



# Jefferson County 4-H Newsletter

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January 2025

## Jefferson County Project Learning Day

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Jefferson County Project Learning Day

will be on

Saturday, February 22, 2025.

*More Information to Come*



## Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Jefferson County Extension Office!



# January 2025 4-H CALENDAR

For a complete list of dates and events please visit the online 4-H Calendar. ([Click here for calendar](#))

| Date          | Time    | Meeting                                 | Location                   |
|---------------|---------|---|----------------------------|
| January 5     | 4:30pm  | Archery Project Practice                | Oconomowoc Sportsmans Club |
| January 6     | 6:00pm  | Meats Judging Practice                  | Extension Office           |
| January 6     | 6:30pm  | Horse Education                         | Extension Office           |
| January 7     | 6:00pm  | Archery Project Practice                | Watertown Archers          |
| January 7     | 6:00pm  | Rabbit Meeting                          | Extension Office           |
| January 7     | 7:00pm  | Poultry Meeting                         | Extension Office           |
| January 7     | 7:00pm  | Horse Committee Meeting                 | Extension Office           |
| January 12    | 4:30pm  | Archery Project Practice                | Oconomowoc Sportmans Club  |
| January 13    | 6:00pm  | Meats Judging Practice                  | Extension Office           |
| January 13    | 6:30pm  | Horse Education                         | Extension Office           |
| January 14    | 6:00pm  | Archery Project Practice                | Watertown Archers          |
| January 14    | 6:00pm  | Beginner Carcass Meeting                | Extension Office           |
| January 14    | 7:00pm  | Livestock Committee Meeting             | Extension Office           |
| January 15    | 6:00pm  | Youth Livestock Meeting                 | Extension Office           |
| January 15    |         | Newsletter Items Due to Meghan          |                            |
| January 16    | 6:30pm  | Rocketry Project Meeting                | Extension Office           |
| January 16-19 |         | Denver Stock Show– Point Card Trip      | Extension Office           |
| January 19    | 4:30pm  | Archery Project Practice                | Oconomowoc Sportmans Club  |
| January 20    | 6:00pm  | Cloverbud Project Meeting               | Extension Office           |
| January 20    | 6:00pm  | Meats Judging Practice                  | Extension Office           |
| January 20    | 6:30pm  | Horse Education                         | Extension Office           |
| January 21    | 6:00pm  | Archery Project Practice                | Watertown Archers          |
| January 21    | 7:00 pm | Horse & Pony Countywide Project Meeting | Fair Park                  |
| January 26    | 4:30pm  | Archery Project Practice                | Oconomowoc Sportmans Club  |
| January 27    | 6:00 pm | Meats Judging Practice                  | Extension Office           |
| January 27    | 6:30pm  | Horse Education                         | Extension Office           |
| January 27    | 7:00pm  | Dairy Committee                         | Extension Office           |
| January 28    | 6:00pm  | Archery Project Practice                | Watertown Archers          |
| January 28    | 6:00pm  | Lego Project                            | Extension Office           |
| January 28    | 7:00pm  | Junior Leaders                          | Extension Office           |

## PROJECT NEWS

**Information for specific projects is listed in this section. If you need help with a project not listed please call the EXT Office at 920-674-7295. Projects are listed in alphabetical order. If you want to lead a countywide project please contact the Extension Office for more information.**

[\(Click here for online 4-H calendar\)](#)

### Cloverbud Project

Are you in 5K-2nd grade and interested in seeing what 4-H is all about? Join our Cloverbud Project! We will explore different areas of what 4-H has to offer.

We're so excited to be hosting Cloverbud meetings again this 4-H year. Registration is required! Register here for the Cloverbud Meetings! After most of the meetings, we'll send your Cloverbud home with a few more activities to extend their learning about the topic.

The total cost for the meetings is \$10 which includes 3 project meetings, take home activities and a project material kit. If you are a returning member you can use your material kit from last year.

Cloverbud Meetings will be held at 6:00pm at the Extension Office one Monday a month during the months of January, March and May.

- Monday, January 20- 6:00pm– Extension Office
- Monday, March 17- 6:00pm– Extension Office
- Monday, May 19- 6:00pm– Fair Park

Have questions? Reach out to the Extension Office at 920-674-7295.

### Dairy Project

The next Dairy Committee Meetings will be held on January 27 at 7:00pm at the Extension Office.

### Lego Project

The next Lego Project Meeting is on January 28 at 6:00pm at the Extension Office.

If you have questions about the Lego project, contact Charles Johnson [crjohnson.51510@gmail.com](mailto:crjohnson.51510@gmail.com) or 920-342-9783.

### Livestock Project

Includes: beef, dairy, goat, poultry, rabbit, sheep and swine.

The next Livestock Committee Meeting will be held on January 14 at 7:00pm at the Extension Office.

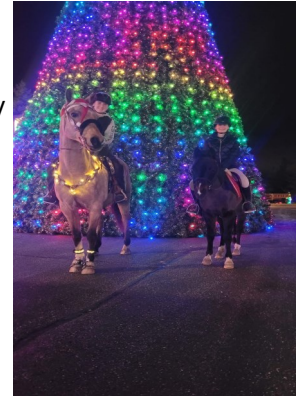
### Horse & Pony Project

-Our November meeting was a field trip to the 2nd Annual Holiday Hooves at Ingleside Hotel. We had 6 members and 3 leaders ride!

-Beginning January 6, we will begin our Horse Education Nights every Monday night from 6:30 to 7:30 at the Extension Office! Come learn about different topics each week...beginner to advanced welcome!

-Our tack sale is coming up January 12. We are looking for volunteers for set up on the 11th, and of course during the event on the 12th

-January Countywide Meeting: January 21 at 7:00pm at Fair Park. We'll do some hippology/Horse Bowl prep gameshow style, do a Point Card Checkpoint, and hear all about the trip won by this years' high point earners.



### Rocketry Project

Beginning Jan. 16, the rocketry (aerospace) project will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office on the first and third Thursdays of each month.

Youth must be able to safely use an X-acto type knife or be accompanied by an adult who can assist them.

In addition to making rockets from kits, youth will have the opportunity to make rockets from scratch.

For more information, contact Roald Ager-Hart or Brett Hart at 920-674-4963.





## Shooting Sports

Shooting sports is a great life skill to learn at a young age. With 4-H shooting sports the kids will learn the basic fundamentals of safety, awareness, posture, eye dominance, accuracy vs consistent grouping and much more. We want the kids to enjoy shooting sports along with knowing the responsibilities there is to shooting this type of equipment. We have 3 age groups with shooting sports; Junior is 3rd-5th grade(8-11yrs). Intermediate is 6th-8th grade(12-15yrs). Senior is 9th-1 year after high school graduation(16-19yrs). We split our shooting sports season into 2 groups; Indoor and outdoor. Indoor we do only archery and outdoor we do 3D archery, air pistol, air rifle, .22lr pistol, .22lr rifle, shotgun (trap), and muzzleloader. Each discipline is \$5 for the season. Safety Meetings are required to have before shooting per 4-H nationally. Safety meetings and first practices can not be on the same day. But they will still be able to shoot if wanted.

### Indoor dates:

Safety meeting/equipment check and to do some shooting on 1/5 and 1/7. Practices Sundays and/or Tuesdays 1/12 and 1/14 to 3/9 and 3/11. Each archer is required to have 3 practices to be eligible to participate in the County Competition. The County Competition will be 3/16, 3/18, 3/23, 3/25.

### Outdoor dates

Outdoor shooting will start in April. There will be an email sent out as the time comes closer. Sundays; air rifle/pistol, shotgun, .22lr rifle. Mondays; 3D archery, .22lr pistol, muzzleloader.

Sundays: Oconomowoc Sportsmans Club  
Mill Rd, Sullivan, WI 53178  
4:30p.m

Tuesdays: Watertown Archers  
212 Market St, Watertown, WI 53094  
6:00p.m

Times might change depending on attendance.

### Instructors

We are in need for more instructors for both indoor (archery) and outdoor (rifle, pistol, shotgun, muzzleloader, archery). Signing up to be an instructor doesn't mean you need to devote every week to shooting sports. You can help out with what you can and give some ease to the other instructors when you are available to help out. If interested you can reply-all back to this email.

Leader Certification Training Workshops – Wisconsin 4-H  
(link)

### State 4H Shoots

There are multiple shoots around the state held by other 4H counties. Last year we had a handful of kids go to them and had a good time with them. Kids 14 years old and older that have attended the state shoots can be eligible to shoot at the 4H Nationals in Nebraska.

Competitive Shoots – Wisconsin 4-H (link)

Any Questions or Concerns feel free to email me.

## Plant & Soils Science Project

### 2025 January Activities for Plant & Soils Sciences Projects

Plant and Soils Projects include these project areas – Crops, Vegetables, Flowers, House plants and Plant Crafts.

**Winter, a time to gather information and plan what you would like to grow this year as a project .** A new houseplant? **Vegetables** or **flowers** or both? Does your family grow **crops**? Will you be helping with the crops or have a plot of your own? Would you like to exhibit them at the county fair?

No place to grow a patch of corn or sunflowers? Ask for the possibility to plant them at or with another club member at their home or farm.

**Seed catalogs will be arriving in the mail.** No catalogs, go to the websites of seed companies. Talk with your family and make a list of your choices. **List plants or seeds that are interesting, or ones you would like to grow or to eat.** Find vegetables or flowers **with funny or strange names. Think about growing one of them.**

It could be **fun** to grow some “**Easter Egg**” Radishes or “**Yin Yang**” Beans. Or plant some **Teddybear Sunflowers** or start some **Perennials** for Birds, Bees and Butterflies, the **Pollinators** we need. Maybe you would like some **Edible** flowers along with your vegetables. **Giant or tiny** vegetables might make an interesting fair exhibit.

Check out what classes for Plants and Soil Sciences are listed for **Project Day**. Choose ones you are interest in and **Sign Up**.

Watch the Weekly Clover Connection for any activity updates.

**Sharon Schweitzer, text /call 920-650-7110 or email [rwses@idcnet.com](mailto:rwses@idcnet.com)**

Questions , Comments, Suggestions are always welcome.

## Plant & Soils Science Project

### 2025 January Activities for Natural Science- all Natural Resources & Environmental Education Projects

*Projects include Beekeeping, Birds, Insects, Fishing, Forestry, Wildflowers, Hunting & Wildlife, Adventures, and Environmental projects.*

#### January Activity, Plan to attend!

**Hoo's Woods, Dianne Moller Presentation with live Raptors**

**January 25, 2025, 10am, Hoard Museum, Fort Atkinson, WI**

This will be a wonderful program where you will be able to see and learn about an Eagle, a Snowy Owl and another rehabilitated raptor. There will handouts and a "Birding Basket". Gather information for a birding project and enjoy seeing great birds up close.

**Each of Natural Science project area has a variety of possibilities.** Which one are you interested in Do you like wildlife, wildflowers, or adventures?

**Chose what you are interested in doing? List the one** you want to learn more about. **Plan** an **adventure** activity or trip that is about fishing, camping, hiking or skiing. **Make** a survival or first aid **kit** for an adventure activity. Check listings for the items you will need and the kind of case to put them in. **Create a walking stick** for hiking or a poster showing how you would clean a fish. **Create a "log" or poster/display** with pictures and comments about your **adventure experience** or an **environmental topic**.

**What winter activities do you enjoy?** Making a Snow Fort, Skiing, sledding, snowmobiling? All these depend on the weather. **Will we have snow? It is said our climate is changing.** Illustrate weather conditions is an Environment project. You can **make** a weather instrument or weather calendar recording the weather conditions.

**Take a winter walk or hike** and observe what's around you. What trees do you see? Look for tracks or birds. Record your observations with pictures and notes, providing information for projects on Forestry, Wildlife and Birds. Or **do observations at home.** Put out a bird feeder and record how many different birds you can list. Watch for squirrels, look for his tracks in the snow. These enjoyable activities can be a part of Natural Science projects.

**Practice winter safety, dress for your activity** and keep your **first aid kit** with you at all times. **Enjoy winter activities.** Don't get cabin fever.

**Check out more adventure ideas and information** listed in the *Wisconsin Natural Resources magazine* at **WNRMAG.COM** . Also get idea from the **Winter 2024 Issue** on how they **make snow**, or going **snowshoeing or Fat biking, or even camping.** "**Embrace Wisconsin winters no matter the weather" offers such ideas.** Enjoy our Wisconsin Winter Time with an adventure to record as your 4-H project.

While thinking about all the animals and birds that can be seen and supported in winter, there are others needing consideration and support too. The cold blood critters, how do they adapt to freezing conditions. **Where do frogs, mudpuppies, worms and fish spend their winters?** Or all

the **insects?** They have a stories of their own. Check them out and plan to give them a helping hand through the winter.

Club Leaders, do you want ideas for a club meeting indoor activity? Would you like me to join you for a meeting? Text or email.

Questions , Comments, Suggestions are always welcome.

**Sharon Schweitzer, text/call 920-650-7110 or email [rwses@jdcnet.com](mailto:rwses@jdcnet.com)**

## LEADER NEWS

### Leaders Board Meeting

The next Leader's Board Meeting is on Thursday, February 21 at 6:30pm at the Extension Office.

### Leaders Association Meeting

The next Leader's Association Meeting is on Thursday, March 20 at 6:30pm at the Extension Office.

## OLDER MEMBERS

### Junior Leaders

The next Junior Leaders meeting is on January 28 at 7:00pm at the Extension Office for card and movie night.

Junior Leaders is for youth in 6th -12th grades. Any 4-H member in those grades is welcome to join our group!

If you have any questions, please contact Alyssa at 920-723-9039 (call/text) or [jakewith07@yahoo.com](mailto:jakewith07@yahoo.com)

## CLUB NEWS

### Lake Ripley

The November meeting for Lake Ripley 4-H club was held on November 17, 2024 at the Amundson Community Center in Cambridge. Everyone went around and introduced their families since we have many new members joining our club. Members shared awards that they received at the 4-H awards banquet. Members have two upcoming community service projects coming up. They can help with a bake sale fundraiser for the Cambridge Food Pantry, and they can help at the Christmas Neighbors shopping night on December 18. For the member activity, members tied blankets to donate to the Jefferson County Christmas Neighbors.

The Lake Ripley 4-H December meeting was held on December 15, 2024 at the Amundson Community Center in Cambridge. All members who attended received a 4-H Rubik's Cube as a Christmas gift from the club. Members shopped for food and gifts for our two adopt-a-families. A family volunteered to deliver the food and gifts before Christmas. Members who worked at the bake sale spoke about the event. The club will be donating \$700 to the Cambridge Food Pantry. Members who attended the community service meeting spoke about our goals for the upcoming year. The club plans to hold at least one community service event each month that serves a variety of people and causes. For the activity, members decorated cookies together.

-Scott Mehringer, Reporter

## Jefferson Boosters

With the leadership of new officers voted in at the October meeting at the Jefferson Booster 4-H club, the members decided it was time to focus more efforts in supporting our community. (President-Joey, Vice President- Ellie, Secretary-Candence, Treasurer-Danny, Sergeant At Arms- Isaac, Sunshine-Avalee, Reporter- Kelsey) While looking for philanthropic opportunities, two non-profit agencies quickly came to the club's attention. With unanimous votes the club agreed to focus efforts on supporting these generous, well-known agencies. Following the December meeting, the Jefferson Boosters concentrated their service opportunities to the community, supporting local and national charities that work locally; The Salvation Army and Christmas Neighbors. Members from the Leath, Salopek, Ebel, Ninneman, Filer, Rueth and Chipman families all took time during this busy season to go to the local Piggly Wiggly in Jefferson to support the Salvation Army over multiple days for several hours. The families bundled up, braving the cold to sing carols, ring bells and collect from the community's generosity. Some families even took multiple shifts to ensure the club was able to fulfill time slots and support one another in their efforts. This generosity made for fun memories and helped to bond the ties within the club dynamics. The fun had by giving generously of their time and energy made the time spent fly by and helped warm hearts where the temperatures stayed chilly! They took the freezing temperatures in stride and kept the cheer going, bringing smiles to the numerous faces they encountered. Whether someone donated or not, they left with a smile on their faces and a song in their ear, with lots of greetings of "Have a great day!" and "Merry Christmas and happy holidays!" The kids enjoyed hot chocolate and cookies, generously given by the supportive, kind staff at the market. Bells rang with laughter and good cheer. Along with donating their time with the Salvation Army, the Jefferson Boosters really showed up for Christmas Neighbors in multiple gifts happily collected and generously donated. The club spent about 2 weeks collecting donations and delivering them to several different local locations. Various toys, books, puzzles, stuffed animals, Legos, Duplo blocks, paints and various art supplies, trucks, games, cards, socks, winter caps, and gift-wrapping paper were some of the donations the club were blessed to be able to share in the hopes it makes Christmas that much more special for families in our area. The club looks forward for the upcoming year and service they are able to provide the community. We are so proud of our kids and the impact they get to have on the people around them, and the community at large! The next meeting will be January 12, 2025 at 6pm Immanuel Methodist Church Jefferson.

- Kelsey Rueth, Reporter

## Farmington All Stars

The Farmington All-Stars met Tuesday Dec. 3 at the Bark River Lanes in Rome for a combination meeting, pizza party and bowling night.

First, the club did a service activity, putting together care packages with donated items that members brought in for military personnel serving overseas during Christmastime.

Then the club did the bowling and pizza party.

In upcoming events, the club will be doing a community service project with the senior citizens at Alden Estates on Dec. 30.

The next official monthly meeting will take place Jan. 7 at the Farmington Town Hall.

-Michael Wilson, Reporter



## 4-H COMMUNICATIONS

### 4-H Family Newsletter

The 4-H Family Newsletter is a source of information for families to learn about opportunities, activities, workshops, deadlines and other information about Jefferson County 4-H. Leaders and members may submit articles. The newsletter is assembled and distributed through the EXT Office. The newsletter also serves as the essential source of information for Jefferson County Fair, Meat Animal Project Committee (MAP) and other important project and activities.

If you are hosting a project meeting, activity or event that the entire county would benefit from, please be sure to submit your article to the EXT Office by the 15th of each month. This includes any project meeting dates, community service or fundraisers that might be relevant to members outside your club. This is an easy way to help grow your programs and events. Spread the word! Please note the EXT Office may edit submissions based on newsletter space.

### Weekly Clover Connection

The Clover Connection is sent via email through 4honline each week usually on Mondays. The Clover Connection includes important information for the upcoming week. Please watch your email each week for important news and changes. *Note: If you "unsubscribe" to these emails, you will NOT receive any emails through 4honline.*

### 4-H Calendar

For up to date information on what is happening in 4-H, check out the [4-H Calendar](#). Dates are being added, changed, or cancelled all the time. Watch the calendar for updates!





## JEFFERSON CO. FAIR NEWS

I want to call attention to the information about the community stage. What do you recommend to set this info apart from the rest? A different placement, something bold, bright colors, whatever you think might work for it. Here's the info that I think needs to be special:

**Community Stage:** We are looking for performers of any capacity for the Community Stage during Fair 2025! This stage under the shade will give you/your group the chance to perform for all Fairgoers that pass by. And when we say any kind of performers, we mean it: jugglers, hula hoopers, rock bands, story tellers, gymnasts, cloggers, and many more! Go to our website, to County Fair, and then to Community Stage to learn more.

Here's the rest of the info for the Monthly Newsletter:

### Jefferson County Fair July 9-13, 2025

**Fairest of the Fair:** Do you know someone who is 18 years of age or older and would be a great ambassador for the Jefferson County Fair? Nominations are now open for the 2025 Fairest of the Fair! Visit [jcfairpark.com](http://jcfairpark.com) to learn more about the competition, and get access to nominations as well as applications.

### Important Dates:

- Nomination & Application Deadline: **December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024**
- Orientation/Judging Day: **January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Coronation: **January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Don't miss this chance to recognize an outstanding individual in our community!

**Poster Contest:** Calling all artists in grades 5-12! We need original artwork to be our official poster for the 2025 Fair! The voting will take place on our Facebook page in March, and the first place winner will earn \$250. See more about our poster contest on our website under "County Fair" then "Poster Contest".

**New Logo!** We're excited to reveal the new logo for the Jefferson County Fair! This updated design celebrates our agricultural roots, the timeless tradition of the rosette and ribbon, and the lively spirit of the fair. Check it out on our Facebook page!

**Now Accepting Entries to 2025 Fair:** Through our new software, FairEntry, we are now accepting entries! To learn more on how to enter and our new software, visit our website [jcfairpark.com](http://jcfairpark.com) and navigate to County Fair – Competitive Exhibits – Entry Information. Entries will close on **May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025!**

If you have any questions on any of these topics, or others, give us a call at 920-674-7148 or email us at [fair@jeffersoncountywi.gov](mailto:fair@jeffersoncountywi.gov). See you at the Fair!

Are you a new family in the Jefferson County 4-H program? Are you a returning family but not receiving updates from the Jefferson County Fair Park? If you answered yes to either of these questions, please contact the Jefferson County Fair Park to make sure you are on their Information Receiving List. [Sign up for updates here!](#) This ensures that you will receive the most up-to-date information on the 2024 Jefferson County Fair and the exhibiting requirements. The Jefferson County Fair Park can be reached at 920-674-7148 or [info@jcfairpark.com](mailto:info@jcfairpark.com) Jefferson County Fair Park Website: <https://www.jcfairpark.com>



**Calling all Lego Lovers!**

**Do you have unused Legos or Duplos sitting around?**

*We are creating a Lego Create Station in the Kidz Zone at the Fair. If you have any spare Legos or are downsizing the toy box, we'd love to put them to good use and give them a second life.*

Donations can be dropped off at the Fair Park Office

**Let's build something amazing together!**

**2025 Agricultural grant applications are now available**

The Jefferson County Agri-Business Club is pleased to offer the opportunity for local agricultural-related groups to apply for a grant to “jump start” some activity or special project that is not covered within your group’s regular budget. The Club has awarded grants to local agricultural organizations for many years. The funds are generated from the Club’s county fair food stand and our holiday cheese and meat sales.

To apply, fill out the 2024-25 Grant Application form, found on the Club’s website, [jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com](http://jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com). After submitting the paperwork, due no later than **December 31, 2024**, potential grant recipients will be asked to present their proposed project to the Club membership at our January 21, 2025 meeting and answer questions about the project’s details. The meeting will be held at Fairview Sports Bar and Banquet Facility in Jefferson.

The Jefferson County Agri-Business Club celebrated its 51<sup>th</sup> anniversary last year. The mission of the club is to promote an active interest in agribusiness and to serve as a resource to all who care about Jefferson County agribusiness. The goal is to promote the agribusiness community to the local and state population. This is accomplished through education, media, visits to local agribusinesses, fundraisers utilizing agricultural products, offering scholarships toward ag careers, and offering funds, such as these grants, to organizations that promote the ag community.

To learn more about this organization visit [www.jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com](http://www.jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com) or visit their Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/JeffersonCountyAgriBusinessClub](http://www.facebook.com/JeffersonCountyAgriBusinessClub). If you are interested in becoming a member, one does not have to be directly involved in agribusiness. All are welcome.





## 2025 Agri-Business scholarship applications now available

Jefferson County Agri-Business Club provides college scholarships to local youth pursuing a career in agriculture. Students wanting to apply can download an application from the club website, [www.jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com](http://www.jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com). The application includes student activities, leadership, work experience, transcript, essays about agriculture, and letter of recommendation. Students can be seniors in high school or currently enrolled in college. Monies are awarded to youth attending 2-year, 4-year, or technical schools. The deadline for submission is February 1, 2025.

Jones Dairy Farm donated all the ticket sales from their 2022 Jones Yellow Barn Centennial Celebration to the club's scholarship fund. "This donation allows our organization to assist more local students pursuing careers in agriculture by helping to fund their college educations," stated Bill Blossfeld, Jefferson County Agri-Business Club president. The top 2025 scholarship applicant will receive the Jones Dairy Farm Agriculture Scholarship.

In addition, memorial monies were donated to the Jefferson County Agri-Business Club in honor of retired Jefferson High School agriculture teacher and FFA advisor, Will Larson. He also managed the St. Coletta's farm in Jefferson. In recognition of his involvement in the Jefferson County Agri-Business Club, friends and family donated funds to start this special scholarship within the organization to which he dedicated many years. A scholarship bearing his name will be awarded to a student pursuing a degree in agricultural education with the goal of becoming an ag teacher.

The Grants/Scholarship committee reviews and scores the applications. They present their recommendations to membership at the February meeting for final approval. The



Jefferson County Agri-Business Club will honor students with scholarships at their April 2025 meeting. The evening will include a catered meal and the scholarship presentations at Fairview Sports Bar & Grill in Jefferson.

Funds to finance this venture are raised throughout the year primarily from the food stand at the Jefferson County Fair and an annual cheese sale prior to the Christmas holiday. Community members can also purchase cheese and meat at the Fort Atkinson Holiday Open House and Market on December 7. The club also maintains a vending location at Pleasant Valley Acres Grain and Produce Farm in Sullivan from mid-November to mid-December.

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To learn more about this organization visit our website, [www.jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com](http://www.jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com).





Bake Off Sign Up Link: <https://forms.gle/cDSaNFVcYWgzc2t7>



*Get ready for...*

# JEFFERSON CO. 4-H BAKE OFF

Roll up your sleeves and get ready to bake! Each month we will crown a star baker in each of FOUR divisions: Cloverbuds, Junior (3rd - 6th) and Senior (7th- 12th) and new this year, **Club Team**

Nov 17th-Cakes  
Dec 15th-Cookies  
Jan 19th-Pastry  
Feb 16th-Breads  
March 16th- Finals



For more information and to receive the first month's challenge email: [wilcenski@wisc.edu](mailto:wilcenski@wisc.edu) by Oct 31st with the Subject- 4-H Bake Off

*Held @4:30  
@ the Extension Office*



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Cook Off Sign Up: <https://forms.gle/cDSaNFTVcYWgz2t7>



Get ready for...

# JEFFERSON CO. 4-H COOK OFF

Roll up your sleeves and get ready to cook! Each month we will crown a star chef in each of FOUR divisions: Cloverbuds , Junior (3rd - 6th) and Senior (7th- 12th) and Club Team

Nov 17th-Sides  
Dec 15th-Meats  
Jan 19th- Soups  
Feb 16th-Appetizers  
March 16th- Finals



For more information and to receive the first month's challenge email:wilcenski@wisc.edu by Oct 31st with the Subject- 4-H Cook Off

Held @3:30  
@ the Extension Office



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# Jefferson County 4-H Cloverbud Project

THIS YEAR ONLY  
\$10 per youth

GRADES  
**5K-2**

**Join our Cloverbud Project!**  
**We will explore different  
areas of what 4-H has to offer!**



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