

**St. Croix County 4-H**

**November /  
December 2019**

**4-H**



# COMMUNICATOR

## 4-H Enrollment and Re-Enrollment Deadline Fast Approaching

The deadline is fast approaching for 4-H enrollment and re-enrollment for the 2019-2020 4-H year. All re-enrollments are due into 4-HOnline by November 15. All new enrollments are due by March 1 to participate in the St. Croix 4-H program without restrictions. If youth wish to participate in the 4-H softball program they need to be enrolled by December 1. To enroll go to [www.4honline.com](http://www.4honline.com) and log into your family account or create a new family account. Those not enrolled will not receive St. Croix County 4-H communications.

## Club Represented When the Money Gets Spent

The St. Croix County 4-H Leaders Association is a very important group for the St. Croix County 4-H program. The Association oversees countywide 4-H programming, annual recognition, marketing and promotion of the organization, and oversees countywide fundraising efforts. They also provide direction for the educational programs that we provide our 4-H youth. Is your club being represented? Each club has a vote at the monthly meetings. The Association meets the 3rd Tuesday every month (except July and December) at 7:00pm at the UW-Extension Office in Baldwin. Can't make it in person, no problem, call in. All meetings are available via phone or computer. We hope to see you at the next meeting.



*November 19 @ 7:00pm at the UW-Extension Office in Baldwin*

**Join us on  
Facebook**

*St. Croix County 4-H*

### 4-H Pledge

*"I pledge my HEAD to  
clearer thinking,  
my HEART to greater loyalty,  
my HANDS to larger service, and  
my HEALTH to better living,  
for my club, my community,  
my country, and  
my world."*

### **Inside this Issue**

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Croix County



## HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Dear 4-H Members, Leaders, and Families:

'Tis the season for giving gifts. We are busy running around to find just the right gifts for all the people on our lists. I found a list that I think would be a great gift list for the youth in St. Croix County. The list was entitled 'Gifts we can give our children to help them live healthier, happier, more productive lives.' I found the list to be very thought provoking and a great gift list for that hard to shop for young person in your life.

*The gift of confidence in themselves and their abilities.* Helping our youth become more confident in themselves is a great gift. We can empower them to believe in themselves and the potential they have to become productive members of society.

*The ability to solve problems and make decisions.* This is an easy lesson for our youth to learn. Start by involving them in making simple family and household decisions to instill in them the steps to make an educated decision. If they do not make the correct choice, it is ok. Learning from mistakes can also provide great teachable moments. Nevertheless, make sure to reward and encourage along the way to making decisions.

*The ability to communicate and relate to others.* Teaching interpersonal skills to youth is very valuable. Helping them become comfortable speaking in front of a group, or learning how to interact and meet new people is a skill that will help them throughout their life. Along with interpersonal skills, gaining a value for diversity and relating to others who share different values and beliefs is also important.

*The gifts of responsibility, self-discipline and good judgement.* Responsibility is a gift that can be given at any age. Being responsible for a pet, being responsible for shoveling the sidewalk or being responsible for having a job are ways to give that gift. Learning how to act appropriately and respond in certain situations also could be part of this gift.

*The skills to successfully achieve their goals.* Youth learn many skills growing up. They can learn skills that can be used in a variety of ways or skills that are specialized for one task. No matter what kinds of skills they learn, they need to make sure they have all the skills necessary to be successful. Be it technical skills, communication skills, or just access to knowledge and learning, these all are important when giving this gift.

*The gift of believing in a future that looks promising.* As adults, we can help our young people achieve anything they wish to do! We need to help them see that the sky is the limit and to keep encouraging them to be the best they can be. By also being believers in their future, they can see that they have caring adults investing in their success.

This holiday season, enjoy the time with family and friends. That is truly the best gift of all. Moreover, when spending time with young people during both the holidays and the year to come, think about some of the gifts that you can give that can help them live healthier, happier and more productive lives.

Sincerely,

*Heather Vierling*

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

*Eileen Van Dyk*

Eileen Van Dyk  
Polk / St. Croix 4-H Coordinator

## November

# CALENDAR

- 1 4-H Charters Due
- 1 Registration Deadline for Annual 4-H Leader Retreat & Club Officer Training
- 1 Deadline for 2020 M.E. Forms
- 1-3 Wisconsin 4-H Fall Forum (Green Lake, WI)
- 2 STEM / Robotics / WHEP Programs
- 4 Horse Project Committee Meeting
- 5 VIP Training
- 9 Annual 4-H Leader Retreat & Club Officer Training
- 9 Livestock Fundraiser, Spaghetti Supper
- 12 VIP Training
- 12 Livestock Rules Meeting
- 12 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 19 St. Croix County 4-H Leaders Association Meeting
- 28-29 UW-Extension Office Closed for Holiday
- 29—Dec. 3 National 4-H Congress (Atlanta, GA)
- 30 SEW Much Fun!



## December



- 2 Horse Project Committee Meeting
- 4 VIP Training
- 5 Organizational Leader Training 102
- 7 STEM / Robotics / WHEP Programs
- 7 Beef Weigh In
- 10 VIP Training
- 10 Livestock Rules Meeting
- 13 4-H Teen Night
- 16 VIP Training
- 24-25 UW-Extension Office Closed for Holiday
- 31—Jan 1 UW-Extension Office Closed for Holiday

## January

- 4 STEM / Robotics / WHEP Programs
- 6 Horse Project Committee Meeting
- 9 Livestock Rules Meeting
- 12 Livestock Rules Meeting
- 14 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 20 UW-Extension Office Closed for Holiday
- 21 Leaders Association Meeting
- 25 Food Expo



# CONGRATULATIONS!

## 2019 4-H Club & Specialty Award Winners

### 2019 Outstanding 4-H Graduate Award:

Tony Graham (Dry Run Go Getters)  
 Rachel Skinner (Riverside)  
 Abby Helwig (Rolling Hills)  
 Emily Smith (Sunnyside Shamrocks)  
 Jacob Medchill (Riverside)  
 Keeley Smith (Sunnyside Shamrocks)  
 Dominic Mentink (Double Good)  
 Isabella Thommes (Riverside)  
 Kathryn Mohrhauser (Roberts Ribbon Reapers)  
 Heidi Sandquist (Hudson's Lucky Horseshoes)  
 Jacob Schurtz (Rustic Renegades)

### 2019 Florence Jensen Award:

Jessica Betzold (Roberts Ribbon Reapers)  
 Nicholas Lentz (Rolling Hills)  
 Adaire MacSwain (Hudson Trail Blazers)  
 Tyler Mentink (Double Good)

### 2019 Helen Holzer Award:

Austin DeBoer (Forest Timberwolves)  
 Myah Eliason (Bellringers)  
 Claudia Lenz (Riverside)

### 2019 Farm Bureau Boy/Girl Award:

Amelia Dittman (Riverside)  
 Walter Thommes (Riverside)



### Friend of 4-H Award:

Barb Krueger, Deer Park Librarian



## 4-H Volunteers, "THANK YOU"

A huge thank you to all of the dedication and hard work that our 4-H adult leaders put into the St. Croix County 4-H program. We greatly appreciate everything you do to make our youth a success. Please personally thank the leaders in your clubs and those serving on countywide committees.

### 2019 Outstanding Dairy Member:

Haley Beukema (Lone Pine)

### 2019 Club Activity Plaque Awards:

#### Community Service:

Large Club— Dry Run Go Getters  
 Medium Club— Pine Lake Pastures  
 Small Club— Double Good

#### Health/Safety/Environmental :

Large Club— Forest Timberwolves  
 Medium Club— Sunnyside Shamrocks  
 Small Club— Double Good

#### Recreation:

Large Club— Rolling Hills  
 Medium Club— Pine Lake Pastures  
 Small Club— Double Good



## 2019 4-H Window Display Contest

Thank you to the following clubs for participating in the 2019 St. Croix County 4-H Window Display Contest. Baldwin Wide Awake, Dry Run Go Getters, Forest Timberwolves, Lone Pine, North Country, Oakland Ramblers, Roberts Ribbon Reapers, Rolling Hills, and Springbrook.

1st place      Forest Timberwolves

2nd place      Lone Pine

3rd place      North Country



## 2019 Horse Project Winners

*Congratulations to all our award winners!*

### Herdsmanship

Large – Grand Champion – Lone Pine,  
Reserve Champion – Tri River Voyagers  
Small – Grand Champion - Sunny side Shamrocks,  
Reserve Champion – Riverside, Trailblazers

### Sportsmanship – Jessica Moor

Versatility – Grand Champion – Madison Kwak,  
Reserve Champion – Marissa Metzler

Graduating Seniors - Abbie Derrick, Dakota Gertmann, Harly Lentz, Marissa Metzler, Heidi Sandquist, Abigail Stark, Abbigail Weller, Jessica Moor, Aria Tarras, Audrey Ahlness, Tyler Mentink, Katarina Thorsen, Mireya Halverson, Logan Berg, Mackenzie Dow, Alexis Kawk, Serria Harren



## What's Up with Your Club?

Would you like your Club featured in the next St. Croix County 4-H Communicator? It's simple! Write up a short article telling us just how fun your club's event was and make sure to include a picture with the names of the members featured. Let us and other clubs know the good work you are doing in the community! To share your clubs story please email Heather at [heather.vierling@wisc.edu](mailto:heather.vierling@wisc.edu).



## Welcome New Members and Families

Most of us probably remember being new to a group. We probably felt excited to experience new things and meet new people. Often, we felt nervous and worried because we did not completely understand what was going on. We want others to be a part of this great organization we call 4-H. The best way to go about this is for clubs to have a plan to welcome new members when they arrive at their first 4-H club meeting. If new members don't feel comfortable right away with the club, they won't come back.

### *Have a plan*

Design a plan for welcoming new members. Delegate this task to a specific person called a *New Family Coordinator* (this could be a youth or adult leader), with this being their role at each monthly meeting. With 4-H, members can join at any time, so this is an ongoing task.

### *The First Meeting*

When new members first attend a club

meeting, be sure they are greeted and made to feel a part of the group by the *New Family Coordinator*. After they arrive and before the meeting begins, the *New Family Coordinator* takes the initiative of introducing themselves, welcomes the new family to the club and asks if they have any questions. The *New Family Coordinator* finds a spot for them to sit and sits with them for the meeting (in case questions arise). If a current family has invited the new family to the meeting, have the children sit with the current 4-H members and the parents with those that invited them. The *New Family Coordinator* should let the club president and secretary know there are guests present so that they can be introduced during the meeting after roll call has been taken.

### *Communication*

Keep the lines of communication open, so that the new family feels comfortable it is important to ask questions. 4-H seems to have a language of its own and may need to be interpreted for the new family.

## Club Evaluations

Do you ever wonder how your club is doing or how you can make your club stronger? Give your members an evaluation. The 4-H Office has tools to assist club leaders in evaluating their club's performance. Find out what your members like about your club and 4-H and what areas may need some improvement. Contact Heather for more information.



## 4-H Project Literature

There is project literature available for most 4-H projects. The majority of these materials are in the form of workbooks. The UW-Extension Office has a number of extra project books available for 4-H youth and adult leaders to have. Members are welcome to the literature we have on hand, but once it's gone, it's gone. If you have project literature that you are no longer using, please recycle it with your club leader or at the UW-Extension Office. If you wish to request literature please contact Heather and she will pull your request and let you know when it's ready for pick up. You can also purchase your own literature from the 4-H Mall at <https://shop4-h.org/>

## Financial Assistance Available to Members

The St. Croix County 4-H Leaders Association has funds set aside for members to request if needed for activities, events or special projects.

The purpose of financial assistance is to assist 4-H members who wish to participate in a planned 4-H activity who would otherwise be unable to participate due to a financial hardship.



To request financial assistance please contact Heather or Eileen to request an application form. All financial requests are confidential and will not be known to anyone outside of the 4-H staff and the Leaders

Association treasurer.

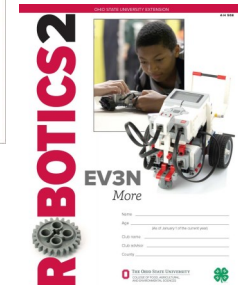
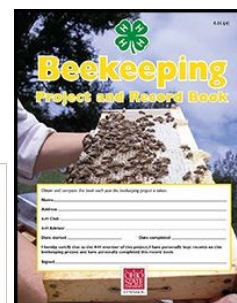
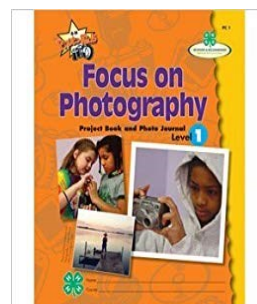
The request must be made at least four weeks prior to the due date of money needed. The requested amount shall not exceed \$300.00.

## 4-H Forms are Available on the Web!

Did you know that more 4-H forms, such as M.E. forms, record book forms, club financial records, etc., are all available right on your own computer? Just follow the link:

<https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/>

Select the category and print out what you need! These forms are still available from the UW-Extension Office for your convenience.



## 2020 4-H Grants Available

The St. Croix County Leader's Association invites grant proposals from 4-H clubs, committees, leaders, and individual members. The grant is only for the St. Croix County 4-H program. Grant amounts are not designated or defined in this program, therefore you must specify the amount you are requesting. Be advised that the St. Croix County Leader's Association will consider your application and has the authority to grant a different amount than requested.

**Examples of projects that may be funded:** *Community service activity, supporting project area programs, educational programming, 4-H building improvement programs*

**Examples of items not funded:** *updates to personal property, individual project asset purchases, general operating expenses, trip or camp expenses*

If you have any questions, please contact the UW-Extension office.

## 2020 4-H Trips / M.E. Applications



Are you interested in traveling with 4-H? Educational travel experiences are available for youth grades 6 and up. To learn more about these state, national, and international opportunities for youth and adults visit <https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-travel-opportunities/> . These opportunities are open to all 4-H members.

To receive financial support to attend any of these travel experiences youth must complete and turn in an M.E. Application and go through an interview process. M.E. Applications are due to the UW-Extension Office by November 1. Interviews will be scheduled following the deadline. For any questions pertaining to trips contact Heather.

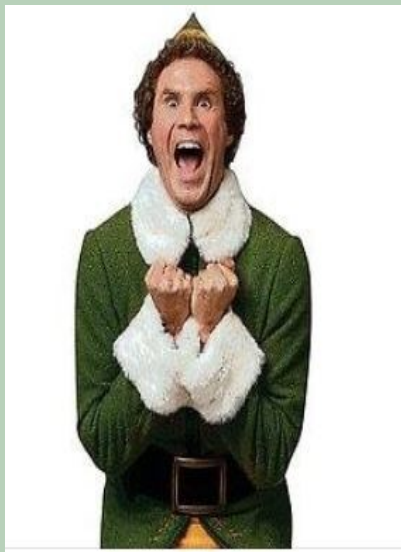
## 4-H TEEN NIGHT

**Calling all 4-H Youth & Friends grades 8th—12th. Join in the FUN!**

Friday, December 13 6:00pm—9:00pm at the UW-Extension Office in Baldwin

Join us for a fun filled night of holiday festivities:

- Dinner: Pizza & Pop
- Gingerbread House Building Contest
- Make and Decorate Holiday Goodies
- Minute to Win It Holiday Challenges
- White Elephant Gift Giving



## **IMPORTANT**

### 2019-2020 4-H Charters

2019-2020 4-H Charter season is here. All club and committee charters (please remember to include your bank statements / copy of check book register if you haven't already turned it in) 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: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hvolunteers/clubs-and-groups/charters/> . Financial pages were due August 15. If you have not completed these, please do so as quickly as possible. Contact the UW-Extension Office if you need a copy of last years charter. For questions regarding 4-H Charters contact Eileen at [eileen.vandyk@wisc.edu](mailto:eileen.vandyk@wisc.edu) or 715-531-1930.

NEW  
**Cloverbud  
Workbook**

Workbooks are available for all Cloverbud youth. Workbooks include record book pages, monthly Cloverbud activities, and more. If you are interested in receiving a Cloverbud Workbook contact Heather at [heather.vierling@wisc.edu](mailto:heather.vierling@wisc.edu) or 715-531-1938.



## **Leaps and Bounds: 4-H Dog Project Demonstrations for Your Club**

The 4-H Dog Project is for anyone who wants to work with their family dog, no matter the mix or breed. Invite senior Dog Project members and their dogs to your next club meeting to give a brief demonstration and introduce the things you can do and learn: obedience, showmanship, rally, agility and more! Project education sessions are in the

works to start early in 2020. Call Johnathan Beyer at 715-690-5941 to arrange a club demo soon!



**SAVE THE DATES: 2020 4-H Camp (grades 3-6) & 4-H Outpost Camp (grades 7-8) June 15-17, 2020**

### **2019 St. Croix County 4-H Scholarship Winners**

This is a reminder to all 2019 St. Croix County 4-H Scholarship winners to send their first semester transcripts to Heather in order to receive their scholarship payouts. Please email a copy of your transcript to [heather.vierling@wisc.edu](mailto:heather.vierling@wisc.edu)

### **2019-2020 St. Croix County 4-H Ambassadors**

Congratulations to the following 4-H Youth Leaders who were chosen to be your 2019-2020 St. Croix County 4-H Ambassadors: Abigail Lingenfelter, Adaire MacSwain, Anna Paulson, Bennett Hatfield, Brandan Bullick-Bogie, Caleb Lindley, Carly Brown, Claire Lingenfelter, Claudia Lenz, Evelyn Bakken, Evelyn White, Jarrett Mason, Jonathan Beyer, Maggie Brown, Malcom Lenz, McKenna Mason, Nicholas Lentz, Owen Bauman, Patti Crawford, and Riley Donahue.



Be sure to congratulate them when you see them. Remember if you would like the Ambassador Team to attend one of your club events to help out just fill out the Ambassador Request Form on the Extension website, we would be happy to help.

# LEADER TRAININGS

## VIP Training (New 4-H Volunteers only)

The Wisconsin 4-H program depends upon the more than 20,000 adult volunteers to help youth gain skills for life. 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. It is also a great opportunity to ask questions.

All adults (18 years and older) wishing to become a 4-H volunteer leader are required to take the VIP Training. Upcoming trainings are listed below.

- ◆ November 5 @ 6:00pm
- ◆ November 12 @ 10:00am
- ◆ December 4 @ 7:00pm
- ◆ December 10 @ 6:00pm
- ◆ December 16 @ 5:00pm

These trainings will be held at the UW-Extension Office in Baldwin and pre-registration is required. You can register by calling 715-531-1938 or email [heather.vierling@wisc.edu](mailto:heather.vierling@wisc.edu). Please provide your name, club, and the training date you wish to attend. Each training will last approximately an hour. In addition to the training, prospective volunteers will be required to have a background check and complete an online mandated reporter training.



## 4-H Leader's Association Meeting

November 19 @ 7:00pm

UW-Extension Office

Log In: <https://zoom.us/j/7262533018>

Call In: 1 669 900 6833

Meeting ID: 726-253-3018

All 4-H Leaders Association are open meeting and welcome all youth and adult members. If you would like something on the agenda email it to Mary Luckwaldt, [luckwaldt123@yahoo.com](mailto:luckwaldt123@yahoo.com) 10 days prior to the meeting.

November Meeting Agenda will include:

- \* Youth Representatives
- \* Fair Board Representatives
- \* Review By-Laws
- \* Trip Presentation

## Training - Organizational Leader Training 102

Thursday, December 5, 6:30 P.M.

If you are a new Organizational Leader or just need an update on using 4-H Online, plan to attend the Organization Leader Training 102. We will be covering 4-H Online Club Manager and Club Project procedure, reports, and resources available through 4-H Online. This training would also be helpful for County Project Committee leaders. If time allows, we will look at club and committee by-laws.

Register by email to [eileen.vandyk@wisc.edu](mailto:eileen.vandyk@wisc.edu) or call 715-531-1936. Hope to see you there!

**4HOnline<sup>SM</sup>**  
4-H Enrollment and Event Registration

## **Club Officer Training**

Does your club have a new officer team? Did you just get elected into a club leadership role? Join us on Saturday, November 9 from 9:30am—2:30pm at WITC in New Richmond for Club Officer Training. This training is for all youth (new and experienced officers) serving as a 2019-2020 club officer. Learn more about your officer role and what skills you can bring to your club officer team. Morning snacks and lunch will be provided. Please RSVP online at <https://forms.gle/U9KTAQN7RxxYRMpv8> by November 1.



## **Annual 4-H Leader Retreat**

Annually we ask 4-H leaders from around the county to come together for a day of sharing and learning.

This meeting will count towards completion of the Annual Volunteer Leader Team Training required on your 2019-2020 club & committee charters. All adult and youth leaders are welcome to attend. If you can't make it, send another leader / parent in your place.

The Leaders Retreat will take place on Saturday, November 9 from 9:30am—2:30pm at WITC in New Richmond. Morning snacks and lunch will be provided. Please RSVP online at

<https://forms.gle/U9KTAQN7RxxYRMpv8> by November 1.

## **4-H Adult Volunteer Expectations**

UW-Extension volunteers are expected to abide by the following behavior standards established by UW-Extension and to conduct themselves as positive role models for program participants. All UW-Extension volunteers are ultimately accountable to UW-Extension for their UW-Extension related activities.

As a UW-Extension volunteer, I will:

- Cooperate with and support UW-Extension staff to jointly further the mission of UW-Extension.
- Accept supervision and guidance from UW-Extension staff.
- Conduct myself in a manner that is in the best interest of program participants and UW-Extension and will not use the volunteer position or title for purposes of private or personal gain.
- Use appropriate University research based resources / information.
- Make all reasonable efforts to ensure that programs are accessible to all individuals regardless of race, color, sex, creed, disability, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status.
- Abide by all local, state and federal laws and UW-Extension and USDA rules, policies and guidelines.
- Conduct myself with courteous manners and language, exhibiting good sportsmanship, serving as a positive role model, treating others with respect, and demonstrating reasonable conflict resolution skills.
- Not consume or be under the influence of alcohol or illegal substances while in the role of a UW-Extension volunteer, nor allow youth participants under my supervision to do so.
- Treat animals in a humane manner and teach program participants to provide appropriate animal care and management.
- Report suspected verbal, sexual, physical abuse and neglect of youth to local authorities.
- Not conceal carry firearms and /or weapons while acting in a volunteer role.
- Immediately notify UW-Extension staff of any changes with my status (e.g. contact information, criminal arrest, charge or conviction history, driving privileges, etc.)

### **SAVE THE DATE**

4-H Food Expo  
Saturday, January 25, 2020  
9:00am—3:00pm  
St. Patrick's School—Hudson

### **SAVE THE DATE**

Clover College  
Saturday, February 29, 2020  
Glenwood City School

### **SAVE THE DATE**

Mini Talent Explosion (MTE)  
Saturday, April 4 or 11, 2020  
Baldwin / Woodville High School

### **SAVE THE DATE**

2020 4-H WI Tour  
July 27-30, 2020  
Milwaukee, WI

## **Clover College Workshops Needed**



We are looking for volunteer leaders, parents, and youth leaders to step up and teach a 2020 Clover College project workshop. Workshops should be one to two hours in length, geared toward K—5th graders, and be hands on. Participants love to walk away with a completed project. Workshops can be on any topic. If you are interested in

teaching a workshop please complete the form in this newsletter. All workshop forms are due to the UW-Extension Office by Dec. 20.

## **2019 4-H Food Expo**

Want to learn how to 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 the foods & nutrition project. Youth will attend 5 different sessions. Topics include: Nailed It, Gluten Free Baking, Knife Safety, Zumba, and Fun with Chocolate.

**GRADE:** Open to all youth (4-H and non 4-H)  
**WHEN:** Saturday, January 25, 2020  
**WHERE:** St. Patrick's School (403 St. Croix Street, Hudson)  
**TIME:** 9:00am—3:00pm (Registration 8:30am)  
**COST:** \$15.00 / youth  
**WHAT TO BRING:** Please bring a bagged lunch.  
**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** January 17, 2020





# Clover College

## Session Description

Saturday, February 29, 2020 Glenwood City School

8:30am Registration 9:00 am-2:30pm event

Email completed form to: [heather.vierling@wisc.edu](mailto:heather.vierling@wisc.edu) by December 20



### Instructor (s) Information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

### Session Information:

Please circle the desired length of your workshop: 55 min 115 min

Workshop should be focused on youth ages 6-12. A take-home project is encouraged.

Session Title (exp. Learn to Knit, Woodworking,) \_\_\_\_\_

Session Description for Communicator and Registration (exp. Assemble a woodworking craft you can take home and add your own personal touch). \_\_\_\_\_

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Maximum Enrollment \_\_\_\_\_ Expected total cost for each participant: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

How many times would you be willing to teach your workshop? (circle one) 1 2 3 4 5

If not teaching all day, would you prefer mornings or afternoons? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of space do you need for your workshop? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be purchasing your own supplies? YES NO

If not, please list out all of the supplies you will need and the quantities so we can pre-purchase them for the event.

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\*\*\* You will be contacted with specific participant numbers, along with a list of supplies that the office has before the event. If you purchase supplies please bring your bill to the event to get reimbursed.



# 4-H FOOD EXPO



UW-MADISON EXTENSION

Want to learn how to prepare nutritious foods and 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 4 different sessions. Topics include: *Nailed It, Gluten Free Baking, Knife Safety, Zumba, and Fun with Chocolate.*



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

**COST:** \$15.00 / youth

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

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **GRADE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUB:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

If your child needs accommodations or has any food allergies please list them here:

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\_\_\_\_\_

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

**Registration Deadline:**

**January 17, 2020**

## Upcoming STEM Library Programs

### November

- 5 - Deer Park Library @ 4:30pm  
Topic: Buoyancy
- 11 - Roberts Library @ 4:30pm  
Topic: Medieval Science
- 12 - Hudson Library @ 6:00pm  
Topic: Rollercoasters & Ski Jumps

### January

- 27 - Roberts Library @ 4:30pm  
Topic: Science of Winter



Johanna and Aurora LaVelle (North Country 4-H) at a Saturday Robotics Class

## 4-H National Science Day Kits Available for your

St. Croix County has an abundance of the 2019 4-H National Science Day Kits, *Game Changers*. *Game Changers* uses physical activity and puzzles to teach kids important CS concepts and problem-solving skills, creating real-world connections between computer science and civic engagement, healthy living and agriculture. Although the challenge includes one computer based and two unplugged activities to help kids learn CS, all can be completed without internet access. Each kit has three activities and is good for 10 youth (ages 8—14). If your club would like these kits please contact Heather.



For Grades 4 & up  
9 am-10am

Different STEM activities  
each month

## **ROBOTICS**

For All Youth  
10:30am-12:00pm

Build and program Lego  
EV3's and WeDo's



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For Grades 3 & up  
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1st Saturday of the Month  
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bj.sippl@gmail.com

## **2020 Livestock Committee**

### **Officers**

Chair: **Jeff Lorentz**  
Vice Chair: **Barry Kobernick**  
Co-Treasurers: **Kelli Lorentz**  
**Lisa Weiske**  
Secretary: **Paige Saniter**  
Beef Chair: **Jim Gillis**  
Co-Sheep Chairs: **Dawn Reinsberg**  
**Megan Reinsberg**  
Swine Chair: **Shelby Krupa**  
Goat Chair: **Lori DeBoer**  
Event Chair: **Cindy Croes**  
Co-Auction Chairs: **Mike DeLong**  
**Sherry DeLong**  
Education Chair: **Lori DeBoer**

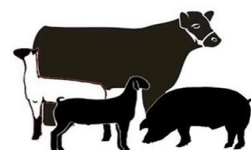
## **2020 Livestock Rules Meeting**

All 4-H youth (regardless of age) who have signed up for a meat animal project (beef, sheep, swine, and meat goats) are required to attend one of the 2020 Livestock Rules meetings. Rules meetings will not count towards your clinic requirements. During the meeting we will go over the rules and the changes from previous years. ATTENDANCE by both youth and parent / legal gradian is REQUIRED. Exhibitors and Parents do not have to attend the same night if that works better for busy family schedules.

All rules meetings will be held at the UW-Extension Office in Baldwin. Please contact Lori DeBoer at [lordeb651@gmail.com](mailto:lordeb651@gmail.com) if you have questions.

The dates and times are below:

- ◆ Tuesday, November 12 @ 6:00pm
- ◆ Tuesday, December 10 @ 6:00pm
- ◆ Thursday, January 9 @ 6:00pm
- ◆ Sunday, January 12 @ 1:00pm



## **Beef Weigh In**

Beef Weigh-In for Meat Animal Project and Auction

December 7, 2019 (snow date December 14, 2019)  
9:00am—11:00am

St. Croix County Fairgrounds, Glenwood City

**LEADERS:** Please inform first time beef meat animal project members they are required to weigh in to be eligible for the 2020 auction during the St. Croix County Fair. ***ALL exhibitors will need to turn in their COOL papers at the time of weigh in.***

It is **mandatory** that all beef animals be castrated and dehorned at the time of weigh-in. The Livestock Committee reserves the right to determine if the animal is manageable to insure safety of others.



## **LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MEETING**

November 12 @ 7:00pm

December 10 @ 7:00pm (if needed)

UW-Extension Office, Baldwin

All of the Livestock Committee meetings are open meetings.

You are welcome to attend anytime. Please call or email Paige Saniter to get items on the agenda no later than 10 days prior to the meeting

[paige.weiske00@gmail.com](mailto:paige.weiske00@gmail.com) or 715-313-4959.

### **NEW MEMBERS WANTED:**

Join us at the November meeting. If you would like more information email

[stcroixlivestock@yahoo.com](mailto:stcroixlivestock@yahoo.com)

St. Croix 4-H & FFA Livestock Committee

# Spaghetti Supper

**Sat., November 9 • 4 - 8 p.m.**

**Ready Randy's Banquet Room**

**New Richmond**

*Located at the intersection of Cty. Rd. G & Hwy. 65*

**Advance Tickets \$11 At the Door: \$13**

*Advance Tickets can be purchased  
by calling Cindy Croes 651-470-1581  
or Jeff Lorentz 715-760-1732  
or from your local 4-H Club.*

**Meal includes: Salad, Breadsticks, Spaghetti & Dessert**

**Beverages available for purchase**

**Don't forget to visit the  
Bake Sale & Silent Auction!**

Proceeds will be used for educational opportunities  
for our local 4-H and FFA livestock exhibitors as well as





## **Adult Board**



## **Youth Board**



## **Horse Project Committee Meeting**

Next meeting is Monday Nov 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm – Youth board, 7:30 Project meeting. Baldwin Ag building.

## **2019-2020 4-H Horse Project Committee**

President: ***Tyler Mentink***  
 Vice President: ***Jesse Moor***  
 Treasurer: ***Christy Kobernick***  
 Secretary: ***Karie Kaul***

### **Youth Officers**

President: ***Mary Kaul***  
 Vice President: ***Emma Crotty***  
 Secretary: ***Haidyn Walz***  
 Member sat Large: ***Abby Stark***  
 Member at Large: ***Nick Lentz***

## **SEW Much Fun!**

Saturday, November 30, 10:00 AM.

Join us for a fun sewing activity at Knot Sew Perfect Quilt Shop in Deer Park. R.S.V.P. by Friday, November 22 to [leen.vandyk@wisc.edu](mailto:leen.vandyk@wisc.edu). Registration is essential to guarantee we have enough supplies and instructors. More information will be provided when you RSVP. Enrollment will be limited.



## **2019-2020 4-H Leaders Association Officers**

President: ***Mary Luckwaldt***  
 President Elect: ***Amanda Hansen***  
 Past President: ***Brenda Franklin***  
 Treasurer: ***Beth Sippl***  
 Secretary: ***Vacant***

Will be elected at the November Meeting:

Youth Reps (2)  
 Adult Fair Board Rep  
 Youth Fair Board Rep

## **Heritage Dairy Heifer Calf Program**

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!



## **Photography Project**

So what are your favorite types of pictures to take? Do you like animals, people, landscapes, still life, action, etc. pictures the best? Do you enjoy doing trick photography or manipulative work? There are so many ways that photography touches our lives. I hope that you are all thinking about what type of pictures you want to enter in the 2020 Fair. Remember that the judges said there were very few winter pictures, very few black & white pictures and not many vertical pictures. Keep this in mind when you are out with your camera or phone.

I want to remind everyone that the Mandatory Meeting has been removed from the Fair Book. I would like to know the interest that you have in still having meetings either at the Education Center in Baldwin or a club having a meeting. Facebook or email me your thoughts on this. At this time nothing has been planned but I would still be interested of course in



knowing what is going on and how I can help.

As always please share your ideas by emailing or on the Facebook Page!!!

Have an amazing day,

Kay Jacobsen ~

St. Croix County Photography Project Leader

Our email is [sccphotographyproject@gmail.com](mailto:sccphotographyproject@gmail.com) and the Facebook page is SCCPHOTOGRAPHYPROJECT (request to join and you will be accepted!).

## **Updates from Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds**

As we come to the end of 2019, the Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds are celebrating another banner year for which we are very grateful.

To name a few accomplishments:

- In January we announced an ambitious stretch goal of raising sufficient funds by this year's Fair to allow the Fairboard to launch construction of the Multi-species Livestock Barn – we made it with collective funds over \$126,000 (\$98,000 Friends, \$22,000 Livestock Committee & \$5,000 Fair “Pig Palace” Fund)!! A big thank you to all who made this possible.
- The project launched in September with teams headed by Larry Amundson – Swine Barn and Terry & Bev Mitchell - Sheep Barn taking down both barns. Currently the site is prepped and construction of the barn will start soon.
- Another great May Fair Event & Sale, the second best ever netting ~ \$26,000
- 4-H Club support both as sales teams for the Renovations for Generations Raffle and in direct support. Direct support, led by Roberts Ribbon Reapers, has totaled more than \$18,000 from all clubs since 2007!!
- The Dairy, Livestock & Horse Committee Partnerships which have continued to “fuel” fund raising efforts, particularly with support for the May Fair Event & Sale, the Pig Raffle and the Fall Commodity Drive.
- Continued broad support across the county from community organizations, individuals and businesses including the ag community.

Our 2020 stretch goal is to work hard to raise the funds to not only cover the current loan payments, but, similar to the Dairy Complex & Horse Barn, start raising the additional funds to fully retire the loan in two to three years. Although a very aggressive goal, working together we can make this happen!!

How 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 2020 donation to Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds

Support the 2020 May Fair Event & Sale, the Renovations for Generations Raffle & Pig Raffle fund raising events

Share your fund raising contacts/ideas – contact Chris Libbey (651) 247-0395.

## 2020 Host Families Sought for 4-H International Programs



It is not too early to be thinking ahead to next summer. Families are needed to host International exchange students, ages 12 to 18, for four weeks next summer as part of an exchange program sponsored by 4-H.

The program is open to 4-H and non 4-H families living in Wisconsin with children between the ages of 10 to 18. Families without children in this age range can 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 and 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 at [wi4hinternational.org](http://wi4hinternational.org). If you have any questions, email Nancy Burman, International County Coordinator at [music\\_mommy@hotmail.com](mailto:music_mommy@hotmail.com)

## WI State 4-H Dog Committee Meeting

**Time:** 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
**Date:** Saturday, November 16, 2019  
**Location:** Waupaca County Library, 107 S Main St, Waupaca, WI 54981  
**Lunch:** cost \$10.00 / person  
**RSVP:** Michelle at [mlrost@wi.rr.com](mailto:mlrost@wi.rr.com)

### *Agenda*

- Update on Dog Project Charter
- Bylaws
- Constitution
- Update on State Committees
- Competition Regulations Committee Kay Detampel (Chair) – Kewaunee
- Update on new judge's sheets
- Dog Bowl Questions Committee Michelle Rost (Chair) – Washington
- State Dog Show Committee Michelle Rost (Chair) – Washington
- Update on new rules for state & entry form
- Future State 4-H Dog Events



## **Future state of the Dog Show events**

2020 State Fair 4-H Demo's hosted by Washington County All 4-H Dog Project members to participate August 5-6, 2020

2020 State Agility Show Hosted by Lacrosse Located Canine Sports Zone in Middleton, WI August 15, 2020

2020 State dog show hosted by Washington County Location: Washington County Fair Park August 21-23, 2020



## SPACE CAMP COUNSELOR APPLICATIONS DUE NOV. 22

Applications for 2020 WI 4-H Space Camp Counselors are now available and posted online. Applications will be accepted on paper and online. You can find the application and more information on our webpage: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hedopp/space-camp-counselor-info/>. Please share this opportunity with any youth in your county who may be interested in the opportunity.



## 4-H License Plates

The 4-H specialty license plate is now available through the Wisconsin Department of Motor Vehicles. Bearing the 4-H Clover and the message "Empowering Our Youth", the plate offers the opportunity to show support of the 4-H program, as well as make a financial contribution. The sale of each license plate will include a monetary contribution to the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation.



Half of the proceeds from every plate sale will go back to the county where the licensed vehicle is housed, and the other half will be used for state and regional 4-H programs. Counties with license plate sales will receive a disbursement from the Foundation on a yearly basis, with a check payable to the county's Leader's Association. The funds may be used to support the county 4-H program under the direction of the County Educator.

Vehicles that qualify for the 4-H license plate include:

- Automobiles

- Motor homes (annual registration only)

- Motor trucks

- 4,500, 6,000 or 8,000 pounds gross weight including dual purpose farm and dual purpose motor home

- 12,000 pounds gross weight farm truck

Persons requesting Wisconsin 4-H license plates will pay:

- The regular registration fee for the vehicle if the current plates expire within three months or the vehicles has no plates.

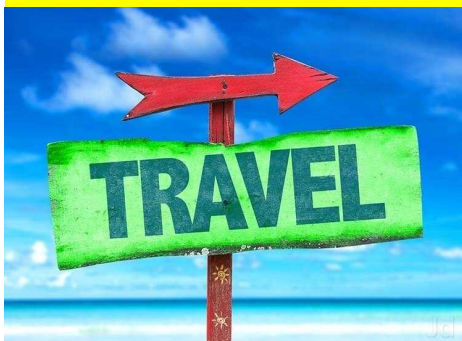
- \$15 issuance fee or an annual \$15 personalized plate fee, if requested.

- \$25 annual donation. The donation may be deductible.

4-H license plates may be personalized by paying a \$15 personalized plate fee each year in addition to the \$25 donation and regular annual registration fee. With each annual license plate renewal, 4-H supporters will pay the regular registration fee for non-personalized 4-H license plates and the \$25 donation.

Contact the Wisconsin Department of Transportation directly or visit [www.wisconsin.gov/Documents/formdocs/mv2969.pdf](http://www.wisconsin.gov/Documents/formdocs/mv2969.pdf) for more information about the process to order the plate.

## 2020 Educational Programs Adult Advisor Applications Now Available



Applications for 2020 Educational Programs Adult Advisors are now available in 4HOnline. Interested volunteers can go through the event registration portal in 4HOnline to apply to be an adult advisor for the following programs: Space Camp, CWF, American Spirit, and National 4-H Congress. More information can be found at: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hedopp/>

# Happening Around St. Croix County

## Santa & His Critters

December 7, 2019

12:00pm—4:00pm

Santa and His Critters will be visiting with children at River City Center in Hudson.



- \*Petting Zoo with Camels, Donkeys, and Lambs
- \*Children's Activities and Craft Projects
- \*Free toys and treats
- \*Coco's Heart Dog Rescue
- \*Sled Dogs and Puppies
- \*Carpenter Nature Center Raptor Meet & Greet - Noon - 3 pm

Children bring your lists, parents bring your cameras.

Sweet treats, entertainment, petting zoo, kids holiday crafts, and a Nature Show by Carpenter Nature Center!

## **Dash to Disney— Community Walking Challenge**



IMAGINE ...walking to the happiest place on earth! Western Wisconsin Health challenges the community to WALK TO DISNEY WORLD!

**DATES:** January 6 – March 1, 2020

**COST:** \$5 per person

Step up to the challenge! Participants will work together to achieve one goal: walking to Disney World! Throughout the challenge, participants will virtually step to Walt Disney World as many times as possible in 8 weeks. If participants complete all 8 weeks of the challenge, they will be entered into a drawing to win a TRIP TO DISNEY WORLD!!

For more information go to <https://www.wisconsinhealth.org/health-wellness/dash-disney-community-walking-challenge/>



**Babysitter Training**

## **American Red Cross—Babysitter Training Course**

American Red Cross Babysitter's Training Course is a popular course for young people to learn leadership and babysitting skills while boosting their confidence. Youth ages 11 to 15 learn child care, first aid, leadership and communication skills. Class size is limited (must attend both days). A \$75 registration fee per child includes materials, snacks, and beverages.

**Note\* This is a 2-day class, you must be present for both sessions:**

Tuesday, November 26, 2019 5- 8:15 p.m. and Wednesday, November 27, 2019 8:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

To register go to <https://www.healthpartnerslocalcare.org/CREG/ClassDetails.aspx?sid=6&ClassID=5730>

### **Information for class participants:**

Please have you child bring a doll or teddy bear to class that is as close to newborn size as possible, students will use dolls for hands on skills. Students should also come prepared with a brief, simple activity, game, song, etc. that they could share with the rest of the class. Activities can be geared at any age level.

**If you have schedule conflicts** on one or more dates or special circumstances, the instructor is willing to work with you. In the event of low enrollment, classes may be combined with other scheduled dates. You will be given as much notice as possible. Please call Paige Lewis at (715) 531-6029.

To inquire about upcoming dates not listed or if you do not receive confirmation that your registration was received, please call (715) 531-6029

# Join a Focus Group for Parents of Young Children!



## **You're invited to a focus group for parents of young children!**

### **Who is eligible?**

Parents/caregivers from the River Falls area with children age 0-5

### **What does it involve?**

A one-hour discussion with other parents on issues facing local families.  
An optional meal will be provided before the focus group.

### **Why should I participate?**

Your feedback will help our team design a new program for parents of young children. As a thank you for your time, you will receive a \$25 gift card!

**Date:** Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 5:00-5:45pm Family Dinner  
5:45-6:45pm Focus Group

**Location:** River Falls Hospital  
Classrooms B & C

Free childcare,  
parking, and food!  
Participants receive  
a \$25 gift card!



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## **Interested in Participating?**

**RSVP:** <https://tinyurl.com/y5vcupuw>  
or

**Email Selena:** [selena.freimark@wisc.edu](mailto:selena.freimark@wisc.edu)



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