



St. Croix County 4-H Communicator

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Dear 4-H Families,

As we create this newsletter, we are diving into the new year of 2018. I hope you have found value through your 4-H participation and I look forward to seeing you at activities during the upcoming year.

Sometimes people ask, “Does participation in 4-H make a difference?” Research studies provide specific evidence about the value of the 4-H experience for young people. In an article written by Cathann Kress, vice president for agricultural administration and dean of the [College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences](#) at Ohio State University, she stated, “Young people who participate in 4-H Clubs do better in school, are more motivated to help others, and are developing skills in leadership, public speaking, self-esteem, communication and planning, and are making lasting friendships.”

A ten-year longitudinal study done by Tufts University comparing 4-H youth to non 4-H youth concluded the following about 4-H youth:

- 4X more likely to give back to their communities
- 2X more likely to make healthier choices
- 2X more likely to participate in STEM activities
- 3X more likely to be physically active
- 2X more likely to get better grades in school
- 2X more likely to report high school engagement
- 2X more likely to have higher levels of positive youth development skills
- 5X more likely to graduate college
- 2X more likely to pursue a career in science, engineering or computer technology

As we begin the new 4-H year, I would like to encourage all youth, leaders, and parents to take an active part with their 4-H club this year. I would challenge you to try new things: projects, countywide activities, 4-H camp, etc. 4-H is truly making a difference in the lives of the youth in our program, but it is up to all of us to continue to engage and encourage youth. I look forward to a great 2018!

Happy 4-H'ing!

Heather Vierling
St. Croix County 4-H Youth Development Agent



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Congratulations



Congratulations to our State Fair Dairy Project Members!



Josie Lorentz won reserve supreme female at the MN Beef expo with her bred and owned angus heifer. Josie also was awarded 2nd place in the overall premier exhibitor at the show.



Congratulations to Jacob Schurtz! His photography was chosen from over 4,000 entries as one of the pieces of artwork chosen for the 2018 National 4-H Youth Art Calendar.

Ambassadors

The following 4-H members were chosen to be your 2017-18 St. Croix County 4-H Ambassadors: Claudia Lenz, Maria Miller, Maggie Brown, Nicholas Lentz, Heidi Sandquist, Mackenzie Korent, Abigail Lingenfelter, Jacob Schurtz, Julio Truhler, Lauren Thompson, Nathan Thompson, Patti Crawford, Bennett Hatfield, Abby Helwig, Claire Lingenfelter, Adaire MacSwain, and Jarrett Mason. This year's Lead Ambassador is Heidi Sandquist.

The Ambassadors recently attended Fall Forum in Green Lake, WI where they lead a community service project for area animal shelters. During the annual meeting the WLC also holds elections and two of our ambassadors from St. Croix County were elected to sit on this council, Adaire MacSwain and Lauren Thompson.

Watch for your ambassadors at the upcoming Hudson Hot Air Affair events in January. We will also be helping out at Clover College in February, we hope to see you at these events.

Employment Opportunity

Summer 4-H Employment

This summer, St. Croix County UW-Extension will be hiring a 4-H summer assistant position.

The position description, details the responsibilities for the position will be posted on the UW-Extension website at <http://stcroix.uwex.edu> once available.

The position is available to college students who may have an interest in exploring a career in UW-Extension. I would appreciate your help in recruiting potential applicants for the summer employment opportunity at the St. Croix County UWEX Office.

Thanks so much for your assistance. If you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to call. Application deadline is March 19, 2018.



Fundraiser

Spaghetti Supper

Saturday, February 3, 2018

4:00-8:00am

Ready Randy's

Get your tickets before the supper for \$10.00 from any Livestock Committee member or pay \$12.00 at the door.

There will be a bake sale and silent auction at the dinner. All proceeds will benefit the local 4-H and FFA livestock exhibitors. The St. Croix Livestock Committee invites and hopes all 4-H members and leaders to support this cause. To donate or for more information, please contact a committee member.

Communicator Reminders

Communicator Available On-Line

The 4-H Communicator continues to be online after fall enrollment is entered into the 4-H Online Program, <https://4honline.com> (Connect tab then Newsletters). The Communicator is also available at the UW-Extension Website, <http://stcroix.uwex.edu> (4-H Youth Development, 4-H Newsletters). The link to the Communicator is also available on our Facebook Page, www.facebook.com/ChrisClover. We are trying to do our part in helping keep our planet healthy and reduce our costs. Instead of receiving the newsletter in your mailbox, we continue to provide an electronic version of the newsletter to those that have access to internet. We will continue to send hard copy of the newsletter to those that wish to receive it.

Communicator Deadline

Do you have news you want included in the 4-H Communicator? The deadline for having news in the Communicator is by the 15th of each month.

Leader News

St. Croix County 4-H Policy

4-H, like any other group you might join, has expectations for being a member. The St. Croix County 4-H Policy is where you will find all the rules

and regulations for our 4-H program. The 2017-2018 policy has been posted on the web site <https://stcroix.uwex.edu/by-laws-policies/>. If you would like a hard copy please contact the UWEX Office.

4-H Website

UW-Extension's website can be located at: www.stcroixcounty4h.org. This site will share more general county information such as the 4-H Communicator, General Organizational Leader information, Leader Council information, forms and other resources. For more information or suggestions for this site contact Melissa Heath at 715-531-1930 or melissa.heath@sccwi.gov.

4-H Enrollment

Deadlines for new enrollments

Remember, new members enrolled by March 1 may participate in the 4-H program and County Fair without restrictions if they have met all the guidelines for the projects in which they have enrolled. New members enrolled between March 2 and June 1 may enroll and exhibit in non-animal projects only.

Project Literature

There is project literature available for some project areas located at the UW-Extension Office. However much of this literature is outdated and no longer being published. Therefore, members are welcomed to utilize the literature on hand but when the literature is gone, we will not be ordering any additional items.

If you are going to utilize this literature, please contact Melissa and I'll pull your request for your members and let you know when it's ready to be picked up.

Leader's Council Meetings

Jan 16, 7:00 pm

Feb 20, 7:00 pm

Ag Services & Education Center

All of the Leader's 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 Carole

Schurtz, carole@dewittmedia.com. The agendas and minutes are posted on the St. Croix County UW-Extension 4-H Website at <https://stcroix.uwex.edu/meeting-agendas/>. You can attend meetings by using the audio conference. Just dial the following number: 1-866-244-1377 US Toll Free and then enter the following password: 5863291#.

4-H Committee Presentations

The St. Croix County 4-H Leaders Association is requesting that all committees provide an annual committee report of program, activities, assets, and future direction is to be presented at a 4-H Leaders Association meeting throughout 2017-2018. This is a great opportunity to educate all leaders about each committee. This will also count towards completion of the Annual Volunteer Leader Team Training equipment for your committee charters. Presentations (can be formal or informal) should be no longer than 10 minutes with an opportunity to ask questions afterwards. Committee presentations need to be scheduled through Heather, please contact her to sign up. All meetings take place on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the UW-Extension Office in Baldwin. Below is a list of available meeting dates.

January 16	February 20	March 20
April 17	May 15	June 19
August 21		

4-H Volunteer (VIP Training) - Want to become a 4-H leader?

The Wisconsin 4-H program depends upon the more than 20,000 adult volunteers to help youth gain skills. Volunteers are the backbone of the 4-H Youth Development delivery model, and serve as mentors for youth. Training helps volunteers understand the program and their role and provides an opportunity to ask questions about the St. Croix County 4-H program. All volunteers who work with 4-H youth must attend a volunteer orientation workshop and go through the Wisconsin Youth Protection process.

The following dates have been set for 4-H adults who wish to become volunteers:

Jan. 9; 7:30pm	Jan. 11; 4:45pm
Jan. 11; 6:00pm	Jan. 16; 5:30pm
Jan. 31; 12:00pm	Jan. 31; 5:00pm
Jan. 31; 7:00pm	

These orientations will be held at the UW-Extension Office / Ag Center in Baldwin and Pre-registration is required. You can register by calling the UW-Extension Office 715-531-1938 or by emailing Heather at heather.vierling@ces.uwex.edu. Please provide your name, club, contact information and the date of the orientation program you wish to attend. Each orientation will last about 1 ½ hrs. In addition, volunteers are required to fill out 4HOnline enrollment information, acknowledge volunteer expectations, and complete a mandated reporter training online module. Background checks are conducted on new volunteers and repeat every four years for continuing volunteers. Any adults working with 4-H youth other than their own children must comply with these requirements.

WI Tour Committee Meeting

January 18; 6pm

The first planning meeting for the 2018 WI Tour will be held at 6pm on January 18 at the UW-Extension Office. If you are interested (youth or adult) in being part of the planning committee please join us.

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 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 questions about the local pantry, please call Katie Bartkow at (715) 531-1930.

January and February: "It's Cold Outside". Bring your favorite cans of soup, stew, hash, chili & crackers.

4-H Club Donated Birthday Bags

Written by Jordyn and Madisyn Doyle

Hudson's Lucky Horseshoes 4-H club made 72 Birthday Bags to donate to the Hudson food shelf on November 12th for the families who need help to provide a birthday party for their children. Club members voted to do this activity with funds from the

club, 4-H family members and a grant the club received from the Leaders Council. Gift bags were packed with cake mix, frosting, plates, napkins, candles, cupcake liners, streamers and party favors. The kids worked together creating an assembly line to put the bags together.



Youth News/ Opportunities

Monthly Robotic Classes

Want to learn how to program a robot or expand on what you already know? If you are over 10 years old join us starting in January on the 2nd Saturday from 12:30-2:30 there will be monthly robotic classes at the Extension Office. All 4-Her's and non-4-Her's are welcome. To sign up email Heather at heather.vierling@sccwi.gov.

St. Croix County Speaking Contest

January 31st, 2018 6:00pm

Entries Due: January 29th

Looking for a way to use your Mini Talent Explosion speech again? Consider using it for the St. Croix County Conservation Speaking Contest. The contest is open to youth in grades 5-12 who reside in or whose school district is in St. Croix County. Speeches must promote the conservation of natural resources and the protection or enhancement of environmental quality.

Winners of the county contest receive a monetary reward and have chances to move on to the Area and State contests.

For contest guidelines, registration and more information contact Aleisha Miller, St. Croix County Environmental Educator aleisha.miller@sccwi.gov, (715) 531-1915.

4-H Camp Counselors Needed

Applications due March 16, 2018

Interviews scheduled as needed

Ag Services & Education Center

Do you enjoy working with younger members in 4-H? Have you had experience planning activities for younger members? Have you worked with other members your age to organize group activities? If you answered yes to any of these questions, think about applying to be a summer camp counselor. It is one of the most fun leadership development opportunities you can be part of.

Send a completed application to the UWEX office by the deadline. We'll let you know what time you need to be there for interviews! Selected camp counselors need to be able to attend the overnight camp counselor training & planning retreat on the evening of June 1 and day of June 2.

Applications are available on the St. Croix County 4-H website and in the back of this newsletter.

4-H Foods Expo

Saturday, January 27 from 9-3

UW River Falls

Attend five sessions and learn your way around the kitchen better. The cost to attend is \$15 and we ask you bring your lunch with you. Register to attend by January 12.

Clover College

Saturday, February 24, 2018

Registration: 8:30am Classes: 9am

Glenwood City High School

This fun filled day is open to all youth (4-H and non) grades K-5. The day will be filled with a variety of workshops and youth will walk away with a few fair projects already completed. Registration forms will be available soon.



Mini Talent Explosion

Saturday, April 7

Location: TBD

Mini Talent Explosion

Music and Drama will be judged in the morning. Speaking and demonstrations will be judged in the late morning and early afternoon.

Mini Drama/Skits: Includes 2 or more actors, are simple dramas that can be performed anywhere and are no more than 10 minutes. The top mini drama/skit is eligible to go to the State Fair.

*****New*** Personal Drama/Skit:** These are simple one person dramas/monologues that can be performed anywhere and are no more than 10 minutes. The top personal drama/skit is eligible to go to the State Fair.

Music: Includes 2 or more members, can include vocal, instrumental, and dance. The top music performance is eligible to go to the State Fair. Should be no more than 20 minutes in length including setup and take down.

Original Speech: Must be developed by the member who is presenting it. There are 5 age categories.

Cloverbuds --recite the 4-H Pledge as a club group. If your club only has 1 Cloverbud who would like to participate, we can add them in with another club.

Junior (grades 3-5)-- up to 6 minutes

Intermediate (grades 6-8)-- up to 8 minutes

Senior (grades 9-13)-- up to 8 minutes

Interpretive Reading: Participants select a favorite poem, prose, or part of a story and "read" it aloud for the audience. Memorization is not required. There are two categories for interpretive reading, individual and dynamic duo, which is a team of 2 members. There are 4 age divisions for each category.

Cloverbuds -- up to 4 minutes

Junior (grades 3-5)-- up to 6 minutes

Intermediate (grades 6-8)-- up to 8 minutes

Senior (grades 9-13)-- up to 8 minutes

Illustrated Talk: An illustrated talk is another means of sharing information and educating an audience about a specific subject. It is an oral presentation in which the member uses posters/illustrations or objects to emphasize/illustrate specific points in the speech. A member does not actually make or

demonstrate how to do something in an illustrated talk. This is a fair entry, so regular fair ribbons are used and premiums are earned, intermediate and seniors could be chosen to go to the State Fair. If you enter an illustrated talk, remember to sign up for demonstrations & communications on your fair enrollment in May. There are two categories for illustrated talks individual and team (2 members). There are 3 age divisions for each category.

Junior (grades 3-5)--4-7 minute talk

Intermediate (grades 6-8)--5-8 minute talk

Senior (grades 9-13)--5-8 minute talk

Demonstrations: Members show the audience how to make or do something, like how to make ants on a log or sew on a button. This is a fair entry, so regular fair ribbons are used and premiums are earned, intermediate and seniors could be chosen to go to the State Fair. If you enter in the demonstration contest, remember to sign up for demonstrations & communications on your fair enrollment in May. There are two categories for demonstrations individual and team (2 members). There are 3 age divisions for each category.

Junior (grades 3-5)--4-7 minute demonstration

Intermediate (grades 6-8)--5-8 minute demo.

Senior (grades 9-13)--5-8 minute demonstration

Cake Decorating, Food Revue, and Clothing Revue

Saturday, June 9

Agriculture & Education Center, Baldwin

Cake decorating and food revue will be held in the morning and will be judged by a rubric.

The Clothing Revue will be held in the afternoon.

St. Croix County 4-H Leaders

Scholarships & Key Award

Applications due April 6

There are eight (8) scholarships available. A member may receive only one scholarship. Members pursuing a degree in nursing may also want to apply for the Betty Jean Utecht Forgivable Loan, which has a separate application.

Any St. Croix County 4-H member who is a graduating high school senior or has graduated from high school with a GPA of 2.5 or above is eligible.

General Selection Criteria:

- Active in all areas or 4-H involvement
- Demonstrated leadership beyond local club level
- Sense of direction in furthering education
- 2.5 grade average

Five scholarships are for any post high school education. One scholarship is for a teaching related field and one for study in a health field. The Forgivable Loan is for study in nursing.

The 4-H Horse Project \$250 Scholarship -

Financial support for any field of study. To a graduated senior who has been in good standing with the horse project for 3 years.

All applications can be found online at

<http://stcroix.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-applications/>

WI 4-H Key Award - 4-H Key Award is the highest 4-H recognition you can receive. 4-H Key Award applicants must have consistent 4-H growth, be in 10th grade or older, must have completed at least 3 years of 4-H and 1 year of youth leadership and contributed to service to their club, community, and county.

Where: Presented at the St. Croix County Fair

When: July 2018

Eligibility: Must be in the 10th – 13th grade

Host Families Sought for 4H International Programs

Local families are needed to host International exchange students, ages 12 to 18, for four weeks this summer as part of an exchange program sponsored by 4-H.

The program is open to 4-H & Non- 4-H families living in Wisconsin with children between the ages of 10 and 18. Families without children in this age range will be considered as hosts for the adult chaperones for two-week periods. You only need a willingness to share your home and your world. There is no need to know the language. The students have all studied English and are anxious to use it.

The 4-H States Exchange program is one of the largest exchange programs in the world. Since it began in 1972, some 45,000 students have stayed with families in 51 states and provinces including Wisconsin and more than 7,000 American students

have made reciprocal visits to Japan & other participating countries. "The program gives host families a chance to share their culture, friendship and family life with an exchange student and at the same time learn about Japanese or South Korean everyday life," said Kay Hobler, retired Wisconsin 4-H Outreach Specialist. "The home-stays only last a month during summer vacation, but the effects last a lifetime."

Host applications and brochures about the program are available through the county 4-H office and at wi4hinternational.org. Any questions can be e mailed to Nancy Burman, International County Coordinator at music_mommy@hotmail.com

State Fair Dairy Promotion Board Scholarships Available

The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board is offering \$1,000 scholarships to students that will be third or fourth-year college students during the 2018-2019 academic year. Additional \$1,000 scholarships will be offered to high school seniors that will be first-year college students during the 2018-2019 academic year. Students studying in a two-year program are also encourage to apply.

Any Wisconsin resident who will enroll or is currently enrolled as a full-time student in a two or four-year Wisconsin school or short course program and is pursuing a dairy-related or food science degree is eligible for scholarship consideration. Previous recipients are not eligible to apply.

All applicants are required to submit an application electronically no later than March 23, 2018. Save application as Last Name, First Name and e-mail to katzman@idcnet.com using the subject – Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board Scholarship Application. Attach your transcript as a separate document. Hand-written applications will NOT be accepted. Mail applications/transcripts will NOT be accepted.

Applicants will be evaluated on involvement and leadership in dairy-related activities, scholastic achievement, and career objectives. Finalists will be interviewed, with the recipients to be recognized at both the Dairyland Youth Celebration and Blue Ribbon Cheese & Butter Auction during the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair. Please note that in order for continued consideration, students that qualify for an

interview must be available on the interview date selected during business hours.

Scholarship recipients must continue enrollment in the suggested curriculum and maintain an overall GPA of 2.5 or higher or forfeit scholarship monies. Scholarships will be awarded at the completion of the first semester and at the time the Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board has received a copy of registration for the second semester and a current transcript.

For more information, contact Katy Katzman at 262-903-6727 or katzman@idcnet.com. The application is available at <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/dairy-promo-board>.

Words of 4-H Wisdom

By Matthew Harle

4-H creates a positive learning environment for kids to build life skills through hands-on learning. The 4-H program results in kids who are empowered with the skills to lead for a lifetime.

When I joined 4-H as a first grader, I really didn't know what 4-H was about or what to expect as a 4-H member. Now, in my 10th year with the 4-H program, I have the experience and knowledge to reflect on how 4-H has developed me as an individual and how it can help in your development.

You can only get the benefits out if you put the effort in. Although 4-H includes agriculture, there are many other fun and educationally challenging activities including science, engineering, technology, natural resources, and cultural arts. 4-H promotes community service, recreation, health and safety, and citizenship by getting youth involved in activities: picking up trash along the roadside, playing bingo with shut-ins, making cookie boxes for the homeless, collecting food shelf donations, recycling to protect the environment, and playing 4-H softball. **The more 4-H activities you actively participate in, the greater the opportunities for growth.**

And, as you invest more time into 4-H activities, the benefits begin to multiply. Grow confidence as you develop your speaking skills, in both group settings and one-on-one interactions. Develop leadership skills as 4-H club meetings are generally run by the members themselves. Create new

friendships with peers and adult leaders by participating in meetings, events and activities including 4-H camps, trips, and fairs on the club, county, and state levels. Explore projects that can lead to a future career. **However, it is important to note that the benefits of 4-H do not happen overnight – they are developed over time.**

Brochures to promote 4-H say “True leaders are young people who have confidence; know how to work well with others; can endure through challenges; and will stick with a job until it gets done. In 4-H, we believe true leaders aren't born – they're grown.” Those brochures are just a piece of paper. However, I am the real thing – a true example of how 4-H has influenced development to create positive outcomes. I challenge you to create your own example by **being involved in 4-H!**

Top 10 Reasons to go to Space Camp

Malcolm Lenz

1. Excellent learning experience
2. You make tons of 4-H friends from around the state
3. You will be learning and doing new things (like zero gravity simulations)
4. You will learn about the history of the American space program
5. Take part in mission simulations
6. Try your hand at rocket building and launching
7. You can try space food
8. ROAD TRIP!!
9. Find out about the misadventures of the U.S. astronauts
10. You get a break from everyday life

Naturespace

Shooting Sports Orientation Registration

Monday, March 12; 7pm

Tuesday, April 23; 7pm

Ag Service and Education Center, Baldwin

All 4-H members who are signed up for shooting sports are required to attend one of our orientation and registration meetings with a parent in order to participate in our training and practice sessions this summer.

This will qualify you to compete in our shooting sports competition for the fair. You must attend at least two of our practice and training sessions to qualify for the competition shoot.

A \$10.00 fee per member is required at registration. If you have any questions please contact Dan Frye at mlfrye@baldwin-telecom.net or 715-688-6779 or Dave Smith at Lomac@baldwin-telecom.net or 715-684-2966 or 715-338-2637.

Nature Space Project Members

Are you familiar with Wildlife WHEP (Wildlife Habitat Education Program) WI 4-H?

Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H offers hands-on learning activities, workshops, wildlife contests, wildlife art, and community service activities as opportunities of learning for 4-H members and their families. It is open to all 4-H youth members in grades 3 through 13. The activities are led by 4-H youth leaders and 4-H adult volunteer leaders. It's available in all Wisconsin counties. Visit the website: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/whpwi4h/> for more information.

Arts / Photography

WI 4-H Arts Programs & State Group Opportunities

State 4-H Teams. A unique aspect of the Wisconsin 4-H Arts and Communication Program is the opportunity, as a high school-aged youth, to participate in a state group to learn and study the art with an adult adviser and contribute to a state event. If you would like more information about each area, you can contact Heather or Melissa at 715-531-1930. If you are interested in applying to be a member of one of the Art Team, Communications Team or Drama Company; the application process is done online at: <http://wi.4honline.com>.

Applications must be submitted no later than January 31, 2018. If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Pfeiffer at: lynn.pfeiffer@ces.uwex.edu or 608-262-1222.

4-H ArtBeat

March 16-17

Upham Woods, WI Dells

4-H ArtBeat was created for 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their parents and leaders, 4-H ArtBeat is the introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H Arts and Communication! The weekend will feature a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, arts and crafts, juggling and more!

4-H members will explore their own creativity while discovering the great variety of 4-H Arts & Communication experiences available to them now and in the future. Session leaders will be 4-H older youth, adult leaders and 4-H staff members with a wealth of experience to share. Youth and adult participants will rotate through a variety of sessions which are hands-on and active and held at various sites throughout camp, including outdoors. Both youth and adult participants stay in the cabins on cabin hill. Camp begins Friday evening at 7 pm and ends Saturday afternoon at 3 pm.

The fee is \$50 will include all materials and supplies, lodging and meals/snacks. For more information, contact Lynn Pfeiffer at lynn.pfeiffer@ces.uwex.edu or 608-262-1222 or the website at: <http://4h.uwex.edu/events/4-h-art-beat>.

Photography

Wow 2018 is here!! It is time to set up the meetings for this year's mandatory meeting requirement. I am looking for people that want to run/hold a meeting! I have also posted on Facebook in our group page. I wanted to have this set up for this newsletter but have not had much response.

If you are a person with an interest in photography and would like to help by holding a meeting please let me know ASAP. I will be holding two meetings this year so if we want more I am looking for volunteers.

Let me know your feelings on adding the Alternative Project option back too. The main reason it was taken out is that very few did it and there was a lot of copying and pasting going on for those that did a paper on a photography topic. The purpose of this is to learn something new. Working with a

photographer or on the school yearbook (specifically with the photos) are great options.

If you are on Facebook please join the SCCPHOTOGRAPHYPROJECT site and join in and participate. This page is for members, parents and leaders too! We do have a couple of professional photographers in there that help us out from time to time!!!

Kay Jacobsen, St. Croix Co. Photography Leader
Our email is sccphotographyproject@gmail.com and the Facebook page is SCCPHOTOGRAPHYPROJECT (request to join and you will be accepted!).

Animal Sciences

DAIRY NEWS

Dairy Committee Meeting

February 13, 1:00pm

Ag Service & Education Center, Baldwin

All members, leaders, parents are invited to attend the Dairy Committee Meetings.

Heritage Dairy Heifer Calf

The St. Croix County 4-H Dairy Committee is sponsoring a Registered Dairy Calf Award to one outstanding 4-H member. Interested members are asked to write a short essay (100 words or less) on "What would owning your own registered dairy calf mean to your 4-H experience?" Applicants are also asked to list their involvement in 4-H and dairy project activities. Applications are due to the UW-Extension office by March 1st, and applicants may be asked back for an interview with the selection committee. The goal of the committee is to have the winner selected by May 1st. The dairy committee will pay registration transfer fees. Previous winners are not eligible. Decisions of the judges are final. Application is open to 4-H members of all ages. This is an excellent opportunity to add a registered dairy calf to your 4-H project experience. Be sure to thank your 4-H Dairy Committee members for making this possible!

WI State Fair Junior Dairy Show Updates

It's time to start thinking about the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair Junior Dairy Show (August 2-12). We will provide you with information as it comes to us. In the meantime if you are interested in showing at the 2017 State Fair or have any questions, please contact Randy Peterson at 715-698-2299.

(mistymeadowsfarm@hotmail.com) or Todd Doornink at todd@jondefarm.com.

Dairy Quiz Bowl

Saturday, February 3

UW Madison - Sewell Hall

Competition in the 4-H Dairy Bowl and Dairy Management Contests encourages a 4-H member to develop a more complete knowledge of dairy animals and related subjects. These contests provide an educational dairy program for all dairy project members, including those who may not own or show a dairy project animal, and provides a way to develop alertness and self-confidence.

The Dairy Bowl is a "quiz bowl" competition where all questions deal with dairy topics. Teams of four members compete with each other in giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Teams receive points for correct answers and may lose points for incorrect answers. The team with the highest final score is the winner.

In the Dairy Management Contest, teams work both as individuals and together to answer questions related to the management of a dairy farm and dairy cattle. Team members work through various stations and at the end of the event, the total score for the team is added together to determine the final team score.

Both of these contests offer the opportunity for youth to test and showcase their knowledge of dairy cattle science and the dairy industry. For more information contact the Extension office or <http://fyi.uwex.edu/dairyyouth> for rules and registration form.

Cattle Feeders Workshop
February 26, 6:15pm registration
Ag Service & Education Center

UW-Extension St. Croix County will be hosting a Cattle Feeders Workshop to be held at the date and location listed above. This program is designed for adults and farmers in the beef business. Youth meat animal project members are welcome to attend as an educational event, bearing in mind this is not a show animal focused workshop.

This year's program is scheduled to cover:

Influence of corn starch properties & kernel processing on cattle performance: Presenter: Dr. Randy Shaver, Department of Dairy Science, UW-Madison

Market outlook Presenter: Dr. Brenda Boetel, UW-Extension Livestock Economist

Overview of Decision Making Tools: Bill Halfman and Ryan Sterry, UW-Extension

Registration begins at 6:15 pm, with the program beginning at 6:30 pm. There is a fee is \$5.00/person. Please pre-register by contacting the St. Croix County Extension Office at 715-531-1930 or ryan.sterry@uwex.edu.

WI State Fair Dairy Promotion
Scholarships
Application Deadline: Friday, March 23

The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board is offering \$1,000 scholarships to be used during the second semester of the 2018-19 school year.

Third and fourth-year college students pursuing dairy-related or food science degrees at one of Wisconsin's four-year universities are eligible to apply. Additional scholarships will be available to high school seniors planning to pursue a dairy-related or food science degree at one of Wisconsin's four-year universities or students studying in a two-year, technical school program related to dairy or food science.

Applicants will be evaluated on involvement and leadership in dairy-related activities, scholastic achievement, and career objectives. Finalists will be interviewed in mid-April, with the recipients to be recognized at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair.

The application is available at <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/dairy-promo-board/>.

For more information, contact Katy Katzman at 262-903-6727 or katzman@idcnet.com.

HORSE NEWS
Youth Horse Committee
January 8, 7 pm
February 5, 7 pm
Ag Services & Education Center

All meetings are open to anyone who has an interest in the horse program. If you have items for the agenda, please contact Bridget Lentz at (651) 303-4682 with agenda items. Committee meetings are the first Monday of each month, 7 p.m. at the Ag Service Building/4-H Extension building.

Are you on Facebook? Friend us on Facebook at "St. Croix County 4-H Youth Horse Project"

Reminder parents if you want to chaperone an event to stay on the fairgrounds over night or be a clinician you MUST attend the New Volunteer Orientation that the County offers.

Save the Dates: 4-H Day Horse Camp will be held June 2 and Horse Camp is scheduled for June 22-24.

Horse Tack Swap
February 24, 10am-1:30pm
Roberts Elementary School

If you trail ride, run games, show western pleasure, show dressage, hunter jumper or rodeo this sale is for you! If you have items to sell, there is a 10% consignment fee and all items must be tagged by 9:30am on February 24 or they will not be accepted. A seller check in form is required. If your items are not picked up by 3pm, those items will be donated to the Youth Horse Project. Horse related vendors will be on site. Concessions and baked goods will be available. The kids attending can participate in the

craft activity provided. Take your chances on the raffle to support a great cause.

For more information, contact Allison Mentink at 715-308-3602 or Natalie Rhodes at 715-977-0465.

LIVESTOCK NEWS

Livestock Committee Meeting

January 9, 7:30 pm

February 13, 7:30 pm

Ag Service & Education Center, Baldwin

All the Livestock Committee meetings are open and all are welcome to attend anytime. Please contact Laura Dalton at auradaltan8@gmail.com to get items on the agenda no later than 10 days prior to the meeting.

Livestock Rules Meeting

All exhibitors (regardless of age) AND their parents will be required to attend ONE of the Rules Meetings. The meeting you attend will not count towards your clinic requirements. We will be going over the rules and the changes from previous years. ATTENDANCE by both exhibitor and parent/legal guardian is REQUIRED.

The dates and times are as follows:

Tuesday, January 9 at 6:30pm

Saturday, January 13 at 9:00am.

All meetings will be held at the Ag Service & Education Center in Baldwin. Please contact a member of the Livestock Committee or email: steroixlivestock@yahoo.com.

UW-River Falls to Host Livestock Marketing Seminar

January 19-20

UW-River Falls, Mann Valley Farm

Experts from the University of Wisconsin-River Falls and the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection will come together to present a seminar focusing on effective ways to market livestock. Livestock producers and others involved in the Wisconsin livestock industry are invited and encouraged to attend.

The seminar will have a specific focus on ways to market Wisconsin beef and pork.

Some of the activities and topics that will be seen at the seminar are:

- Cutting demonstrations
- Value-added products
- Direct marketing panel
- Financial loan availability
- Labeling requirements



Attendees of the seminar will also travel to Sailer's Food Market and Meat Processing, Inc. in Elmwood. There the attendees will get the opportunity to get an inside look at the operation of five generations of successful meat processing.

The livestock seminar will be held, Friday, Jan. 19, from 6-8 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 20, from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cost of registration is \$75 per person and includes supper on Friday, as well as a continental breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Registration is required before Jan. 12, 2018, by calling 715-425-3581 or emailing: elizabeth...@uwrf.edu.

The seminar was made possible through the collaborative efforts of UW-River Falls and UW-Extension. For more information on UW-River Falls visit, <https://www.uwrf.edu/>. For more information on UW-Extension visit, <https://www.uwex.edu/>.

4-H Meats Judging Contest

February 17, 12:30pm

Registration Deadline: February 5

UW Madison Meat Lab

Registration is from 12:30 to 1 p.m. with the contest starting at 1 p.m. This Contest tests the knowledge of youth in placement of carcass and retail cut classes, carcass grading, retail cut identification and a quiz. This contest occurs annually with the teams traveling to Kansas City, MO and Denver, CO for national competition. There is a Junior Division as well at the state level.

All of the information including the registration form pertaining to this contest is located on the Extension Youth Livestock Website: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/4hmeatscontest>.

Livestock Quiz Bowl

March 3, 2018 (registration at 9am)

Competition starts at 9:30 am

UW-Madison Animal Science Dept.

Livestock Bowl is a quiz competition where all the questions are about beef, sheep, swine, and meat goat topics and students use a buzzer in order to answer the questions. Teams compete in a double elimination format by giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Each match has both an individual and toss-up question round. The winning 4-H senior team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl competition in Omaha, NE at the **AKSARBEN** Livestock Exhibition.

Skillathon contest is made up of a written quiz and learning stations as well as some team activities such as demonstrating evaluation skills. The top Senior level 4-H team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Skillathon Contest, held each fall in Louisville at the **North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE)**.

Competition in Quiz Bowl & Skillathon encourages members to develop a more complete knowledge of animals and related subjects. This contest provides an educational program for all project members, including those who may not own a project animal, and provides a way to develop self-confidence. These programs are a great parallel to some similar programs that breed associations and other organizations conduct.

For more information please visit the website: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/quizbowl/skillathon> or by contacting Bernie O'Rourke at 608-263-4304 or borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu.

St. Croix County Fair

County Fair Premium Checks

2017 County Fair Premium checks were included in the club awards packets. Checks were distributed to families through their clubs. The fair premium checks are **void on January 1**. Questions can be directed to Cindy Van Dyk at 715- 246-5486.

Fair Board

January 11, 2018; 7:30pm

Ag Center, Baldwin

The St. Croix County Fair Association is seeking candidates to serve as directors on the fair board. Open positions include a one year and a three year term. Elections will take place at the Fair Association annual meeting.

The annual meeting is open to everyone. Membership in the St. Croix County Fair Association, (St. Croix County Fair, Inc.), is open to residents of St. Croix County, or neighboring Counties whose members have an active role in a St. Croix County Organization, and who support the goals, purposes and activities of the Board.

The Mission Statement of the Fair Association is to provide an educational event in which members of St. Croix County 4-H, F.F.A., other organized youth clubs and other persons exhibit individual and club projects at the St. Croix County Fair.

The board of directors supervise, control and direct the affairs of the corporation, and help manage, develop, and maintain the St. Croix County Fairgrounds. St. Croix County Fair, and all non-fair events that take place on the fairgrounds. For more information, please contact Gail Maier at 715-749-3442, a fair board members, or visit www.stcroixcofair.com.

Fun at the Fair Event

Saturday, January 20

10:00am-1:00pm

In an effort to promote the agriculture industry, the Hudson Hot Air Affair committee has once again requested partnership to promote the St. Croix County Fair and 4-H/Extension at Family Fresh Market in Hudson. For the 4th year, this annual event will offer shoppers an opportunity to learn about the St. Croix County Fair and 4-H with entry info., promotional materials, craft projects, project display's, livestock displays and more. There will be food sampling provided by Family Fresh and registration to win prizes, including a balloon ride in the Family Fresh hot air balloon during HAA 2018. Please contact Gail Maier at 715-749-3442 if you have something for the 4-H or Open Class display or to schedule a time to help at this event.

Fair Entry Information

ATTENTION: FAIR ENTRY INFORMATION

Entries for the fair will again be made online as before. Blue Ribbon will take entries April 1st through May 31st 2018. The link to this site will be on the fair web page www.stcroixcofair.com. You will have to reenter your name, club code, address, phone number, email and your leader's email as none of this carries over from last year. Make your entry choices, and then you have the option of leaving them pending to make changes later, or checking out and submitting to get them entered. ***If you do not get a return email listing your entries, you have not finished checking out and you will have to go back and finish the checkout process.***

THERE WILL BE NO CHANGES TO ENTRIES AFTER MAY 31ST & THERE WILL BE NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER MAY 31ST---NO EXCEPTIONS

Animal Projects may require a change due to illness. If that is the case, you must contact the county animal leader for your species and have the change approved. The Leader then will contact the entry person to make the necessary change on the judging sheets.

Remember: you need to include your Leader's email so they can check your entries and know that you have completed the entry process. Get all entries in by May 31st and submitted, or you will not be able to exhibit at the fair.

If there are questions, please call your leader, or email "Fair Entry Question" at stcroixcofair@gmail.com.

Recycled Ribbon Program

Have you ever thought what to do with all your St. Croix County Fair Ribbons? How about recycling them? If you happen to have old ribbons, instead of throwing them away, we would love them to reuse. They need to be in good condition and not have any writing on the tag. Please drop them off at the Extension Office or give them to your club leader.

Fairplex

Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds

Welcome to 2018! Our top priority in partnership with the Horse Project, is to continue raising the funds necessary to retire the loan on Horse Barn #1. Our ambitious stretch goal of retiring the loan in 2018 is within reach with nearly 75% of the necessary funds already raised!! Once we fully fund the Horse Barn loan, our focus will switch to partnering with the Livestock Project to fund the Livestock Barn. While both of these projects remain a big challenge, we can meet them by continuing our great tradition of working together for the benefit of all.

During the month of January we will be completing our plans for the 2018 May Fair Event & Sale. During February we will launch the 2018 Renovations for Generations Raffle.

Got suggestions, new ideas or want to participate, please contact Chris Libbey at (651) 247-0395.

Ways you can help

- Commodity Drive – Corn/beans/cull cows or scrap
- Employee volunteer matches – Currently set up with Allina Health & 3M. Check with your employers for their matching programs.
- United Way – Direct your donation to Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds
- Dairy, Horse & Livestock members take advantage of Beth Murray-Laughnan's 5% match on ADM Alliance Feeds (formerly Mormon Feeds) - be sure to request the match, match proceeds go to the Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds. (Beth can be reached at (651) 295-4026. She is also available for club programs on animal nutrition.)
- Support the 2018 Tack Swap, May Fair Event & Sale & the Renovations for Generations Raffle. Stay tuned for additional Horse Project fund raising events.





4-H FOOD EXPO



Want to learn how to decorate a cake, prepare nutritious foods or just improve your skills in the kitchen? Join us for the 4-H Food Expo. This event is open to all youth (4-H and non 4-H) interested in learning more about foods & nutrition. Youth will attend 5 different sessions. Topics include: cake decorating, ice cream from scratch, nutrition, preparing pie crust, and foods fair entries.



GRADE: Open to all youth (4-H and non 4-H)

WHEN: Saturday, January 27, 2018

WHERE: UW-River Falls (Agriculture Building)

TIME: 9:00am—3:00pm (Registration 8:30am)

COST: \$15.00 / youth

WHAT TO BRING: Please bring an apron and pack a bagged lunch.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: January 12, 2018

NAME: _____ **GRADE:** _____

ADDRESS: _____

PARENT'S NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____

EMAIL: _____ **COUNTY:** _____

CAKE DECORATING EXPERIENCE (please circle one): Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced

Make checks payable to: St. Croix County 4-H Leaders Association

Mail to: St. Croix County UW-Extension
1960 8th Ave., Suite 140
Baldwin, WI 54002

Session Descriptions

Lefsa

John Johnson

Learn how to make a soft Norwegian bread from potatoes and flour.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 10

Woodworking

Jerry & Melanie Ponoth

Use your carpentry skills to build a beautiful woodworking project to take to the county fair.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 12

K'Nex Building

Beth & Joe Sippl

4-H is looking for youth who want to become engineers. Use your Lego skills in this advanced building workshop.

Grades 3-5, Class limit: 12

Sewing 101

Char Croes & Eileen Van Dyk

Come learn the basics of sewing and walk out with a completed item to show at the fair.

Grades 3-5, Class Limit: 5

WeDo's

Beth & Joe Sippl

Discover the fun in building robots. Youth will learn to build and program robots.

Grades 2-5, Class limit: 12

Hola! Habla Espanol?

June Mathiowetz

Want to learn Spanish? Here's your chance. Learn basic words and phrases. Discover more about Spanish culture, food, language and traditions.

Grades 3-5, Class limit: 12

Deep Roots

Judy Lacy

Grow baby plants from roots. Learn how to care for plants and what size of container they need to grow.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 10

Turkey Calls

Mike Lindley

Learn about the exciting world of the outdoors. Learn to use a turkey call and make your own to take home.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 12

Cake Decorating

Samantha Michaud

Learn cake decorating skills from a former 4-H'er. You will develop the skills to create beautiful cupcakes.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 10

Cozy Critters

Val Meijer

Get up close and personal with your favorite pets. Discover new animal species and learn basic animal care.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 12

Creative Crafting

Melissa Heath

Get ready, set, craft. Join us for fun and you will create an awesome bird feeders to show at the fair and hang outside for the birds in your yard.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 10

The Wonderful World of Color

Heather Vierling

Learn the science behind color. Explore color mixing and create bright and exciting fair projects. You need to bring a white t-shirt or socks to tie dye.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 12

Fidget Spinners

Brenda Franklin

Join in the fun and make your own unique fidget spinner.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 20

Embroidered Dishtowels

Riley & DeAnn Hammer

Come and learn the basic embroidery stitches to make a decorative dishtowel. Embroidery has roots all the way back to the Greek Gods...come learn this folk art passed down through many cultures as a way to embellish and personalize household items and clothing.

Grades 3-5, Class limit: 10

Popcorn Fun

Malcolm & Jody Lenz

Learn what you can do with the wonderful treat we call popcorn. You can grow it, cook it, craft with it, and even conduct science experiments with it.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 15

Ceramics

Red Cedar Ceramics

Create an amazing ceramics project for the fair. Learn how to craft art out of clay.

Grades K-5, Class limit: 10



Clover College

Saturday, February 24, 2018

Glenwood City High School

Open to all youth grades K-5th

Registration at 8:30am / Will start at 9:00am

Registration Fee: \$10 or \$25/family.

Non 4-H Youth will receive a 50% off discount.

2018 Clover College Participant Registration

Name (s) _____ Email _____

Address _____ Telephone _____

Grade (s) _____ Parent (s) name _____

Emergency contact name _____ Emergency contact telephone _____

I am currently a 4-H member: ☐ Yes ☐ No Club Name _____

Health Concerns: (allergies, etc.) _____

I require an accommodation for a disability to participate in this program: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Amount enclosed: _____ (\$10/person or \$25/family) Ck# _____ Cash _____

Make check payable to: St. Croix County 4-H Leaders, Inc.

Deadline: **February 16, 2018**. No refund for cancellations will be issued after the deadline.

Return to: 1960 8th Ave, Suite 140, Baldwin WI 54002

Please rank **top ten** choices and note the names if more than one person registers per family. First-come / first-serve for session choices. All youth will attend 5 sessions. Limited participants in each session.

_____ Lefsa

_____ Woodworking

_____ K'Nex Building

_____ Sewing 101

_____ The Wonderful World of Color

_____ Hola! Habla espanol?

_____ Embroidered Dishtowels

_____ **Cake Decorating** (Please rank level of experience)
Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced ☐

_____ Deep Roots

_____ Turkey Calls

_____ Cozy Critters

_____ Creative Crafting

_____ WeDo's

_____ Fidget Spinners

_____ Popcorn Fun

_____ Ceramics

Yes ☐ No ☐ I am available to help with sessions at Clover College on February 24, 2018:

Name _____

St. Croix County Youth Horse Project

Tack Swap

Location: Roberts Elementary School – Roberts WI

Saturday February 24, 2018 - 10 AM - 1:30pm

Consignment fee 10%

Check In 7:30 – 9:30 AM ~ Check Out 2:00 – 3:00pm

ALL items must be tagged by 9:30 am on 2/24/18 or they will not be accepted.

**** Seller check-in form required ****

Anything not picked up by 3:00 PM on 2/24/18 will be automatically donated to the youth horse project.

New and Used items for all disciplines!

Craft activity for kids

Raffle!

**Concessions and
bake goods
available**

Horse related VENDORS on Site

For more information, contact:

Allison Mentink 715-308-3602
Natalie Rhodes 715-977-0465

Interested in being a vendor? Give us a call
Early tag pick-up is available. Give us a call.
Individual tables available for \$25/table space

Roberts Elementary School

202 S Division St – Roberts WI
I-94 to Exit #10 (hwy 65)
North on Hwy 65 to Cty TT
East on Cty TT to Division Street
North on Division Street about 4 blocks.
School is on your right.



In Partnership, with...



Heritage Dairy Heifer Calf

The St. Croix County 4-H Dairy Committee is sponsoring a Registered Dairy Calf Award to one outstanding 4-H member. Interested members are asked to write a short essay (100 words or less) on "What would owning your own registered dairy calf mean to your 4-H experience?" Applicants are also asked to list their involvement in 4-H and dairy project activities.

Applications are due to the UW-Extension office by March 1st, and applicants may be asked back for an interview with the selection committee. The goal of the committee is to have the winner selected by May 1st. The dairy committee will pay registration transfer fees. *Previous winners are not eligible. Decisions of the judges are final.*

Application is open to 4-H members of all ages. This is an excellent opportunity to add a registered dairy calf to your 4-H project experience. Be sure to thank your 4-H Dairy Committee members for making this possible!

Heritage Dairy Heifer Calf Application (Information to include with essay)

Name _____

Contact info (phone / email) _____

Club _____

Age _____ Year in School _____

The calf will be housed at (indicate farm) _____

Breed preference (all reasonable efforts will be made by the committee to select a calf of the winners breed preference, however breed preference cannot be guaranteed)

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

Member's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

Please return your completed form to: UW Extension at 1960 8th Ave., Baldwin, WI 54002

PO-CROIX-BAR 4-H Camp

Camp Counselor Application

Due: March 16, 2018

(Must currently be in grades 9-12 to apply)

Send completed application to: UW-Extension Office; 1960 8th Ave., Baldwin WI 54002 or email it to Heather at heather.vierling@ces.uwex.edu

Name:		Current Age:		Birth Date:		Male:		Female:	
Address:				City:				Zip:	
County:		Club:		Grade in School:			Years in 4-H:		
Phone:		T-Shirt Size		Small		Medium		Large X-Large	
Email:									
Have you previously attended a Camp Counselor Training Workshop?									
If so, when and where?									
Do you want to be considered for a junior director's position?							Yes		No
What skills would you bring to this junior director's position?									
List camps (4-H and non4-H) which you have attended:							Camper or Counselor		
Camp						Year	Camper	Counselor	
Please hold these dates. Counselors will be assigned camps once camper applications and number are in.									
<input type="checkbox"/> 4-H Camp		Grades 3-8		June 18-20		Camp Counselor Training Date: June 1(evening) – June 2 (afternoon)			
Camp Activities									
Which of the following are you comfortable leading at camp? (Please check all that apply)									
<input type="checkbox"/> Archery		<input type="checkbox"/> Games & Recreation							
<input type="checkbox"/> Arts & Crafts		<input type="checkbox"/> Music							
<input type="checkbox"/> Campfire Programs		<input type="checkbox"/> Nature Activities (other than water)							
<input type="checkbox"/> Canoeing		<input type="checkbox"/> Relay Games							
<input type="checkbox"/> Drama Activities		<input type="checkbox"/> Science Discovery Activities							
<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing		<input type="checkbox"/> Singing							
<input type="checkbox"/> Flag Ceremonies		<input type="checkbox"/> Swimming							
<input type="checkbox"/> Foods & Nutrition		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)							

Explain why you want to be a camp counselor.

What do you want to learn from your experience as a camp counselor?

Name three skills that you would bring to the Camp Counselor Team if selected.

If you have special dietary needs, please describe.



(Applicant Signature)

(Date completed)

University of Wisconsin, United States Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin Counties Cooperating. UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IX requirements. Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. Please do so as early as possible prior to the program or activity so that proper arrangements can be made. Requests are kept confidential. TTY Phone Relay 711.



2018 4-H Events Calendar

Refer to the 4-H Communicator for times and locations

Please note that all dates are tentative and subject to change!

January		April	
1	New Year's Day – Office Closed	2	Horse Committee Meeting
8	Horse Committee Meeting	5	Dog Project Informational Meeting
9	Livestock Committee Meeting	6	Due: County Scholarship & Key Award Apps.
9	Livestock Rules Meeting	6-12	National 4-H Conference
11	Fairboard Meeting	7	Mini Talent Explosion
12-15	National 4-H Agri-Science	7	Goat, Sheep, Swine Weigh-in
13	STEM Club	10	Dairy Committee Meeting
13	Robotics Club	10	Livestock Committee Meeting
13	Livestock Rules Meeting	12	Fairboard Meeting
15	Communicator Articles Due	14	STEM Club
15	Martin Luther King Day – Office Closed	14	Robotics Club
16	Leader's Council Meeting	15	Communicator Articles Due
18	WI Tour Committee Meeting	17	Leader's Council Meeting
21	Horse Quiz Bowl/State Speaking Mtg.	23	Shooting Sports Orientation
27	4-H Foods Expo	26-30	Space Camp
31	Speaking Contest	May	
February		3	Dog Training Meeting
3	4-H Livestock Spaghetti Supper	4-5	Horse Quiz Bowl (UW-Marathon County)
3	4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl	4-5	IW2K STEM Camp
5	Horse Committee Meeting	7	Horse Committee Meeting
8	Fairboard Meeting	8	Livestock Meeting
10	STEM Club	9	Softball Coaches Meeting
10	Robotics Club	10	Dog Training Meeting
13	Dairy Committee Meeting	10	Fairboard Meeting
13	Livestock Committee Meeting	12	Mayfair Fundraiser
15	Communicator Articles Due	12	Shooting Sports Training Session
16-19	National 4-H Healthy Living Summit	12	STEM Club
19	President's Day-Office Closed	12	Robotics Club
20	Leader's Council Meeting	14	Horse Riding Training Center (all levels)
24	Horse Project Tack Swap	15	Communicator Articles Due
24	Clover College	15	Leader's Council Meeting
March		17	Dog Training Meeting
2	4-H Pizza and Movie Night	21	Horse Riding Training Center (all levels)
3	Horse Quiz Bowl (UWRF)	24	Dog Training Meeting
5	Horse Committee Meeting	26	Shooting Sports Training Session
8	Fairboard Meeting	28	Horse Riding Training Center (all levels)
10	STEM Club	28	Memorial Day – Office Closed
10	Robotics Club	31	Dog Training Meeting
12	Shooting Sports Orientation	31	Fair Entries Due – Blue Ribbon
13	Livestock Committee Meeting	June	
15	Communicator Articles Due	1-2	4-H Camp Counselor Training
15	WI 4-H Scholarship Applications Due	2	Horse Day Camp
16	Camp Counselor Applications Due	2	Shooting Sports Training Session
16-17	Art Beat	4	Horse Committee Meeting
19	4-H Summer Assistant Applications Due	6	WI 4-H Conference Mandatory Delegate Orientation
20	Leader's Council Meeting	7	Dog Training Meeting
24	American Spirit East Orientation	8-17	American Spirit East
		9	Cake Dec., Food Revue & Clothing Revue
		11	NW 4-H Golf Classic

JUNE 12	Livestock Committee Meeting		September	
14-16	Badger Dairy Camp	3		Labor Day – Office Closed
14	Dog Training Meeting	3		Horse Riding Training (State)
14	Fairboard Meeting	8-9		Horse State 4-H Gymkhana Show
15-16	Rodeo	8		STEM Club
15	Communicator Articles Due	8		Robotics Club
16-24	CWF (WI week 1)	10		Horse Committee Meeting
16	Shooting Sports Training Session	10		Record Books / Awards Due
18-20	4-H Camp	11		Horse Riding Training (State)
18	Horse Riding Training Center (all levels)	11		Livestock Committee Meeting
19	Leader's Council Meeting	13-16		State 4-H Horse Expo
21	Dog Training Session	13		Fairboard Meeting
22-24	Horse Camp Overnight (tentative)	15		Communicator Articles Due
23-July 1	CWF (WI week 2)	16		Horse Fundraiser: WSCA Open Game Show
25	Horse Riding Training Center (all levels)	18		Leader's Council Meeting
28	Dog Training Meeting	30-Oct 3		National Dairy Conference
30	Shooting Sports Training Session	30-Oct 6		National 4-H Week
July			October	
2	Horse Committee Meeting	1		Horse Committee Meeting
4	Independence Day – Office Closed	6-7		Arts Camp
5	Dog Training Meeting	9		Livestock Committee Meeting
7-15	CWF (WI week 3)	11		Fairboard Meeting
8	Shooting Sports Competitive Shoot	13		STEM Club
9	Horse Riding Training Center (all levels)	13		Robotics Club
10	Livestock Committee Meeting	15		Communicator Articles Due
11	Fair Clean Up	16		Leader's Council Meeting
12	Dog Training Meeting	26-28		YPCL (Youth as Partners in Civic Leadership)
12	Fairboard Meeting		November	
12	WI Tour Mandatory Delegate Meeting	1		2017 4-H Trip Promo. Report Forms Due
14	Cat Show	1		4-H Charters Due
14	Dog Fun Show (Fairgrounds)	1		M.E. Forms Due
14	Foods Fair (Foods Only)	1-4		National 4-H Summit - Maker
15	Communicator Articles Due	2-4		4-H Fall Forum
16	Horse Riding Brush-up (tentative)	5		Horse Committee Meeting
18-22	St. Croix County Fair	8		Fairboard Meeting
26	4-H All Star Game	10		STEM Club
28-29	4-H Softball Tournament	10		Robotics Club
31-Aug 2	WI Tour	13		Dairy Committee Meeting
August		13		Livestock Committee Meeting
2-12	Wisconsin State Fair	15		Communicator Articles Due
6	Horse Committee Meeting	15		Enrollment Entry Due
9-10	Cloverbud Day Camps	20		Leader's Council Meeting
9	Fairboard Meeting	22-23		Thanksgiving – Office Closed
13	Horse Riding Training Center (Dist.)	23-27		National 4-H Congress
14	Livestock Committee Meeting		December	
15	Communicator Articles Due	1		Beef Weigh-In
18	Western District Gymkhana Show	3		Horse Committee Meeting
20	Horse Riding Training (State)	8		Beef Weigh-In (Snow Date)
21	Leader's Council Meeting	8		STEM Club
23-Sept. 3	MN State Fair	8		Robotics Club
27	Horse Riding Training (State)	11		Livestock Committee Meeting
		15		Communicator Articles Due
		24-25		Christmas Holiday – Office Closed

January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Year's Day OFFICE CLOSED	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 7pm – Horse Committee Mtg. (Baldwin)	9 6:30pm – Livestock Rules Meeting 7:30pm – Livestock Committee Mtg. 7:30pm – VIP Leader Training (All Baldwin)	10	11 4:45pm – VIP Leader Training 6pm – VIP Leader Training 7:30pm – Fairboard Meeting (All Baldwin)	12 National 4-H Agri- Science (12-15)	13 9am – Livestock Rules Meeting 9am – STEM Club 1pm – Robotics Club (All Baldwin)
14	15 Martin Luther King Day OFFICE CLOSED Due – Communicator Articles	16 5:30pm – VIP Leader Training 7pm – Leader's Council Mtg. (Both Baldwin)	17	18 6pm – WI Tour Mtg. (Baldwin)	19 Livestock Marketing Seminar – UWRF (19-20)	20
21 6pm – Horse Quiz Bowl/State Speaking Mtg. (Baldwin)	22	23	24	25	26	27 9am – 4-H Foods Expo (UWRF)
28	29 Due – Conservation Speaking Contest Entry	30	31 12pm – VIP Leader Training 5pm – VIP Leader Training 7pm – VIP Leader Training (All Baldwin) 6pm – Conservation Speaking Contest			

February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 10:30am – Dairy Quiz Bowl 4pm – Livestock Spaghetti Supper (NR)
4	5 7pm – Horse Committee Mtg. (Baldwin)	6	7	8 7:30pm – Fairboard Meeting (Baldwin)	9	10 9am – STEM Club 1pm – Robotics Club (Both Baldwin)
11	12	13 1pm – Dairy Committee Mtg. 7:30pm – Livestock Committee Mtg. (Both Baldwin)	14	15 Due – Communicator Articles	16 National 4-H Healthy Living Summit (16-19)	17 12:30pm – 4-H Meats Judging Contest (Madison)
18	19 President's Day OFFICE CLOSED	20 7pm – Leader's Council Mtg. (Baldwin)	21	22	23	24 9am – Clover College 10am – Horse Project Tack Swap
25	26 6:30pm – Cattle Feeders Workshop (Baldwin)	27	28			