

2018 RICE COUNTY MINNESOTA 4-H STATE FAIR RESULTS

LIVESTOCK ENCAMPMENT – Minnesota 4-Hers from 87 counties arrived with over 2800 animals at the 2018 “Great Minnesota Get-Together” for this year’s 4-H livestock encampment held August 22nd-26th. Education is integral in the “learn by doing” philosophy of 4-H. As part of the educational component, Minnesota 4-H requires every youth exhibiting an animal to also participate in knowledge tests, skill-a-thons, and personal interviews directly related to the animal species they are exhibiting. Along with interviews, all 4-H youth livestock exhibitors complete the Livestock Quality Assurance (LQA) Training. Through this certification, youth are educated on bio-security, educating the public on the role of livestock, and caring for their animal’s welfare. Other learning opportunities include exhibits featuring the “Science of Animals”, and demonstrations pertaining to the exhibits animal.

s INTERVIEWS - Animal Science Interviews at the State Fair are designed to further enhance educational opportunities for young people exhibiting livestock. The interview process offers a visual philosophy of recognizing 4-Hers who have utilized their livestock project to grow and develop as young people. Livestock Interviews emphasize many life skills such as communication, responsibility, decision making, and problem-solving. The interview process is seen as a step to help insure the stability of youth livestock shows as a positive form of youth development. Interview *Finalists* received a *certificate* sponsored by *Sullivan Supply & MLBA*.

s Finalist – **Maxwell Johnson** – Meat Goat, **Samual Johnson** – Meat Goat, **Ashley Almen** – Poultry, **Chester Donkers** – Swine, **Mason Pagel** – Beef, **Cal Schultz** – Beef, **Breanna DeGrood** – Dairy, **Sydney Dienst** – Dairy, **Jessica Gehrke** – Rabbit, **JoHannah Gehrke** – Rabbit, **Garrett Johnson** – Swine, **Jacy Saemrow** – Dairy and **Rebecca Meger** – Rabbit.

s MLB PURPLE RIBBON AUCTION – Participating in the Auction were: Beef – **Lexi Wetzel**; Sheep – **Nick Flom** and Swine – **Jason Donkers**.

s MN LIVESTOCK BREEDERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP - Scholarships are awarded to youth with leadership, community service and livestock involvement throughout their 4-H career – receiving \$2000 **Kyra Flom** and \$1000 **Jason Donker**.

s MN MEATS - Youth demonstrated safe and flavorful ways to grill the best of Minnesota Meats: Beef – **Daelyn Judd**.

s POULTRY BBQ CONTEST – Participating in the contest and place 3rd in the Junior Division – **Mason Mechura**.

s POULTRY POSTER CONTEST – **Olivia Horhman** was the Grand Champion Educational Poster and **Mackenzie Hohrman** the Reserve Champion Educational Poster

JUDGING CONTESTS

· **GENERAL LIVESTOCK**

s Senior Team placed 3rd Overall, 2nd Beef, 3rd Sheep, 5th Swine and 4th Reasons. Team members: **Tar Tut**-1st Reasons, 5th Beef, 8th Overall Individual; **Nick Flom**-3rd Sheep; **Max Johnson**-7th Beef, 6th Sheep, 6th Overall Individual and **Taylor Landrum**. Coached by Matt Purfeerst. The team will compete at the National contest in Denver in January.

s Intermediate Team placed 6th Overall and 5th in Beef, 8th in Sheep, 6th in Reasons. Team members: **Mason Pagel**-6th Swine, 9th Overall Individual; **Hannah Wetzel**-6th Overall Individual; **Karly Flom** and **Sadie Sullivan**. Coached by Riley Donkers.

· **DAIRY**

s Senior Goodhue/Rice Team placed 4th Reasons. Rice County team members were **Kelsey Kuball** and **Jack Saemrow**. Coached by Emily Pieper.

s Intermediate Team Goodhue/Rice placed 3rd Reasons, 7th Overall. Rice County team members **Jacy Saemrow** placed 9th in Reasons. Coached by Emily Pieper.

s Intermediate Team Goodhue/Rice #2 placed 9th Reasons, 8th Overall. Rice County team member was **Emma Kuball** placed 8th Reasons. Coached by Emily Pieper.

SHARE-THE-FUN – Clubs prepare and perform a play, dance, musical, or other act. Both clubs performed during Livestock Encampment.

· Big Giants members participating: **Ashley Almen, Claire Berndt, Alex Flom, Jenny Flom, Mackenzie Hohrman, Olivia Hohrman, Gunnar Johnson, Bradyn Lingle, Raymond Lundstrom, Alex Lyman** and, **Isaac Lyman**.

· Wheatland Wheaties members participating: **Felix Barten, Mabel Barten, Jaylie Braun, Makynlie Braun, Jeffrey Erickson, Vicky Erickson, Ella Horejsi, Hannah Kraft, Natalie Kraft, Charolette Thompson, Nora Thompson, Clara Winget, Evelyn Winget** and **Marisa Winget**.

GENERAL ENCAMPMENT - 4-H'ers from 86 counties brought over 2,600 exhibits, delivered over 175 demonstrations and participated in any of several experiences and performances at the State Fair. General encampment for Rice County was August 28th –30th. Throughout the year 4-H youth select project areas that reflect personal areas of interest and pursue hands on learning that is both self-directed and guided by adult volunteers. The results of their learning is exhibited at county fairs across the state and then the best from each county fair is brought to the Minnesota State Fair. Exhibiting project work at the state fair provides youth an opportunity to both showcase their achievements as well as continue the learning through the interactive and group-based conference judging.

s **CHEF FOR THE DAY** – Members teamed up to prepared a MN grown healthy plate featuring MN products: **Vicky Erickson, Grace Hoover, Kylie Hoover, Tess Wiebe, Luke Meger, Hannah Kraft, Ella Horejsi, Marisa Winget, Kortney Prior** and **Ethan Little**.

s **GENERAL DEMONSTRATIONS** – **Vicky Erickson** and **Emily Zimmer** both received a blue on their demonstration. They will also receive an additional \$30 award.

s ARTS-IN – “Fixing Up the Broken Fences” production was performed by: **Vicky Erickson, Ava Little, Kailee Little, Finn Marnholtz, Sawyer Marnholts, Clara Winget, Evelyn Winget and Marisa Winget.** Directed by **Vicky Erickson.** Technical Crew – **Ethan Little, Ross Aldorfer and Grant Kreft.**

Here are the Livestock and General Encampment judging results by club:

BIG GIANTS – **Ashley Almen**, Pigeons Flying 1 Brdg Pr-BL; **Connor Berndt**, Wildlife-RD; **Jenny Flom**, Rabbit Mini Lop Sr Buck-BL, Photography-BL ; **Madison Jenrich**, Meat Goat Jr Yrlg Meat Brdg Doe-PR ; **Max Johnson**, Meat Goat Sr Yrlg Meat Brdg Doe-PR; **Sam Johnson**, Meat Mkt Goat-RD, Photography-BL; **John Liebl**, Electric-BL; **Mason Mechura**, Dairy Goat Oberhasli Milking Doe 5 Yrs+ - BL, RC Oberhasli Sr Doe, Showmanship-PR;**Isabella Schmidt**, Meat Goat Sr Meat Brdg Doe Kid-BL; **Tess Wiebe**, Self-Determined-BL.

BIG WOODS – **Courtney Albers**, Sheep Mkt Lamb Black Face-BL; **Kendra Albers**, Sheep Mkt Lamb Black Face-BL; **Chester Donkers**, Swine Brdg Gilts Berkshire Reg-BL; **Jason Donkers**, Swine Mkt Barrow Crossbrd-PR; **Karly Flom**, Sheep Wether Dam Black Face Ewe Lamb-PR, 4th Showmanship;**Kyra Flom**, Sheep Mkt Lamb Black Face-PR; **Nick Flom**, Sheep Mkt Lamb Black Face-PR, RC Sr Showperson; **Holden Keller**, Potatoes-RD; **Shelby Mathews**, Photography-RD; **Mason Pagel**, Beef Hereford, Reg Sr Yrlg-RD; **Cal Schultz**, Beef Prospect Calf Heifer-BL, RC Cow/Calf Pair & Prospect Mkt Calf Sr Showperson; **Henry Schultz**, Meat Mkt Goat-PR, RC Hvywght Meat Mkt Goat, CH Adv Mkt Goat Showmanship; **Tar Tut**, Beef RD Angus Reg Jr Yrlg-BL; **Hannah Wetzel**, Sheep Mkt Lamb Black Face-BL, 5th Mkt lamb Showmanship; **Lexi Wetzel**, Beef Steer Maine Anjou Reg-PR, RC Mkt Beef Sr Showperson; **MiKayla Wetzel**, Beef Shorthorn Plus Reg Summer Yrlg-PR, CH Shorthorn Plus Heifer.

FULL-O-PEP – **Abigail Hohrman**, Rabbit Mini Rex Jr Doe-PR, Self-Determined-BL; **Gretchen Hohrman**, Chickens Egg Production White Egg Layers-BL, Consumer Education-BL; **Grace Hoover**, Indoor Gardening-BL; **Kylie Hoover**, Fine Arts-BL; **Daniel Kamen**, Aerospace-BL; **Ava Little**, Lawn & Landscape-BL; **Ethan Little**, Chickens Egg Production Brown Egg Layers-RD; **Garrett Ostermann**, Shooting Sports-BL; **David Rhoades**, Computer-BL; **Evan Sanford**, Fishing-RD; **Kyle Sanford**, Sheep Com White/Speckle Face Feb Ewe Lamb-BL; **Hannah Singh**, Foods-BL; **Jake Tanghe**, Dairy Goat Alpine Sr Doe Kid-BL, Showmanship-PR.

HAPPY HOUNDS – **Kortney Prior**, Dog-BL.

WARSAW WILLING WORKERS – Club Banner-PR; **Breanna DeGroot**, Dairy Brown Swiss Calf-RD; **Karlie DeGroot**, Dairy Brown Swiss Calf-BL, Self-Determined-PR; **Sydney Dienst**, Dairy Jersey Calf-BL; **Jessica Gehrke**, Rabbit Flemish Giant Sr Buck-BL, Crafts-BL; **JoHannah Gehrke**, Rabbit Netherland Dwarf Sr Buck-BL, Cat-BL; **Jonathan Gehrke**, Rabbit Polish Sr Buck-BL; **Kendra Hanson**, Rabbit Polish Sr Doe-BL, Vegetable Gardening-BL; **Lindsay Hanson**, Rabbit Mini Satin Sr Buck-BL; **Maressa Hanson**, Rabbit Polish Sr Buck-BL; **Amber Hoover**, Beef Steer Crossbrds/Other-RD; **Garrett Johnson**, Swine Brdg Gilts Crossbrd-RD; **Daelyn Judd**, Beef Prospect

Calf Heifer-RD; **Jacob Karsten**, Lawn & Landscape-BL; **Taylor Landrum**, Beef Black Angus Reg Jr Yrlg-RD; **Jack Saemrow**, Dairy Holstein Grade Sr 2Yr Old-BL; **Jacy Saemrow**, Dairy Brown Swiss Yrlg-RD; **Emily Zimmer**, Foods-BL.

WEBSTER WILLING WORKERS – Club Banner BL; **Luke Meger**, Rabbit Satin Jr Doe-BL, Foods-BL; **Rebecca Meger**, Mkt Rabbit Single Fryer-BL, Rabbit Carcass-BL; **Megan Sirek**, Beef Cow & Calf Black Angus Reg-BL, Indoor Gardening-PR.

WHEATLAND WHEATIES – **Vicky Erickson**, Tractor-PR; **Ella Horejsi**, Rabbit Holland Lop Jr Doe-PR, Performing Arts-BL; **Josephine Hyde**, Performing Arts-BL; **Katie Jensen**, Foods-BL; **Hannah Kraft**, Robotics-RD; **Brian Mitchell**, Shop-BL; **Mackenzie Stepka**, Beef Shorthorn Smr Yrlg-BL; **Megan Vikla**, Fine Arts-PR; **Marisa Winget**, Sheep Com White/Speckle Face Yrlg Ewe-RD, Performing Arts-BL.

In addition to growing in their knowledge and skills in specific project areas, 4-H youth have opportunities to develop 21st Century skills such as communicating, problem solving, collaboration and decision making. 4-H not only produces purple ribbon projects, but more importantly is focused on producing purple ribbon kids! Congratulations to all the youth that participated at the 2018 Minnesota State Fair.

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