



4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program Level 1 – Green Clover Award (minimum age 8)

Name Kyle Doe Phone Number 123-4567

Address 3 Washington St., Somerset, Pa 15501

Age as of September 19 Birth Date March 5, XXX Years in 4-H 1

Name of club(s) Country Hills

Leaders' Names Joan Smith

I know the 4-H motto, 4-H colors and can recite the 4-H pledge.

I attended 60% of the 4-H club meetings this year.

(4-H members need to have completed at least **two** of the following tasks to qualify. Please place an (X) by activities completed. Give details on lines by completed activities.)

Presented a visual presentation at a **club** meeting Topic Identify Breeds of Horses

When July 2015 meeting

Helped with 4-H **club** activity or event What Grove Clean up; Rural Life Sunday; March in Block Parade

When May 23, May 31, June 25

Attended at least one 4-H **county** activity or event What County Horse Show; Foods Revue

When August 3, 2015; July 14

Hosted a 4-H **club** meeting, provided refreshments, led a game, or gave a report. Club name Country Clovers

What Provided Snacks

When May Meeting

Tell me one thing that you learned or improved about yourself this 4-H year.

I improved my riding skills and learned knots. I also learned how to lunge on my horse.

Member's Signature Kyle Doe

Parent's/Guardian's Signature Melanie Doe Date 8/20/XX

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Key Leader's Signature Joan Smith Date 8/25/XX

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4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program Level 2- White Clover Award (Minimum age 10)

Name Jane Bush Phone Number 123-4567

Address 14 Bush Ln., Somerset, PA 15501

Age as of September 1 10 Birth Date July 2, XXXX Years in 4-H 2

Name of club(s) Green Roots

Leaders' Names Mr. James Brown

I attended 60% of the 4-H club meetings this year.

(Need to have completed at least **three** of the following tasks to qualify. Please place an (X) by tasks completed and explain the 4-H activities you did on the lines by the tasks.)

Presented a visual presentation at a **club** meeting Topic How to Make Milkshakes (no longer needs to be related to project)

When Date

Attended at least **two county** activities or workshops What Public Speaking Contest

4-H

When Date

What Somerset Co. Jr. Dairy Show

When Date

Helped with 4-H **club** community service-learning project What 4-H Yard Sale- Donations went to Veterans and Churches

When Date

Hosted a 4-H **club** meeting, provided refreshments, led a game, or gave a report What Club Refreshments

When Date

Attended a 4-H day camp, conference or overnight experience and **reported back to the club.** What Event Regional 4-H Camp

When June 27-30

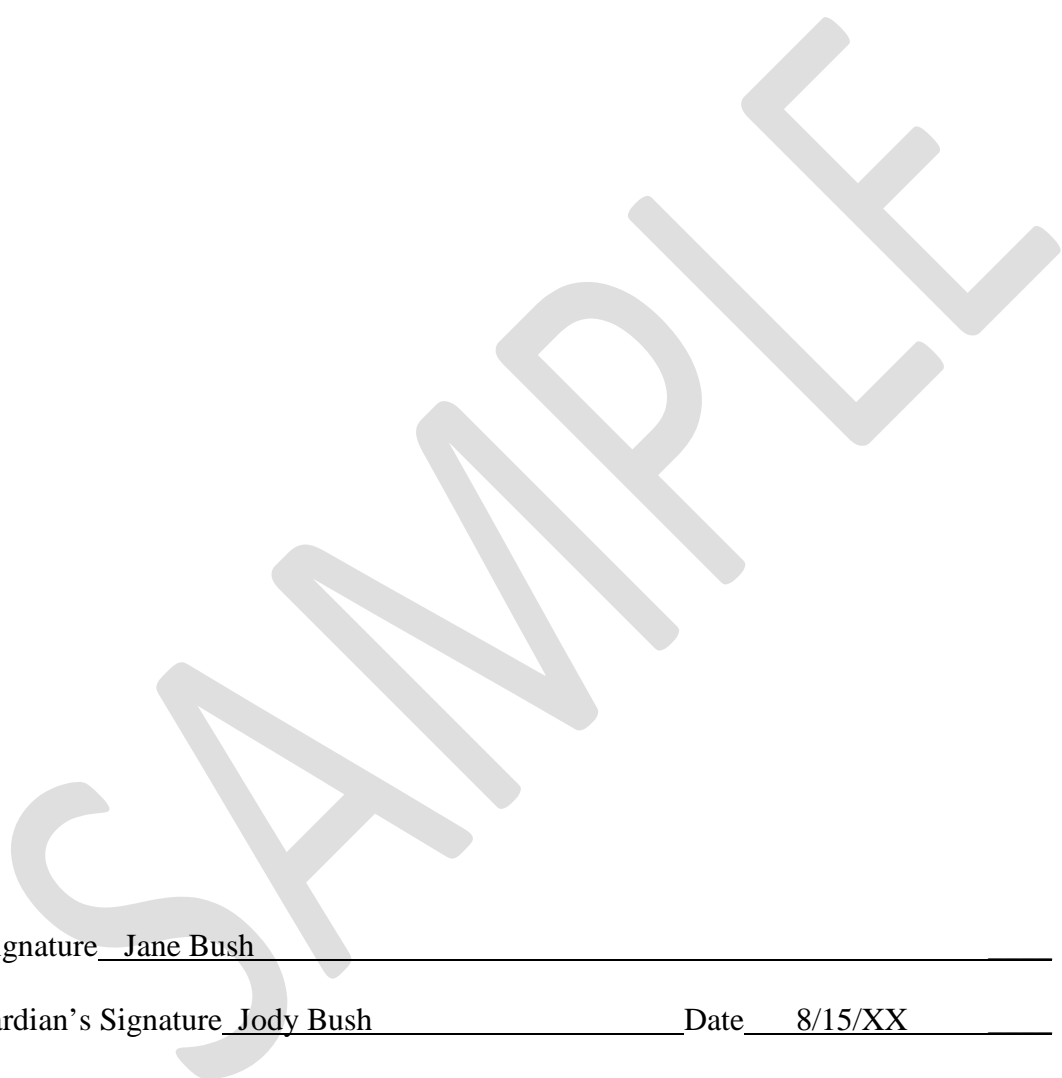
Completed at least one **new** 4-H project in a **new project category.**
Please list the projects you have taken over the years and list your new project for this year.

New Project: Hiking, Biking, and Poultry
Old projects: Sheep, Archery, and Air Rifle

(over)

Tell me **two** things you have learned or improved about yourself this 4-H year.

1. I learned how to change a tire on a bike.
2. I improved my aim at shooting sports.



Member's Signature Jane Bush

Parent's/Guardian's Signature Jody Bush Date 8/15/XX

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Key Leader's Signature Jim Baer Date 8/18/XX

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4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program
Plan & Report
Level Three ~ Bronze Clover (Minimum age 12)

Name Lynn Jones Phone 123-4567

Address 2 Jones Farm Rd.

Town/State/Zip Somerset, Pa 15501

4-H Unit/Club(s) Farming Friends

Age as of September 1 12 Birth Date Aug. 10, XXXX Years in 4-H 4 (including this year)

I attended 60% of the 4-H Club meetings this year.

4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program Report

You should have discussed your involvement with your leader at the beginning of the year, so your leader can help you in directing your progress.

(Tasks must be completed prior to submission of this application)

Level Three – Bronze Clover (minimum age 12)

Complete at least **four** of the following tasks:

1. Helped with a **4-H club community service-learning project** – *Life skill learned: understanding self*

Explain what you did/learned:

2014- I helped to organize a barn dance to benefit a fellow 4-H'er.

I felt really good to help those in need.

2015- Cleaned up along the trail in Meyersdale. We saw a lot of hikers and bikers that day who really appreciated what we were doing.

2. Helped with a **4-H club fundraiser** – *Life skill learned: making decisions*

Explain what you did/learned:

I helped to organize a benefit yard sale.

(A) I called and asked for donations.

(B) Priced, tagged, and organized donated items

(C) Getting along with others and socializing with people

X 3. Participated in a **County 4-H Communications event**

(4-H speaking contests, presentation contest, poster contest, photo contest, small animal essay or writing at least three news articles; please attach articles) – *Life skill learned: communicating*

Explain what you did/learned:

I participated in the Public Speaking contest at the Somerset Area School on May 26, 2015.

I wrote and presented a speech about my Washington D.C. Leadership Conference trip in April.

My main topic was learning to be a leader, and I gave examples of leaders and leader duties. I learned that if you stay confident in yourself, you can accomplish anything.

 X 4. Attended at least **two county 4-H activities** – *Life skill learned: getting along with others*

Explain what you did/learned:

I attended officer training on April 19 and the Somerset County Fair from August 22-29.

At 4-H officer training, we had a pizza party, and then we broke into workshops for each of our separate officer workshops. An instructor gave directions as to the duties the officer must fulfill. I learned that being a secretary is a lot of responsibility and is very important.

I attended the Somerset County Fair. I helped set up our 4-H booth in the Jr. Activities Building and worked in the dairy bar. In both instances, I learned that teamwork makes a more successful event.

 X 5. Attended a **4-H resident conference, camp or overnight experience** and reported back to your 4-H club meeting – *Life skill learned: learning to learn*

Explain what you did/learned:

I attended Dairy Cow Camp. When I returned, I gave a report to my club about my experience. I participated in sessions about properties of milk, calf health, and proper calf care.

 X 6. Attended at least **one regional or state 4-H event** – *Life skill learned: getting along with others*

Explain what you did/learned:

I attended Regional Fashion Revue. I sewed a shirt and capris. I got 1st place!

I learned that it is hard when you have to take out so many stitches, but you still keep going because it pays off.

X 7. Served as **club officer or committee chair** – *Life skill learned: working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

I served as the club song and game leader this year.

I organized games and icebreakers for our club. Serving as this leader, I learned that a positive attitude can influence others and get them to be a more positive thinking individual.

 X 8. Completed at least one new 4-H project, **in a new project category** – *Life skill learned: managing*
Please list the projects you have taken over the years and list your new project for this year.

My new project is cooking. I did archery and art last year.

Comments:

I have reviewed this report and find it complete, accurate and adequate to meet the requirements of Level Three – Bronze Clover of the 4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program.

4-H Member Signature Lynn Jones Date 8/18/XX

Parent/Guardian Signature Mike Jones Date 8/28/XX

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Key Leader Signature Sandy Green Date 8/28/XX

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4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program
Plan & Report
Level Four ~ Silver Clover (Minimum age 14)

Name Nancy Sharp Phone 123-4567

Address 10 Clover Rd

Town/State/Zip Somerset, Pa 15501

4-H Unit/Club(s) Clover Kids

Age as of September 1 14 Birth Date Nov. 20, XXXX Years in 4-H 6 (including this year)

I attended 60% of the 4-H Club meetings this year.

4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program Report

You should have discussed your involvement with your leader at the beginning of the year, so your leader can help you in directing your progress.

(Tasks must be completed prior to submission of this application)

Level Four – Silver Clover (minimum age 14)

Complete at least **five** of the following tasks:

1. **Served** as a **club officer** or **committee chair** – *Life skill learned: working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

I am the secretary of the Clover Kids 4-H Club this year. I take roll call, read the minutes, and I get to sit up front with the other officers during the meeting. The experience is good to help me with responsibility.

2. **Provided leadership** for a **4-H club community service-learning project** – *Life skill learned: understanding self*

Explain what you did/learned:

I led the pop tab collection for “Project Emma’s Eyes” to help raise funds for a service dog to help Emma Marone. I learned responsibility in the collection and distribution and the importance of caring for others in our community.

X 3. Provided leadership for a **4-H club fundraiser** –*Life skill learned: making decisions*

Explain what you did/learned:

I coordinated the potato chip fundraiser for Milksquirts 4-H Club.

I setup a date with Snyder to sell bags of chips and had the club members sell chips to their friends and family. Then, I gathered the members together at my house to pack the chips into boxes. We delivered the chips to the customers and collected the money. Then, I made the deposit into our checking account and wrote a check out to Snyder to pay for the chips.

 X 4. Participated in a **County 4-H Communications event** (4-H speaking contests, presentation contest, poster contest, photo contest, small animal essay or writing at least three news articles, please attach articles) –
Life skill learned: communicating

Explain what you did/learned:

I participated in the Somerset County Communications Day. I gave a presentation and a speech for public speaking. I learned many things through this experience. I learned how to speak in front of others, how to improve my public speaking skills, and how to demonstrate clear steps when I am demonstrating in front of a group of people that may not have any understanding of what I am talking about.

 X 5. Attended at least **three county 4-H activities** – *Life skill learned: getting along with others*

Explain what you did/learned:

- 1. County Officer Training**
- 2. Somerset County Fair- Exhibited 4-H Projects**
- 3. 4-H Foods Revue**

I learned so many things by attending these events. I learned how to be a good leader. I learned how to exhibit my project, and I learned how to make a healthy dish for my family.

 X 6. Attended at least **one regional or state 4-H event** – *Life skill learned: getting along with others*

Explain what you did/learned:

I attended the Regional Fashion Revue and learned many new sewing and modeling skills.

X 7. Helped a younger member with their **project, demonstration or learning the pledge** – *Life skill learned: learning to learn*

Explain what you did/learned:

I helped a younger member in our club with her lamb. I showed her what to feed, how to clip, and how to show her lamb. She earned third place at the county fair. I was so happy for her!

X 8. Attended a 4-H resident conference, camp or overnight experience **and** report back to your 4-H club meeting - *Life skill learned: learning to learn*

Explain what you did/learned:

I went to Regional 4-H Camp as a camper and made some new friends. I also went to Camp Counselor Training and am planning on being a camp counselor this year! I learned many things from this experience. I learned to care for myself and my things; I learned to get along with others even though we didn't have much in common. I also learned to believe in myself. After I got back from camp, I gave a report to my club about how much fun it was, and I encouraged all of them to attend next year.

X 9. Completed at least one **new** 4-H project **in a new project category** - *Life skill learned: managing*
Please list the projects you have taken over the years and list your new project for this year.

I am taking a babysitting project, which I haven't done in 4-H before. I also had the chance to stay with a woman who has cerebral palsy. That was a good experience for me. All of the things I learned in my babysitting project book really helped me in this situation.

Comments:

I have reviewed this report and find it complete, accurate, and adequate to meet the requirements of Level Four – Silver Clover of the 4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program.

4-H Member Signature Nancy Sharp Date 8/25/XX

Parent/Guardian Signature Edward Sharp Date 8/25/XX

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Key Leader Signature Jason White Date 8/30/XX

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**4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program
Plan & Report
Level Five ~ Gold Clover (Minimum age 15)**

Name Michelle Winter Phone 123-4567

Address 6 Winter Lane

Town/State/Zip Somerset, Pa 15501

4-H Unit/Club(s) Saddle Club

Age as of September 1 16 Birth Date Dec. 6, XXXX Years in 4-H 8 (including this year)

I attended 60% of the 4-H Club meetings this year.

4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program Report

You should have discussed your involvement with your leader at the beginning of the year, so your leader can help you in directing your progress. Sixth level members need to have had their major project reviewed by the Extension Educator.

(Tasks must be completed prior to submission of this application)

Level Five – Gold Clover (minimum age 15)

Complete at least **seven** of the following tasks:

1. Served as a **club officer, committee chair or teen leader** – *Life skill learned: working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

I served as club president this year, and I learned leadership and public speaking skills from this experience. I became more comfortable being in front of large groups.

2. Provided leadership for a **4-H club community service-learning project**– *Life skill learned: Understanding self*

Explain what you did/learned:

I provided leadership by organizing a breakfast fundraiser community service at the fair. I helped to set up and collect items for a benefit breakfast. The funds collected at this event were donated to children with cancer. I learned that it takes a lot of team work and organization to get everything done. Through all of this, I learned that I work better in a team than working on my own.

X 3. Provided leadership for a **4-H club fundraiser** – *Life skill learned: making decisions*

Explain what you did/learned:

I provided leadership to organize a benefit yard sale.

(D) I called people in the community and asked for donations.

(E) Priced, tagged and organized donated items

(F) Getting along with others and socializing with people

X 4. Provided leadership for a **club or county 4-H activity or event** – *Life skill learned: getting along with others*

Explain what you did/learned:

I co-led our June 4-H club meeting with two other members. Our leaders felt it was important for the older members in the group to take on more responsibilities within our club. During the meeting, we did a presentation using two horses at Serenity Stables. We taught the youth in our group about horse safety, tack, and the parts of a horse. This experience reinforced my leadership skills and taught me to instruct a small group.

X 5. Participated in a **County 4-H Communications event** (4-H speaking contests, presentation contest, poster contest, photo contest, small animal essay or writing at least three news articles, please attach articles) – *Life skill learned: communicating*

Explain what you did/learned:

I participated in the 4-H photo contest at the County Communications day. This event taught me to be proud of my photography skills. As a result of this competition, I became more proficient in my picture taking skills.

X 6. Attended at least **one state 4-H event** (within the past two years) – *Life skill learned: getting along with others*

Explain what you did/learned:

I attended 4-H State Days at Penn State competing in Fashion Revue. I learned modeling skills, as well as a few new sewing skills. I had a great time making new friends from different counties.

X 7. Participated in a **national or international 4-H event**– *Life skill learned: working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

I participated in the National Dairy Conference. Throughout the conference, I participated in many events that focused on meeting new people. Some of these activities included a pin exchange, dances, games and other educational workshops. Additional activities included how to sex semen, writing and publishing dairy literature, small and large dairy farm operations, dairy history, and business practices.

X 8. Helped a **younger member with a project exhibit or demonstration** - *Life skill learned: managing*

Explain what you did/learned:

I helped a younger 4-H member with their archery project and setting up his demonstration for the club presentation. This taught me patience and leadership skills.

X 9. Attended a **4-H resident conference, camp or overnight experience and** reported back to your 4-H club meeting – *Life skill learned: learning to learn*

Explain what you did/learned:

I attended District Horse Camp at the Bedford County Fair. I also attended as a counselor, so I can help younger kids learn what I know about horses. At the following 4-H club meeting I talked about what we did there; we participated in two clinics and completed the QAM that we need in order to show horses at the District Horse Show. I enjoy sharing my knowledge of horses with other 4-H members.

X 10. Participated in a **4-H Interstate Exchange or served on State 4-H Council** – *Life skill learned: working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

Last year, I had the opportunity to travel to Union County, Oregon. I was able to explore another part of the country and learn about the 4-H program there. This year, I was able to show the Oregon 4-H'ers around our area and teach them about our 4-H program. It was an experience I will never forget.

X 11. Completed at least **one new** 4-H project **in a new project category**– *Life skill learned: managing*
Please list the projects you have taken over the years and list your new project for this year.

This year, I took the sheep project. I learned the inner workings of raising lambs, how and what to feed them, halter training and exercising, shearing and grooming. I also learned about all of the parts of a lamb. It was a very different and interesting new project.

X 12. Served on **4-H County Council** and participated in **60%** of the meetings and activities. –
Life skill learned: working with groups

Explain what you did/learned:

Becoming a County Council member has been the highlight of my 4-H career. Through our work on County Council, I was able to become a true leader in the 4-H community. Our group made decisions about our county 4-H program; we hosted events to benefit our younger 4-H members, and participated in many community service events. I was so proud when I was able to walk side by side with my other 4-H members at our local Relay for Life event. We honored one of our members that died from cancer. With our head, hearts, hands, and health, we will make a difference in this world.

Comments:

I have reviewed this report and find it complete, accurate, and adequate to meet the requirements of Level Five – Gold Clover of the 4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program.

4-H Member Signature Michelle Winter Date 8/11/XX

Parent/Guardian Signature Jane Winter Date 8/11/XX

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Key Leader Signature Kathy Snow Date 8/23/XX

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4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program

Plan & Report

Level Six ~ Diamond Clover (Minimum age 16)

Name Jim Stone Phone 123-4567

Address 25 Stone Rd.

Town/State/Zip Somerset, Pa 15501

4-H Unit/Club(s) Clover Times

Age as of September 1 17 Birth Date April 21, XXXX Years in 4-H 9 (including this year)

I attended 60% of the 4-H Club meetings this year.

4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program Report

You should have discussed your involvement with your leader at the beginning of the year, so your leader can help you in directing your progress.

Sixth level members need to have had their major project reviewed by the Extension Educator.

Level Six – Diamond Clover (minimum age 16)

Complete at least **eight** of the following tasks **and** conduct a **major service-learning project**.

This task requires the 4-H'ers to complete a project that benefits his/her community.

The 4-H'er will submit a detailed plan that includes:

- Description of the project
- Justification for the project
- Who will be recruited to help
- A budget and how funds will be obtained
- A project timeline and any necessary approval letters from landowners, city/local 4-H unit, government, etc.

The 4-H Development Fund Directors and the 4-H Educator must approve the plan before any work is started. When the work is completed, the 4-H'er must submit a detailed report outlining what was accomplished with documentation (photographs, etc.) This project should be completed over a two year time frame; first year to do the planning, second year conduct the service learning project.

All proposals are due **September 1** of the first year of the two-year project.

Complete at the end of the second year after you have completed your service-learning project

X 1. Served as a **club officer, committee chair or teen leader** – *Life skill learned: working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

I served as the president for my club this year. I learned how to run a meeting following the agenda. I tried to encourage as many members as possible to participate in the meeting discussions as I could. The other officers and I encouraged everyone to try new projects and to complete their achievement ladder forms. We learned to work very effectively as a team.

X 2. Provided leadership for a **4-H club community service-learning project** – *Life skill learned: understanding self*

Explain what you did/learned:

Our 4-H club makes tie-knot blankets each year to be donated to a nonprofit organization. This year we divided the blankets among the Birthright and the Next Step Center. In the spring, I provided leadership to organize a group that worked together to make homemade chicken noodle soup, cookies and fresh fruit to hand deliver to the elderly community members.

X 3. Provided leadership for a **4-H club fundraiser** – *Life skill learned: making decisions*

Explain what you did/learned:

Each spring our club holds a sub sale. I provide leadership by ordering supplies and organizing the volunteers to assemble the subs and distributing them. I learned that it was a lot of work.

X 4. Provided leadership for a **club or county 4-H activity or event** – *Life skill learned: getting along with others*

Explain what you did/learned:

Our group was interested in participating in our local Relay for Life event this year. I provided the leadership for the group by becoming the captain and attending all meetings and reporting the information back to the group. We collected donations and planned a special tribute to our 4-H members and leaders that lost their fight with cancer. I learned that when we work together we can make things happen.

X 5. Participated in a **County 4-H Communications event** (4-H speaking contests, presentation ,contest, poster contest, photo contest, small animal essay contest or writing at least three news articles, please attach articles) - *Life skill learned: communicating*

Explain what you did/learned:

I competed in both presentation and public speaking contests. I really enjoyed both, but the speech was my favorite. It was hard to stand up in front of an audience, but the judges gave helpful hints and were very supportive. I learned how to present information and how to speak without going too fast.

X 6. Attended at least one state 4-H event (within the past two years) – *Life skill learned: getting along with others*

Explain what you did/learned

I attended 4-H State Achievement Days for public speaking. It was a great experience. I was in the final 8, and I was also the youngest participant. We learned how to give short speeches with a topic that was given to us on the spot. It was hard to think really fast and what to talk about, but it was fun. I really enjoyed meeting other 4-H'ers from all over the state

X 7. Participated in a national or international 4-H event– *working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

I participated in the National Dairy Conference. I learned many things about the Dairy industry that I didn't know, and I met a lot of new kids that shared my dairy interests.

X 8. Helped a younger member with a project exhibit or demonstration - *Life skill learned: managing*

Explain what you did/learned:

I am a junior leader in sewing this year. I enjoyed helping the younger members by teaching them the basics of sewing and helping them complete their project. I learned that it takes a lot of patience to be a good leader.

X 9. Attended a 4-H resident conference, camp or overnight experience and report back to your

4-H club - *Life skill learned: learning to learn*

Explain what you did/learned:

I attended Regional 4-H Camp at Camp Kanesatake. It was my first time away from home, and I had to sleep in cabins with other 4-H'ers that I didn't know. At first, it was really hard, but then I got to know a few other kids, and we started going to our workshops together and playing at free time. Our workshops were great! I learned about the animals and fishing!

X 10. Participated in an 4-H Interstate Exchange or served on State 4-H Council – *Life skill learned: working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

I participated in a 4-H interstate exchange with Olympia County, Washington State. This was the highlight of my 4-H career! I met so many new 4-H members and learned about their projects and their state.

X 11. Completed at least **one new** 4-H project in a **new project category** – *Life skill learned: managing*

Please list the projects you have taken over the years and list your new project for this year.

I have always done livestock projects, but this year I decided to take a dog project. I love my English Bulldog. I've learned a lot about their health. I take him to the nursing home to do pet therapy.

X 12. Served on **4-H County Council** and participated in **60%** of the meetings and activities. – *Life skill learned: working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

I have been a member of 4-H County Council for the past three years. I have held various offices. I've been a news reporter, a secretary, and this year, I finally became president. I enjoyed being involved organizing all of the county events and getting to know the younger members.

Comment:

I have reviewed this report and find it complete, accurate and adequate to meet the requirements of Level Six– Diamond Clover of the 4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program.

4-H Member Signature Jim Stone Date 8/24/XX

Parent/Guardian Signature Mary Stone Date 8/24/XX

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Key Leader Signature Josh Green Date 8/28/XX

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