St. Croix County 4-H



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Dear 4-H Members, Families, & Leaders,

WOW another 4-H year is almost complete and we are gearing up for the 2019-2020 4-H year.

Re-enrollment through 4-H Online will be open September 5th. Please encourage families to re-enroll as quickly as possible. This ensures that members get all current 4-H communication.

We are just learning about a couple of changes in 4-H Online. Adult volunteers must select a volunteer role on the Additional Information page. The choices are: Club Leader (Organizational, Co-Organizational, General), Activity, Project, Chaperone, Enrollment, etc. Please check all the roles that you fill. In addition, each of these roles comes with a role description. Be sure to read these role descriptions.

Is your club thinking about recruiting new members? Now is the time to be inviting others to join our 4-H family. Think about all the wonderful opportunities and fun you have had in 4-H. Why not share these with your friends and neighbors. If each club recruited 5 new members, that would be 100 new 4-H'ers in St. Croix County.

There are several opportunities to encourage other to join:

- Create a 4-H Window Display at a local business
- Set up a display at the library or at your school
- Put an ad in your local paper
- Submit 4-H stories to your local newspaper
- Create a flier about your club and place these in places where families will see them. (If you would like a template for a flier, please contact our office.)
- BE CREATIVE!!

Congratulations on another successful 4-H year.

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Congratulations

Living Memorial Award Presented to

Gary and Debbie Stevens have their entire lives supported 4-H and the County Fair first by raising their daughters in 4-H, helping them with their projects and bringing them and their projects to the fair every year. They are leaders with the Sunnyside Shamrocks and have encouraged and helped their club make displays for "Promoting the Fair" every vear.

They are on the County 4-H Food Stand Committee and attend all meetings. They have helped improve the menu choices. Each year, Deb has helped scrub the stand to make it clean. One year she even had to clean out bird nests that were made in the ceiling fans. They were instrumental in getting the walk in freezer and cooler donated and then helped get them in place and put together and working. Every year, they have helped with repairs and getting supplies. Deb also makes shirts for all committee members. Gary keeps his eyes open during the year to pick up a good buy on major items we need - coolers, malt machines, etc. Gary has been the first one in the stand every morning as long as I can remember and the last to leave, a lot of time 11:30pm or later in the evening. He constantly looks around to keep everything neat and clean inside the stand as well as outside. He gets youth to take plastic trays back to Nilssen's and recyclables to the recycling center to keep the grounds looking neat. They cook, clean, wait on customers and answer questions. They help the youth and adults learn how to make sandwiches, make malts and make meals.

Their constant smiles and manners welcome everyone and make them special. They are a special asset to 4-H and the St. Croix County Fair.

Respectively submitted by Mari Omann

St. Croix County WI State Fair Contestants

Beef Josie Lorentz Klay Lorentz

Kole Lorentz

Dairy Haley Beukema

Amelia Dittman

Olivia Holzman Madison Peterson Austin Raymond Rachel Skinner	Claudia Lenz Dylan Raymond Allison Skinner Walter Thommes
<i>Sheep</i> David Thompson Nathan Thompson	Lauren Thompson
<i>Poultry</i> Garrett Beukema Lauren Thompson	David Thompson Nathan Thompson
<i>Clothing Revue</i> Adaire Mac Swain	
<i>Music</i> Jessica Betzold Samantha Knoebel Nicholas Mohrhauser Grace Mansell Eli Warwick	Jerusha Betzold Matthew Mohrhauser Katherine Mohrhauser Ryan Sippl Lillie Warwick
4-H Exhibits Carson Anderson Alexis Burlingame Alannah Curtis Emma Gessler Avery Iverson Claudia Lenz Erica Mahoney Mitchell McGee Anna Paulson Lane Prusak Evelyn Rohrbach Eve Schmit Brooklyn Stenke-Bentz Libby Wagner Tristen Wink	Sydney Bartz Allison Brenner Amber DeLong Dylan Hanson Logan Kusilek Adaire MacSwain McKenna Mason Levi Nelson Lilly Peterson Lyle Prusak Maria Sachs Emily Smith David Thompson Tessa Wagner

Junior Exhibitors at Dairyland Youth Celebration

The Dairyland Youth Celebration, held at Wisconsin State Fair Park, celebrated the accomplishments of nearly 600 exhibitors that participated in the junior dairy and junior dairy goat shows at the 2019 Wisconsin State Fair.

James W. Crowley Leadership Award Winners: Rachel Skinner, Riverside

AgSource Production Winners: Guernsey – Olivia Holzman, Harmony Hills

Champion Guernsey Cow – Olivia Holzman, Woodville

Dog Project Congratulations

What a great show! We had three kids travel to Rock County to participate in the State 4-H dog Show. Abby Stark Roberts Ribbon Reapers, Nicholas Lentz Rolling Hills, and Jonathan Beyer Rolling Hills. They showed in Obedience where Abby received 1st in Utility Grade 12, Nicholas 7th in Graduate Novice grade 11, Jonathan 2nd in Graduate Novice Grade 7. They moved on to Rally, this is a fun event to watch because they interact with their dog and you see lots of happy wagging tails as they walk through a course of signs that tell them to do different commands. Abby received 3rd in Master Rally Grade 12, Nicholas 4th in Novice Rally grade 11 and Jonathan 2nd Novice Rally grade 7. The youth got all dressed up and dogs were brushed for Showmanship, where they placed 4th, 5th and 2nd in their respective age groups. The kids had fun learning from each other and interacting with other kids from the state. Next year's State 4-H Dog show is Aug 21 - 23 in Washington County.

Nicholas (Ducky), Jonathan (Sugar), Abby (Fugi)



Horse Project Congratulations



In June we had 4 of our members participate in the State 4-H Hunter and Dressage show in Sheboygan County. The kids had a blast, meet new horse people from around the state and brought home a little bit of purple. Participants where Kenzie Korent Rolling Hills, Harly Lentz Rolling Hills, Aria Tarras Pine Lake Pastures and Kayci Ellefson Pine Lake Pastures.

The youth participated in 3 days of showing, Handy Hunter which is an obstacle hunter over fences course where they incorporate trail or cross-country skills along with jumping different obstacles. They all rode two Dressage tests where they do patterns to test their control and horsemanship. Then we moved on to flat classes where they showcased their horse ability to smoothly transition between walk, trot and canter while on the rail. On Sunday, they participated in Hunter over Fences class where they were judged on how smoothly they were able to go over jumps and maneuver their horse through the jump course. Because of how well they did this year, we are expecting Kenzie, Aria and Kayci to be invited to be part of the Champions Challenge at the WI State fair in 2020. Harly was able to participate this year in the Champions Challenge for Hunter over Fences at the 2019 WI State Fair as one of his last 4-H horse shows. These kids did a great job and deserve a big CONGRATULATIONS!



The horse project had an awesome County Fair despite the challenging weather. We were unable to finish our gymkhana classes due to the severe weather. We waited out the rain and went late into Saturday evening with the Hunter Jumper competition. We were able to finish Hunter Jumper on Sunday along with our Pleasure show. Congratulations to the top finishers and all who participated! Thank you to all the parents, friends and members who helped collapse the stalls the last day of the fair! It happens so smoothly when everyone helps a little bit! Greatly appreciated!

Our awards banquet will be held Oct 7th. Come to our banquet for a recap of the summer and the fair and who will be awarded our sportsmanship member of the year!

We will hold our adult board election as well as our youth board elections at the banquet. If you are interested in positions on either board, please plan to attend to be considered. All positions will be up for re-election.

After the fair, a number of the horse project members attended the State Fair Champions Challenge. These kids were invited to compete at the state fair based on their performance at last fall's state shows. St Croix County had the most participants for one county. Pictured are the older members from left to right -Harly Lentz, Sierra Harren, Alexis Kwak, Tyler Mentink, Jessica Moor and Makenzie Korent. Congratulations to Makenzie Korent on the Grand Champion Team. The rest were members of the Reserve champion team. Tyler Mentink receiving high point for the second year in a row.



Madison Kwak competed on the younger member team. Madison's team was grand champion team and she won high point for her team. Madison also competed in trail. She was on the grand champion team and won the high point for her team.



Congratulations! And thank you for representing St Croix County.

Last weekend the St Croix County Horse Project members attended the Western District Gymkhana show held in Pierce County this year. The kids received many grands, reserves and top tens! Again, thanks for representing St Croix County so well!

Watch Facebook posts for Banquet information and additional state practice notices for those heading to state gymkhana and state Expo.



Food Stand

Thank you to all that supported or worked at the food stand this year. We had another successful year. We had lots of smiles from kids working!

We could not do it without you! The clubs that worked were Wildwood, Baldwin Wide Awake, Sunnyside Shamrocks, Lone Pine (3 shifts), Double Good, Harmony Hill, Bellringers (2 shifts), Riverside, Ambassadors, Dry Run Go Getters, Rolling Hills (2 shifts), Tri River Voyagers, Glen Hills Climbers, Springbrook, Roberts Ribbon Reapers and North Country. It is early, but some clubs want to sign up for next year already. I will send the shifts out to the leaders once we decide if we are changing any work times.

We would also like to thank several businesses for their donations: A.F.P., AMPI, Benck's Mechanical, ConAgra, Culvers, Hiawatha National Bank and Kwik Trip. Also thanks to Nilssens' Foods for all of their help with ordering supplies. All of our hard work goes to help 4-H programs. Some of the things 4-H offers are: camps, scholarships, trips, awards, STEM workshops, Clover College, Foods Day, Mini Talent Show, state fair, and softball, just to name a few! By helping in the 4-H Food Stand you are helping the 4-H program. You are in a sense giving back to 4-H because 4-H has been giving to you.

Thank you from the Food Stand Committee: Mari, Dean & Jodi, Gary & Debbie, Tom, Chris, Connie, Heather and Alpha, Ashley and Barb

Leader News

Club and Member Awards

If you weren't able to pick up your Club and Member Award packets at the August 20, Leader's Council Meeting, they have been mailed to one of the club's Organizational Leaders. Please return all forms by September 9. If you would rather have a fillable form, you can find those here: https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/annual-end-of-

year-awards/.

Leader's Council Meeting September 17 October 15 7pm Ag Services & Education Center, Baldwin

All are invited to attend Leader's Council open meetings at any time. Agenda items are due 10 days before the meeting date. If you have any items to discuss with the council, get your agenda items to Brenda Franklin, franklin.brendaj@yahoo.com.

Organizational Leaders 101

September 26, 6:30 P.M. Polk County Government Center, Balsam Lake Thursday October 3, 6:30 P.M. Ag Center, Baldwin

Looking for help to complete your 4-H Club Charter and Financial Records? We will be covering 4-H Charters, Financial Records and Planning the Club Year. RSVP to the St. Croix Co. Extension Office by Tuesday, September 24th. Please bring your laptop with the Charter Document uploaded or a printed

copy of your Club's Charter and we will help answer your questions and get your Charter completed.

4-H Leaders Association Vacant Board Positions

September marks the start of the new 4-H year and the annual Leaders Association Meeting. At this meeting we will be electing new board members for the following positions:

- Vice President (3 year term)
- Secretary (2 year term)

If you or anyone you might know would be interested in serving in these roles please contact Heather prior to the September Leaders Association meeting.

Leader's Banquet / Annual Meeting October 15 Ready Randy's, New Richmond

Save the date for the Leader's Banquet / Annual Meeting. The doors will open at 6pm with the supper to commence at 6:30pm. The meeting portion of the evening will begin at 7pm.

Clover College Teachers Needed

Wanted Adults & Youth Leaders who want to teach a class at Clover College (Feb. 22). Please email your class idea and description to Heather at: heather.vierling@wisc.edu by November 15.

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 sills. Volunteers are the backbone of the 4-H Youth Development delivery model and serve as mentors and role models 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 St. Croix County 4-H adults who wish to become volunteers. You must RSVP for these classes. Sept. 4 @ 5:00pm

Sept. 5 @ 12:00pm

Sept. 26 @ 7:00pm Oct. 29 @ 6:30pm Oct. 14 @ 6:00pm Nov. 4 @ 5:00pm

There will be a limited number of VIP Trainings, so sign up early. 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@wisc.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.

2019-2020 4-H Charters

2019-2020 4-H Charter season is here. All club and committee leaders were emailed the links to charter documents in August. All club and committee charters (please remember to include your bank statements / copy of check book register) are due to the UW-Extension office no later than **November 1**. You are welcome to turn in your charters earlier than November 1. The Charter form is the same as last year and is available

at: <u>https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hvolunteers/club</u> <u>s-and-groups/charters/</u>. Financial pages were due August 15. If you have not completed these, please do so a quickly as possible. Please contact the UW-Extension Office if you need a copy of last years charter. Also note the Organizational Leaders 101 training for additional help.

Recruiting New 4-H Families

As you plan for your recruitment efforts, please remember with notice, we can provide you with many things to make your recruitment easier:

- St. Croix County 4-H brochure
- Join the Revolution bookmarks
- 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.

4-H Leader Retreat / Annual Leader Training Saturday, November 9, 2019 9:30am-2:30pm WITC - New Richmond

Each fall club leaders are asked to participate in a day long (9:30am – 2:30pm) day of learning known as the 4-H Leader Retreat / Annual Leader Training. At least one adult leader from each club is required to attend. If you, as the general leader are unavailable you can always ask another leader in your club to attend in your place. If your club would like to invite more than one leader GREAT. Clubs are also welcome to bring youth to the training as well. An agenda for the training will be mailed out to each club leader the first week of September. Please RSVP by November 1.

Club Opportunities 4-H Week

October 6-12, 2019

It's National 4-H Week and that's reason to celebrate. 4-H got its start in rural fields, but today it's everywhere—from city streets and schools, to neighborhoods and universities. That's why 4-H has stayed important for more than 100 years. It changes with me and you. Don't worry. 4-H is still here in small towns across America and stronger than ever.

- Look at the projects you participate in, maybe it's time to try something new or challenge yourself in a favorite project.
- Tell someone about the great experiences available in 4-H; from learning about a project area, to meeting new friends, to taking trips across the country!
- Remember why you are committed to the 4-H program.
- Be a buddy or mentor to a new member or family, help them get acquainted with 4-H lingo, all the different opportunities, and navigate projects and the fair.
- Listen closely and be open to suggestions and conversations, there's always something to take away!

Contribute to your club and county through participation in new events, giving input and ideas, and giving time and energy to improve St. Croix County 4-H.

National 4-H Week Promotion Opportunities

National 4-H week is just around the corner. We have two events planned around the county to promote 4-H during this week and we need your help. Club Leaders - If you have a young leader that is passionate about a project and would be great in sharing their skills, please send them our way to help with the event activities. Members & Families- if you know someone considering 4-H, invite them to these events to get real hands-on experience with some of our projects!

Events are Saturday, October 5 from 9-11am at the Hudson YMCA and Thursday, October 10 from 5:30-7:30pm at the Extension Office in Baldwin.

Please contact Heather with names to volunteer or with questions at <u>heather.vierling@wisc.edu</u>.

National 4-H Week Window Display Contest October 6-12, 2019 Entries due October 1

National 4-H Week starts October 6. I hope your club will help promote 4-H by putting up a window display! Your club can pick any theme it would like for your display.

All displays need to be completed by October 6 and must remain up until October 12. 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 = \$50, 2nd blue = \$40 and 3rd blue = \$30. All other participants = \$20.

If you would like to participate, call Melissa at 715-531-1930 or email at: <u>melissa.anderson@sccwi.gov</u>. Let us know club participating with contact information and the theme of your display.

Photo Judging: Please send in a quality photo of your display window no later than October 6 to Heather at <u>heather.vierling@wisc.edu</u>.

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 any questions about your local pantry, please call Katie Bartko 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**.

Youth News/ Opportunities

4-H Softball Results

Congratulations to all the teams who played in the 4-H Softball program this year.

- Junior Division Champion: Baldwin Wide Awake, Wildwood, Dry Run Go Getters
- Junior Division Runner-Up: *Bellringers/ Forest Timberwolves*
- Senior Division Champion: Baldwin Wide Awake, Bellringers, Dry Run Go Getters, Forest Timberwolves, Lone Pine

The regular season results were:

- Junior Division Champion: Baldwin Wide Awake, Wildwood, Dry Run Go Getters
- Senior Division Champion: Baldwin Wide Awake, Bellringers, Dry Run Go Getters, Forest Timberwolves, Lone Pine

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

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



NW Wisconsin STEM Leader Training

Saturday, October 12 CVTC, 620 Clairemont Ave., Eau Claire

Are you looking for new STEM activities? Here is a great opportunity to enhance your knowledge and skill level around a number of fun STEM topics. Attendees will receive basic to advanced lessons for each topic area. Participants will go home with a STEM goodie bag, project supply lists, and valuable resource lists for each workshop.

For more information or the registration form, see the end of the Communicator. Registrations due September 30.

Re-Enrollment

4-H Enrollment opens September 5. Go to <u>www.4honline.com</u> and log into your account to reenroll. Re-enrollment directions in the Communicator.

Become a St. Croix County 4-H Ambassador?

Now seeking applications for 4-Hers in the 7th grade and up!

Want to join a group that has a lot of fun? Then join the St. Croix County 4-H Ambassadors! The Ambassadors is 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, Fall Forum, 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 September 20, 2019. Applications can be found on the UW-EX website

<u>https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-</u> <u>development/4-h-ambassadors/</u> or by contacting Carole Schurtz at <u>carole@dewittmedia.com</u>.

Premium Checks

Premium checks for the 2019 County Fair will be distributed through the club award packets.

Please cash checks as soon as possible as they will become void on December 31, 2019.

2019 4-H Trips Orientation Meeting September 17 at 6:00pm

Ag Services & Education Center

Want to meet new people and travel to new places? 4-H offers youth of all ages and adults opportunities to learn and grow outside of St. Croix County. State, national and international travel options are available. At this orientation, you will learn about all of the exciting opportunities available through the 4-H program, provide families with all of the details pertaining to travel, discuss financial aid options, and help answer any questions. Trips include:

- Art Beat, Arts Camp, Arts Lab
- ➢ WI 4-H Youth Conference
- Space Camp
- ➢ ŴI Tour
- American Spirit
- Citizenship Washington Focus
- ► 4-H Congress / 4-H Conference
- ➢ State 4-H Teams
- International Travel

M.E. Applications

If you are interested in receiving financial assistance from the St. Croix County 4-H Leaders Association to attend any of the state, national, or international trip opportunities you will need to complete an M.E. application. M.E. applications are due to the UW-Extension Office by **November 1**. Interviews will be scheduled after the application deadline. You can find the application at

https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/m-e-applications/

Club Officer Training

Saturday, November 9, 2019 9:30am-2:30pm WITC – New Richmond

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

Lunch will be served. Please sign up your club officer team by contacting Melissa at <u>melissa.anderson@sccwi.gov</u>.

Adult and Youth Leaders – Mark Your Calendars for Fall Forum and Hall of Fame Celebration

November 1-3, 2019 (registration 6pm Fri.) Green Lake Conference Center Registration Deadline: September 30

Fall Forum is an opportunity for youth and adult leaders to attend the statewide training weekend with county and state staff.

Each county is encouraged to send a delegation of youth and adults

- $7^{th} 13^{th}$ grade youth
- Adult volunteer leaders
- Staff are invited and encouraged to attend as your schedule permits

Cost: Registration Fee (includes meals, breaks, facility fees and supplies)

- \$90 registration fee per person (Fri. Sun.)
- \$80 registration fee per person (Sat. Sun.)
- \$75 registration fee (Sat. lunch and dinner)
- \$55 registration fee (Sat. lunch only)

Lodging:

- Adults
- \$50/night if there are two adults
- \$80 Single adult room
- \$40/night with three or more adults per room
- Youth

• \$35/night with three – four youth per room. Note: The room cost increases if there is more than one person. This is why the room rates are not half of the single room rate.

The program kicks off Friday evening with interactive sessions. Saturday offers more than 20 workshops to choose from. Top off the night with a special celebration where up to 10 people will be inducted into the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame. An evening of circle dancing and table games will follow the celebration. Plus, an ice cream hospitality sponsored by Cedar Crest Ice Cream. Sunday morning brings a high energy program that you can use at the club or community level. Youth participants need to have a chaperone who has completed Youth Protection identified when they register.

For more

information: <u>https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hvolun</u> teers/2019-fall-forum/

Mini Talent Explosion Crash Course

Saturday, November 9 12:45-2:00pm Lunch served at 12:10pm Location: TBD

Please RSVP to Janet Feyereisen @ 651-247-7285, if planning to come for lunch. If only coming to crash course, please come at 12:45.

This is for any 4-H members, parents and leaders. This will be a "Crash Course" as to how to get involved in the Mini Talent Explosion. This will include Q&A panel, tool kits to get started, and breakout sessions covering music, drama and speaking. If you're worried about having leaders to run a music group or drama, we have a way to work with this. Come find out how!

Photography

The Fair is over, projects are put away, and record books are being worked on! I hope that everyone has good things to say about their Fair experiences this year and that everyone learned something new!!!

Congratulations to our Grand Champion Kylie Bengston Palmer from the Roberts Ribbon Reapers Club, our Reserved Grand Champion Claudia Lenz from Riverside Club, and our Honorable Mentions Jake Paulson from Rolling Hills and Claudia Lenz from Riverside. They will be able to have their photos entered into the Wisconsin State Photography Competition! Very exciting for them and for all of us!! Please make sure to email an 8 X 10 of your picture to Heather, <u>heather.vierling@wisc.edu</u>, at the 4-H Office as soon as possible! You can include me on the email too! Thank you!

The three judges have judged many times now and they were very happy with the photos that they saw this year again. One thing that they mentioned is the fact that we do not have meetings anymore. They strongly feel that those who have been attending meetings were improving their skills, so this has them a bit concerned. It is something that we will keep track of. We can still have meetings and I am more than willing to help first and second year photography project members and find speakers for the ones that have been in the project for three or more years. I would like to have clubs sponsor the meetings so that we have members in attendance. Let's think about that for next year; please let me know your thoughts on this through email or the Facebook group.

Have a wonderful school and 4-H year!!! Kay Jacobsen ~ St. Croix County Photography Project Leader Our email is <u>sccphotographyproject@gmail.com</u> and the Facebook page is SCCPHOTOGRAPHYPROJECT (request to join and you will be accepted!).

4-H Foods Expo - Save the Date

Saturday, January 25 from 9-3 Location - TBD

Watch for more information in the weekly blasts and future newsletters. If you would like to help lead a class or be on the committee, let Beth Sippl know at bj.sippl@gmail.com.

Natural Sciences Naturespace

4-H Muzzle Loading Workshop Saturday, September 21 10:00am SHARP Chippewa County Firearms Range

4-H Youth and parents in Wisconsin are being offered a chance to learn traditional and modern muzzle loading rifle and pistol shooting. You don't have to be enrolled in the shooting sports project to participate.

The workshop is run by a long-time muzzle loading instructor and the WI 4-H Muzzle loading Project Course and National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association.

The 4-H Program will supply all guns and supplies. You are welcome and encouraged to bring your own equipment, but it will be inspected for safety. Everyone must wear eye protection and ear protection. All participants will be able to participate in the National Qualifying Event. The cost to attend is \$20 per participant and the fee is due September 9. Bring your own lunch and beverages. For more information, see flyer at the end of the Communicator.

Animal Sciences

DAIRY NEWS Heritage Dairy Heifer Calf Applications Due: November 15

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 November 15, and applicants may be asked back for an interview with the selection committee. The goal of the committee is to make the selection in early January or February. 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!

4-H Dairy Promotion Program

All 4-H youth in Wisconsin are invited and encouraged to participate in the 2019 Dairy Promotion Program, presented by the Dairy Farmers of Wisconsin. The program is open to all 4-H clubs in good standing. Successful dairy promotion reports will receive \$50 in merchandise from the Wisconsin Cheese and Dairy Gear online store. All 4-H clubs will submit their own dairy promotion report form online. All submissions must include a photograph of your activity or event with your report. The report form and photo(s) should be entered no later than November 1, 2019. For more information or report form: <u>http://www.wisconsindairy.org/dairypromotions/4-h-dairy-promotion-program</u>.

HORSE NEWS St. Croix Valley PRCA Seeking Rodeo Queen and Jr. Miss

The St. Croix Valley PRCA Rodeo is currently accepting applications for the St. Croix Valley Rodeo Queen position. The St. Croix Valley PRCA Rodeo is held annual at the St. Croix County Fair Grounds in Glenwood City, WI on Father's Day weekend, June 14-15. This is fun family event with entertainment from a petting zoo, stick horse rodeo, bull riding, muttin' bustin' and everything in between.

The Queen's Committee is looking for young women ages 16-23, that live within a 60-mile radius of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds in Glenwood City. All contestants must be able to ride a horse well, speak to the public about the sport of rodeo and other topics as pertain to her reign. The primary function of the St. Croix Valley PRCA Rodeo Queen will be to promote the rodeo and the queen program in rodeos, parades, on the radio and by representing the rodeo at various social events.

We also have a Jr. Miss St. Croix Valley PRCA Rodeo Princess for aspiring Rodeo Queens. This wonderful opportunity is open to girls between the ages of 13-15, just fill out the same application as the Rodeo Queen candidates and submit it by September 3, 2019. Try-outs will be held at the St. Croix County Fairgrounds on Saturday, September 14, 2019, with a rain date of Saturday, September 21.

Application materials are available and can be downloaded at gorodeo.org and clicking on the link to the application. Direct all questions to St. Croix Valley Rodeo Queen Coordinator, Theresa Hoffman at 715-781-1046 or thoffman1505@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you. Be sure to check out our website, gorodeo.org for more information and start times.

Horse Committee Meetings

NO September meeting October 7 7:00pm youth; 7:30pm Project Meeting Ag Services & Education Center

Oct. 7 – Banquet with Sportsmanship Award announcement as well as Youth and Adult elections.

Additional Horse Events

September 7-8 – State Gymkhana at Wisconsin State Fairgrounds, West Allis. For more information: <u>https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4haganimalscience/</u> wi-4-h-horse-assn-handbook/

September 13-15 – State Horse Expo at Wisconsin State Fairgrounds, West Allis. For more information: <u>https://wistatefair.com/wsfp/event/2019-wisconsin-4-</u> <u>h-horse-expo/</u>

LIVESTOCK NEWS Livestock Committee Meeting September 10 and October 8 7:00 pm Ag Services & Education Center, Baldwin

All of the Livestock Committee meetings are open meetings. You are welcome to attend anytime. Please call or email Laura Dalton at <u>lauradalton8@gmail.com</u> to get items on the agenda no later than 10 days prior to the meeting.

NEW members wanted: If you would like more information about joining Livestock Committee please email <u>stcroixlivestock@yahoo.com</u> or join us at the September meeting!

Outstanding Livestock Member Due September 9

The Livestock Committee would like to recognize one older livestock and breeding stock project member. If you would like to nominate yourself for either of these awards and are 14 years old or older, The application can be found online at: <u>http://stcroix.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-</u> <u>development/forms-applications</u> under Forms &

Applications, from your General Leader or from the UW Extension Office.

Please submit your completed application and letter of recommendation postmarked or emailed to Melissa Anderson at <u>melissa.anderson@sccwi.gov</u> or 1960 8th Ave., Baldwin, WI 54002 no later than September 9.

Kids & Cows Family Day October 12, 2019 Barron County, Fairgrounds (Rice Lake) Registration: 8:00am

Kids and Cows Family Day is an educational event for all ages and experience levels. There will be educational seminars in the morning followed by Ag Olympics and a fitting contest over lunch. The day will end with an open showmanship competition in various age groups followed by breed shows.

Cattle are loaned for showmanship by NWBPA members for participants without cattle to show. If you have your own cattle, you are encouraged to bring them. Prizes for all participants. Fitting contest is for teams of 2-4 participants who will fit one of their own animals. There will be a silent auction and a hot lunch available for purchase. A small entry fee for participants to ensure Kids & Cows can continue for years to come.

POULTRY NEWS 4-H Avian Quiz Bowl November 20-21 Louisville, KY

The Avian Quiz Bowl will consist of two to four member teams. Teams will be quizzed on various aspects of poultry and eggs from hatching to management to cooking, competing against other teams in a game show format.

There will be a junior (under 14 yr.) and senior (14-18 yr.) division. Senior division winners will represent the State of Wisconsin at the 4-H National Poultry & Egg Conference held in Louisville, KY.

More information can be found at: <u>http://www2.ca.uky.edu/national4hpoultry/AvianBowl.</u> <u>html</u>.

Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds

At their August meeting, Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds approved \$98,000 for the Multispecies Livestock Barn. Together with \$22,000 committed by the Livestock Committee and \$5,000 designated funds held by the Fair, we have reached our very aggressive goal of \$125,000. – a tremendous accomplishment!! Raffles: Another great success, the Cash & Pig Raffle netted slightly over \$8,000

Livestock Project fund raising update: Kate Bazille donated a lamb sold at the Livestock Auction plus project alumni conducted the first Annual Alumni Swine Showmanship & Softball Tournament. Collectively the lamb donation & the alumni events raised significant additional funds for the Livestock Barn!

Friends 4-H Club grant applications have been sent to all Club Leaders of record. Please contact Steve Smart (715) 377-5577 if you aren't on our mailing list or you have questions.

The 2019 Renovations for the Generations Raffle (Cash Raffle) was another great success thanks to the efforts of 11 clubs, the St. Croix Beekeepers, Farm Bureau and HCE – a big thank you to all who participated. Special recognition goes to the following members who collectively sold \$1060 worth of cash raffle tickets – Abbie Weller – Rolling Hills, Sabrina Blodgett - Harmony Hill, Dittmans -Riverside, Megan Spott, Springbrook & Kately Gallatin – Dry Run. Likewise, the Pig Raffle was also a great success due to the pig being donated by the Steel family in honor of John Steel and the processing donated by Ross' Locker. A big thank you to Randy Peterson, Chris Wood, Croes-Olson and the Chad Engstrom family for collectively selling over \$1800 worth of tickets.

A major part of making the Cash Raffle a success is the continued support of our sponsors.

- Gold: Bernards Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Silver: Tribune Press Reporter, Frontier Ag & Turf & Strikers Lanes
- Bronze: Berquam State Farm Agency & Boldt's Plumbing & Heating
- Ticket: A total of 16 area businesses <u>be sure &</u> <u>take advantage of the coupon offers</u>

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

As detailed above, thanks to the generosity and hard work of many, we are able to help fund launching of the Multi-species Livestock Barn. While we are very pleased by the results to date, we need to keep our focus on continuing to work towards fully funding the Livestock Barn. It would be incredible if, like the Dairy & Horse Barns, we could fully fund the new barn in two years!

How can you & your club help?

- Support the Fall Commodity Drive! Since fall of 2010, St. Croix County Ag Producers have donated over \$90,000 in commodities (corn, soybeans, cull cows & scrap)
- Volunteer matches from corporations: Check with your employer. Many companies have volunteer match programs. 3M, for example, will grant \$500 to qualified organizations in return for 20 hours (active employee) 25 hours (retiree) of volunteer work. Allina Health and Walmart also have volunteer match programs. Please let us know if your company offers volunteer matches.
- United Way: Designating Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds to receive your 2019 United Way Pledge. To date designated pledges to United Way have totaled over \$7,000.

Questions or suggestions: Contact Chris Libbey at (651) 247-0395.



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.

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SATURDAY



For All Youth Grades 4 and up

1st Saturday of the month

9:00-10:00 am

Starts in September





Sponosred by St. Croix Co. 4-H Held at the Extension Office in Baldwin 1960 8th Ave, Baldwin For more information email: bj.sippl@gmail.com



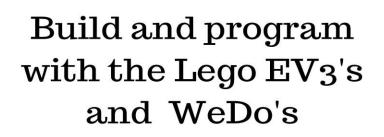


For All Youth Grades K and up

1st Saturday of the month 10:30-12:00 Starts in September

Free!!





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National Wildlife Habitat Education Program

Nature Based Classes and Projects For All Youth Grades 3 and up 1st Saturday of the month 1-2 pm

Starts in September

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OPEN TO ANY WISCONSIN 4-H MEMBER! YOU DON'T NEED TO BE ENROLLED IN THE SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECT.

2019 4-H Muzzle Loading Workshop For Youth & Parents Includes National Qualifying Event-NOE

Saturday, September 21, 2019 Starting Time: 10:00 AM Sharp Hosted by Chippewa County 4-H Shooting Sports

4-H Youth and their Parents in Wisconsin are being offered a chance to learn traditional and modern muzzle loading rifle and pistol shooting. The workshop will be on Saturday, September 21 at Tilden Township, Bloomer, Wisconsin.

The workshop is run by a long-time muzzle loading instructor and the WI 4-H Muzzle loading Project Course and National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association (NMLRA) Basic Muzzle Loading Course will be used. Using both cap lock and flintlock rifles, both safety and shooting fundamentals will be taught. Depending on enrollment numbers, we could also use muzzle loading shotguns, pistols, and cap and ball revolver. For those interested in hunting, points on hunting loads will be given.

DATE/TIME: Workshop - Saturday, September 21 from 10:00 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m. depending on number of registrations.

SITE Chippewa County Firearms Range and Training Facility 10495 130th Ave., Bloomer, WI 54724. (GPS).

EQUIPMENT The 4-H Program will supply all guns and supplies. You are welcome and encouraged to bring your own equipment, but we will inspect it for safeness before use.

SAFETYEveryone on the range must wear eye protection, whether shooting or not.EQUIPMENTEar protection is required.If you have earplugs or muffs, bring them. We have
safety equipment but it works better if you bring your own.

NQEAll participants will be able to participate in the National Qualifying Event (NQE).After all the NQE's are finished throughout the state, the top shooter will be invited to
represent Wisconsin in the National Shoot in 2020.

REGISTRATION\$20.00 per participant. Parents and Grandparents are welcome to participate in**FEE**the workshop. Fee is due by September 9th, 2019. Bring your own lunch and beverage.

QUESTIONS Call Joe Tiry at (715) 644-2538, cell: 715-379-1071,

"Keep your powder dry. I hope you can come!"

Joe Tiry 34111 County Highway O Stanley, WI 54768; cell: 715-379-1071; jtiry@centurytel.net

2019 Wisconsin 4-H MUZZLELOADING WORKSHOP

Registration and Permission Statement

Name of Youth/Adult_	IONE D	EGISTRATION PER FORM]		
Address City/State/Zip		EGISTRATION PERFORM]		
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County	Grade	Birthdate	Phone	
	(Shooter	must be at least 12 years o	of age by the event)	
Email		Cell Phone:		
PLEASE INCLUDE \$	20.00 FOR THE W	VORKSHOP AND NQE		

I hereby give permission for my child to be involved in the 2019 muzzle loading workshop. I understand that my child will be working around and shooting with live gunpowder and/or tomahawks.

I authorize the use of photographs or videos of my child while participating in this tournament to be used for educational or media purposes.

I release the University of Wisconsin-Extension, its employees and volunteer 4-H leader(s) from any financial responsibility for sickness or accident to my child while in transit to or from, and in attendance at this Shooting Sports event. I hereby authorize the event's responsible person to incur expense considered necessary to insure prompt attention in case of serious sickness/accident. I agree to pay for necessary expenses incurred, if this is not covered by an accident/sickness insurance policy. I understand that I must provide adequate eye and ear protection for my child with safety glasses and earplugs or muffs.

I also understand that during the course of shooting, it may be necessary to position my child or demonstrate such topics as live firing, shooting positions, correct stance, different carries, and basic gun handling, which may include appropriate body contact.

I understand that there must be basic rules for the muzzle loading event and these rules must be maintained for the safety of all participants and volunteers. If the instructor deems that my child violates these rules, I understand that he/she may be immediately removed from the program.

I certify that my child is a 2019 4-H member.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

RETURN by September 9th with \$20.00 to: Joe Tiry 34111 County Hwy. O Stanley, WI 54768

<u>NW Wisconsin STEM Leader Training</u> (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math)



Extension UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON Saturday, October 12, 2019

CVTC Business Education Center 620 West Clairemont Ave., Eau Claire, WI

Are you looking for new STEM activities for your 4-H group? Here is a great opportunity to enhance your knowledge and skill level around a number of fun STEM topics.

The NW Wisconsin STEM Leader Training is designed to help youth and adult 4-H leaders show youth the fascinating, captivating world of science by providing hands-on activities that can be done simply and inexpensively. From after school programs to special events to 4-H club meetings, these activities can be used by anyone who works with youth. No special background in science is required and preparation time / supplies are minimal.

Attendees will receive basic to advanced lessons for each topic area. Participants will go home with a STEM goodie bag, project supply lists, and valuable resource lists for each workshop.

Session Descriptions

Robotics

Learn how to get every age group from preschoolers to high schoolers involved in robotics. You will get to experience using 3 different kinds of robots, the Ozobots, Wedo's. and EV3's. We will go through 3 different levels of programming for the EV3's.

Electricity

GET ELECTRIFIED!!! Learn about the exciting world of electronics. This workshop will explore Little Bits, Snap Circuits, Makey Makey, and LED Electronic Projects.

STEM for Cloverbuds

Get younger youth excited about STEM! This workshop will combine imagination, magic, children's literature, and hands on learning to make STEM fun and engaging for our Cloverbud members.

Rocketry

3, 2, 1 BLAST OFF!! Come learn how to start a rocket project in your county. We will be making 3 different rockets and launching them in different ways.

Nature Science

Learn exciting and new nature science projects. Get your county involved in WHEP (Wisconsin Habitat Education Program) projects and competitions.

Food Science

What is happening to your food? Participants will get the opportunity to explore the physical and chemical changes in some of their favorite foods. Discover why you purchase certain items at the store.

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NW Wi	sconsin STEM Leader Train	ning
(Scienc	e, Technology, Engineering, and Math)
	Saturday, October 12, 2019 9:00am—2:30pm	
	9:00am—2:30pm CVTC Business Education Center,	
	620 West Clairemont Ave., Eau Claire, WI	
	Open to all youth (grades 8th and up) and adult le	enders
STEM	Registration starts at 9:00am / Workshops begin at	• 9:30an
Science · Technology Engineering · Math	Registration Fee: \$15.00/youth and \$25.00/ac (includes lunch and take home materials) PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ALL PARTIC	
NW Wisconsin	STEM Leader Training Participant Registration (one per per	son)
Name	County:	
Email		
	one) If youth, what grade:	
Gender		
Health Concerns: <u>(allergi</u>	les, food allergies etc.)	
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_	on for a disability to participate in this program: Yes No	
Amount enclosed:	(\$15.00 / Youth) Ck# Cash_ (\$25.00 / Adult)	6
Deadline: <mark>Septe</mark> r	Make check payable to: St. Croix County 4-H Leaders <u>mber 30, 2019.</u> No refund for cancellations will be issued after the deadli Return to: 1960 8th Ave, Suite 140, Baldwin WI 54002	ne.
	—1st choice, 2—2nd choice, and 3-3rd choice) for both the morning and a ned on a first-come / first-serve basis. All participants will attend one mo one afternoon workshop.	
Morning Worksh	hops: Afternoon Workshops:	
Robotics	Rocketry	
Electricity	Nature Science	
STEM for (Cloverbuds Food Science	
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14th Annual Kids & Cows Family Day





Saturday October 12, 2019 at Barron County Fairgrounds Rice Lake, WI

Registration	8:00-9:00
Educational Workshops & Guest Speaker	9:00-12:00
Lunch—Food Stand, AG Olympics & Fitting Contest	Noon-1:00
Showmanship Competition	1:00-3:30
Breed Show & Supreme Champion	
*Activities for all ages	

www.wisconsinbeefproducers.com Contact Lori Lyons 715-210-0049 or lalyons4@yahoo.com

*Kids are encouraged to bring their own cattle-kids and adults without will have one provided

Heritage Dairy Heifer Calf

Application Due: November 15

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 November 15, 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 January or February. 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)

Mem	her's	Signature	
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Parent's Signature

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Due – Rodeo and Jr. Miss Applications	4 5pm – VIP Training (Ag Center)	5 Re-Enrollment Opens 12pm – VIP Training (Ag Center)	6	7 WI State Gymkhana (West Allis) Due – Outstanding Livestock & Breeding Stock Member
8 WI State Gymkhana (West Allis)	9 Due – Club and Member Awards	10 7pm – Livestock Committee Meeting (Ag Center)	11	12	13 State Horse Expo (West Allis)	14 Rodeo Queen & Jr. Miss Tryouts State Horse Expo (West Allis)
15	16	17 6pm – 4-H Trip Orientation Meeting (Ag Center) 7pm – Leader's Council Mtg. (Ag Center)	18	19	20 Due – Ambassador Applications	21 Rodeo Queen & Jr. Miss Tryouts (rain date) 10am – 4-H Muzzle Loading Workshop (Chippewa Cty.)
22	23	24	25	26 6:30pm – Organizational Leader 101 (Balsam Lake) 7pm – VIP Training (Ag Center)	27	28
29	30 Due – NW WI STEM Leader Training Registration Due – Fall Forum Registration					

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Due – Window Display National 4-H Week Registrations	2	3 6:30pm – Organizational Leader 101 (Ag Center)	4	5 9am - National 4-H Week Event (YMCA Hudson)
6 National 4-H Week	7 National 4-H Week 7pm – Youth Horse Mtg. 7:30pm – Horse Project Meeting (Both at Ag Center)	8 National 4-H Week 7pm – Livestock Committee Meeting (Ag Center)	9 National 4-H Week	10 National 4-H Week 5:30pm – National 4-H Week Event (Ag Center)	11 National 4-H Week	12 National 4-H Week 8am – Kids & Cows Family Day (Rice Lake) NW WI STEM Leader Training
13	14 6pm – VIP Training (Ag Center)	15 7pm – Leader's Council Mtg. (Ag Center) Leader's Banquet (New Richmond)	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 6:30pm – VIP Training (Ag Center)	30	31	November 1 Due – 4-H Dairy Promotion Reports Due – 4-H Charters Due – M.E. Applications Fall Forum (Green Lake)	