

## Sheboygan County 4-H General Livestock Committee

## County Fair Herdsmanship Educational Exhibits

The 4-H General Livestock Committee recognizes the importance of showcasing members' project work, putting our best foot forward in animal husbandry and educating the public with regards to agriculture. Because of this, this year the 4-H Livestock Committee will be including an award for "Best Educational Club Exhibit".

This award is to compliment the current Club Herdsmanship Award at the county fair, and will have NO bearing on the herdsmanship award. Herdsmanship judges will judge herdsmanship as in the past. In addition to judging herdsmanship, they will be asked to identify a "Best Educational Club Exhibit" in the beef, sheep and swine barns. The club with the "Best Educational Club Exhibit" in each of the barns will be awarded \$50.

Realizing space is limited in the barns, but seeing an importance in educating the public with regards to how one's project work fits into real-world agriculture, how does a club or chapter incorporate an educational exhibit? Some examples, but not limited to, are:

- Incorporating an educational aspect within your actual barn decorations
- Making a stand alone exhibit either within your storage area or <u>alongside</u> your pens. Some clubs in the past have incorporated an interactive board game matching breeds of animals or meat cuts right along the pen. \*Please note, **exhibits should not be in the aisle way**. It is important to keep the aisle way clear for the safety of the fairgoers.

We understand some clubs have invested time and money in club barn decorations over the years in order to re-use them for each fair. Because of this investment, we would like to stress participation in the <u>"Best Educational Exhibit" is only voluntary</u>, and will have no bearing on the already established herdsmanship competition.

If you have any questions with regards to the "Best Educational Exhibit" please feel free to contact any member of the 4-H General Livestock Committee. Thank you in advance for your support of the "Best Educational Barn Exhibit" and helping to "make the best better" at the Sheboygan County Fair!

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