



St. Croix County 4-H Communicator

September/October, 2014

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Dear 4-H Member(s), Families and Friends,

On August 29, we say good-bye for now to Marie Witzel our 4-H Youth Development Agent and Educator. As most of you know, Marie is headed to Dodge County where she will continue her career in 4-H Youth Development. Marie, we wish you the best and hope that our paths will cross in the future. As the fall progresses, University of Wisconsin- Extension will be posting the position for 4-H Youth Development Agent in St. Croix County. This process may take 4-6 weeks and will be followed by a lengthy interview procedure at the state and county level. We anticipate a 4-H Youth Development Agent to start around January 1, 2015. In the interim I will be here on a part time basis to continue my role with 4-H Expansion. I plan to be available in the office on Tuesday and Thursday.

As we enter a new 4-H year, I would like you to think about the 4-H Motto: "To Make the Best Better". 4-H is a dynamic organization which constantly changes to meet the needs of 4-H members and their families. Our motto encourages and even demands change. What changes will you make in your 4-H club this year? What new opportunities will you pursue? What new skills will you learn in your projects? I know that change is sometimes difficult and even scary, but I encourage you to embrace change. Be open and respectful to new ideas; these ideas help us to grow and mature.

Our St. Croix County 4-H Program may change as well. This change is inevitable as we move forward. How will you contribute to this change? What new ideas do you have? Remember that Leader's Council and our County 4-H Committees are always seeking new ideas and leaders. Wouldn't it be exciting to be part of the process?

In 4-H Clover,

Eileen

4-H Youth Development Program Advisor

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Congratulations

Living Memorial Award Presented to Dale Hudson

Dale has volunteered his time at the fair for many, many years! He has supervised the parking at the fair that starts well before the fair begins to get all of the posts and fencing set up. Dale is also charged with the task of securing groups to head up the parking as well. Dale's job does not end there!

Dale also does numerous repair jobs at the fairgrounds. This past year he went above and beyond the call of duty to get the plumbing done in the milking parlor of dairy barn #2 and in the new wash rack. His outstanding work ethic made sure everything was done correctly and on time for the fair. Dale has volunteered many hours in the food tent to get the hot water heaters and plumbing issues fixed and worked out.

At the fair, he spends many hours down at the "south end" with the horse project. He makes sure that the grounds are taken care of and the arena is ready to go each day for practice or the show. He "polices" the area to make sure that everyone is following the rules—a rather thankless task. When his wife Jule was in charge of the Horse Program, Dale would be volunteering to fix this or fix that; anything that it would take to make clinics or the fair run smoothly.

There are many things that happen "behind the scenes" to get the fair up and running. Dale completes many of these tasks and hardly says a peep or waits for a thank you. Many of us see this person in the cowboy hat riding around on a gator at the fair and know that we can ask him for help fixing something, or a ride somewhere, or most definitely a great smile!

Thank You

Food Stand

Several businesses were very generous in their donations again this year. Please tell them thank

you if you see any of them. Culver's in Baldwin donated 4500 straws; Emerald Tire donated supplies to remodel and install the new sink plus the wall for the South side of the walk ins; Conagra donated 4 cases of Hunt's Ketchup; Burnett Dairy and Cady Cheese donated 2 cases of string cheese, APF donated a case of cheese; AMPI/Kay Zwald donated butter pats; First Reformed Church donated sugar packets; napkins were donated by Baldwin Telecom, First Bank of Baldwin, Hiawatha National Bank of Glenwood City, and River Bank of Hudson. We also would like to thank Nilssen's Foods for helping us get good deals on supplies and also for storing items for us until the fair and even during the fair. We greatly appreciate it.

We would like to thank all the clubs that worked in the stand this year: helping haul and stock the coolers the Saturday before the fair –

Trailblazers; a small shift – Ambassadors, Dry Run Go-Getters, Riverside, Springbrook, and Sunnyside Shamrocks; two small shifts – Double Good; a large shift – Baldwin Wide Awake, Bellringers, North County and Roberts Ribbon Reapers; a large and a small shift – Golden Fireballs, Rolling Hills, and Tri-River Voyagers; and finally four large shifts – Lone Pine. Without all of your time and energy, we would not be a successful food stand.

We would like to acknowledge all the work that Trent Wittmer and Marshall Traxler did to install the new sink, move the hot water heater and move the hand sink next to the door. They also put the wall up on the South side of the coolers, the ridge cap on, and numerous odds and ends in the stand. Dennis and Brian Omann went and picked up the new cooler and put it in the stand.

Committee members scrubbed the stand, picked up supplies, put them away before the fair. They also took inventory, packed everything away and scrubbed the stand after the fair. It takes a lot of volunteer time and work not only during the five days of the fair to make this stand work.

The 4-H Food Stand Committee:

Dean & Jodi Lingenfelter	Chris Franklin
Gary & Deb Stevens	Connie Shaffer
Trent & Tammy Wittmer	Eileen VanDyk
Dennis & Mari Omann	Carrie Paulson
Ron DeMotts	

Fair Board

The St. Croix Co. Fair Board would like to thank all the volunteers that helped make this year's fair a great success. Many hours of time are volunteered before, during and after the weekend of the fair and it is appreciated very much. We would also like to thank all the exhibitors and fair goers who participated to make the fair a success.

We hope to see you again next year. The dates will be July 15-19, 2015! The dates for the 2016 fair will be July 20-24.

Leader News

St. Croix County 4-H Leader's Association Annual Meeting

Tuesday, September 16, 7 pm
Ag Services & Education Center; Baldwin

The Leader's Council is looking for new Leader's to serve. If you would like to serve or have questions, this would be the time to step forward and attend this meeting. Agenda items will include:

- Review of Leaders' Association Bylaws
- Review of St. Croix County 4-H Policies
- Approval of 2014 budget
- County Committee Reports – verbal and/or written
- Election of Council Members for 2014-2015

The Leader's Council Meeting may follow this meeting.

Leader's Council Meeting

Sept 16 and
October 21, 7 pm
Ag Services & Education Center

All of the Leaders' Council Meetings are open meetings. Anyone is invited to attend at any time. Agenda items are due 10 days before the meeting date. If you have any items to discuss with the Council, please get your agenda items

to Jackie Kumm or Eileen. The agendas and minutes are posted on the St. Croix County UW-Extension 4-H Youth Development Web Site under Leaders' Council.

Fall Annual Leader Training

Annual 4-H Leader's Training is tentatively scheduled for September 30 and October 2. Please mark your calendars and watch for more information as it becomes available.

4-H Leader Recognition Banquet

October 7, 6:00 pm (registration)

6:30 pm - meal 7:00 pm - program

Baldwin American Legion

Registrations due September 30

Cost: \$8.50

Come to recognize our volunteers and 4-H members and enjoy a wonderful catered supper by Ruth Hurtgen. Be sure to mark your calendars. Register by completing the form at the end of the newsletter.

Award Nominations Due

Individual Award Nominations

Applications due Sept. 5

Friend of 4-H and Club Award

Nominations due Sept. 5

Award information, nomination forms and applications were mailed to club organizational leaders in late August. Record Book/Project Award Forms which indicate the types and numbers of project awards needed for your club are due to the UWEX Office by September 5. Melissa is not able to place the St. Croix County order for awards until all the forms are in so please try to be timely.

Individual awards/nominations include:

- Record Book/Project Award Form
- Florence Jensen Award
- Helen Holzer Award
- Farm Bureau Boy & Girl
- Outstanding Livestock Member
- Outstanding Breeding Stock Member

The Friend of 4-H Award is presented to an individual who has been nominated by a 4-H club or committee. Any individual or business that has contributed greatly to the 4-H program and is not a 4-H leader is eligible. Please be thinking about people who have helped your club or committee and would be deserving of such recognition. The final selection is made by the 4-H Leaders' Council.

4-H Club Awards are presented in:

- Community Service
- Recreation
- Health/Safety/Environmental Ed

For these club awards, clubs are divided into sizes. The categories for club size are determined by the size of the clubs that have submitted an application. A traveling trophy and a certificate are presented in each category for each size.

If your club has been active in these areas, encourage a committee to put together an application on your club's behalf. You simply need to list your goals and plans for the year and then record the results — what activities were done throughout the year, the number of members taking part in each of the activities, describe your most worthwhile activity and you may also include up to two pages for pictures, newspaper clippings and/or a summary.

Premium Checks

Premium checks for the 2014 County Fair will be distributed through the club award packets in October. The award packets can be picked up at the Leaders' Recognition Banquet or at the UW-Extension Office after that date.

Encourage your members to cash their checks as soon as possible. Remind members in your club that the checks will become void on December 31, 2014.

4-H Club Scrapbook Entry

The 4-H Leaders' Council provides cash prizes for the top three scrapbooks in the following amounts:

1st place = \$30.00, 2nd = \$25.00, 3rd \$20.00
Here are the results:

1st Place – Golden Fireballs

2nd Place – Lone Pine

3rd Place – Roberts Ribbon Reapers

Other clubs that participated:

St. Croix County Ambassadors, Double Good, Forest Timberwolves, Golden Fireballs, North County, Riverside, Rolling Hills, Sunnyside Shamrocks, Trail Blazers and True Blue.

All the Club Scrapbooks will be on display at the 4-H Leaders' Recognition Banquet.

Recruiting New 4-H Families

As you plan for your club's recruitment efforts, please remember with a couple of days notice, we can provide you with many things to make your recruitment easier:

- "4-H is Family Fun" brochures that lists all the 4-H clubs in the county
- "Commonly Asked Questions About 4-H" brochures which simply answer many questions families might have about the 4-H program.
- Join the Revolution bookmarks
- A picture display board that highlights a variety of activities that happen throughout the year in 4-H
- 4-H Banners to hang or table top display
- Fact Sheet telling about current enrollment numbers and top projects
- Adventure Brochure with 4-H interest form. Focus on projects, opportunities, and benefits with adventure photos.

Yard Signs to Promote 4-H

If you have a Join 4-H yard sign from previous years, please remember to put it out again this fall.

County-wide Committee Sign Up

It's time to sign up for those committees that you are interested in! Throughout the year, you probably read about the many 4-H activities like Mini Talent Explosion, Rabbit Workshops, Dog Obedience Training, Livestock Auction, Softball Games, Horse Clinics, Llama project meetings and the Archery clinics. What you may not

know is that these educational programs for members are the result of active project committees. Many of the committees will be meeting this fall and winter to review project rules/guidelines and to plan their educational activities for the spring and summer. If you have ideas for county wide educational programs and would be willing to help a committee accomplish its goals, now is a great time to join a committee. Some of the committees meet almost monthly; other committees meet frequently over a couple of weeks and some meet occasionally as needed. Please check the back of this Communicator for a list of committees.

If you are interested in joining a county wide 4-H project committee(s), return the sign up form at the end of this newsletter. We will forward your name to the appropriate committee.

National 4-H Week
Window Display Contest
October 5-11, 2014
100 Years of Growing 4-H
Entry forms due Sept 22

National 4-H Week starts October 5th. I hope your club will help us promote 4-H by putting up a window display! Your club can pick any theme it would like for your display — just remember to include the theme on the entry form.

The National Theme is “Make a Lasting Impact”. All displays need to be completed by October 5 and must remain up until October 11. Judging will be done during National 4-H Week. The Leaders’ Council sponsors cash prizes for the top three places in the following amounts: 1st blue = \$25, 2nd blue = \$20 and 3rd blue = \$15.

The entry form can be found at the end of this newsletter or on the UW-Extension 4-H web site.

Photo Judging: Please send in a photo of your display window. This will assist with the judging process.

4-H Fall Forum
November 14-16
Chula Vista; WI Dells

The Fall Forum is open to all adult leaders and youth leaders in grades 7– 13.

What is Fall Forum?

- ☐ Fall Forum is an opportunity for learning and networking for youth and adult volunteers
- ☐ The sessions are interactive and provide practical ideas you can use at a club level; with a school program or in an outreach program.
- ☐ What’s great is that youth and adults are learning together!

Information may be found at the link: <http://4h.uwex.edu/alc/fallforum.cfm>. You may register using your 4-H Online account.

Registration is open September 3 through October 3, 2014.

Registration fees include materials, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday; breakfast on Sunday. Counties may help cover the required registration fee as they wish. Fees are as follows:

- Youth registration = \$75/person
- Adult registration = \$100/person

Lodging is available Friday and/or Saturday night.

- Youth = \$25 per person, per night - up to four occupants per room
- Adult = \$25 per person, per night - double occupancy
- Adults = \$75 per night - single occupancy

List your preferred roommate(s) when registering. Roommates will be assigned if necessary. Participants must stay in the room they are registered to.

Adult volunteer delegates from a county are expected to serve as chaperones for youth delegates. Teams of adult male and female chaperones will be identified to conduct room check of youth delegates on Friday and Saturday evening. Chaperones are required to submit the Chaperone Expectation Statement.



Club Opportunities

Twelve Months of Giving

The Food Resource Collaborative of St. Croix County is inviting area community organizations to participate in various monthly collections in 2013 to benefit local food pantries and charities. Choose to participate in one month, four months, or all twelve months. All contributions can be collected at your site all month and then dropped off at your local food pantry. If you have any questions about your local pantry, please call Mary Lestrud at 715-531-1930.

September & October: "Paper Products". Donate paper towels, napkins, facial tissue, diapers and toilet paper. Financial contributions will be accepted. Make checks payable to **The Salvation Army**.

Food Shelf Fundraiser

September 27

Circle K Apple Orchard

VELOCITY, the St. Croix County 4-H Showchoir will be performing for a food shelf fund raiser on Saturday, September 27 at the Circle K Apple Orchard in Beldenville. The choir will perform at 11:00AM and 1:00PM that day. Come see them one last time this season, and help support the food shelves of Pierce and Dunn Counties. This is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. One of the Knights' organizers saw the choir perform and asked them to supply entertainment for this event; he was so impressed by their performance! Way to go 4-H Choir!!

Operation Christmas Child

There is still time for your 4-H Club to host their own mini-packing party for Operation Christmas Child! You can make a difference in the life of a child across the world! Thank You to the 2013 Clubs who packed: Lone Pine, Dry Run Go-Getters, Roberts Ribbon Reapers, Forest

Timberwolves, True Blue, and North Country; and the 2014 Clubs who have already packed: Baldwin Wide-Awake, Lone Pine, and Forest Timberwolves. You have already made an impact on over 400 children, their friends and family. AWESOME JOB!!

If you'd like to find out more information please contact Megan Frye 715-441-6501 or mlfrye@baldwin-telecom.net. You can also check out our Facebook Group: Operation Christmas Child Western Wisconsin. This is a great service project that lets you make an impact in the World!

Additional Local Opportunities: October 11th - Community Craft Days 8:30 am - ? - hosted by: Roberts Congregational UCC (1001 Birch Drive - Roberts); projects for ALL ages! "Ginormous" Local Packing Party - Sunday, November 9th - Potluck 11:30 - Packing at 12:30 and ALL are invited!

Crop Walk

October 5

1:15 Registration 2:00 Walk

Ending Hunger One Step at a Time hosted by White Pine Berry Farm.

This is an important inter-faith community activity that has been in our local communities for 23 years. We experienced a tremendous feeling of common purpose in our work: over 3700 walkers (families, youth, and adults) raised over \$197,000.00 during these years. 75% of that amount went to support the hunger and relief programs of Church World Service. 25% was contributed to the local food shelves within the County.

We're looking for some new teams to join us in ending hunger globally & locally. This is a great Community Service Opportunity for St. Croix County 4-H Clubs.

For more information or to sign up a team: Contact Gerard and Sheryl Buechter at gsbuechter@yahoo.com or 715-684-2997.

Youth News/ Opportunities

St. Croix County 4-H Ambassadors

September 7, 11:00 am

Glenwood City (before parade at lineup)

Want to join a group that has a lot of fun?

Then join the St. Croix County 4-H

Ambassadors! The Ambassadors are a group of young adults in grade 7 and up that help promote 4-H through a variety of fun activities including parades, clover college and mini talent explosion. We also do other fun things as a group including snow tubing, bowling and bonfires.

If this sounds like you, we are accepting applications until November 1, 2014.

Applications can be found on the UW-Extension website or by contacting DeAnn Hammer at deannhammer@gmail.com or Carole Schurtz at caroleschurtz@centurytel.net.

4-H Showchoir: Velocity

The St. Croix County 4-H Showchoir /VELOCITY has finished their performance season with outstanding performances at the Wisconsin State Fair and regional county fairs, plus the Minnesota State Fair. In Milwaukee, they were given a VERY high scoring on their performances!

Congratulations to the group for a wonderful season and representing our county very well. We should all be very proud of our kids who show the state what a great group of 4H'ers we have!

4-H Teen Representative - Fair Board

Is there a teenager in your 4-H club who would like to be a youth member on the St. Croix County Fair Board? This is an opportunity for older 4-H members to be involved in the discussion and decisions made by the Fair Board. A term is 2 years.

The Fair Board meets on the second Thursday of each month. All the meetings begin at 7:30 pm and the location moves around a little over the year. The summer meetings are held at the fair grounds and the winter meetings are held at the Ag Center in Baldwin or the Civic Center in New Richmond.

Contact the UWEX Office if you are interested in serving a term on the St. Croix County Fair Board.

Trip Applications for Older Members Due Nov 1

The Leader's Council revised the ME form in 2010. It is titled "St. Croix County 4-H Trip Application". All members interested in Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF), American Spirit or National Congress should apply. Please Note: Youth interested in the Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference will apply in the spring, not the fall. The St. Croix Co 4-H Trip Application is also available on the St. Croix Co UW-Extension 4-H Website.

If you are applying for CWF, American Spirit or National Congress, please keep late afternoon of November 19 open for possible interview date.

Club Officer Training

TENTATIVE: October 21

6:30pm

Ag Services and Education Center

Are you a club officer? Did you get elected but now are not sure what you are suppose to do? Well we have the answers for you. The 4-H Club Officer Training will help answer all of your questions for you.

Please register with your club general leader. **LEADERS:** please register your officers with the UWEX Office by October 21. E-Mail or call Melissa with the members name and position. The following is the tentative agenda for the evening.

Welcome & Introductions
Ice-breaker game and group activity
Break off into officer groups

- President & Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Reporter and Historian

Wrap up and closing

4-H Softball Results

Congratulations to all the teams who played in the 4-H Softball Tournament. What a great way to wrap up summer.

- Junior Division Champion: *Roberts Ribbon Reapers*
- Senior Division Champion: *Riverside/Rolling Hills*

The regular season results were:

- Junior Division West Champion: *Riverside*
- Junior Division East Champion: *Lone Pine*
- Senior Division Champion: *Riverside/Rolling Hills*

Sportsmanship Awards were voted on by the softball participants and the clubs awarded are:

- Junior Division East: *Forest Timberwolves*
- Junior Division West: *Dry Run Go Getters*
- Senior Division: *Golden Fireballs*

Photography

I am thrilled to say that the judges were impressed for the third year in a row! Way to go! Two of the judges said that they are amazed at the difference of the ability that the 4-H members are showing and the improvement in the past five years is wonderful! They felt that overall the members earning the blue ribbons knew more of what they were talking about. **I need the Grand Champion, Reserved Grand, and the Honorable Mention photo sent to me by September 4th! These pictures need to be 8x10 and they should not be mounted to anything. Please label the back with your information and mail between two pieces of light tab board to keep it safe.**

I do have an email sent to the contact person to see how we find out these photos do each year.

I would really appreciate feedback on your opinions/feelings on how things went for you (I would like the 4-H members to do this with the parents). How was your judging experience, which judge did you have, what helpful advice did you receive from your judge, and whatever else you would like to share. This will help me in planning speakers for our next meetings. Also any input on having the numbers for the line and how the photos are shown will be helpful!

Mandatory Meeting Requirement: The objective of the mandatory meeting is for you to learn something new and apply it in your photo taking! Last year we had 4 county meetings and about 65% of the members attended one of these. 5% took advantage of the Alternative Project. 30% did not meet the requirement and were dropped a ribbon at the fair. This was a bit confusing for the recorders as we did not want the judge to be aware of this while judging your photo. **THANK YOU TO THE 4-H MEMBERS THAT WERE HONEST DURING THIS PROCESS!** This MANDATORY REQUIREMENT is not a surprise so prepare now for next year. There will be a couple of county meetings next year and the Alternative Project will also be available! Who is up for a photo shoot at Como Zoo? Watch for information on our Facebook site too!

Send me an e-mail at sccphotographygroup@gmail.com. We also have a Facebook Group ~ SCCPHOTOGRAPHYGROUP. Ask to join as news and tips are shared this way too!

Kay Jacobsen ~SCC Photography Leader

WJPA Youth Photo Contest
Saturday, September 27-28, 2014
Columbia County Fairgrounds

Do you have an interest in poultry and photography? Take a picture of your favorite poultry as the main subject and send it in.

The photograph must be taken of domesticated show poultry. All photos of wild poultry will NOT be considered. Submit the 8 x 10 unframed and unmated photo postmarked by September 3 with your entry fee of \$1.00/photo. All winners must have a JPEG file of the photo for the calendar.

For more information, contact Ken Sweeney at 4148810585 and mail entries to 11221 W St. Martin's Rd., Franklin, WI 53132. Checks made payable to Ken Sweeney Jr. (NOT WJPA). Registration form found at: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/poultry/files/2013/05/2013WJPA-Photo-Contest.pdf>.

4-H Arts Camp

October 4-5, 2014

Upham Woods, WI Dells

Registration Due: September 1

Do you like having fun with acting, making music, taking photographs, creative artwork, writing, speaking and listening? Try 4-H Arts Camp!

4-H Arts camp is a statewide overnight arts experience for youth in grades 6-8th grade. Youth campers and adult chaperones participate in six hour-long exploratory, hands-on sessions.

You will rotate through different Art tracks each day, participate in a group Arts experience on Saturday evening and close with a ceremony for parents and families.

Come and meet new friends, participate in camp games, enjoy the great natural setting of Upham Woods (300-acre environmental education center).

The cost to attend for campers is \$75.00 which includes a camp T-shirt. The cost for adult chaperones is \$55.00. For more information or to register visit: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/artscamp>



Family Camps

October 24-26

Upham Woods, WI Dells

Take a family vacation on a vacation that gets them unplugged from iPhones, laptops, X-Box, Wii's and televisions. Enjoy the land and water activities, yummy meals, campfires, camp crafts, family adventures, and more!

Cabins are winterized and nice and warm for the autumn and winter camps. Camp is open to all ages and includes lodging, meals, staff, and program supplies.

For more information or to register visit:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/family-camps/>

Animal Sciences

Upcoming Events:

□ Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival, Jefferson Fair Park, Jefferson, WI; September 5-7, 2014: For more information: www.wisconsinsheepandwoolfestival.com.

□ 48th WI State 4-H Horse Expo, West Allis at WI State Fair Park; September 11-14.

West Central WI Pigeon & Poultry Club Fall Show

October 4

Dunn County Fairgrounds; Menomonie

Entries Due: September 15

This is an open show for pigeons, doves, chickens, domestic waterfowl, turkeys, guinea fowl, and rabbits and features a separate junior show for fanciers under the age of 18.

For more information, contact Dan Paff at 715-723-2750 or juddan@live.com.

Meat Animal Committee Meeting

September 9 and October 14

7:30 pm

Ag Services & Education Center, Baldwin

All of the Meat Animal Committee meetings are open meetings. You are welcome to attend anytime.

Elections will be held after the regular meeting. New adult and youth members welcome. To add an item to the agenda please contact Marla Butler at 715-379-6238 or butlermarla@hotmail.com at least 10 days prior to the meeting. Contact Scott Melander at 612-412-5433 with questions about becoming a committee member.

Outstanding Livestock Member

Due September 15

Once again, the Meat Animal Committee would like to recognize one older meat animal project member for all of your hard work. If you would like to nominate yourself for this award, please fill out the application by September 15. The application can be found online at: <http://stcroix.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-applications> under the Fall Awards category.

Please submit your completed application to the UW-Extension Office no later than September 15.

Livestock Event Resources

Would you like to receive information on upcoming events, workshops, results from events, resource information as it relates to youth livestock (beef, sheep, swine and meat goats)?

If yes, please subscribe to the Youth Livestock Website. Go to <http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock>, where it has a box with the "subscribe button", type in your email address and click subscribe. Whenever there is new information posted, you will receive an email.

Follow us on Facebook: Search for Wisconsin Youth Livestock Program and like the page. We are also on Twitter: Our twitter handle is @wiyouthlvstk.

All of these methods will keep you up to date on all information as it relates to Youth Livestock in Wisconsin. Share with other Livestock Members!

Breeding Livestock Committee

September 2

October TBD

6:30 pm

Ag Services & Education Center

All meetings are open to anyone who is interested in the program. Please feel welcome to attend any time.

If you have any questions about the breeding livestock program, please feel welcome to contact Lori DeBoer at (715) 263-4201.

September is the start of a new year and the Breeding Stock Committee is always looking for new members. Anyone interested in joining the committee, or offering help is welcome to come. Just come to a meeting.

Outstanding Breeding Stock Member

Due September 15

Once again, the Breeding Stock Committee would like to recognize one older breeding stock project member for all of your hard work. If you would like to nominate yourself for this award, please fill out the application by September 15. The application can be found online at: <http://stcroix.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-applications> under the Fall Awards category.

Please submit your completed application to the UW-Extension Office no later than September 15.



Kids & Cows Event

October 4; 8:00-9:30am Registrations
Barron County Fair Grounds, Rice Lake

The event is for youth of all ages ranging from Novice to adults. Novice members - If you don't have a calf, animals will be provided for you. Lunch will be available.

There are educational clinics and speakers for all ages. After lunch, there will be demonstrations and sale cattle display. Complete your day with a Showmanship show.

For more information Contact:
www.wisconsinbeefproducers.com or Lori Lyons at 715-210-0049 or lalyons4@yahoo.com.

Fairplex

The 2014 Renovations for the Generations Raffle was another great success – a big thank you to all who participated! Total income was \$12,000 with an estimated net income of approximately \$7,000 after paying all expenses including club shares.

A total of 16 4-H clubs sold \$8,300 worth of tickets – a big thank you to all of you! Springbrook 4-H Club again led the pack with total sales of \$1,750. Their success was to a great extent driven by the sales of Megan Spott and her father Jon who collectively sold nearly \$1,100 worth of tickets! Double Good 4-H Club came in second followed by Hudson Trail Blazers & Lone Pine 4-H Clubs tied for third place. Based on sales/club member, Springbrook, Harmony Hill and Double Good led the pack (1, 2, and 3 respectively). The three top selling reps were Megan Spott, Daniel Loberg and Kaiden McWilliams with sales respectively ranging from \$345 to \$1055.

A significant factor in this year's sales was the Portrait incentive in return for \$80 worth of ticket sales, a special thank you to Harry Langdon for being our photographer. Watch for an update on the photo packages via the weekly Email blasts.

We are processing the club shares and which along with the Target/Walmart Cards will be either mailed or presented in the next 60 days.

A major part of making the Raffle a success is the continued support of our sponsors and the processing plants.

Gold: Bernards Chrysler Dodge Jeep

Silver: Tribune Press Reporter & Frontier Ag & Turf

Bronze: Berquam State Farm Agency, Blue Ribbon Feeds & Gibby's Lanes

Please take the time to thank these businesses for their continuous support – they are truly making a difference to our Fair Community!

Renovations for the Generations Fundraising Update

Our focus going forward: raising the funds to make grants to repay the loan and cover the interest. It is both St. Croix County Fair Inc.'s and Friends of the St. Croix County Fairground's collective goal to raise the funds and retire the loan as quickly as possible, allowing us to move onto the next building project - the Horse Barn! Thanks to a very successful May Fair Event & Sale, the successful Raffle and several donations, we are making great progress. Watch for a more detailed.

How can you & your club help?

Participate in Hackman Town & Country 5% purchase match - simply request that a 5% match for your purchase be donated towards the Horse Barn.

Participate in the Family Fresh Fund Raiser – Potential of \$2-3,000/year

- Collect receipts from all participating stores and turn them into your club (details to be sent separately to General Leaders)
- Participating Stores (Family Fresh & Econo Foods)
- Types of register receipts - Grocery, Pharmacy & Liquor

Support the Fall Commodity Drive

- Since inception fall of 2010, St. Croix County Ag Producers have donated \$65,000 in commodities (corn, soybeans, cull cows & scrap)

Volunteer matches from corporations:

Volunteers check with their employers. Many companies have volunteer match programs. 3M, for example, will grant \$250 to qualified organizations in return for 20 hours (active employee) 25 hours (retiree) of volunteer work. Allina Health also has a volunteer match.

- **Designating Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds to receive your 2015 United Way Pledge**

Questions or suggestions: Contact Chris Libbey at (715) 246-5626

2014-2015 Sign-up Form for St. Croix County 4-H Committees

Adult leaders, youth leaders, 4-H members, parents and other adults are needed for committees! Sign up for the committees of your choice. Most committees meet 2-3 times a year to complete their work. Meeting locations vary depending on the committee.

All Committees are seeking volunteers. If you are currently serving on a 4-H committee and intend to remain on the committee for another year, or if you are new to a committee, it is important to complete a committee sign-up form so that our information remains updated. If you are currently serving on a committee and want your name removed from the list, please note that on the sign-up form on the back.

Sign-up Instructions: (Form on back)

1. Check the committees that you want to serve on.
2. Put your name on the portion as requested.
3. Mail or return to the Extension office on or before October 15.

To help you in the selection of your committees here is a brief description of what the committees are responsible for.

Breeding Livestock Committee will organize and provide a countywide Breeding Stock program. The committee meets on a monthly basis. For more information, contact Lori DeBoer, 715-263-4201.

Cat Committee will organize the Cat Fun Show as well as the cat show at the fair.

Clothing Committee meets twice a year to plan the Clothing Revue. For more information, contact Eileen Van Dyk at 715-246-5057 or Char Croes at 715-269-5201.

Clover College Committee will meet to plan one to two Clover College Events. For more information, contact DeAnn Hammer at 715-531-0214.

Dairy Committee will meet three times a year to plan workshops in fitting and showing, Dairy Judging & coordinate the State Fair Dairy exhibitors. For more information, contact Randy Peterson, 715-698-2299 or Todd Doornink, 715-684-2461.

Dog Committee will provide countywide dog obedience training for 10 weeks beginning in May. The committee will organize the 4-H Drill Team and the 4-H Fun Dog Show. For more information, contact Anne Wilbur, 715-246-2659.

Fair Building Display Committee will meet to help set up displays and determine improvements for future years. Contact Phyllis Ness at 715-263-2449 or DeAnn Hammer at 715-531-0214 for questions.

Fair Food Stand Committee will organize the Food Stand for the county fair. For more information, contact Mari Omann at 715-684-3558.

Foods & Nutrition Committee will meet twice a year to plan the Foods Fair. For more information, contact Eileen Van Dyk at 715-246-5057 or Beth Sippl at 715-338-1159.

Horse Committee meets primarily during the summer to run the horse clinics. For more information, contact Deland Richter, 715-246-6330.

Llama Committee will meet year round to plan and lead educational programs. For more information, call Margo Schultz, 715-796-5218.

Meat Animal Committee meets on a monthly basis to plan educational workshops in beef, sheep, swine and meat goats. The committee will organize the Livestock Auction at the fair and conduct the Carcass Evaluation. For more information, contact Scott Melander, 612-412-5433.

Mini Talent Explosion Committee will meet twice in December to February to plan Mini Talent Explosion.

Photography Committee organizes workshops. For more information, contact Kay Jacobsen, 715-643-2128.

Poultry Committee will organize poultry animal workshops. For more information, contact Bonnie Walters, 715-772-3344.

Rabbit Committee will organize rabbit and small animal workshops. For more information, contact Kayla Dimler, 715-749-3715.

Shooting Sports Committee will meet a couple of times to plan the program and then regularly hold practice shoots over the summer. For more information, contact Dave Smith, 715-684-2966 or Dan/Megan Frye, 715-688-6779

Softball Committee will meet twice in the spring to review rules, coordinate game schedule and run the coaches meeting. For more information, contact Dennis Mitchell, 715-265-5514.

St. Croix County 4-H Committee Sign Up Form

Name _____

Address _____

4-H Club _____ Telephone _____

Check the Committees you want to serve on this year: (If you want to serve as a Key Resource Leader, please indicate the area of leadership)

_____ Breeding Livestock

_____ Cat

_____ Clothing

_____ Clover College

_____ Dairy

_____ Dog

_____ Fair Building Display

_____ Fair Food Stand

_____ Foods & Nutrition

_____ Horse

_____ Llama

_____ Meat Animal

_____ Mini Talent Explosion

_____ Photography

_____ Poultry

_____ Rabbit

_____ Shooting Sports

_____ Softball

Return by: October 15

Return to: Eileen Van Dyk, 4-H Youth Development Program Advisor

4HONLINE

Re-Enroll Members/Leaders

Created: July 15, 2014

OVERVIEW

This document explains the process of a family re-enrolling members and leaders in 4HOnline.

GETTING STARTED

To get started with the re-enrollment process, log into 4HOnline with your family email and password.

On the family home screen, click on the orange button labeled **Continue to Family**.

On your Member/Volunteer list, find the family member you wish to re-enroll and click on **Edit** next to their name.

RE-ENROLL

At the bottom of the next screen, click on the button for **Enroll for 2014-2015**.

You will now see the Personal Information that you entered when you first enrolled. Look over the information and make any corrections. When you are done, click on **Continue**.

Next is the Additional Information screen when you will need to accept the agreements and answer the Photo Release and Accommodations questions. Click **Continue** when done.

The Health Form for members is optional at enrollment, but you could be asked to complete it in the future if you attend any events that require one. Click **Continue** when done.

If you are an adult volunteer and see the Volunteer Screening page, then it has been 4 years since the last time a background check has been completed. You need to check over the answers to the questions and correct as needed. This page will only appear every 4 years. Click **Continue** when done.

On the Participation -> Club screen, confirm the correct club is listed. If you serve in a volunteer role (but not as a project leader) click on **Edit** and select the volunteer type. Click on **Update** to save the change. Click on **Continue** when done.

On the Participation -> Projects screen, confirm all the projects you are enrolled in are listed. Add any missing projects. If you are dropping a project, click on **Edit** for that project and then click on **Delete**. After making sure all your projects are listed correctly, click on **Submit Enrollment**.

Enrolling in 4HOnline as a NEW family

Family profile and member information should be entered by a parent/guardian unless the member enrolling is 18 years or older.

Your [county Extension office](#) staff can help you find a club, get the forms you need, and begin the enrollment process in 4HOnline.

To enroll in Wisconsin 4HOnline, you need a computer, internet access, a valid e-mail address and a web browser.

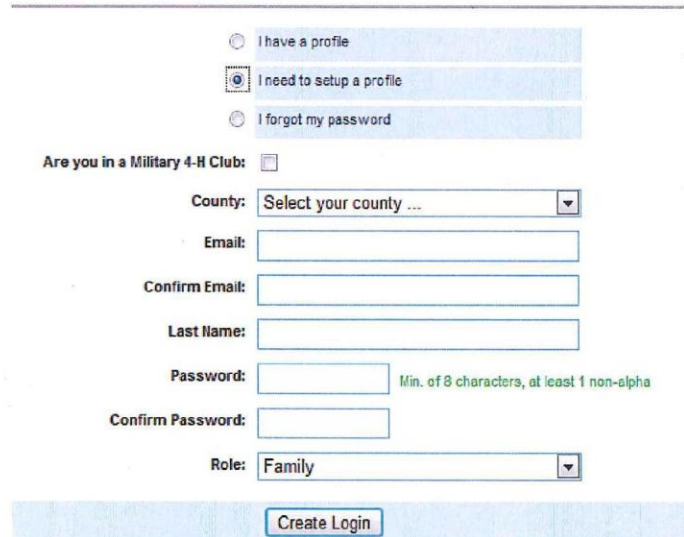
Go to <http://wi.4honline.com> (notice there's no "www" in that address). After carefully reading the instructions at the top of the page, you are ready to begin entering your family information.

Note: To move between boxes, you need to use your mouse or the TAB key. Don't press the ENTER key or click on the BACK ARROW – you will lose any information that you have entered. Information on each page is saved when you click on the "Continue" button.

1. Click "I need to set up a profile". A drop down menu will appear. Select the county you want to join, then type in your **valid** family e-mail address.

The E-mail address entered will be the account login for the entire family. It must be valid in order for you to have access to your enrollment information.

2. Confirm your e-mail address
3. Type in your parent/guardian/household's last name. (This will be the name that appears on mailing labels—"The Johnson Family" for example.)
4. Create your password – must include letters and numbers/symbols with a minimum of 8 characters.
5. Click on "Create Login"



The screenshot shows the enrollment form with the following elements:

- Three radio buttons for profile status: "I have a profile", "I need to setup a profile" (selected), and "I forgot my password".
- A checkbox for "Are you in a Military 4-H Club:".
- A dropdown menu for "County:" with the text "Select your county ...".
- Text input fields for "Email:", "Confirm Email:", and "Last Name:".
- A password field for "Password:" with a green note: "Min. of 8 characters, at least 1 non-alpha".
- A password field for "Confirm Password:".
- A dropdown menu for "Role:" with "Family" selected.
- A blue "Create Login" button at the bottom.

Family Information Page

1. Fill in all your personal information correctly and completely to create your family profile. Make sure that you choose your correspondence preference for either "Mail" or "Email".
2. Do not check the "Update member records with the same address" box at this time.
3. Click on the "Continue" button at the bottom of the page.

Note: The Password Management section is only used when you want to set a new password. You do not need to enter anything there at this time.

Family Information

Profile Information

Email

Last Name

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip Code

Primary Phone

Correspondence Preference

4-H County

Update member records with the same address ☐

Password Management

Current Password:

New Password:

Confirm New Password:

Member List Page

1. You are now at the "Member List" page. In the drop down box under "Add a New Family Member", select "youth" and click on "Add Member".

Smith Family [Edit Family](#)

123 Washington Ave.

Madison, WI 53715

sally.smith@nomail.com

Support Staff County [\[contact info\]](#)

Add A New Family Member

select a member type...

select a member type...

Adult

Youth

Note: The event registration section on this page is not available for use at this time.

YOU CAN NOT REGISTER FOR AN EVENT UNTIL YOUR ENROLLMENT HAS BEEN ACCEPTED AND YOUR STATUS IS SET TO ACTIVE
If your enrollment status is 'Inactive' or 'Incomplete', click the 'Edit' button to review and submit your record for approval

Member/Volunteer List

Name	Role	Membership ID	Enrollment Status	Last Active Year	Edit

Register A Member In An Event - Only Members with an 'Active' Enrollment Status May Register

Member:

Event:

Youth Personal Information Page

Fill in all information for this member correctly and completely.

1. If he/she has a different e-mail address than the family one entered at login, enter it in the top box.
2. Enter his/her legal name.
3. For the "Years in 4-H", enter "1" if this is the first year. Otherwise, enter the number that reflects your experience. For example, if this is the beginning of your fifth year in 4-H, enter 5.
4. If there are parents/guardians that live in a different residence, enter their mailing information under Secondary Household.
5. Is the member a youth leader, junior leader volunteer? Select "yes" or "no".
6. Ethnicity – If you consider your child to be a part of the Hispanic culture, mark "yes". Then check one or more of the boxes pertaining to race.
7. Choose your residence.
8. Complete the Military Service of Family section only if it applies.
9. School Information – choose your county from the drop down menu first, then select your child's school. If your school is not listed, click on "If you are unable to locate your school..." and enter the school name and type.
10. Select your child's current grade in school.
11. Click on the "continue" button at the bottom.

Youth Personal Information

Please note:
Information on this page should be as specific to the individual as possible and where applicable (including email address and cell phone number). Otherwise, the parent's information is requested.
For assistance with 4HOnline or the enrollment process, please contact your local extension staff: www.uwex.edu/extension

Profile Information

Email:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name:

Preferred Name:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Birth Date:

Gender:

Primary Phone:

Correspondence Preference:

Cell Phone:

I wish to receive notices via text message: ☐

Years in 4-H:

Parent 1 First Name:

Parent 1 Last Name:

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Note: Bolded items are required to continue to the next screen. Missed items will be highlighted in pink to help you identify any missing information.

Additional Information Page

Please read each statement on this page carefully. Completion of each of the agreements is required for participation in the program. It is important to understand that checking the boxes to agree is considered your e-signature and it has the same legal force and effect as your hand-written signature. Questions pertaining to the agreements below can be addressed by contacting your county 4-H Youth Development Educator. A link to their contact information can be found at www.uwex.edu/ces/cty.

Complete the five following authorizations:

- Assumption of Risks
- Hold Harmless, Indemnity and Release
- Consent for Emergency Treatment
- Code of Conduct
- Photo Release

After completing each of the five authorizations, click on the "continue" button.

Note: The "continue" button will take you to an optional health form. It is not required at the time you are enrolling, but will be required to participate in certain events and activities. After you have completed the form once, the information will be retained. You can return to 4HOnline to update information that may have changed since the last time it was completed. Scroll down and click on the "continue" button if you do not want to fill it out at this time.

This is the Clubs/Projects/Groups page, where you will select a 4-H club and projects for the current 4-H year.

On the Clubs tab:

1. Select the correct club from the drop down menu and click on it.
2. Be sure to click "Add Club".
3. Click the "Continue" button.

Additional Information

I UNDERSTAND THAT I AM BEING ASKED TO READ EACH OF THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS CAREFULLY. I UNDERSTAND THAT IF I WISH TO DISCUSS ANY OF THE TERMS CONTAINED IN THIS AGREEMENT, I MAY CONTACT MY ENROLLED COUNTY'S 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EDUCATOR OF THE UW-EXTENSION. CONTACT INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ONLINE AT www.uwex.edu/ces/cty.

IF YOUR SON, DAUGHTER OR WARD WILL BE UNDER 18 WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE ENROLLED COUNTY 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EXTENSION IT IS OUR POLICY TO REQUEST YOUR AGREEMENT TO THE ABOVE TERMS, ON BEHALF OF YOUR MINOR SON, DAUGHTER OR WARD. I UNDERSTAND THAT MY E-SIGNATURE SHALL HAVE THE SAME LEGAL FORCE AND EFFECT AS MY HAND-WRITTEN SIGNATURE ON EACH AGREEMENT BELOW.

THE COUNTY I SELECTED WHILE SETTING UP MY PROFILE IS MY ENROLLED COUNTY.

For assistance with 4HOnline or the enrollment process, please contact your local extension staff: www.uwex.edu/ces/cty

1. Assumption of Risks

I understand that not all risks can be foreseen and there are some risks which are unpredictable. I understand there are certain inherent risks that cannot be eliminated regardless of the care taken to avoid injuries. I am aware of the risks of participation, which include, but are not limited to, the possibility of physical injury, fatigue, bruises, contusions, broken bones, concussion, paralysis, and even death. I understand that the county and university have advised me to seek the advice of my physician before participating in my enrolled county's 4-H Youth Development program. I understand that I have been advised to have health and accident insurance in effect and that no such coverage is provided for me by my enrolled county's UW Extension, 4-H leaders association, or the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System. I know, understand, and appreciate the risks that are inherent in the above-listed programs and activities. I hereby assert that my participation is voluntary and that I knowingly assume all such risks.

I have read, understand, and agree to the above. ☐ **REQUIRED**

2. Hold Harmless, Indemnity and Release

In consideration of my participation in these activities, I, for myself, spouse, heirs, personal representatives, estate or assigns, agree to defend, hold harmless, indemnify and release, my enrolled county's UW Extension, 4-H leaders association, the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System and their officers, employees, agents and volunteers who are involved, from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, or causes of action of any sort on account of damage to personal property, or personal injury, or death which may result from my participation in the above-listed program. This release includes claims based on the negligence of my enrolled county's UW Extension, 4-H leaders association, the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System and their officers, employees, agents and volunteers, but expressly does not include claims based on their intentional misconduct or gross negligence. I understand that by agreeing to this clause I am releasing claims and giving up substantial rights, including my right to sue.

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Clubs Projects Groups

IMPORTANT!! - please read this BEFORE deleting a Club:

When deleting a club, all Project enrollments associated with that Club will also be deleted. If you are unsure of how this will affect you, click on the "Projects" tab and take note of your Projects and which Club they are associated with. If you desire, for example, to switch Clubs, it would be advisable to first add the new Club, then add the desired Projects using the existing enrollment as reference. Once all your desired Projects are in place with the new Club (you'll see your Projects listed twice in the Projects listing) then go and delete the original Club.

For assistance with 4HOnline or the enrollment process, please contact your local extension staff: www.uwex.edu/ces/cty

Select a minimum of 1 club(s) and a maximum of 8 club(s)

Add a Club

Select a Club:

Add Club

Club List

Primary	Club	Edit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Garfield Gapple	<input type="button" value="Delete"/>

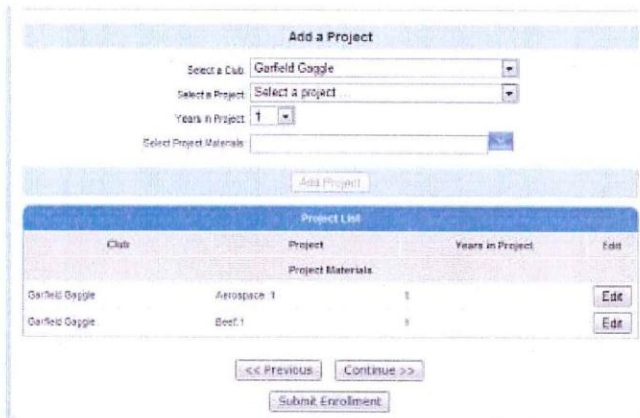
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Submit Enrollment

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On the Projects tab:

1. Under "Select a Project" click on the drop down menu and select the first project for this youth.
2. "Years in Project" – must have 1 for 1st year members. For returning members, enter the number that reflects your experience. For example, if this is the beginning of your second year in the project enter 2.
3. Click on "Add Project".
4. For each additional project that you want to add, repeat the steps above.



Club	Project	Years in Project	Edit
Garfield Goggle	Aerospace 1	1	Edit
Garfield Goggle	Beef 1	1	Edit

After you have entered all your project(s), click on "Submit Enrollment" and you are done!

Entering Additional Youth or Adult Leaders in Your Family

If there is another youth (or an adult leader) in your family enrolling in 4-H, repeat this process for them. There is an option to "copy parent information from another youth record". Using that option will shorten the process for entering additional youth.

Enrollment Approval

After your enrollment has been submitted, it is sent to your club leader and county UW-Extension office to be approved. If there are any problems with your enrollment, such as incorrect or missing information, you will get an e-mail asking you to complete the missing information and resubmit the enrollment. If there are no problems, you will receive an e-mail stating that your enrollment has been accepted. E-mails related to your enrollment will be sent to your family e-mail address. If you do not receive an e-mail from 4HOnline in your inbox, please check your junk mail folder.

Use 4HOnline Throughout the Year

Keep your login (family email address) and password handy so that you can log in to the program and update your records whenever you need to. You will have access to your online record throughout the year to update personal information, look up your family members' enrollment in clubs, projects and leadership roles, read newsletters, receive announcements about 4-H activities and more.

4-H Interest

Form / Sign Up Sheet

Mail to: UWEX Office, 1960 8th Ave, Suite 140, Baldwin, WI 54002

Or Fax: (715) 684-2666

- ☐ Please Send a Senior/Junior Ambassador Application
- ☐ Please Send Trip Form Application
- ☐ Sign me up as a Teen Representative for the St. Croix County Fairboard

Window Display Contest Entry

Due September 22

Club Name _____ Contact Person _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____ Window Display Theme _____

Location & Directions of Window Display _____

Send photo to UW-EXT by October 5 to Eileen

Registration for Leader's Recognition Banquet

Due September 12

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Number of People Attending _____

The cost is \$8.50 per person. Please make checks payable to the St. Croix County 4-H Leader's Association.

September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day Office Closed	2	3	4	5 Due – Award Nominations	6
7 11am – Ambassador Meeting (Glenwood City before parade)	8	9 6:30pm – Breeding Stock Committee 7:30pm – Meat Animal Committee (Ag Center - both)	10	11	12 Due – Leader's Banquet Reservations	13
14	15 Due – Pigeon and Poultry Club Fall Show Registration	16 7pm – Leader's Annual Meeting Leader's Council may follow (Ag Center)	17	<div> <div>←</div> <div>State Horse Expo (September 11-14; West Allis)</div> <div>→</div> </div>		
				18	19	20
21	22 Due – Window Display Entry	23	24	25	26	27 11:00am & 1:00pm – Velocity at Food Shelf Fundraiser (Circle K Apple Orchard)
28	29	30 Fall Annual Leader Training – Time TBD				

October

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Fall Annual Leader Training – Time TBD	3 Due – Window Display Photo	4 8am – Kids n Cows (Rice Lake) West Central Pigeon & Poultry Show (Menomonie) 4-H Art Camp; 4-5
5 1:15pm – Crop Walk (Roberts) Upham Woods	6	7 6pm – Leader’s Banquet (Baldwin American Legion)	8	9	10	11
National 4-H Week October 5-11						
12	13	14 7:30pm – Meat Animal Committee (Ag Center)	15 Due – Committee Sign Up Form	16	17	18
19	20	21 6:30pm – Club Officer Training (Ag Center) - Tentative	22	23	24	25
					Family Camp Oct. 24-26; Upham Woods	
26 Family Camp	27	28	29	30	31	