



WELLS COUNTY 4-H



🍀 WELLS COUNTY FAIR • FESSENDEN, NORTH DAKOTA • JUNE 21-24, 2018 🍀

EXTENSION HELPING NORTH DAKOTA THROUGH 4-H: A SNAPSHOT

4-H prepares youth for success and the challenges that face North Dakota. It contributes to the development of new leaders, encourages innovation and entrepreneurship, teaches good stewardship and helps youth acquire important life skills that prepare them to be career- and work-ready.

Current priorities include helping youth develop science interests and build skills and abilities in the areas of agriculture, energy, environmental stewardship and technology. Youth learn the importance of food access, where their food comes from, and how to make healthful food choices and live healthy lives. They develop leadership skills and understand the importance of giving back to their communities and society.

Youth throughout the U.S., including North Dakota, participated in research to define and measure positive youth development (Source: Lerner and Lerner 2011). Compared with their peers, youth involved in 4-H programs are:

- 2x more likely to participate in STEM activities!
- 2x more likely to make healthier choices!
- 2x more likely to be civically active!
- 4x more likely to give back to their communities!

4-H in ND has had a 19% enrollment increase in the past five years.

Another great aspect that ND 4-H has to offer is ND 4-H Camp near Washburn! This is open to all youth and over 550 youth attend throughout the summer. Visit <https://www.ndsu.edu/4h/camp/> to see what camps are offered!

- 86% of campers reported learning new skills
- 89% of campers made new friends
- 59% of campers demonstrated more independence
- 50% of campers are more willing to participate in other activities
- 50% of campers improved in problem solving

To see the full publication with statistics on ND 4-H impacts go to <https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/extension/ndsu-extension-service/extension/documents/4-h-impacts>

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THANK YOU

Thank you to all those who helped to make this a successful 2018 Wells County Fair. All efforts, big and small, make a huge difference in building the 4-H program.

Wells County 4-H Ambassadors, Members, Parents, Committees - For all your leadership & assistance throughout the fair!

Extension Staff - Lindsay Maddock, Sheila Wiesz

Judges, Interview Judges & Assistants thanks for volunteering!

Photographer - Jen Fike & Ambassadors
Pictures also from Kristen Allmaras

Lautt's Feed & Rental
livestock scale, panels for show ring

Livestock Show Ringman
Roger Skiftun & Jon Tebelius

Premium Sale Auctioneers - Lowell Rau

Premium Sale Clerk - Kristen Allmaras

Premium Sale Screen & Projector
Scott Wiest

Premium Sale Powerpoint
Amanda Schimke

Sound System - Loren & Arlys Schmidt

Wells County Road Superintendent & Crew
Grounds, arena & building preparations; and equipment use

Tractors, Lawn Mower & Trailer
Gooseneck Equipment, Todd McKinven & David Hager

Livestock Superintendent
Chelsey Erdmann

Food Booth Committee
Sondra Duda, Chrissie Hager, Alexa LaPlant, Amanda Schimke

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Roughrider Feeds
Lautt's Feed & Rental
Opdahl Concrete

Fair Flyer - Leann Schafer

FAIR IS MORE THAN EXHIBITS

The fair is so much more than exhibits or an event we attend, or participate in. It's an intricate production that takes many hands. There is so much time and effort that goes into it. And when it all goes smoothly, no one realizes the extra efforts that were made to make it seem easy. Thank you to all who make the fair happen so easily!

We have a remarkable group of youth that pitch in without blinking an eye. Also, hats off to the parents who continually show

up to ensure everything runs smoothly.

We had an exceptional fair that I hope holds many memories for all involved. It is a heritage that we continue to pass on to the next generation.

Congratulations to all the exhibitors; the animals presented were all something to be proud of!

This year has been an exceptional fair. Thank you to everyone who made it happen.

Chelsey Erdmann
Livestock Superintendent

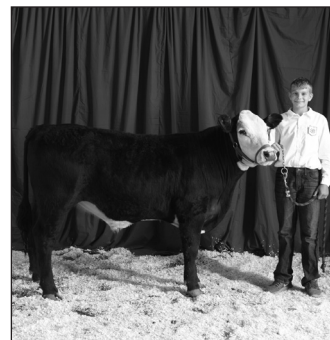


THANK YOU

for supporting me and my calf at the Wells County 4-H Premium Sale.

Eli Alfstad

Roughrider Feeds



THANK YOU

for supporting me at the Wells County 4-H Premium Sale.

Gabe Allmaras

John & Margaret Bollingberg



BOLLINGBERG & SKIFTUN RECEIVE HONORARY 4-H MEMBER AWARD

Two long standing Wells County 4-H supporters received the Honorary 4-H Member Award during the Wells County 4-H premium sale: Kurt Bollingberg, Cathay, and Roger Skiftun, Harvey.

Growing up, Bollingberg was a 9-year member of the Willing Workers 4-H Club. He attended an awards trip to Winnipeg, and participated in an exchange trip to Canada.

He became a leader of the Bremen Friendly Neighbors 4-H club in 1987 and was a leader for 25 years. He served as 4-H Council president for 15 years.

Bollingberg continues to support 4-H at the 4-H Premium Sale, work at the 4-H Food Booth on the alumni shift, and share ideas for the club activities.

Kurt and wife, Cheryl, have three children who were active 10-year 4-H members. His family was honored this year as a Century Family.

Skiftun has been involved in 4-H in one way or another for the past 69 years. Roger's dad, Burnerd Skiftun, started the Livewires 4-H Club in 1949. Roger was a member for 9 years and later became a leader for many years.

He chaperoned the 4-H trip to Winnipeg, donated land to grow hundreds of pounds of potatoes each year for the club fundraiser, donated beef for the 4-H beef raffle, served as the 4-H Council president and was an interview judge during the fair.

He has auctioned at the Wells County Premium Sale for 46 years and has been a Wells County delegate to the State Fair Association for 25 years.

He continues to support 4-H at the Premium sale and 4-H functions.

Roger and his wife, Linda, had three children active in 4-H, and now grandchildren.



Left to right: 4-H Council President Steven Jones, honoree Kurt Bollingberg, honoree Roger Skiftun, Wells County Extension Agent Lindsay Maddock

COME JOIN 4-H!

Wells County 4-H is seeking members.

Membership is open to children 8 to 18 as of Sept. 1, with a Cloverbud category for kids younger than 8. There are currently five clubs in the county: Bowdon Blazers, Bremen Friendly Neighbors, Hurdsfield Prairie Helpers, Livewires, and Lonetree Pioneers. New clubs are welcome.

Contact the Wells County Extension Office to find out more information about the 4-H opportunities near you.

Community Support Impacts 4-H Youth

Throughout the year, Wells County 4-H receives donations from businesses and community members to support various 4-H programs, including communication arts, consumer choice judging, youth leadership training, camp scholarships, shooting sports and awards. Through competition and activities, 4-H youth are learning to be better leaders and community members. Thank you for your support!

THANK YOU

for supporting me at the Wells County 4-H Premium Sale.



Ella Allmaras

John & Margaret Bollingberg



THANK YOU

for supporting me at the Wells County 4-H Premium Sale.



Addie Allmaras

John & Margaret Bollingberg



PAST WELLS COUNTY 4-H HONORARY MEMBER AWARD WINNERS

2017	Jan Jones Darwin & Adeline Schaubert	2007	Margaret Bollingberg
2016	Garnet Free	2006	Wanda Weckerly
2015	Laura Brynjulson	2005	Leon Seefeld
2014	Cheryl Flick, Donna Rau	2004	Harvey Eagles Club
2013	John Bollingberg Carrie Krause	2003	Wells County Commissioners (Ray Schmitz, Randi Suckut, Lawrence Lutt, Richard Leintz, Jimmy Kunz)
2009	Pat Kirkeide Memorial	2002	Muriel Delzer
2008	Rodney Opdahl		

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We are seeking information on past 4-H Honorary Member award honorees. Earlier records were lost when the KTL basement flooded. This is all the information we have to date.

If you know former winners, please send their name and year to the Wells County Extension Office so we can update our records and plaques.

2018 WELLS COUNTY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM EXCELS

It was a hot 2018 Wells County Fair. Starting on Wednesday our Ambassadors, “Shined like the sun”, as helpers in the Static Building.

On Thursday our ambassadors pitched in and worked together to make the Livestock Weigh-In go quick and smooth. Some may have some hearing loss from the squealing pigs. Haha.

Friday was another hot long day with all the Livestock shows and Premium sale. Once again, we can't thank our Ambassadors enough for all their help, hard work, and smiles.

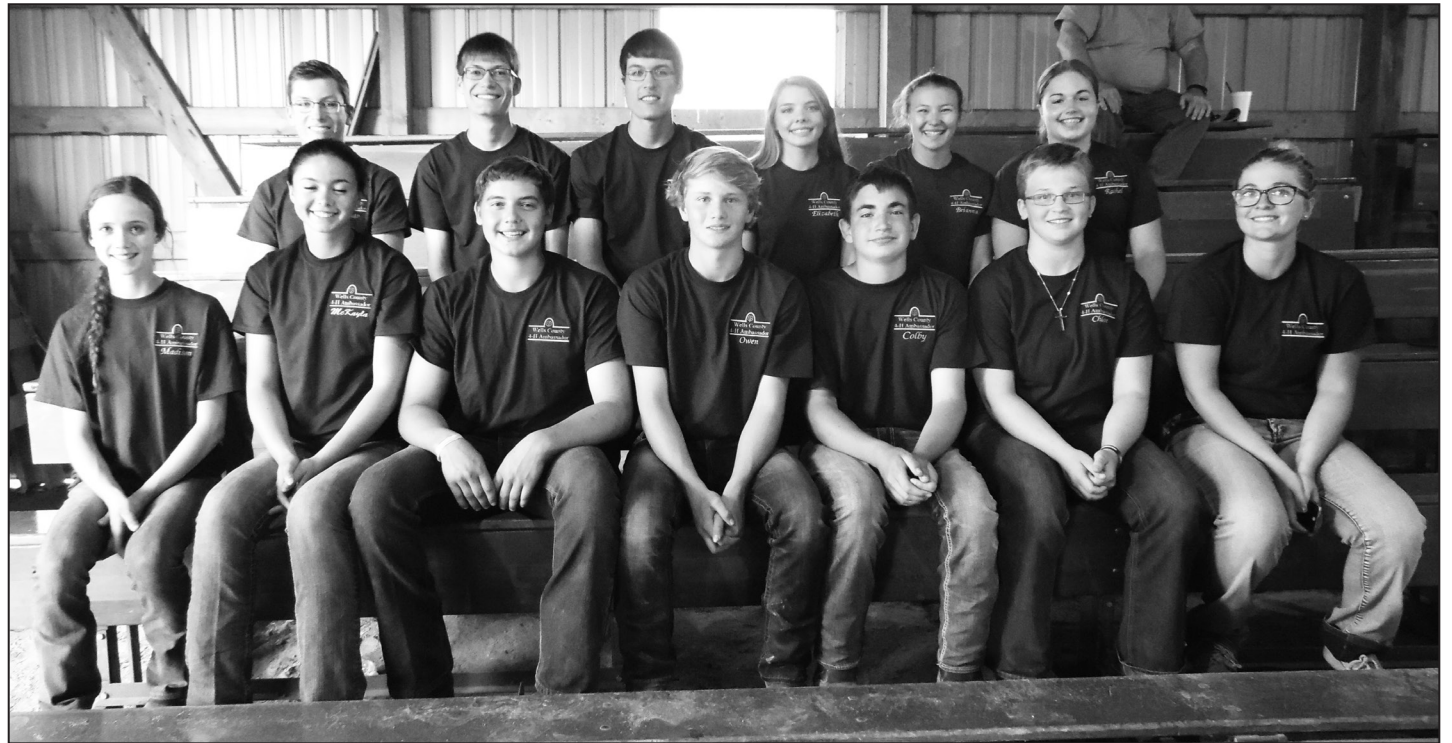
Saturday is our dog/pet show and tractor driving. As usual our Ambassadors got the job done.

You may be wondering- what is a 4-H Ambassador? The definition of an Ambassador is: “a person who acts as a representative or promoter of a specified activity or organization.” It is a privilege to be a Wells County 4-H Ambassador, and we expect our Ambassadors to treat it as such.

The Ambassador Leaders would like to personally thank Kevin Freidt, Brian Freidt, Owen McKinven, Colby Jones & McKayla Jones for all their hard work during the fair and for fulfilling the definition of a Wells County 4-H Ambassador.

We Thank ALL of our Ambassadors for all their hard work during the 2018 Fair. We couldn't get it done without you and appreciate all you do. See you in 2019!

Julie Weisser,
Kristen Jones
Krysten McKinven



2017-18 Wells County Ambassadors. Front row, left to right Madison Jones, McKayla Jones, Levi Opdahl, Owen McKinven, Colby Jones, Chloe Guthmiller and Jaeden Thompson. Back row, Nathan Friedt, Kevin Friedt Brian Friedt, Elizabeth Widmer, Brianna Fike and Rachel Copenhaver. Not pictured, Dillon Schmitz and Olivia Lauth.



ND State 4-H Ambassadors Jacob Arnold and Astrid Axtman

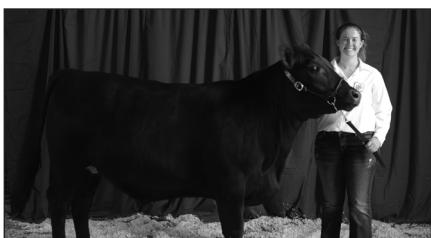
2017-2018 4-H AMBASSADORS

Bowdon Blazers
Rachel Copenhaver
Brianna Fike
Chloe Guthmiller
Colby Jones
Madison Jones
McKayla Jones

Bremen Friendly Neighbors
Levi Opdahl
Jaeden Thompson
Elizabeth Widmer

Livewires
Dillon Schmitz
Lonetree Pioneers
Brian Friedt
Kevin Friedt
Nathan Friedt
Olivia Lauth
Owen McKinven

Leaders
Kristen Jones
Krysten McKinven
Julie Weisser



Tayley Bruer
Roughrider Feeds

THANK YOU
for supporting
Wells County 4-H and
buying our premiums.

We appreciate it!



Gabby Bruer
1st International - Harvey



Thank you for supporting
my 4-H experience!

Grace Bruer
Fessenden Co-op

4-H CENTURY FAMILY AWARDS

Five Wells County families received the 4-H Century Family award for being involved in 4-H for a cumulative of 100 years or more as a member, leader or volunteer.



Dale & Shirley Opdahl Family - 185 years



Corey & LeAnn Hart Family - 104 years



Richard & Elvie Jones Family - 151 years



John & Margaret Bollingberg Family - 133 years



Larry & Janice Jones Family - 162 years

4-H Century Families

Has your family been involved in 4-H for more than 100 years cumulatively? If so, we would like to hear from you. Add up the years each family member has been a 4-H member, volunteer and/or leader. It can include family members from multiple generations. If you total 100 years or more, contact Leann Schafer or the Wells County 4-H Extension to be listed as a North Dakota 4-H Century Family.

2017-2018 DONATIONS

- \$2000 - The Arthur Companies
- \$950 - Harvey Eagles
- \$100 - Perry Anderson
- \$100 - Northern Plains Electric
- \$845 - In Memory of Garnet Free
- \$300 - Community Credit Union
- \$500 - Gooseneck Implement
- \$1000 - Wells County Farm Bureau

Harvey Eagles

- Meals for Awards Program

Bowdon Blazers

- Wash Pad Panels

Gooseneck Implement

- use of tractors for tractor driving contest.

Lautt's Feed & Rental

- panels for show ring and scale for weighing the animals.

Sound System:

Loren Schmidt

Auctioneers:

Lowell Rau, Loren Schmidt and Roger Skiftun

Thanks to everyone who helps make Wells County 4-H such a success!

Special Thank You to the Wells County Road Crew for making the fairgrounds look great!



Aiden Hager
1st International Bank

THANK YOU
very much
for purchasing
our premiums!



Alex Hager
Reimche Insurance

Dakota Heritage Bank
Thank you for supporting
Wells County 4-H!



Reagan Weckerly



Left to Right, Sierra Reutter, Hannah Reutter, Addie Allmaras, Remington Snively and Weston Opdahl



DOG AND CAT SHOW WINNERS

There were 6 cats and 2 dogs shown at the Wells County Dog and Cat show. Receiving Grand Champion cat award was Addie Allmaras. Reserve Champion cat went to Hannah Reutter.

There were no Grand or Reserve awards given in the dog show. Blue ribbons were won by Elizabeth Widmer and Dillon Schmitz.

The show was judged by Kayla Hart.

SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS

SWINE

Senior GC Owen McKinven
Intermediate GC Tyler Weisser
RC Gabe Allmaras
Junior GC Ella Allmaras
RC Alex Hager

SHEEP

Senior GC Colby Jones
Intermediate GC Regan Jones
RC Madison Austin
Junior GC Brody Jones
RC Rachel Neumiller

GOAT

Intermediate GC Ryan Snively

BEEF

Senior GC Levi Opdahl
RC Colby Jones
Intermediate GC Madison Jones
RC Brianna Fike
Junior GC Rylee Jones
RC Gabby Bruer

ANIMAL INTERVIEW RESULTS

JUNIOR INTERVIEWS

BEEF

Champion Boston Fike
Reserve Madison Schimke

SHEEP

Champion Rachel Neumiller

SWINE

Champion Ella Allmaras

INTERMEDIATE INTERVIEWS

BEEF

Champion Madison Jones
Reserve Neil LaPlant

SENIOR INTERVIEWS

BEEF

Champion McKayla Jones

SHEEP

Champion Levi Opdahl

CONSUMER DECISION MAKING (FORMERLY CONSUMER CHOICES)

BEGINNER

Champion Matthew Ongstad 1st
Reserve Addie Allmaras 2nd
Hailey Wiesz 3rd
Gabby Bruer 4th

JUNIOR

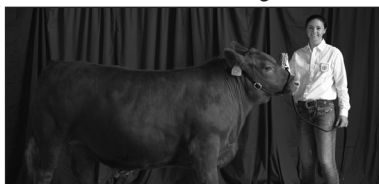
Champion Gabe Allmaras 1st
Reserve Garin Opdahl 2nd
Ella Allmaras 3rd
Ryan Snively 4th

SENIOR

Champion Madison Jones 1st
Reserve Regan Jones 2nd

Junior and Senior contestants are eligible to judge at the North Dakota state contest at the North Dakota State Fair.

🌿 🌿 Thank you for supporting 4-H and the Premium Sale! 🌿 🌿



McKayla Jones

would like to thank *Hurdsfield Grain* for buying my premium!



Madison Jones

would like to thank *Kirkeide Northland Bean* for buying my premium!



Rylee Jones

would like to thank *Roughrider Feeds* for buying my premium!



Thank you *Steve Erfle* for purchasing my premium & supporting your local 4-H!

🌿 **Delaney Erfle** 🌿

ROUND ROBIN CHAMPIONS

Senior \$100 + Chair

Grand - Levi Opdahl, Harvey
Reserve - Owen McKinven

Intermediate \$75 + Chair

Grand - Tyler Weisser, Harvey
Reserve - Madison Jones, Bowdon

Junior \$50 + Chair

Grand - Rylee Jones, Bowdon
Reserve - Gabby Bruer, Bowdon

Sponsors were Allmaras Ag, Kirkeide's
Northland Bean Co. and Roughrider
Feeds.



Left to Right: Levi Opdahl, Owen McKinven, Tyler Weisser, Madison Jones, Rylee Jones and Gabby Bruer



Sweepstake winners, left to right: Ella Allmaras, Levi Opdahl and Gabe Allmaras

SKILL, KNOWLEDGE NEEDED IN SWEEPSTAKES CONTEST

Livestock knowledge, eye for livestock, and skills on best showing livestock are the three components of the sixth annual 4-H Sweepstakes contest.

Scores are accumulated from a 15-question test, judging scores from three classes of livestock, and their ranking in showmanship during the livestock showmanship classes.

4-H members who have won in their age category can continue to compete, but they move up an age group.

Winners in each age division receive an embroidered chair and \$25. Second place receives \$15 and third place wins \$10. The contest was sponsored by Lautt's Feed & Rental, Opdahl Concrete and Roughrider Feeds.

2018 WINNERS:

Senior, 15 - 18
1st - Levi Opdahl
2nd - McKayla Jones
3rd - Owen McKinven

Intermediate, 12 - 14

1st - Gabe Allmaras
2nd - Madison Jones
3rd - Tyler Weisser

Junior, 8 - 11

1st - Ella Allmaras
2nd - Eli Alfstad
3rd - Remington Snively

2017 WINNERS:

Senior - Olivia Lautt
Intermediate - Garin Opdahl
Junior - Ryan Snively

2016 WINNERS:

Senior - Kurt Hart
Intermediate - Levi Opdahl
Junior - Gabe Allmaras

2015 WINNERS:

Senior - Corey Schafer
Intermediate - Olivia Lautt
Junior - Garin Opdahl

2014 WINNERS:

Senior - Caitlan Wolkenhauer

Intermediate - Owen McKinven
Junior - Levi Opdahl

2013 WINNERS:

Senior - Claire Anderson
Intermediate - Axel McKinven
Junior - Owen McKinven

2012 WINNERS:

Senior - Colten Schafer
Intermediate - Claire Anderson
Junior - Bethany Anderson



Have Fun at 4-H Camp this Summer!

Get all the details and register here:

<https://www.ndsu.edu/4h/camp/>



Kirkeide Northland Bean
Thank you for supporting me
and Wells County 4-H!

 Rachel Neumiller 

Regan Jones



Thank you Allmaras Ag &
Bremen Ag for supporting
Wells County 4-H and me!



Colby Jones



Thank you Roughrider Feeds
for supporting Wells County
4-H and me!



Brody Jones



Thank you NuLine Insurance
for supporting Wells County
4-H and me!

4-H STATIC JUDGING KICKS OFF 2018 FAIR

Senior (SR) | Junior (JR) | Champion (CH) | Reserve (RE) | Award of Excellence (AE)

Wednesday was the big day for 4-H static judging. The 4-H static building was busy with activity all afternoon as 65 4-H members brought 357 projects in and displayed their hard work and effort.

For many members this was their first ever experience with judging. For other members, exhibiting at the fair is a long-standing tradition that has occurred for generations. All members gained valuable experience in how to present

themselves and show off their projects.

Many clubs picked projects to work on at their meetings that members could bring to the fair.

When the day was done, the building was filled with creativity

and amazing projects. It was inspiring to see the variety of things.

A big thank you to the judges and helpers for making this opportunity a reality for members.

Amy Ongstad

ANIMAL INTERVIEWS

SR-Beef - CH - McKayla Jones
SR - Sheep - CH - Levi Opdahl
INT-Beef-CH- Madison Jones
INT-Beef-RE-Neil LaPlant
JR - Beef - CH - Boston Fike
JR - Beef - RE - Madison Schimke
JR - Sheep - CH - Rachel Neumiller
JR - Swine - RE - Ella Allmaras

ANIMAL SCIENCE

SR-CH-Brian Friedt
SR-RE-Regan Jones
JR-RE-Hailey Wiesz
JR-AE-Rachel Neumiller

HORTICULTURE

SR- CH- Elizabeth Widmer
SR- RE- Dillon Schmitz
SR- AE- Regan Jones
SR- AE- Kevin Friedt
SR- AE- Tayley Bruer
JR- CH- Rylee Jones
JR-RE - Gabe Allmaras
JR- AE- Harrison Lies
JR- AE- Ryan McKinven
JR- AE- Rylee Jones

NORTH DAKOTA CROPS

SR-CH-Regan Jones
SR-RE-Colby Jones
JE-AE-Matthew Ongstad

CAREERS/CITIZENSHIP

SR-CH-Kevin Friedt
SR-RE-Kevin Friedt

FAMILY CONSUMER SCIENCE

SR-CH-Regan Jones
SR-RE-Elizabeth Widmer
SR-AE-Regan Jones
JR-CH-Hanna Widicker
JR-RE-Elise Weckerly
JR-RE-Reagan Weckerly

FOODS/HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

SR- CH- Regan Jones
SR- RE- Tayley Bruer
SR- AE- Elizabeth Widmer
SR- AE- Garin Opdahl
JR- CH- Boston Fike
JR - RE- Addie Allmaras
JR- AE- Matthew Ongstad
JR - AE- Reagan Weckerly

ENVIRONMENT/NATURAL RESOURCES

SR-CH-Levi Opdahl

JR-AE-Alex Hager
JR-AE-Ryan Snively (2)

SCIENCE/ TECHNOLOGY

SR-CH-Kevin Friedt
SR-RE-Brian Friedt
JR-CH-Alex Hager
JR-RE-Aiden Hager
JR-AE-Alex Hager

ENGINEERING/WELDING

JR-CH-Ryan Snively
JR-RE-Harrison Lies
JR-AE-Eli Alfstad
JR-AE-Addie Allmaras

WOOD

SR-CH-Dillon Schmitz
SR-RE-Madison Jones
SR-AE-Regan Jones
JR-CH-Gabe Allmaras
JR-RE-Harrison Lies
JR-AE-Eli Alfstad
JR-AE-Alex Hager
JR-AE-Harrison Lies
JR-AE-Wyatt Lies
JR-AE-Madison Schimke

CREATIVE ARTS

SR - CH- Elizabeth Widmer

SR- RE- Tayley Bruer
SR - AE - Nathan Friedt
SR - AE - Kevin Friedt
SR - AE - Brian Friedt (2)
JR- CH- Remington Snively
JR- RE- Delaney Erfle
JR - AE- Ella Allmaras
JR - AE- Ave Stanley
JR - AE- Gabby Bruer

PHOTOGRAPHY

SR- CH- Garin Opdahl
SR- RE- Nathan Friedt
SR- AE- Nathan Friedt
JR- GR- Ella Allmaras
JR- RE- Rachel Neumiller
JR- AE- Gabby Bruer
JR- AE- Regan Weckerly

CLOTHING & TEXTILES

SR- RE- Nathan Friedt
JR-CH-Ella Allmaras
JR-RE-Matthew Ongstad
JR-AE-Grace Bruer

FIBER ARTS

SR- RE- Madison Jones



Rachel Neumiller



Ava Stanley



Jacob Hagemeyer



Grace Bruer



Elizabeth Widmer



Regan Jones



Ella Allmaras



Gabby Bruer



Maci Reutter



Rylee Jones



GC Market Hog
Ella Allmaras



GC Market Lamb
Madison Austin



GC Breeding Ewe
Gavin Austin



GC Market Wether
Madison Austin



GC Breeding Goat
Ryan Snively



GC Steer Baby Calf
Gabby Bruer



RC Steer Baby Calf
Boston Fike



GC Breeding Gilt
Tyler Weisser



RC Market Steer
Regan Jones



GC Market Steer
McKayla Jones

2018 4-H LIVESTOCK SHOW RESULTS

GC - Grand Champion
RC - Reserve Champion

SWINE

Breeding Gilt

GC - Tyler Weisser
RC - Owen McKinven

Market Gilt

GC - Ella Allmaras
RC - Alex Hager

Market Barrow

GC - Gabe Allmaras
RC - Aiden Hager

Overall Market Hog

GC - Ella Allmaras
RC - Gabe Allmaras

SHEEP

Spring Ewe Lamb

GC - Regan Jones
RC - Brody Jones

Market Ewe

GC - Gavin Austin

Market Wether

GC - Madison Austin
RC - Rachel Neumiller

Overall Market Lamb

GC - Madison Austin
RC - Rachel Neumiller

GOATS

Dairy Doe - Yearling

GC - Ryan Snively

BEEF

Baby Heifer Calves

GC - Wyatt Lies
RC - Grace Bruer

Baby Steer Calves

GC - Gabby Bruer
RC - Boston Fike

Baby Bull Calves

GC - Hanna Widicker
RC - Alex Hager

Overall Baby Beef

GC - Gabby Bruer
RC - Boston Fike

Market Steer

GC - McKayla Jones
RC - Regan Jones



Left to Right, Peyton Austin, Eli Alfstad, Ryan Snively and Garin Opdahl



Breeding Poultry, Grand Champion - Eli Alfstad



Left to Right, Remington Snively & Ella Allmaras



Pet Rabbit, Grand Champion - Aubrey Thorson

POULTRY & RABBIT SHOW

by Carrie Opdahl

The 2018 Wells County 4-H Poultry and Rabbit Show was a great success with 23 poultry and 10 rabbit entries, held on Thursday, June 21.

The show was judged by Kidder County Extension Agent Penny Nester, who assisted by Judge-Trainee Nicole Wardner, Sheridan County Extension Agent.

First year Bremen Friendly Neighbor Hailey Wiesz, daughter of Jeremy and Veronica Wiesz, was excited to take in the experience of showing her Barred Plymouth Rock chickens. When asked what she found the most challenging about showing poultry, she quickly replied, "Getting the birds in and out of the cages!"

Bowdon Blazer first year member Peyton Austin, son of Ryan and Trisha Austin, explained how he practiced showing his Red Cochon Bantum male, and female duo at home leading up to the fair, and his responsibilities in caring for his birds. "I like everything about 4-H," he added. "This is so much fun!"

Another fellow poultry shower, Lonetree-Livewires fourth-year member Hannah Reutter, daughter of Larry and Billie Jo Reutter, shows a variety of bird breeds. Her favorite part about showing poultry during the fair is seeing if her hens laid an egg or not.

To round off the variety of birds, Bremen Friendly Neighbor Ryan Snively, son of Russ and Dawn Snively, showed his collection of Ameraucanas and one very talkative guinea bird.

Fellow Bremen members Eli Alfstad, son of Kyle and Renae Alfstad, showed one little red hen; and Garin Opdahl, son of Aaron and Carrie Opdahl, showed a white homing pigeon named Lonesome Dove.

The rabbits were a big hit, too. They were so cute and got their share of 'oohs' and 'aahs'.

Lonetree-Livewires member Aubrey Thorson, daughter of Jeremy and Kim Thorson, showed her pet bunny named

Popsey. Aubrey said she likes to show her because each time she does, Popsey seems to become tamer.

Other rabbit exhibitors were Ryan and Remington Snively, with their Dutch and Harlequin breeds, and Bremen Friendly Neighbor Ella Allmaras, daughter of Donny and Kristen Allmaras, with her New Zealand Gray.

A huge thank you goes out to Dawn and Russ, as they have personally brought the Fur and Feather part of the barn up to a whole new standard, with uniform cages, new lighting and more organized sections designated for poultry and rabbits.

If any 4-H'er has interest in showing rabbits, and/or chickens but have questions, please contact Committee members Russ or Dawn Snively, or Carrie Opdahl, as they are more than happy to help you.

Rabbit Show Results:

Overall Breeding Rabbit, Grand Champion Remington Snively and Reserve Champion Ella Allmaras.

Overall Market Rabbit, Grand Champion Ryan Snively and Reserve Remington Snively.

Overall Pet Rabbit, Grand Champion Aubrey Thorson.

Overall Junior Showman, Grand Champion Remington Snively and Reserve Champion Ella Allmaras.

Overall Junior Rabbit Interview, Grand Champion Remington Snively and Reserve Champion Ella Allmaras.

Poultry Show Results:

Overall Breeding Poultry, Grand Champion Eli Alfstad and Reserve Champion Garin Opdahl.

Overall Junior Showman, Grand Champion Eli Alfstad and Reserve Peyton Austin. Overall Intermediate Showman, Grand Champion Garin Opdahl and Reserve Ryan Snively.

Overall Junior Interview, Grand Champion Sierra Reutter and Reserve Peyton Austin. Overall Intermediate Interview, Grand Champion Hannah Reutter and Reserve Ryan Snively.

SHOOT STRAIGHT, GO FAR

Another banner year just finished June 8-9 at the State Tournament in Washburn for the Wells County Shooting Sports Club.

The team consisted of 15 kids this year. Practice started in January, with the first meet held in Cando in February. The kids did an awesome job and followed up by attending five more tournaments. The kids shot extremely well at the Bismarck shoot as Regan Jones took first, Garin Opdahl placed second, and Brody Jones placed eighth.

Eleven kids competed at the state shoot held at the ND 4-H Camp near Washburn. Once again the kids did awesome. The Beginner Barebow team placed first. The team consisted of Hanna Widicker, Brody Jones, Westin Opdahl and Rebecca Copenhaver. Individually, Regan Jones placed 4th, Garin Opdahl 6th, Anna Copenhaver 8th, and Lucas Copenhaver 9th. Other members were Colby Jones, Harrison Lies and Porter Johnson, all doing a very good job in their age groups.

The Shooting Sports program was created to develop an early foundation for hunting with a focus on safety and accuracy. It teaches confidence, responsibility, and is a good way to spend a Sunday afternoon shooting with friends.

With more than 1,000 kids involved in the North Dakota 4-H archery program in the state, our kids have proven that they are a force to contend with. Congratulations to the Wells County shooting sports archery team for the awesome job you've done!

Steven Jones
Shooting Sports coach

Allmaras Ag &
Bremen Ag

Thank you for
your support!



Harrison Lies



THANK YOU

for supporting me and
the Wells County 4-H
Premium Sale.

Wyatt Lies

Klindworth Seed & Bean



2018 PREMIUM SALE BUYERS

Thank you to the buyers who supported the 2018 Wells County 4-H Premium Sale & 4-H Explorer's Cake & Item Auction. You have been strong supporters of the 4-H program. We appreciate the support you give to our youth.

2018 PREMIUM SALE BUYERS

Allmaras Ag/Bremen Ag
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Cenex - Fessenden & Harvey
Dakota Heritage Bank
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Fessenden Co-op Association
First International Bank - Fessenden
First International Bank - Harvey
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Curtis & Sheila Wiesz

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Fessenden Co-op Association
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Mike & Nona Flick
Freedom Ag, Paul Anderson
Corey & LeAnn Hart
Nathan Hart
Jones Farm - Steven & Kristen
Troy & Erica Jones
NuLine Insurance
Lowell Rau
Roger & Linda Skiftun
Curt & Sheila Wiesz

2018 FOOD BOOTH

What a difference a year makes! In North Dakota you certainly never know what to expect with the weather. Last year we needed our hats and gloves. The first place a 4-Her goes in the morning is the barn. The second place is the food booth. Our goal is to provide an economical and family-friendly place for everyone to eat.

The 4-H Food Booth is run exclusively by volunteers of all

ages, very few of which work in food service. This can create a scene of chaos at times, but is truly a valuable experience. Workers learn about serving the public, handling money and cooperating with others. The warm temperatures and All School Reunion definitely made for a busy year.

The hot weather this year helped keep the 4-H Food Booth busy with drink and shake orders. The number

of items on the menu, the number of ingredients needed to prepare each item, the limited number of days and the large number of volunteers makes inventory control very difficult. Sometimes we run out of taco meat before the cheese.

There are a large number of people that make the booth run smoothly, and we appreciate every one of them, from the people who pick up last-minute supplies and deliver them to

the booth to the suppliers that work with us every year to make the food preparation more convenient.

We greatly appreciate the groups from Dakota Heritage Bank, FCCLA of Harvey and the 4-H Alumni groups that worked on Friday, and thanks to David Hager for helping keep the coolers running smoothly during the hot weather. Thanks everyone for making it another great year!

WELLS COUNTY 4-H FOOD BOOTH CONTRIBUTORS

Donations to the 4-H Food Booth are WELCOME!

Donation Level: Bronze - \$250 Ruby - \$500 Silver - \$1000 Gold - \$1500

BRONZE LEVEL \$250

- Orval & Alyce Hart, In Memory of Colleen Fike
- Rick & Londa Neumiller
- Roger Emerson
- Francie Berg, in Memory of Bertram R. Berg DVM
- Ben, Linda & Laura Eide
- Anne & Bill Ongstad
- Jeffery Kleinsasser
- National Bank of Harvey
- Bollingberg Seed
- Bayer Crop Science
- City of Hurdfield
- Lautt's Feed & Rental Center
- Bull Moose Township
- Clough Sales
- Corey, LeAnn, Katie, Kyle, Kayla & Kurt Hart, In Memory of Curtis G. Hart, Beloved Son of Betty & Warren Hart
- Kathy, Dennis, Brian, Aaron & Kevin Walsh
- Otter Tail Power Company
- Cheryl, Dave, Ashely & Chelsey Flick
- Bowdon Blazers 4-H Club
- Eric, Nancy, John & Signe Bollingberg
- Bub, Mary, Josy, Philip & Christopher Hoff
- Kirkeide's Northland Bean & Seed
- Rob, Kim & Jessalyn Kleinsasser
- Jeff, Leann, Chelsey, Colten & Corey Schafer

- Chris & Mark Sellie
- Roger & Linda Skiftun
- Scott, Deb, Chris & Courtney Wiest
- Kim, Laura, Nickolas & Trevor Hart
- Bryon, Laura, Kendra, Karli & Jacob Brynjulson
- Wells County Farm Bureau

RUBY LEVEL \$500

- James & Merry Lloyd
- Ralph & Sue Edinger
- George & Ruth Litke
- First State Bank of Harvey
- Farm Credit Services
- Dakota Central
- Northern Plains Electric
- Bowdon Lions Club
- Terry, Wanda, Chad, Cole & Cody Weckerly
- Mid Dakota Vet Service
- Margaret & John Bollingberg
- Pat Kirkeide & Gerald Hagemeister
- Donald Skiftun Memorial
- In Memory of Roger Flick

SILVER LEVEL \$1000

- Adeline Schaubert Family, In Memory of Darwin
- Fessenden Booster Gaming

GOLD LEVEL \$1500

- First International Bank & Trust



Levi Opdahl
Roughrider Feeds

THANK YOU
very much
for purchasing
our premiums!



Garin Opdahl
Lautt's Feed & Rental

THANK YOU



Madison Schimke
High Plains Equipment

THANK YOU TO OUR 2018 JUDGES AND HELPERS

STATIC EXHIBIT JUDGES

Claire Anderson
Annette Broyles
Donna Eichele
Emily Kline
Barb Peerboom
Donna Rau
Lyndsey Roller
Kathy Tebelius
Curtis Weisz

STATIC JUDGES HELPERS

Laura Brynjulson
Mary Hartl
Diana Lautt
Amanda Lies
Stephanie Polries
Linda Schafer
Jaeden Thompson
Deb Wiest

LIVESTOCK JUDGES

Lindy Berg
Megan Dukart
Breana Kiser
Penny Nester

INTERVIEW JUDGES

Lowell Rau
Mary Berg

ROUND ROBIN JUDGES

Megan Dukart
Colten Schafer
Leann Schafer
Nicole Wardner

LIVESTOCK SHOW RINGMAN

Kent Wolkenhauer

AUCTIONEERS

Lowell Rau
Roger Skiftun
Loren Schmidt

4-HERS TEST THEIR TRACTOR DRIVING SKILLS

The Wells County 4-H tractor driving event was held Saturday at the Wells County Fair.

Winning Grand Champion in the Beginner group was Rachel Neumiller with a time of 34.4 seconds, with Reserve Champion going to Boston Fike with a time of 46.8 seconds, both of the Bowdon Blazer 4-H Club. Receiving blue ribbons were Ella Allmaras, Brody Jones, Porter Johnson and Remington Snively.

The Junior division was paced by grand champion Harrison Lies of the Bremen Friendly Neighbors with a time of 24.5 seconds, edging out Garin Opdahl's time of 25.2 seconds, also from the Bremen club, who received reserve champion honors.

Receiving blue ribbons in the Junior Division were Neil LaPlant and Zach LaPlant. Ryan Snively received a red ribbon.

Levi Opdahl won Grand Champion in the senior division. Dillon Schmitz won Reserve Champion.



Harrison Lies and Garin Opdahl



Dillon Schmitz and Levi Opdahl



Gabe Allmaras testing his tractor driving skills



Owen McKinven



Thank you *Farm Credit Service* for purchasing my pig premium.



Ryan McKinven



Thank you *Cenex - Fess/Harvey* for purchasing my pig premium.



Thank you to *Steve Erfle* and *Ag Resources* for buying and supporting me on our 4-H Explorers trip!

THANK YOU! Owen McKinven

TRI-COUNTY HORSE SHOW WINNERS NAMED

Showmanship at halter, 12
GC Baylee Lura Foster

Showmanship at halter, 15
GC Jaeden Thompson Wells

Western horsemanship, 8
GC Karlee Lesmann Foster

Western horsemanship, 12
GC Baylee Lura Foster

Western horsemanship, 15
GC Jaeden Thompson Wells

Western pleasure, 12 to 14
GC Baylee Lura Foster

Trail, 12 to 14
GC Trisa Lesmann Foster

Trail, 15 to 18
GC Jaeden Thompson Wells

Ranch riding, 12 to 14
GC Baylee Lura Foster

Pole bending, 12 to 14
GC Jozey Retzlaff Foster

Keyhole race, 8 to 11
GC Haylie Spickler Foster
RC Karlee Lesmann Foster

Keyhole race, 12 to 14
RC Jozey Retzlaff Foster
GC Baylee Lura Foster

Keyhole race, 15 to 18
RC Marissa House Foster
GC Jaeden Thompson Wells

Barrel racing, 8 to 11
GC Haylie Spickler Foster

Barrel racing, 12 to 14
GC Trisa Lesmann Foster

Barrel racing, 15 to 18
GC Jaeden Thompson Wells

Goat tying, 12 to 14
RC Jozey Retzlaff Foster
GC Trisa Lesmann Foster

Goat tying, 15 to 18
GC Jaeden Thompson Wells

Hunt seat equitation, 12 to 14
RC Baylee Lura Foster
GC Trisa Lesmann Foster

Hunter hack, 12 to 14
GC Horse Baylee Lura Foster

Hunter under saddle, 12 to 14
GC Baylee Lura Foster



Jaeden Thompson competed from Wells County.



Foster County 4-H members that competed in the Tri-County Horse show included: front row standing, left to right Sara Krause, Kadence Spickler, Haylie Spickler. Middle row, standing: Jaeden Thompson, Marissa House, Karlee Lesmann, Jozey Retzlaff. Back row, on the fence: Jaedyn Lura, Kylie Skadberg, Baylee Lura, Trisa Lesmann. Not Pictured Cally Hansen.

WELLS COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Thank you for the hard work and organization that you do to make our Wells County 4-H such a success.

Lindsay, Extension Agent
Chelsey, Livestock Superintendent

2018 FAIR 4-H BUILDING
Clean Up/Decorating
Bowdon Blazers

2018 FOOD BOOTH
Building Clean Up
Before Fair: Livewires
After Fair: Bremen Friendly
Neighbors

2018 AWARDS PROGRAM
Lonetree Pioneers

BYLAWS & STANDARDS
Pam Copenhaver
Barb Krush Lies
Carrie Opdahl
Jeff Schafer

4-H STATIC BUILDING
Kristen Allmaras
Amy Ongstad

EXPLORER'S GROUP
Kristen Jones
Krysten McKinven
Julie Weisser

4-H AMBASSADORS
Krysten McKinven
Julie Weisser

Kristen Jones

SHOOTING SPORTS
Steven Jones
Dale Schmitz

TRACTOR DRIVING
David Hager

FOOD BOOTH
Sondra Duda
Amanda Schimke
Alexa LaPlant
Chrissie Hager

**COMMUNICATION ARTS /
CONSUMER CHOICES/
PROJECT EXPO**

Carrie Opdahl
Barb Krush Lies

SMALL ANIMALS

(Rabbits, Poultry, Dogs & Cats)
Carrie Opdahl
Dynella Schmitz
Dawn & Russ Snively

HORSE

Dynella Schmitz
Kathy Thompson

**PREMIUM SALE, OPENING
CEREMONIES**
Ambassadors

LIVESTOCK

(also includes Show & Sale)
Troy Fike
Steven Jones
Donny Allmaras

BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Barb Krush Lies
Adrian Lies
Dale Schmitz
Russ Snively

FAIR FLYER

Jennifer Fike
Diana Lauth
Carrie Widmer

4-H AWARD SELECTION

Pam Copenhaver
Michelle Johnson
Dale Schmitz
Shooting Sports Advisor
Ambassador Advisor
Livestock Superintendent

HONORARY COMMITTEE

Steven Jones
David Lauth
Barb Krush Lies
Livewire Rep

Dakota Heritage Bank
Thank you for supporting Wells
County 4-H youth programs.



Sierra Reutter

Titan Machinery - Mandan
Thank you for your support of
the Wells County 4-H youth.



Hannah Reutter



Zach LaPlant
Kirkeide Northland



Our sincerest
thanks for your
support of Wells
County 4-H.



Niel LaPlant
Feesenden Co-op

2017-2018 WELLS COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS & LEADERS

BOWDON BLAZERS

Austin, Gavin
Austin, Madison
Austin, Peyton
Bruer, Gabby
Bruer, Grace
Bruer, Tayley
Copenhaver, Anna
Copenhaver, Lucas
Copenhaver, Rachel
Copenhaver, Rebecca
Duda, Jaydee
Erfle, Delaney
Fike, Boston
Fike, Brianna
Fike, Bristol
Guthmiller, Chloe
Jones, Brody
Jones, Colby
Jones, Madison
Jones, McKayla
Jones, Regan
Jones, Rylee
Neumiller, Addison
Neumiller, Rachel
Widicker, Hanna

Leaders

Copenhaver, Pam
Copenhaver, Steve
Duda, Sondra
Erfle, Brenda
Jones, Kristen &
Steven
Neumiller, Lisa

BREMEN FRIENDLY NEIGHBORS

Alfstad, Braylon
Alfstad, Eli
Allmaras, Addie
Allmaras, Ella

Allmaras, Gabriel
Bender, Mercedes
Cazier, Emilee
Cazier, Jessica
Eldredge, Roselynn
Gray, Gemma
Hagemeister, Annika
Hagemeister, Jacob
Johnson, Porter
LaPlant, Neil
LaPlant, Zachery
Lies, Harrison
Lies, Wyatt
Ongstad, Matthew
Opdahl, Garin
Opdahl, Levi
Opdahl, Westin
Snively, Remington
Snively, Roxanne
Snively, Ryan
Thompson, Jaden
Ulane, Maddie
Wachtel, Nicholas
Whitley, Evelyn
Widmer, Elizabeth
Wiesz, Hailey
Woolsey, Alicia

Leaders

Alfstad, Renae
Allmaras, Kristen
Erdman, Chelsey
Hagemeister, Mark
& Erin
LaPlant, Bruce & Alexa
Lies, Adrian
Lies, Barb
Opdahl, Carrie &
Aaron
Schafer, Leann & Jeff
Snively, Dawn & Russ
Widmer, Carrie &
David

LIVEWIRES

Heitmann, Dylan
Heitmann, Kylee
Herrington, Noah
Reutter, Hannah
Reutter, Maci
Reutter, Sierra
Schmitz, Dillon
Weckerly, Benjamin
Weckerly, Elise
Weckerly, Reagan
Weisser, Tyler

Leaders

Reutter, Billie Jo
Schmitz, Dale &
Dynella
Weisser, Julie

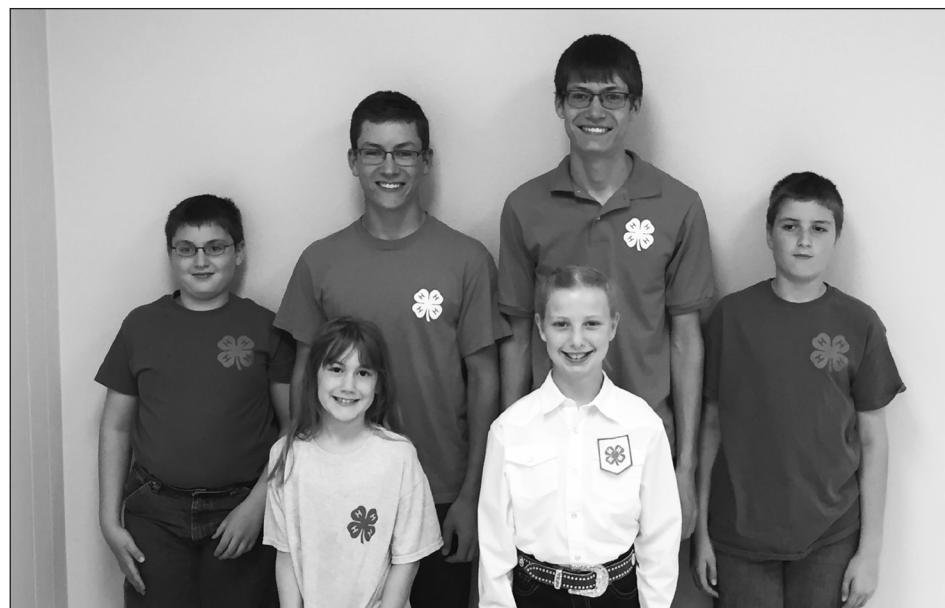
LONETREE PIONEERS

Friedt, Brian
Friedt, Kevin
Friedt, Nathan
Hager, Aiden
Hager, Alex
Lautt, Olivia
McKinven, Owen
McKinven, Ryan
Reimche, Carson
Reimche, Cayden
Schimke, Madison
Schimke, Rebekah
Sherman, Raeonna
Stanley, Ava
Thorson, Aubrey

Leaders

Friedt, Dawn
Hager, Chrissie
Lautt, Diana
McKinven, Krysten
Schimke, Amanda

COMMUNICATION ARTS CONTEST



Left to Right: Remington Snively, Roxanne Snively, Nathan Friedt, Hanna Widicker, Brian Friedt, Ryan Snively from Wells County competed at the District Communication Arts Contest.

Demonstration - Junior

Grand Charlotte WilsonStutsman
HM Remington SnivelyWells

Dramatic Presentation - Junior

Grand Juliet Davis Foster
HM none

Participation Ryan Snively Wells
Participation Jaxson Dewald Foster
Participation Cally Hansen Foster
Participation Kauri Johnson Foster
Participation Annabelle RittenbachStutsman
Participation Elizabeth RittenbachStutsman
Participation Roxanne SnivelyWells
Participation Brooklyn Steinert Sheridan
Participation Cierra Steinert Sheridan
Participation Henry Wardner Sheridan
Participation Royce Wardner Sheridan
Participation Samuel WilsonStutsman

Interpretive Reading - Serious - Sr Ind

Grand Brian Friedt Wells

Interpretive Reading - Humorous - Jr Ind

Grand Hanna WidickerWells

HM none
Participation Sarah Hallwachs Foster
Participation Aubrey Steinert Sheridan
Participation Molly WilsonStutsman

Interpretive Reading - Humorous - Sr Team

Grand Evyn Dick & Logan MotterStutsman

Interpretive Reading - Humorous - Jr Team

Grand Kyle & Kelsey Johnson Foster

Illustrated Talk - Junior

Grand Kylee HofmannStutsman
HM Kyle Johnson Foster
Participation Sarah Hallwachs Foster
Participation Ryan SnivelyWells

Presentation Software - Senior

Grand Brian Friedt Wells
HM Nathan Friedt Wells

Video Production - Senior

Grand Nathan Friedt Wells

Video Production - Junior

Grand London Davis Foster
HM Remington Snively Wells



Tyler Weisser would like to thank *Allmaras Seed* for buying his swine premium and *Steve Erfle* and *Corey & LeAnn Hart* for buying his Explorers auction items.



Bank Forward - Carrington
Thank you for your
generous support!



Hanna Widicker

THANK YOU
Curtis & Sheila Wiesz



Hailey Wiesz

FESSENDEN-BOWDON FFA MEMBERS EXHIBIT AT WELLS COUNTY FAIR

Twenty-three members of the Fessenden-Bowdon FFA Chapter recently exhibited 52 items at the Wells County Fair held June 21-24 in Fessenden.



The following earned Grand Champion awards:

McKayla Jones - Tree slice table
Chris Pratt - Landscape plan
Madison Austin - FFA Lamb
Regan Jones - FFA Lamb
Colby Jones - FFA Steer
Jaxon Fike - Cord holder
Madison Jones - Routed name sign
Madison Jones - Welcome bear

The following members earned Reserve Champion awards:

Jaxon Fike - Garbage can
Madison Jones - Cord holder
Brianna Fike - Routed name sign
Emily Beck - Welcome bear
Rachel Copenhaver - Landscape plan

The following were the remaining results from the chapter exhibitors:

Routed Name Signs – Blue: Emily Schmitz, Jaxon Fike, Emily Beck,
Hunter Bascom

Cordholders – Blue: Emily Beck, Brianna Fike, Emily Schmitz,
Hunter Bascom

Garbage Cans - Blue: Emily Beck, Madison Jones, Emily Schmitz;
Red: Brianna Fike, Mathew Sjoquist

Intarsia -Blue: Sheldon Schmitz, Kenneth Schell;
Red - Kyle Ravnaas

Welcome Bear – Blue: Brianna Fike, Jaxon Fike, Emily Schmitz,
Mathew Sjoquist

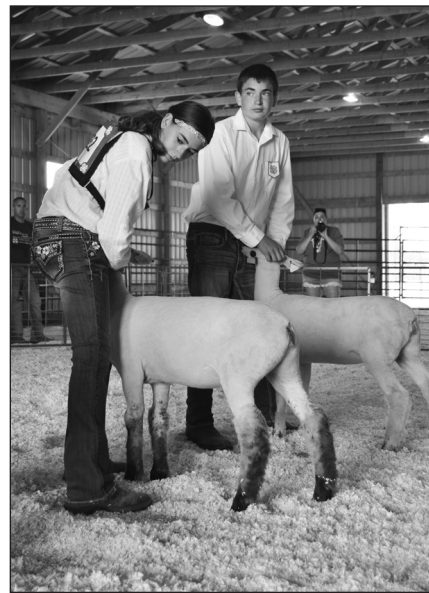
Nightstand - Blue: Regan Jones, Addison Neumiller, Nicole Neumiller,
Garin Opdahl

Welded C-Clamps – Blue: Colby Jones, Levi Opdahl, Chris Pratt;
Red: Rachel Copenhaver

Landscape Designs – Blue: Colby Jones, Levi Opdahl

Metal and Wood Tables - Blue: Conner Fike, Andrew Noyes,
Kyle Ravnaas

Plumbing Sprinkler - Blue: Hayden Beck, McKayla Jones, Andrew Noyes;
Red: Kyle Ravnaas, Conner Fike



Thank you for your generous support!

Brianna Fike



Bollinger Seed



Boston Fike

Reserve Champion



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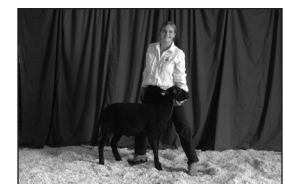
Gavin Austin



Fessenden Co-op



Madison Austin



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