

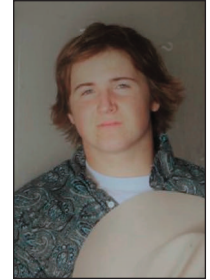


Caleb

Meet the Farm-City Hub Club's 2024 Scholarship Recipients

The Hub Club's Scholarship Committee (Justin Gode, Ann Wendinger, Bill Swan and Duane Laffrenzen) received only two applications this year—but has outstanding recipients for the club's 2024 Hub Club Scholarships of \$1,000 each. The winners were notified by mail and the awards will be announced at school awards programs.

Let's meet the recipients.



Andrew

<u>Student</u>	<u>Parents</u>	<u>High School</u>	<u>College and Anticipated Major</u>
Caleb Brown	Amber & Chad Brown	MVL	Alexandria Tech; Marine, Motorcycle, Power
Andrew Hellendrung	Julie & Ross Hellendrung	New Ulm Public	Alexandria Tech; Diesel Mechanics

Hub Club Farm Show wrap, following debrief meeting

The Farm Show wrapup meeting was held April 9 at Pizza Ranch. Design Home Center treated the committee in thankfulness for their professional efforts on planning.

Importantly, let us recognize the 2024 Farm Show Committee made up of Don Sanderson, vendor chair; Jenny Eckstein, vendor correspondent; Shannon Hillesheim, treasurer; Ruth Klossner, secretary, advertising, office booth; Michelle Schroeder, seminar chair, signage, event coordinator; Delbert and Adele Fischer, concessions; Bob and Sharlene Ahlers, hospitably room; John Luepke, vendor layout and utility person; Joe Maidl, door prizes.

I know I have mentioned this before, but it is worth repeating. Thank you to all the people that showed up Thursday for setup and then again Saturday for teardown. Thank you to the people who helped out with various tasks during the event—either on the vendor floor or the food stand. All that help was much appreciated and is a direct result of membership support.

People did notice. Thanks to ALL!

A few benchmarks to note, comparing 2024 to 2023.

The show had an increase of 16 vendors, 20+ more booth spaces occupied, and an approximate increase of \$4,700 in income. Farm Show income/expenses is still not final as we are waiting on a few bills to arrive.

The committee is already planning for a show in 2025. The date has not been decided, due to Civic Center availability. Don has already signed up 40 vendors for next year and we have five or six more who would like to participate if space is available.

In other good news, the entire committee is planning to be back to organize next year's show.

Our next committee meeting will be held in early fall. Anyone interested in being part of the planning for our 2025 show is asked to reach out to me at 507-276-6322.

Chairman Brian Fischer

Upcoming Hub Club Events

- Hub Club Board Meeting—Tuesday, May 7, 5:15 p.m., Don Sanderson's Office.
- Hub Club Board Meeting—Tuesday, June 4, 5:15 p.m., Don Sanderson's Office.
- Cash Wise Brat Stand—Thurs.-Fri., Jun. 13-14
- So. MN Youth Dairy Show Breakfast—Sat., Jun. 29

Hub Club was on NUCAT

The Farm City Hub Club was featured on the New Ulm Focus program on New Ulm Community Access Television recently. The program can be found on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E-TCCTDGud8>.

Club members Michele Schroeder and Ruth Klossner did the program with Ruth Ann Webster in mid-March. The photography work was excellent and Ruth Ann had great questions that allowed Michele and Ruth to tell the Hub Club story.

Contact information for 2024 Hub Club Officers & Directors

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A message from our president, Jason Schroeder

Spring is here!

As I write this, I have started planting corn and am very thankful for the timely rains and good planting conditions. I hope our area farmers have a good start on their fieldwork.

When I think of spring, I can't help but think about the state FFA convention. The Hub Club proudly supports the New Ulm FFA chapter and its members. I am excited to attend the upcoming FFA banquet on May 5 to hear about the achievements of our local FFA members.

Members, please remember that our club will be busy this summer with a number of events where your help will be needed. Those events include the Cash Wise Brat Stand June 13 and 14, Bavarian Blast July 18-21, and Family Night on the Dairy Farm Friday, August 2, with set up on August 1. Then, on Friday, September 13, we will celebrate our 50th Anniversary as a club. I look forward to seeing you at these events this summer.

Have a safe and prosperous spring!

Jason



New Ulm FFA banquet

The New Ulm FFA Chapter extends an invitation to celebrate the accomplishments of the year

at the chapter's 88th Annual FFA banquet.

The banquet will be held Sunday, May 5 in the High School commons area and auditorium. The banquet will begin with the meal at 6:30 p.m. The price is \$7.00 per person for guests.

After the meal, the awards ceremony will begin at 7:15 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

All RSVP's for the banquet are requested by Monday, April 29 (or Tuesday at the very latest) and can be sent to jrnelson@neulm.k12.mn.us.



No. 2

FARM-CITY HUB CLUB PROCEEDS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Royal Oak Event Center
New Ulm, MN 56073
Friday, September 13, 2024

License X-95466-24-001

Drawing at 7:00 p.m.

\$20 / Ticket – 250 Tickets Sold

3 - \$500 Prizes
2 - \$250 Prizes

CHECKS TO:
Farm-City Hub Club

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Need not be present to win. Must be 18 or older to purchase ticket or win prize. Winner responsible for any applicable taxes and fees.

Raffle tickets available

Get your raffle ticket! The New Ulm Farm-City Hub Club is holding a cash raffle with the proceeds going toward college scholarships for students planning to study agriculture or natural resources.

The \$20 raffle tickets offer three \$500 prizes and two \$250 prizes. Tickets are available from Brian Fischer at Design Home Center, Don Sanderson at Sanderson State Farm Insurance, Shannon Hillesheim at Bank Midwest and Garrett Freeman at American Family Insurance, all in New Ulm.

Drawing for the prizes will be at the Hub Club's 50th Anniversary Gala Friday, September 13 at the Royal Oak Center.

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 2, 2024; Don Sanderson's Office

President Jason Schroeder called the April Hub Club meeting to order at Don Sanderson's office on Tuesday, April 2 at 5:17 p.m. Also attending were board members Marie Guggisberg, Randy Reinarts, Garrett Freeman, Justin Gode, Shannon Hillesheim, Ruth Klossner, and Brian Fischer; and guest Michele Schroeder.

The meeting agenda was approved on a motion by Fischer and second by Guggisberg; motion carried. The minutes of the February meeting were approved as published and reviewed, on a motion by Fischer, seconded by Reinarts; motion carried.

Treasurer Shannon Hillesheim reported a checking balance of \$28,555.71, with \$30,000 in a CD. The report was approved on a motion by Guggisberg and second by Reinarts; motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership. Freeman reported that about 50 members have not paid 2024 dues. He went over the list; board members will contact some and Freeman will send reminder emails.

Public Relations. No report.

Events. Gode reported that the FFA breakfast was very busy. FFA members ordered supplies and did a lot of the work.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Farm Show Wrap. The club received a lot of compliments on the show; 40 vendors have committed for next year. The committee will hold a wrap-up meeting April 9. The Friday evening social was great.

Ag Day Parade. Good turnout. Continue to promote on Facebook and web page.

50th Anniversary Raffle Tickets. Available from Brian at Design Home, Don at State Farm Insurance, Garrett at American Family Insurance, and Shannon at Bank Midwest.

Bavarian Blast. Beth and Kevin Fluegge will handle set-up, work Sunday, and handle take-down. Volunteers

will be needed to take charge on other days. Randy Schroeder will be asked to communicate with Bavarian Blast. The menu sign needs to be re-done.

Southern Minnesota Youth Dairy Show. Fischer motioned and Hillesheim seconded to sponsor show awards for \$300 and have a breakfast at the show; motion carried. Breakfast needs to be advertised in the New Ulm Shopper.

Family Night on the Dairy Farm. Will be held Friday, August 2 at the David and Angie Tauer Farm, 5:00-8:30 p.m. With a new location, some changes will be made. Fischer motioned and Reinarts seconded budgeting \$2,000 for the event; motion carried.

Autofest Food Stand. Fischer motioned and Hillesheim seconded not to have a food stand; motion carried.

Busing for Brown County Dairy Assn. A request to take students to a dairy farm was received. Fischer motioned and Reinarts seconded to donate toward busing, not to exceed \$325; motion carried.

Cleaning Storage Unit. M. Schroeder and Delbert Fischer, Jr. will consider what needs to be cleaned and/or rearranged. B. Fischer has shelving available that he will donate to better arrange things. Totes may need to be purchased to store items properly.

Book Donations to Schools, Libraries. Kelsey Brandt will be asked to look into possible titles.

Hub Club Sign. B. Fischer will consider what might be done with it.

Brat Stand. Bob Ahlers has the dates of Thursday and Friday, June 13-14 booked.

The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m. on a motion by Gode and second by Hillesheim.

The next meeting is Tuesday, May 7.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Klossner, Secretary

Summer events

Cash Wise Brat Stand—Thursday-Friday, June 13-14
So. MN Youth Dairy Show—Saturday, June 29
Bavarian Blast—Thursday-Sunday, July 18-21
Family Night on the Dairy Farm—Friday,
August 1, at **Tauer Dairy west of Hanska**
Farmfest—Tuesday-Thursday, August 6-8
Brown County Fair—Wednesday-Sunday, August 7-11
Nicollet County Fair—Wednesday-Sunday, August 7-11
Minnesota State Fair—August 22-Labor Day

Club members celebrate 65th

Longtime Hub Club members Roger and Shirley Bode celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary with a party at the New Ulm Community Center Sunday, April 21.

Wow! 65 years of marriage!!!



Congratulations!