

# THE HOOPLA

January 31, 2011

Horse project meeting was held at Hillcrest School in Kewaunee on Saturday, December 4. The meeting was called to order by President Melissa M. Treasurer's report led by Cassie D., check book balance \$5566.74

Final draft of our project and educational calendars were sent out January 12<sup>th</sup>. Updates, changes in wording or locations are indicated by \*\*. Please make note of the changes.

Barb Vanden Bosch spoke about the educational night meetings at her farm and at Hillcrest School. We did change the meetings from Monday to Thursday nights to accommodate more youth. If you love horses, you are encouraged to attend these fun activity nights.

Youth voted and approved the Kewaunee County 4-H Horse Project Rules and Guidelines (Handbook) which includes our Constitution and Bylaws on December 4, 2010. Every member was provided a copy via email or regular mail on January 15, 2011 with a reminder that acknowledgement page is due to Margaret Halverson by February 15<sup>th</sup>. Reminders will be sent on February 1<sup>st</sup>. The project rules and guidelines should be printed and placed in your project binder for quick reference.

Pam Bertrand gave us an update on our spring clinic scheduled for April 9<sup>th</sup>. We are very fortunate to be able to have our clinic at Circle E Equestrian Stables located at W1424 Hwy VV in Seymour. More information will be provided to our members as we work out the details for all of our clinics. The clinic grant that we applied for from the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association was approved at \$250.00.

Our next meeting will be held on Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m. at Hillcrest School.

Thank you to Marissa H. for giving us an example of an Interpretive Reading. This is one of the public speaking events that youth can compete in at the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Expo each September.

Many thanks to everyone who brought non-perishable food and personal hygiene items for our annual food drive. Melissa M. took the items to Marv's Bins and will give us a report at our next meeting.

The Kewaunee County 4-H Leaders Association will sponsor the 4-H Time and Talent Raffle on Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at the Luxemburg Sportsman's Club. Once again the youth in our project have graciously agreed to donate their time to pick rocks. We hope this will be a much sought after item for this fundraiser.

We had a nice turn out for our Holiday Party on January 22nd. Thank you to Melissa M. and Pam Bertrand for organizing this event. We had a wonderful meal, door

prizes and awards were given to our youth officers and buddies for 2009-2010. We bowled, did crafts and spent time with friends. Our special guests were Darlene & Wally Boeder and Linda Cochart, who we thank for all they have done for our project over the years.

The N. E. District 4-H Horse Association will sponsor a clinic for the new Western Riding class that will be held at Expo this year. The clinic will be held on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. at the Kewaunee County Fairgrounds with Dan Grunewald as the clinician. Information will be sent to all N.E. District youth very soon.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- February 10 - Live Horse Activity Night  
Vanden Bosch Farm/6:30-8:00 p.m.
- February 24 - Hippology/Horse Bowl Activity Night  
Hillcrest School/6:30-8:00 p.m.
- March 17 - Live Horse Activity Night  
Vanden Bosch Farm/6:30-8:00 p.m.
- March 19 - NE Wisc. 4-H Horse Assoc. Mtg.  
UWEX, Green Bay/10:00 a.m.
- March 24 - Hippology/Horse Bowl Activity Night  
Hillcrest School/6:30-8:00 p.m.
- March 26 - Model Horse & Educational Clinic  
Fox Valley Tech. College

Amy & Margaret Halverson attended the WI 4-H Horse Association meeting on January 7 & 8 and report the following:

- Area Animal Science Days – NE District – Brown County, June 21, 2011
- Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association meeting – Rothschild, August 22, 2011
- Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association meeting – Rothschild, January 6 & 7, 2012

All Horse Shows – equine cannot be handled while wearing flip flops. If you are seen doing so, you will be asked to relinquish control of the horse immediately.

Educational events – Grand, Reserve and 8 top ten awards will be given at each event.

Gymkhana – holes in pants will no longer be allowed. Must wear long sleeve shirt with collar. You are riding at a state show and must dress appropriately.

Hunter/Dressage Show – Hunter Hack A & Working Green OF A will be dropped. New class will be added: Handy Hunter – 8 fences to be jumped, not timed. Need volunteer judges. No tack stalls available. Only 2 refusals will be allowed. 2011 Dressage test. Entries due June 6<sup>th</sup>. Sheboygan Fairgrounds now have showers!

Expo – Obstacle driving classes 62 & 63 will be combined. Trail pattern will be posted. Western Riding new class, using pattern #5.

**Please review all show and class information thoroughly when posted on the state website.**