited so sign up soon.

Date: Feb. 26 **OR** Feb. 27 Time: 6:00-8:00 Cost: Free but **MUST register call 715-273-6781**
Deadline for sign up: Feb. 21 Location: Seyforth Building, Pierce County Fairgrounds

Battle of the Robots

The Pierce County 4- H volunteers will be offering a special programming night. For youth **who attend 2 or more robotics workshop series classes**, plan on attending one or both of these extreme all inclusive robotics nights. Class four of the robotics workshop series will consist of battle of the robots. Using the LEGO MINDSTORMS NXT 2.0 youth will have the opportunity to work in teams to not only build a robot but also program their NXT robots to complete a skill challenging course. Space is limited. Sign up soon. **MUST** pre-register.

Date: March. 26 and March 27 Time: 6:00-8:00 Cost: Free but **MUST register call 715-273-6781**
Deadline for sign up: Feb. 21 Location: Seyforth Building, Pierce County Fairgrounds

Prerequisite - Must have attended 2 or more robotics workshop series classes to attend this workshop.

All Workshops are limited to number of enrollees – Must register to attend. Will cancel if not enough.

THE WORKS MUSEUM



Calling all Science Savvy Younger Members 4th to 7th grade! On **Saturday March 1st**, come experience the Works Museum! Hands on and interactive, this museum shows youth how things work! 4-Her's will be able to design and create a catapult during a two hour workshop. They will be able to take their catapult home. Bring a bag lunch.

On March 1st the bus will leave Ellsworth PCOB at 10:00 a.m. with a stop at River Falls Shopko at 10:30. Buses will return to River Falls at 4:00 p.m. and return to Ellsworth at 4:30



Sat. March 1st. Cost: \$15.00 4-Her's \$20.00 Friends of 4-Her's Registration Due: February 21
Bring a bag lunch

Name: _____ Grade _____

Phone Number's: _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Phone _____

_____ \$15 4-Her _____ \$20 Friend of 4-H

Payable to 4-H Adult Advisors. Send **by** Feb. 21 to: UWEX, PO Box 69 Ellsworth WI 54011

_____ I have a parent interested in chaperoning! Chaperones must have gone through Youth Protection

Chaperone Name _____

Chaperone phone & Email _____



ACTION CITY



Looking for indoor fun this winter? Join the Older Members on a trip to Action City on **Sunday, February 16!** Older Members, grade 7 and up, have the option of going to both Chaos Indoor Waterpark and Action City to spend the afternoon. Pizza, pop and a room to store belongings in will be provided. Bring swimsuit and towel!

The bus will leave Ellsworth at 12 p.m. and return at 9 p.m. This trip is being held the Sunday before President's Day, which most students in Pierce County have off!



Sunday Feb. 16 Cost: \$20.00 4-Her's \$25.00 Friends of 4-Her's Registration Due: February 11

Name _____ Grade _____

Phone Number's: _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Phone _____

_____ \$20 (4-Her) _____ \$25 (Friend of 4-H)

_____ I have a parent interested in chaperoning! Chaperones must have gone through Youth Protection

Chaperone Name _____

Phone _____ email _____

Checks Payable to 4-H Older Members. Send **by** Feb. 11 to: UWEX, PO Box 69 Ellsworth WI 54011

2014 A WINTER WONDERLAND

CLOVERBUD/EXPLORING DAY CAMP



From the wild winter temperatures to watching the snowflakes blissfully fall, winter has a lot to offer. Come explore the adventures at the Pierce County Wild Winter Blast Day Camp.

Youth will have the opportunity to make exciting winter themed projects and participate in fun winter activities. Snacks will be provided.

Who: Pierce County 4-H Members in Kindergarten through 3rd grade. Friends are welcome to join in the fun! (Just be sure they register)

When: Saturday, February 1st

Where: Seyforth Building on the Pierce County Fairgrounds, Ellsworth, WI

Time: 12:30p.m.-4p.m.

Fee \$5.00

***Registration Due: Monday January 27th, 2014**

2014 A WINTER WONDERLAND REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Number: _____

Allergies: No ___ Yes ___

If yes, Please state: _____

Registration Due: January 27th, 2014

Please make Checks Payable to Pierce County Adult Advisors

Mail to: UW Extension Office, 412 W. Kinne Street PO BOX 69, Ellsworth WI 54011-0069



4-H Camp Kinnissippewa Counselor Position Description

Position Period: April 13, 2014 (Training) & June 10-June 13, 2014 (Training & Camp)

4-H Camp Kinnissippewa Counselor Responsibilities:

1. Assist in the program planning, supervision and delivery of 4-H Camp Kinnissippewa at Kiwanis Scout Camp.
 - a. Assist with developing, planning, coordinating, teaching and evaluating educational programs at camp.
 - b. Maintain a safe, clean environment for youth campers.
 - c. Supervise youth campers and implement appropriate risk management strategies.
 - d. Be concerned with the social and emotional wellbeing of each youth camper.
 - e. Utilize effective behavior management strategies, as appropriate.
 - f. Build suitable relationships with youth campers.
 - g. Engage campers in educational experiences and encourage young people to assist in program planning and evaluation as appropriate.
 - h. Promote camper and counselor participation in all activities.
 - i. Serve as a role model for youth campers. Exhibit appropriate personal habits, health, dress, language, table etiquette and relationships with other staff.
2. Serve as link of communication between campers and adult camp staff.
3. The 4-H Camp Kinnissippewa Counselor is responsible to 4-H Camp Kinnissippewa Directors / UW-Extension 4-H Youth Development Educators.

Required Knowledge & Skill Qualifications:

1. Must be in 9th – 13th grade at time of application and must have completed 9th grade at time of 4-H Camp Kinnissippewa.
2. **Positive attitude and commitment to teamwork in collaborative environment.**
3. **Values life-long learning and views position as a learning experience.**
4. **Strong organizational and communication skills.**
5. **Ability to work well with adult volunteers and other youth leaders.**
6. Ability to creatively and flexibly solve problems as they arise.
7. Ability to be self-directed.
8. Experience in working with children in a group setting preferred.

Benefits: Receive unique opportunity for personal and organizational leadership development, all training materials, a camp sweatshirt, camp lanyard, camp drawstring backpack, and all meals and lodging at 4-H Camp.

Application Fee: \$50 fee required at time of application for all 4-H Camp Kinnissippewa Counselor Staff

Application Procedure and Deadline:

Send 4-H Camp Kinnissippewa Application along with a cover letter (as directed in application) and \$50 fee by January 27, 2014 to:

Frank Ginther
Pierce County UW-Extension
412 West Kinne Street
Ellsworth, WI 54011

2014 Camp Kinnissippewa 4-H Camp Counselor Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION:			
Name:	County:	Club:	
Phone Number: ()	Email Address:		
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Number of Years in 4-H:	Grade:	Current Age:	Date of Birth:
Sweatshirt Size (Adult) Circle one: Small Medium Large Extra-Large			
CAMP EXPERIENCES:			
List camps (4-H and non 4-H) which you have attended: (Please "X" camper or counselor)			
Camp	Year(s)	Camper (X)	Counselor (X)
I would prefer to be a counselor for: (Circle) Grades 3-4 Grades 5-6 Grades 7-8			
___ Junior Director ___ Lead Counselor ___ Outpost Counselor ___ Resource Counselor ___ Cabin Counselor			
TRAINING EXPERIENCES:			
Have you previously attended a camp counselor training workshop? (Circle) YES NO			
If yes, when and where:			
List other leadership courses/workshops you have attended:			
SAFETY CERTIFICATIONS:			
	Date:	Organization:	
Standard First Aid Training			
CPR Training			
Lifeguard Certificate			
How well do you swim? (circle one) Not at all A little Average Very Well			
Are you willing to help with waterfront (swimming or canoeing) activities? YES NO			
Please rate your experience with canoeing: (circle one) Never A little Average Very Well			

AREAS OF TEACHING INTEREST:

Check all the following that you would like to teach or provide leadership for.

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts and Crafts | <input type="checkbox"/> Archery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campfire Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama | <input type="checkbox"/> Teamwork/Leadership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Climbing Wall | <input type="checkbox"/> Group Games |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Waterfront/Swimming | <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Social |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canoeing | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |

REFERENCES:

Name: Phone: () Relationship: Years Known:

Address: City: State: Zip:

Name: Phone: () Relationship: Years Known:

Address: City: State: Zip:

Name: Phone: () Relationship: Years Known:

Address: City: State: Zip:

CAMP RELATED WORK, SCHOOL OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES:

Organization: (Circle) Work School Volunteer

Position: Supervisor: Dates Worked: From: To:

Camp related skills or experiences:

Organization: (Circle) Work School Volunteer

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Camp related skills or experiences:

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Camp related skills or experiences:

COVER LETTER:

Please submit with application a one page cover letter that describes the following: camp counselor leadership goals, what you plan to accomplish as a camp counselor, the unique qualifications and characteristics you can offer as a camp counselor, and why you are interested in being a camp counselor.

SIGNATURE:

As a 4-H Camp Kinnissippewa Counselor, I agree to fulfill the responsibilities, comply with all 4-H behavior expectations and participate in mandatory counselor training and planning events:

Signature_____
Date

Photography Festival Section for Cultural Art Extravaganza

Date: Saturday March 22, 2014

Meyer Middle School, River Falls

Who: All 4-H Members

Time: Judging will be from 10 a.m. to noon. All photos will be on display after being judged. Members must be present when their photos are being judged.

Age Groups

Group A - Cloverbud - 4th Grade

Group B - 5th Grade - 8th Grade

Group C - 9th Grade - One year after High School



Rules:

1. A maximum of five photos may be entered.
2. Entries may be black and white or colored photos.
3. Prints may be any size.
4. Matting and framing is permissible.
5. There will be one photography judge for all members.
6. Each entry is to have a card approximately 3" x 5" with the following information: name, grade, club, title or description of item.
7. Photos **MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED** by sending in the form at the end of this Informant. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Deadline is February 28, 2014.

Life In Pierce County Photo Contest

Photos entered in the Cultural Arts Extravaganza are eligible for the "Life In Pierce County" Contest, but you must have a print for EACH contest.

This contest will be held at the Cultural Arts Extravaganza on Saturday March 22, 2014. The photos can depict scenery, people, and other features found in Pierce County. No pre-registration is required; photos should be brought to the Cultural Arts Extravaganza by 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 22, 2014 at the Meyer Middle School, River Falls, WI. Winning entries will be selected for the county display.

Guidelines for the contest are as follows:

1. The 4-H member entering the photo must have taken photos.
2. Limit of 3 entries per individual.
3. Photos must have been taken in Pierce County.
4. Entries may be color or black and white, prints 4 x 6 (no slides or enlargements).
5. The correct negative or digital disc must be submitted with entry on the day of display (strip and photo number clearly marked). The negative will be returned. **DO NOT CUT THE NEGATIVE STRIPS.** Each photo must have exhibitors name, age, negative number, and club on an attached 3" x 5" card. **A CD needs to be submitted containing the photo and the picture number for digital photos.**
6. No compensation will be given for the photos. Photo credit will be listed for selected photos.
7. Pictures should NOT be framed or matted.
8. ***No registration is needed for "Life In Pierce County" photos.***

Up to seven photos will be selected for display at the Pierce County Office Building. After a year of display the matted print will be presented to the photographer.

2014 Cultural Arts Extravaganza Arts & Crafts & Drama Information

Where: Meyer Middle School, River Falls

When: March 22, 2014

Judging takes place in the Cafeteria between 9 & 11:30am until finished. Please have your items on display in the cafeteria by 9:30 if possible even if you will not be having them judged until later because you are participating in other events. Items should remain on display until after the Cultural Arts & Photography Awards are distributed at approx. 12:30 in the Cafeteria.

This festival includes arts & crafts evaluation, photography evaluation, the Life in Pierce County Photo contest, and club Drama, Mini-drama and Skits. The registration forms for the drama portion of the extravaganza have been sent out to your club leaders. Hope to see you there!

Drama, Skit and Mini Drama Entries for 2014 County CAE

Start planning your 2014 club On-stage Drama, Mini-Drama, or Skit for the Pierce County 4-H Cultural Arts Extravaganza coming up on March 22 at Meyer Middle School. *Entry forms have been sent to your 4-H Club Organizational Leaders and are due in the 4-H office by February 28 at 4:30 p.m.*

Arts & Crafts Section

Date: March 22, 2014 (Entries must arrive by 9:30 a.m. and be judged between 9-11:30am)

Members do not need to be enrolled in the Cultural Arts Project Area(s) to participate in the Extravaganza.

Members must be present when their project is being judged. Projects will be displayed following judging.

Age Groups: Group A - Cloverbud - 6th Grade

Group B - 7th grade - One year after High School

Project Suggestions: Any item, which can be considered art or craft listed in Cultural Arts, Department 18, Knitting and Crocheting, Department 27 and Home Environment, Department 28 is eligible to be entered.

RULES:

1. Members will be allowed to enter up to three items per class with a maximum of ten entries in all.
2. Projects must be pre-registered by sending in the form or a copy of the form in the Informant by February 28, 2014. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
3. List exactly what you are going to be bringing. Example: Drawing-pencil, Ceramics (2), and Pottery (3), which means you are bringing a pencil drawing, two ceramics, and three pottery.
4. Each entry is to have a card approximately 3" x 5" with the following information: name, grade, club, title or description of item.
5. School projects are allowed but please be selective.
6. Article may be exhibited at both the County Fair and the Cultural Arts Extravaganza, but only once at each event. No graded school projects are allowed as county fair exhibits.
7. NO PROJECT will be accepted that is not pre-registered.
8. There will be two Arts & Crafts judges. **YOUR GRADE AND CLUB MUST BE ON THE ENTRY FORM (4-H grade as of September 2013).** Cloverbuds will be allowed to exhibit.

Cultural Arts Extravaganza - Arts, Crafts & Photography Registration Form

Due to the Extension Office by February 28, 2014 - NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
REGISTRATIONS MUST BE IN THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY FEB. 28 at 4:30 p.m.

Name: _____ Club: _____

(one name per form please)

Address: _____

Grade: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

- I am entering Photography
- I am entering Arts & Crafts

Number of Photos You Plan on Bringing _____ (no more than 5 entries)

Photography Subject Matter:

_____	_____
_____	_____

Arts and Crafts Items You Plan to Bring:

Number:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Return to Cooperative Extension Office, PO Box 69, Ellsworth, WI 54011-0069 no later than February 28, 2014. **BE SURE TO READ THE RULES! Copy this form as needed.**

Pierce County 4-H Adult Advisors, Inc. Scholarship Application

The Pierce County 4-H Adult Advisors, Inc. will award scholarships of \$400 each to a 4-H member who will be entering college, vocational school or short course the fall of the current 4-H club year. The qualifications are listed below:

- a. Must be currently enrolled in a Pierce County 4-H club.
- b. The scholarship will be awarded to a graduating high school senior this year planning to enroll in an accredited college, short course, vocational school or university next fall. Payment of the scholarship will not be made until the member has completed either a quarter or semester of schooling.
- c. Must have completed four years of 4-H work. Include a typed, one page summarizing your participation in 4-H educational events and activities over the past 5 years. Use bullet, list or table format. May be single spaced. Begin with most recent participation at the top of the page.
- d. The scholarships will be awarded on the basis of involvement in 4-H, your essay answer and financial need.
- e. Include a one page essay on the topic, "**How would you relate your 4-H experience in terms of the skills: Belonging, Mastery, Generosity and Independence**". This must be submitted with the application. **The essay must be typed in 12 pt font, double spaced. Essays over one page in length will be disqualified.**
- f. Application forms are available from the UW-Extension Office, Pierce County Office Building, Box 69, Ellsworth, WI. 54011-0069, or at the county 4-H website www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/pierce/4h
- g. Application deadline is March 25, 2014. Applications **MUST BE IN** the Extension Office by that time.
- h. Applicant must include two references. One non-related 4-H leader, and one other reference (not a parent, guardian or relative), being a non 4-H person. Use the appropriate reference forms.



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PIERCE COUNTY ADULT ADVISORS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Send to: UW- Extension Office
Pierce County Office Building Box 69
Ellsworth, WI. 54011-0069

Due: March 25, 2014 (IN the Extension Office)

NAME _____

HIGH SCHOOL _____

4-H CLUB _____

DATE OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION _____

UNIVERSITY OR SCHOOL PLANNING TO ATTEND _____

Include a one page essay on the topic, "**How would you relate your 4-H experience in terms of the skills: Belonging, Mastery, Generosity and Independence**".

This must be submitted with the application. **The essay must be typed in 12 pt font, double spaced. Essays over one page in length will be disqualified.**

State briefly why you need the scholarship:

References: List a non-related 4-H leader, and one other reference (may not be a parent, guardian or relative), being a non 4-H person.

Name

Title

Please have the above listed people send the required 4-H reference form to the **UW-Extension Office, Pierce County Office Building, Box 69, Ellsworth, WI 54011-0069**



4-H Reference Form

Name of 4-H Member: _____

As part of the process for selecting youth for the Pierce County 4-H Scholarship, the award committee is seeking recommendation and information for each applicant. Please provide us your input regarding the following areas:

	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Excellent</u>
• Leadership qualities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
• Maturity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
• Participation in 4-H program	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
• Responsibility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
• Positive attitude	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please provide additional comments in the space below:

Print your name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

RETURN TO: UW-Extension Office, Pierce County Office Building
Box 69, Ellsworth, WI 54011-0069

DUE: March 25, 2014
THANK YOU!



NON 4-H Reference Form

Name of 4-H Member: _____

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	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Excellent</u>
• Leadership qualities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
• Maturity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
• Participation in school and community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
• Responsibility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
• Positive attitude	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please provide additional comments in the space below:

Print your name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

RETURN TO: UW-Extension Office, Pierce County Office Building
Box 69, Ellsworth, WI 54011-0069

DUE: March 25, 2014



Send to UW Extension Office, PO Box 69, Ellsworth WI 54011

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- Developing Self
- Mental and Physical Health



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