

THE HOOPLA

September 26, 2011

Horse project meeting was held at Hillcrest School in Kewaunee on Saturday, September 24. The meeting was called to order by President Melissa M. Treasurer's report led by Cassie D., check book balance \$4856.85.

New and existing members of the horse project introduced themselves. Welcome to Morgan, Abby J., Abby H., Casey and their families.

Fall fundraising was explained by Nancy LaCrosse. Members agreed to sell fall bulbs, calendars, cook books, Seroogy's candy and coffee. Fall bulb orders are due by October 15 and all other items are due back to Nancy by November 5th.

We also agreed that if a parent works at a Green Bay Packer game, that will count as a fund raiser for the project requirements. The Luxemburg - Casco Jaycees have a booth at Lambeau Field and have invited the Kewaunee Co. 4-H to work at the home games. If you would like to work at one of the games, please call Nancy at 776-1239, she will give you all of the details. Working at a Packer game is a lot of fun!

Our project received a check for \$593.86 from the Leaders Association on behalf of the families who worked the Packer games last year. Thank you to Mike & Nancy LaCrosse, Steve Oswald and the Halverson Family for working the games last year. It was decided that this money will be earmarked as scholarship money for horse project youth members who are college bound. A motion was made that the project will have two \$250.00 scholarships available this year. Criteria and guidelines will be made available soon. The same families have agreed to work some of the games this year to continue to have funds available for the future.

Congratulations to Courtney D. & family and Stacy S. for receiving the sportsmanship award from the Lock- In last May. The girls received trophies on Saturday. Stacy for working with her horse the best she could after being bitten by a dog, and to Courtney and her family for inviting those of us who were present on Saturday evening to have dinner in their camper. It was a cold and rainy day and we were chilled to the bone. We had a wonderful time

sharing a good meal and great company!

Courtney D. also received the most votes for Sportsmanship during the week of the fair. Courtney not only received a trophy from Kewaunee County but she will also receive an award from the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association representing our county at the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Leaders Conference on November 12 in Oshkosh. Congratulations to Courtney!

If you would like to attend the Leaders Conference this year, please go online at www.uwex.edu/ces/4H click on projects, then horses, horse handbook and scroll down to 4-H Horse Leaders Conference. The conference will be held at UW-Oshkosh, Nov. 11-13. Deadline for registration is October 17th. Who should attend? 4-H Horse Project Leaders-youth and adult (minimum age-7th grade).

Marissa H. and Autumn A. received a Grand Champion Award at the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Expo this month on their team demo. Marissa asked the horse project donate \$200.00 for their traveling expenses. Motion was made and accepted. We all wish the girls much luck and a safe trip to Ohio.

Congratulations to all our youth who attended State Gymkhana and State Expo this month. We are proud of you for displaying good sportsmanship and putting forth your best efforts. Kewaunee County did very well and you should be proud of yourselves.

Discussions were held at this meeting for possible changes to the project requirements. Those present were given the opportunity to express their ideas and opinions. **The youth voted to keep the project requirements as is for this year.**

Our next meeting will be held on Saturday, October 15, 9:30 a.m. at Hillcrest School. We will have youth elections and adult committee sign ups.

Youth officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant At Arms & Historian. If you want to be a youth officer you must be sure that you can attend **all** meetings. Our older youth are encouraged to run for these positions as it will help you qualify for future scholarships and applications for college. Younger youth are encouraged to run for youth buddy positions. See page 2 for job descriptions.

DUTIES OF YOUTH OFFICERS', CHAIRS' & COMMITTEE HEADS

Section 1: **President:** shall preside at all regular and special meetings with the assistance of the adult co-chairs and perform such other duties as deemed necessary to the office. Create the agenda with the assistance of adult co-chair.

Section 2: **Vice President:** shall preside in the absence of the President and assume the duties of the president during his or her absence. In addition, he/she shall maintain the attendance sheet for each meeting and obtain youth signatures.

Section 3: **Secretary:** shall keep complete minutes of all meetings and submit copies to the UW Extension Office and adult co-chairs within one week of meeting. Also, the secretary is responsible for correspondence including submission of articles to Foghorn with approval of co-chair(s). In addition, he/she will assist the co-chairs with the project newsletter.

Section 4: **Treasurer:** shall collect and promptly deposit all funds in the 4-H Horse Project account, pay bills and keep all financial records including forms in treasurer book. The treasurer shall also submit a written monthly report to adult co-chairs at regular scheduled meetings. Expenditures in excess of \$50.00 must have the co-chairs prior approval and horse project voucher completed.

Section 5: **Sergeant At Arms:** shall keep order at meetings.

Section 6: **Historian:** shall collect & complete collection of current year's project activities by making a scrapbook or photo album.

Section 7: **N.E. District Representatives:** shall attend district meetings and work at district horse shows. There shall be one youth for each position; one year term, two year term and an alternate. Alternate is responsible to attend meetings in the absence of representative.

Section 8: **Adult Co-chairs:** shall provide guidance to youth officers, committees and project members. Co-chairs shall also assist with management of the meetings, help to create and approve agendas, create project newsletter, write articles, and attend clinics, meetings, activities and events.

Section 9: **Youth Officers and Adult Co-Chairs:** shall plan and coordinate educational opportunities and activities, attend Teen Leaders/Adult Leaders Association meetings as appropriate, complete the annual charter renewal forms, assist budget committee, keep an accurate record of bills and expenses, have all records audited on an annual basis.

Section 10: **Committee Heads:** shall help to plan and coordinate the job or event of his or her particular committee with the assistance of adult co-chair(s).

ADULT CO-CHAIRS & COMMITTEE HEADS

Section 1: Certified Adult 4-H Leaders may volunteer to fill the roles of co-chairs and committee heads.

Section 2: Volunteers for chair(s) and committee head positions will be taken at annual fall project meeting.

Section 3: All terms shall be for one year.

Section 4: Adult Treasurer must be the parent of Youth Treasurer.

Section 5: All adult chairpersons, committee heads and project leaders are required to participate in the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Protection Program.

Section 6: Committee meetings must be attended by the committee head(s). Failure to attend meetings will result in termination of position. Committees will be notified of meetings by telephone or email at mutually agreed upon time and date.