New Stuff

*It’s…Charter Time, November 1st*
Several clubs have not turned in their charters yet. Our deadline to get them into the state is November 15th. Please get them into the office as soon as possible. Club Advisors check your email for all your Charter renewal documents. If you prefer hard copies or have any questions about filling out your club Charter, feel free to contact Arvilla, (920) 834-6846 or arvilla.rusnak@co.oconto.wi.us and she will gladly assist you.

*4-H Achievement Banquet and I-Pad Giveaway, November 5th*
After re-enrolling on 4-H Online for another great 4-H year we need to celebrate last year! The 4-H Achievement Banquet will be held on Saturday, November 5th at St. Anne’s Church in Lena. Watch for a save the date card in the mail soon. Dinner will be potluck with pulled-pork sandwiches as the main course (there may be some food stand recipe chili there too). Thank you to Hintz 4-H club for hosting this year. It is building up to be another great night with of course…an I-Pad giveaway at the end of the evening. More details coming soon.

*4-H Fall Kick-Off, November 5th*
We are doing something a little different for 4-H Fall Kick-Off this year. We will be holding it just before the Achievement Banquet on November 5th from 3-5pm at St Anne’s Church in Lena. Come and check out what is new in the project areas this year, meet some of the project leaders and of course….get your challenges for January Thaw. This event is open to the public so bring your friends and show them to what YOU like about 4-H!

4-H Fall Kick-Off is an open house event where we have an opportunity to show our communities and our members everything that is available to them in the 4-H program. Tables will be set up with information about many different project areas, the trips we fund, Summer Camp, Teen Court, our Board of Directors and much more. Some of the project leaders will be available to talk to and our members get a chance to choose project area challenges which they will work on and bring completed to our January Thaw project event on January 7th. For more information on this event contact Arvilla at (920) 671-4803 or aliveatfulldraw@gmail.com.

*Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarships, Applications Due March 15th*
The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than $10,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing higher education in 2017. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via email by March 15, 2017.

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance and future educational goals.

To be eligible for Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships, students must have been a Wisconsin 4-H member for at least one year; have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college or technical school during the 2017-2018 academic school year. All applications must adhere to the strict conventions. Any application that does not meet these requirements (including all document names) will not be considered. All documents must be attachments to the email; Google docs or any cloud/internet shared documents will be NOT be accepted. See the attachment for more information.
4-H Winter Leadership Camp, Applications due December 31
Winter Leadership camp will be held February 10-12th at Camp TaPaWingo, near Mishicot. This camp is open to 6-9th graders. With hands-on, interactive leadership sessions, youth will gain a better understanding of what it means to be a leader and how to apply being a leader in their club, county, and school. Along with leadership learning, youth will have opportunities to participate in a variety of recreational activities that may include sledding/tubing, snowshoeing, crazy games, and other outdoor activities. A flyer is attached. Feel free to contact Arvilla, arvilla.rusnak@co.oconto.wi.us, (920) 834-6845, for information on how to apply. Financial assistance may be available.

January Thaw and Spring Fling Clubs to Host Lunch
Project development is looking for 4-H clubs that would be interested in hosting lunch for January Thaw (Jan. 7th) and Spring Fling (May 6th) at Washington Middle school in Oconto Falls. Host clubs come up with profited over $300. If your club is interested in hosting one of the dates, contact Arvilla.

Fun Stuff to Do
Don’t forget to let us know what fun things your club is doing so we can post it here and on our website. We would like share your experiences with other 4-H clubs. This would be a great task for a club reporter. Please send your information to arvilla.rusnak@co.oconto.wi.us. Remember to include some pix!

Upcoming Events
New Dog Obedience Training Location!
The new location for dog obedience training sessions for 2017 will be in the Gillett Exhibition building on the Oconto County Fairgrounds in Gillett. Your instructors, once again, will be Cheryl Schinker, Jamie Lesczykowski and Annie Lesczykowski. Date and times of the sessions will be announced next year. If you have questions about this project, contact Annie Lesczykowski at jazzyboots_7@yahoo.com.

Equity Livestock Scholarship Opportunity, November 28th
Equity Cooperative Livestock Sales Association is offering ten $1,000 college scholarships and two $750 technical college scholarships. Students must have completed two or more semesters at an accredited college or university, or any student who has completed one semester at a technical college.

Scholarship Criteria:
• cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or above, on a 4.0 scale
• student or their parent(s) is an active patron of Equity

How to get an application:
Complete application online from the home page of the Equity website at www.equitycoop.com, or contact Janice Schyvinck at (800) 362-3989, ext. 152.
Application, transcript and letters of reference all due by November 28, 2016.