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April is National Volunteer Month

It is the month which we take a moment and thank the many volunteers that give so much to the 4-H program.

In celebration of the two hundred plus leaders that help make the 4-H program what it is here in St. Croix County, I salute you because you are

- V** - very special person
- O** - one that can make a huge difference
- L** - loves sharing skills with others
- U** - unselfish in giving
- N** - never wants attention
- T** - tireless in their efforts
- E** - educating the members
- E** - each and everyone very special
- R** - remember to thank them since they are
- S** - so very crucial to the program's success!

Now here is a challenge to all of the 4-H members.....National Volunteer Week is April 17-23. Make sure that you recognize one, two or more of the 4-H leaders who have helped make a positive difference in your life. Send a thank-you note, call to let them know you appreciate them, give them a small gift, or simply say "thank-you" the next time you are together. You may be surprised by their reaction! I want to hear many stories from our adult leaders that they were thanked by the members.

As we all know, volunteers don't do what they do for the fame or the glory. They use vacation, choose to give time to work with youth because they love what they do and they know they are making a difference in our future.

Time is a very precious gift. Thank-you for choosing to use your time as a volunteer in the St. Croix County 4-H Youth Development program.



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."*

Join us on Facebook

St. Croix County 4-H
and
Extension St Croix County

Dear 4-H Families,

While it may still be brown and muddy outside, spring and summer are on their way! This means we are already busy planning an excellent camp experience for St. Croix County youth. This year we will offer two camping experiences. 4-H Camp for youth 3rd – 5th grade and Outpost Camp for youth 6th – 8th grade.

If you or your child has never experienced the joys of 4-H Camp, you may be asking yourself:

“Is 4-H camp fun?” ~ Most Definitely!

“Do we play a lot of games at 4-H Camp?” ~ Of course we do!

“Will I make new friends” ~ Absolutely!

Like other 4-H projects and activities, 4-H camp is centered on the idea of providing youth a fun, hands-on environment to build and strengthen valuable life skills. Camp is another great way 4-H enables youth to learn and practice skills to be productive citizens. According to a large research study by the American Camp Association, summer camps positively affect children in the following ways:

- Children become more confident and experience increased self-esteem.
- Children develop more social skills that help them make new friends.
- Children grow more independent and show more leadership qualities
- Children become more adventurous and willing to try new things.

St. Croix County co-camps with Polk and Barron Counties. Below is a quick look at each camp experience.

4-H Camp (grades 3-5)

- Location is at Camp Kiwanis (Marine on St. Croix, MN)
- Youth stay in cabins with teen counselors
- Activities include: swimming, horseback riding, rock climbing, crafts, games, and more

4-H Outpost Camp (grades 6-8)

- Location is at William O'Brien State Park (Marine on St. Croix, MN)
- Youth stay in primitive campsites using tents
- Activities include: canoeing, cooking over the fire, outdoor survival, nature studies, astronomy, and more

These camp experiences are a great opportunity to make new friends and lifelong memories. Camp registration will be available at the end of April. Remember camp fills up fast, so hurry and register.

Sincerely,

Heather Vierling

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



CALENDAR

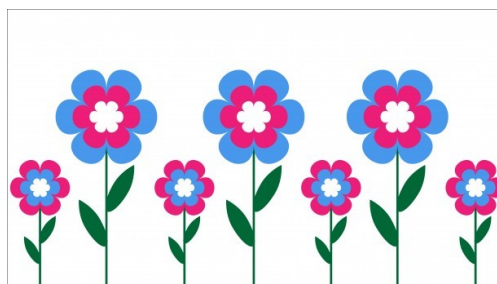
April

- 1 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
- 1 Fair Registration Opens
- 4 VIP Training (RSVP Deadline Mar 25)
- 4 Monthly Horse Project Meeting
- 7 Dog Obedience Project Orientation
- 9 Horse Project Mandatory Kick Off Meeting
- 12 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 12 Dairy Judging Practice
- 13 NW 4-H Golf Classic Committee Meeting
- 14 Cloverbuds @ Home
- 15 4-H Camp Counselor Applications Due
- 20 Softball Coaches Meeting
- 21 Horse Project Mandatory Kick Off Meeting
- 21 Livestock Rules Meeting
- 21 Fair Board Meeting
- 23 Ambassador Meeting
- 30 Cupcake Decorating Workshop



May

- 2 Monthly Horse Project Meeting
- 7 Shooting Sports Practice
- 10 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 13 4-H Camp/4-H Outpost Camp Registration Due
- 15 4-H Dairy Member Scholarship Due
- 21 Shooting Sport Practice
- 30 UWEX Office Closed - HOLIDAY
- 31 Fair Entry Deadline



June

- 1 Outstanding Dairy Member Applications Due
- 1 4-H Memorial Wall Apps Due
- 4 Horse Day Camp
- 4 Shooting Sport Practice
- 6 Monthly Horse Project Meeting
- 7-9 4-H Camp/Outpost Camp
- 13 NW 4-H Golf Classic
- 16 MN Tour #1
- 17 AASD - Chippewa
- 18 Shooting Sport Practice
- 21 Leaders Association Meeting
- 22 Cloverbud Camp
- 24 Ambassador Leadership Day
- 24-26 St. Croix County 4-H Horse Academy
- 28 Youth Leadership Trip #1

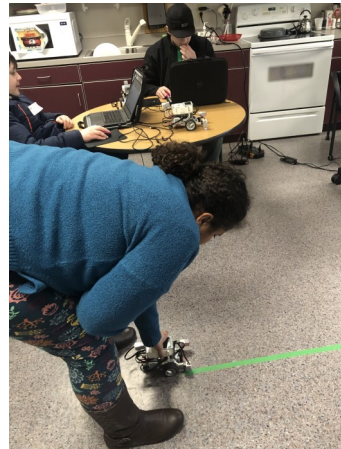
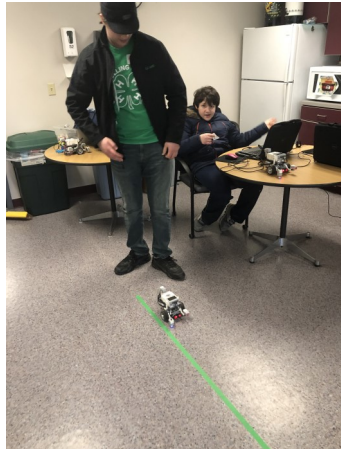
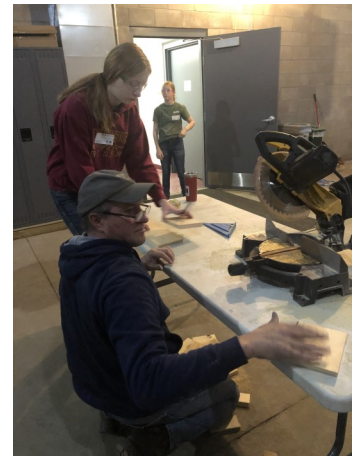




Clover College 2022



Clover University 2022



CLUB INFORMATION

SAVE THE DATES SUMMER CAMP

2022

4-H CAMP (JUNE 7-9)
OUTPOST CAMP (JUNE 7-9)
CLOVERBUD CAMP
(JUNE 22 & AUGUST 9)



UW-MADISON EXTENSION



2022 4-H Camp Counselors Needed

Do you enjoy working with younger members in 4-H? Have you had experience planning activities for younger members? Have you worked with other members your age to organize group activities? If you answered yes to any of these questions, think about applying to be a 4-H Summer Camp Counselor. Serving as a 4-H Camp Counselor is one of the most fun leadership development opportunities you can be part of. Counselors (youth grades 9-12) will make up a team from three different counties and focus their skills to develop a great 2022 summer camp program for youth.

Please complete applications by **April 15 (deadline extended)** at <https://forms.gle/gPRWBmPEjxB8iaEH6>

Selected camp counselors need to be able to attend the overnight camp counselor training and planning retreat and attend all days of camp. If you have questions, please contact Heather.

SAVE THE DATES

SUMMER TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

MN Tour (June 16, July 7, & August 4)

Leadership Days (June 28, July 12, & August 16)



UW-MADISON EXTENSION



4-H Food Stand Sign Up for the 2022 Fair!

We are hoping to have a near normal year! With that being said, we are going back to our normal shifts and payment for the clubs.

Thank you to everyone that has signed up to help at the food stand for the fair. We still have several shifts open. We have 2 shifts on Thursday, 4 shifts for Friday and 2 shifts on Saturday.

Contact Debbie to sign up: email dstevens.gstevens@gmail.com or call my cell if you have questions. (715-684-9696) See this link for open shifts: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EcwOk_l7thi0Kkpr5k6MVsAMyZsjMRrxMDoffMawS90/edit



Cupcake Decorating Workshop: Saturday, April 30th 9 am -12 pm: Extension Office

Are you new to cake decorating? Basic techniques like how to properly hold a bag and what you can do with basic tips will be taught.

Have you been cake decorating for years and want to up your game? Advanced techniques like how to decorate with fondant, create rosettes and weave a basket pattern will be shown.



Here's the link to the April 30th Cupcake Decorating Class: <https://forms.gle/e7DHW6Rfk7UTf7a58>

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 / meeting 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! Once you have completed your story send it to Laura at laura.hinz@wisc.edu

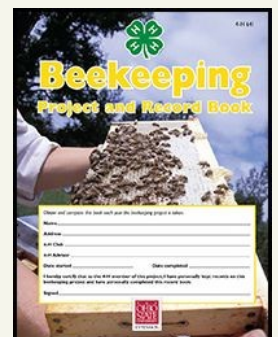


Get your FREE 4-H Curriculum

The St. Croix County Extension office is cleaning and we would love your help. We have an extensive collection of 4-H Curriculum available to you for free.

Contact Laura for info:

715-531-1937 or laura.hinz@wisc.edu



LEADER NEWS

REQUIRED TRAINING FOR ALL 4-H LEADERS & VOLUNTEERS

Title IX Reporting Sexual Misconduct Training
Deadline April 15, 2022

All Wisconsin 4-H Volunteers are required to report incidents of sexual misconduct that take place in Extension programs and complete training on how to report concerns. Therefore, all 4-H volunteer leaders are required to take **Title IX Reporting Sexual Misconduct Training by April 15, 2022**. This is an online training that takes approximately 50-60 minutes to complete. You will need to complete Section 1 and Section 2 of the training. Completion of this training will be required for re-enrollment in the fall. Please contact Heather if you have questions regarding this training.

Directions to take the training:

- 1.) Go to <https://youthtraining.compliance.wisc.edu/>
- 2.) Scroll to the bottom of the page and click "Click Here to Start"
- 3.) Sign up using the name and email that you use in 4-HOnline
- 4.) Type in "4-H" when it asks about the program for which you are seeking certification. Do not type in your county, club, project, or role
- 5.) You do not have a net ID. Leave this field blank
- 6.) There are 3 sections to the training. To complete requirements for 4-H, you only need to finish Section 1 and Section 2. You do not need to complete Section 3

New 4-H Chaperone Training

During overnight educational experiences, staff and adult volunteers take on care of youth participants. We care for their physical health, and we care about their mental health.

In December, the Surgeon General advised about the growing crisis of youth mental health. He recommended that we “support the mental health of children and youth in educational, community, and childcare settings.” That’s already a priority in Extension youth development programs, and now, we have a new training available for volunteers, called Supporting Youth Mental Health (YMH).

In 2023, all chaperons or adult advisors for overnight educational experiences will need to be trained in supporting youth mental health. For this year, **please help your local county educator meet the need to have at least two adults trained and on-site for any overnight experience.**

The training has two parts:

- 1-hour online training
- 1.5-2-hour live training—offered virtually or in-person

Available dates for the live training are listed on the Supporting YMH web page <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/training-for-volunteers/supporting-ymh/>. Click the link to register for the session you plan to attend. You will get an email about how to get started with the online training, which must be completed before the live training.

Waivers are available for those who have recently completed Youth Mental Health First Aid or have extensive professional training. See the Supporting YMH web page for more information.

Please help us, support youth. If you have questions, I can be reached at monica.lobenstein@wisc.edu or 715-896-0377.

St. Croix County 4-H Leaders Association Meeting

Next Meeting June 21 @ 7:00pm

UW-Extension Office or via ZOOM



Shooting Sports Adult Leader Certification Workshops

Adults interested in a shooting sports certification to instruct in the county 4-H Shooting Sports program can now save a date. Saturday certification workshops for 2022 are set for the following areas:

- Green Bay, April 30, Archery, Rifle/Air Rifle, & Shotgun
- Eau Claire, May 21, Archery, Rifle/Air Rifle & Shotgun

Requirements for attending a certification workshop:

1. Age 21 or older.
2. Be an approved 4-H leader in your county through 4-H Online.
3. Complete the National 4-H online training.
4. Register for your certification workshop of choice through 4-H Online.
5. Attend the complete 8 hours of the certification workshop.



Those reading the registration information on the 4-H Shooting Sports web page for Saturday certification workshops will notice there are different instructions depending on a leader's status. Leaders attending their first certification workshop have different instructions than those returning for an additional certification.

For additional information and to register, please visit the State 4-H Shooting Sports web at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/shooting-sports/leader-certification-training-workshops/>

Attentions Club Leaders;

Our March 15 enrollment deadline and our March 31 project change deadline has passed. Please go into the 4-H Online program and **review your membership and project lists**. If you have trouble viewing these documents or need your club passcode, please contact Laura.

Additionally, there are still a few clubs who haven't picked up their fair books. They are here at the Baldwin Extension office.

Please let Laura or i know if you need any assistance.

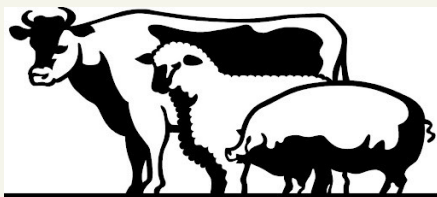
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4-H COMMITTEES

Livestock Committee Meeting

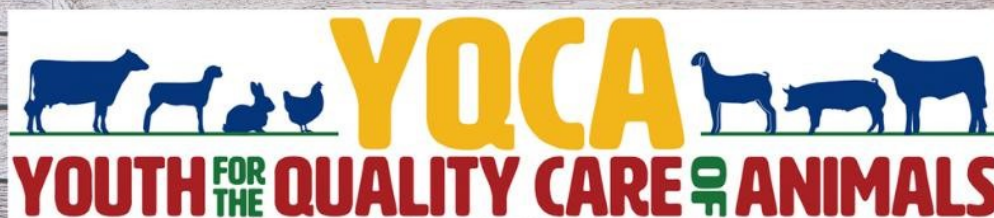
There will be a Livestock Committee Meeting on **Tuesday, April 12 at 7 pm** at the UW-Extension Office, Baldwin.



Livestock Rules Meeting: April 21st 7:00 PM

This is the **final** rules meeting for St. Croix Livestock Committee. This is a requirement to show at the St. Croix County Fair for beef, goat (dairy and meat), sheep, and swine. These rules meetings are required for all exhibitors and one parent. Please make sure to attend! The meeting will be in Conference Room #117 at the Ag Building in Baldwin.

If you have any questions, please contact Lori DeBoer. lordeb651@gmail.com



In Person Trainings

Polk County Justice Center

Dates:

Tuesday, April 5 at 6:30 PM
Sunday, April 24 at 4:00 PM
Saturday, May 7 at 9:00 AM

Register at:

yqcaprogram.org

Cost:

\$3 In Person
\$12 Web Based

Polk County is offering YQCA training this spring to register go to yqcaprogram.org YQCA certification is required for all St. Croix County livestock youth (sheep, swine, beef and meat goats) who plan to participate in the fair.

Horse Project News

St. Croix County Youth Horse Project MANDATORY Kick-off meetings

Both meetings are being held at the Ag Center in Baldwin. These are MANDATORY every horse project member that would like to participate in the project is required to attend one of these 2 meetings. Put them on your Calendar now and make these a priority. – Thank you!

- **Saturday April 9th – 8:30 am Arrival – 9:00 am Start.**
- **Thursday April 21st – 6:30 pm Arrival – 7:00 pm Start**

All Horse project parents and youth are welcome and encouraged!

Upcoming 2021 – 2022 Youth Horse Project Meetings - Ag Center

Youth Meeting 7:00 / all project meeting 7:30

- Monday April 4th
- Monday May 2nd
- Monday June 6th
- Monday July 11th (moved due to 4th)
- Monday Aug 1st (project recap meeting)
- No Sept meeting
- Monday Oct 3rd – 2022 Year-end banquet



State 4-H Horse Education Days

Registration Deadline: April 1st

**Speaking & Demonstration
Contest Date: May 13, 2022**

**Horse Bowl and Hippology
Contest Date: May 14, 2022**

**Both contests are at the
Dodge Co Fairgrounds. You need
to be pre-registered to participate.**

**More information about visit:
The WI 4-H Horse Association
Handbook**

WI 4-H Horse Education Days

Registration deadline is April 1st for WI 4-H Horse Education Days (speaking, demonstration, horse bowl and hippology.)

All events will be held at the Dodge County Fairgrounds this year. Speaking and demonstration will be on May 13th and horse bowl and hippology will be on May 14th. You must be pre-registered by April 1st to take part in any of these events.

Looking for more information about the contests or registration forms?

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/2022/03/16/wi-4-h-horse-education-days/>

St. Croix County 4-H Dairy Member Scholarship **Sponsored by the Schultz Family**

Who is eligible for this award? High school seniors planning to continue their education in any agriculture related field. (Four year college, two year program, vocational or other). Applicant must have been a St. Croix County 4-H dairy member in good standing for a minimum of 3 years and have a minimum of a 3.0 High School GPA.



Please contact Cindy Schultz at schultzdairy@hotmail.com for complete information and the application.

Must complete the application, provide two letters of recommendation from non-family members and provide a personal resume. To Cindy by 11:59 pm on **May 15, 2022.**

The St. Croix County 4-H Dairy Committee would like to announce the winners of the Heritage Calf!!!

After an application and interview process the following individuals will receive a cash award to put towards the purchase of a registered dairy animal.

The winners are Kaylee Raymond and Adelle Dittman both of Riverside 4-H Club and Hallie Dorwin of Baldwin Wide Awake 4-H Club.

Congratulations to these fine young members of the dairy project who completed outstanding applications and had amazing interviews with our selection committee.



DAIRY NEWS:

Outstanding Dairy Member Application

Due: June 1

Each year the Dairy Committee selects one member to receive the Outstanding Dairy Member Award. The member selected receives a plaque and a \$100 cash award. The plaque is presented at the County Fair and the \$100 check is presented at the 4-H Leaders' Banquet in the fall.

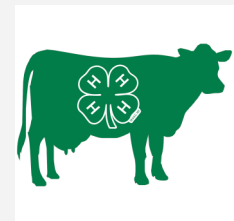
Contact Mary Luckwaldt—
luckwaldt123@yahoo.com for an application or to submit an application.

Please remember, a member may only receive the award once in their 4-H career.

Attention all 4-H members interested in Dairy Judging!!

Practices will begin on **April 12th at 7:00 pm**

**Where: NOVA Holsteins - Lance and Ryan Kamm's farm
1710 190th Street, New Richmond, WI**



At the first practice we will determine if practices will stay on Tuesday nights or if a different night suits everyone's schedule better. The district competition for dairy judging is set for June 17th in Chippewa County.

All 4-H members are welcome to participate in dairy judging.

Calling All Dog Project Members!

April 7: Dog project informational kickoff – required for all dog project members. 7:00 pm

UWEX Office, Baldwin. If unable to attend on April 7, please contact Cassie Van Dyk in advance at 715-222-6938 or c.vandyk4216@gmail.com.

Please bring:

- A copy of your dog's up to date vaccination record. This copy will be retained by the dog project committee. If all vaccinations are not up to date by April 7, they will indeed need to be administered and your record submitted before you begin the May in-person trainings. Your record must show up to date vaccinations for:
 - * Canine distemper, adenovirus type-2, parainfluenza, parvovirus, Leptospirosis, and rabies.
 - * Exhibitors are also encouraged to have dogs vaccinated for coronavirus and Bordatella (kennel cough) and to medicate for heartworm prevention as per veterinarian's instructions.
- \$10 fee per member/\$20 per family max.

We will discuss rules and expectations for the upcoming training season and dog show, collect fees, collect vaccination records, and complete and sign dog project agreement forms.

Attendance is mandatory to help all members prepare for the upcoming training season.

Snapshot of activities leading up to county fair:

May-July: Thursday evenings, weekly outdoor obedience and showmanship trainings to prepare for the July 16 St. Croix Co. 4-H dog show. Also, opportunities to march in local parades with 4-H Ambassadors.

July 9: 4-H Dog Fun Show, St. Croix County Fairgrounds. 9:00 am-noon. This is good practice for the show the next week.

July 16: St. Croix County 4-H Dog Show, St. Croix County Fairgrounds. 9:00 am-noon.

Interested? Questions? Contact project co-leader Deb Beyer at 920-889-0850 or deborahbeyer2015@gmail.com



2022 St. Croix Shooting Sports

We are back to our “normal” time frame with four dates total in May/ June (2 & 2) for practices and one day in July for the competition. They will all be held at Willow River Rod & Gun Club again thanks to their generous permission. I anticipate a parents/ sign up meeting in April TBD. We will offer Archery, Air/ Rimfire Rifle, & Shotgun. Time slots for all dates are 9 am to 12ish.

Dates: 5/7, 5/21, 6/4, 6/18, & 7/16
Address: Willow River Rod & Gun Club
1041 WI-64, New Richmond WI 54017

Questions can be directed to Shawn Weyer (715) 977-0184



Photography Project ~ April 2022

Happy Spring!!! I am so glad that the warmer weather is upon us and there is new growth happening outside!!! What a terrific time to get out your cameras and get some fun springtime photos! New flowers, new baby animals on the farms, the first Robin of the spring, farmers and gardeners preparing the fields and gardens, crops and plants going into the ground, and the list goes on!!

The fair will be here before we know it! When you sign up for your Photography Photos remember that it is easier to sign up for 8 and bring 3 than it is to sign up for 3 and have 8 that you really want to bring. I know that you have to choose your “topics” but with conference judging you can sometimes cross pictures into different categories. Just be aware of what you have picked. In addition, Black & White can be of the same subject, just not the exact same picture! Make sure they are different!! An example of this would be if you had a picture of your dog sitting in a colored photo and then you also have a Black & White that you signed up for, make sure your dog is doing something different or sitting in a very different way!

At this time there are not any meetings planned as I have asked and not had a response. If you have a group that is interested please let me know!! I will leave the Facebook Group up for questions and of course if at any time, you have questions I am happy to help. You can ask right in the Facebook page (others may have the same question(s) that you do), you can text, Private Message me or send me an email.

Have an amazing day,

Kay Jacobsen ~ St. Croix County Photography Project Leader

Our email is sccphotographyproject@gmail.com and the Facebook page is SCCPHOTOGRAPHYPROJECT (request to join, tell what club you are with, and you will be accepted!).



Let's Get Out & Play

Coaches Meeting: Wednesday, April 20th 7 pm @ UW Extension Office

It's time to start organizing the 4H Softball Season and get the kids outside to play. If you are interested in playing or coaching this summer, please reach out:

Gina Schneider 715-965-0782 ginam929@gmail.com

Practices will start in May with games to follow in June and July. There is a senior league division (grades 9-12) and a junior league division (grades 4—8). If there is enough interest we will have a novice division (grades K-3).

No minimum meeting requirement!



4-H Area Animal Science Days – Save the Date!

Save the date for WI 4-H Area Animal Science Days! We will have two host sites this year. A big THANK YOU to Sheboygan County for hosting on June 15th and Chippewa County for hosting on June 17th. Watch your e-mail, social media, and the state 4-H website for more information about registration information and the offerings at each host site along.

What is Area Animal Science Day?

Area Animal Science Days is a series of two day-long events held around the state in June where youth in the beef, dairy, sheep, and swine projects increase their decision-making skills and knowledge of animals through judging and grading experiences. Events include evaluation of dairy cattle, and meat animals; dairy showmanship contests; and presenting oral reasons. One of the awesome things about youth judging is that it flips your typical animal show experience. Often you are in the ring and a judging is telling you why they placed the animals the way they did. This gives you the opportunity to place a class and the reasons why you placed a class the way you saw it. In addition, each site may offer a variety of workshops for horses, rabbits, poultry, or other species. Stay tuned for more information about those additional offerings.

Who can participate? Any current 4-H members ages in grades 3-13. Even if your county has not participated in the past, round-up some 4-H friends and take advantage of this fun opportunity to show your knowledge of the horse species and industry.

Please note, there are age divisions for each of those contests. See the contest information at the State 4-H Website – Area Animal Science Day for more information on the age divisions. Divisions: Junior – Age 8-13 as of January 1, 2022; Senior – Age 14-18 as of January 1, 2022. WI 4-H members that are in the 13th grade and have reached their 19th birthday prior to January 1, 2022 are eligible to compete at the AASD contests and state contest as individuals but not as a member of a team. Youth must be in or completed 3rd grade, 8 year old Cloverbuds cannot participate. Please check on rules of each contest for more information

Do I need judge with my county? You do need to register to compete for the county you are enrolled in. You can always practice with other counties (some awesome coaches help a few counties) but when it comes to contest time you need to compete for your county.

What if my county doesn't have a team? If your county doesn't have a team, you can still take part as an individual. If you aren't sure if your county has a team, check with your local county 4-H educator for more information.

Looking for more information?

Check out the WI State 4-H Area Animal Science Days website

at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/area-animal-science-days/>

WI 4-H
AREA ANIMAL
SCIENCE DAYS

Save the Date

SHEBOYGAN - JUNE 15TH
CHIPPEWA - JUNE 17TH

REGISTRATION INFORMATION
COMING SOON!



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ST. CROIX COUNTY FAIR



NEW ST. CROIX COUNTY FAIRBOOKS AVAILABLE NOW

A new year, a new fair book! Whether you bake, sew, build, or grow entering an exhibit at a county fair is an exciting process that is open to all. The St. Croix County Fair offers 17 open class departments ranging from Antiques to Rabbits and Woodworking as well as 30 Youth departments that include Livestock, Flowers, and Photography. Held in Glenwood City, this year's St. Croix County Fair will be July 20-24. To enter your exhibit in the St. Croix County Fair, visit our website at www.stcroixcofair.com and click on the Quick Links "Open Class Fair Book" or "Jr. Fair Book". Online St. Croix County Fair entry opens on April 1, 2022 and closes at midnight May 31, 2022, no exceptions. The new 2022 St. Croix County fair book includes several changes so be sure to read the rules and descriptions carefully.

The St. Croix County Fair asks that 4-H families wait to receive their St. Croix County Premium Books from their club leaders as there were a limited number of books printed this year.

For additional Fair related information, visit the St. Croix County Fair web site at www.stcroixcofair.com, <https://www.facebook.com/stcroixfair> or email us at stcroixcofair@gmail.com. Come to the Fair with your exhibit and put yourself in the center of the fun. Let's celebrate Country Nights & Carnival Lights July 20-24! We hope to see you there!



SAINT CROIX COUNTY
FAIR

Fair Board Meeting
Thursday, April 21st 7pm
St. Croix County Fairgrounds

TIME TO ENTER THE ST CROIX COUNTY FAIR!!!

To access FairEntry use the link on the Fair's website or <http://stcroixcofair.fairentry.com> . Use your 4-H online username and password to access your account. If you are having trouble, create a new fair entry account using the same username and password to get into the program. Your information should have integrated from 4-H online, if not simply add the required information--name, address, phone number, email address and parents name.

Entries are accepted April 1, 2022 to May 31, 2022--NO EXCEPTIONS AND NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

- Pick the Department, then class and lots that you would like to enter.
- We do not need a payment from you so skip that page and the next page will ask you to check your entries.
- The last step is to submit, only after you are sure you have all your exhibits listed and everyone in your household that will be entering the fair has also picked their exhibits.
- There are no changes to your exhibit list after May 31st, unless it is an animal health issue which you will need to clear with your animal species department head.
- You will receive an email thanking you for registering for the fair. After your entries are approved by staff, you will receive a second email listing your exhibits. Forward that last email to your club leader so they can see that you have entered.
- Print that email so you have a paper copy of what you entered.**

Animal changes will be allowed after that due to illness, by contacting your leader and the animal department leader. The Department leader will then contact Cindy to make the changes.

Call Cindy with any questions: 715-246-5486 or email cindyvandyk1976@gmail.com



FRIENDS OF THE FAIR

Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds

Friends will continue to be creative in its fund raising efforts with the focus on remote events to the greatest extent. Our funding priority is keeping our commitment to provide the funding to retire the loan on the new Multi-species Livestock Barn. We have already made great progress and thank all of you who have donated, participated in our auctions or purchased raffle tickets.

Projects currently in the works:

1. Continuing our relationship with Jody Close and Smith Sales. Current plans are for one stand alone event exclusively for Friends as well as participating in ongoing Smith Auctions with farm equipment/tool donations
2. Continuing the Meat Raffle. Even with softer ticket sales in 2021, we did very well thanks to donations of the raffle prizes and the processing. More details to follow.
3. Conducting a fall commodity drive – a very successful fund raiser due to the continued support of several county crop farmers.
4. Continuing to look for grant/donation opportunities

How you can help:

1. Look for items to donate/consign that we can sell through Smith Sales
2. Participate in our meat raffles by both purchasing and helping sell tickets
3. Participate in your company volunteer matches. For example, 3M active/retiree employees giving 25 hours of volunteer service to a qualifying non-profit (Friends) earn a \$500 matching grant from 3M
4. Use social media to promote our fundraising efforts – the impact can be huge!
5. **Interested in being part of a successful fund raising organization? Consider becoming a Friends board member – see contact # below.**

Please keep tuned as Friends works through our 2022 fund raising projects. Please feel free to contact Friends' Board Members with your suggestions – all ideas are welcome.

Chris Libbey Contact phone #: (651) 247-0395



4-H Wants You Contest 4-H Needs YOU to be YOU

Have you heard about Chris Clover and the Wisconsin 4-H Movement? Hopefully, you have and are ready to join in on Chris Clover's next adventure. This time it's all about YOU. We hope you'll help us learn something new through the "We Want You To Be You Shirt Design Challenge."



The Challenge

We're excited to learn about what is important to YOU in this new challenge. We hope you'll help us by designing a shirt for Chris Clover so we can share with everyone else! Get more information here: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/2022/02/09/4-h-wants-you-to-be-you/>

Announcing Community Marks the Spot: The 3rd Annual Service Learning Project

The 3rd Annual Wisconsin Service Learning Project is called Community Marks the Spot. It's a place-based project where youth can highlight something about their community that's important to them. Place-based projects are hands-on, real-world learning experiences.

How to Get More Info:

- Visit <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4h-resources/community-marks-the-spot-activity-plan/> to download the plan, see what others have shared, and get questions answered!
- Join our virtual learning session to learn more on **Tuesday, April 19, 6-7PM on Zoom**. Register in advance for this meeting: <https://uwmadison.zoom.us/j/9298042980>



This program is proudly shared through the Virtual Learning Community.
For more opportunities like this, please visit:
4h.extension.wisc.edu/vlc

CRAZY FOR

Cake Pops

THURSDAY, APRIL 7TH AT 7PM

Join us virtually to learn how to make Cake pops start to finish, while also learning the proper way to temper chocolate in the microwave.

UW-MADISON EXTENSION

Register at wi.4honline.com by April 4

Come learn how to make Cake pops start to finish, while also learning the proper way to temper chocolate in the microwave!

This session will be held on **April 7 at 7 PM** via Zoom.

Youth in **Grades 5-9** can register today via 4HOnline. Not a 4-H member? Register with this link: <https://go.wisc.edu/h92980>



4-H SPARK DAYS

3 ONE-DAY CONFERENCES
3 UW CAMPUSES
3 TRACKS- WHAT SPARKS YOU?


Join us for 4-H Spark Days! These one-day conferences across three UW Campuses will each feature a different track to fuel your sparks.

Each day includes hands-on sessions, career pathway exploration, great speakers, meeting new 4-H friends from around the state, and fun.

Choose one, or more, that sparks your interest!

**REGISTRATION
OPENS MAY 2**

First come, first served

Receive updates and a registration reminder through our email list 

<https://go.wisc.edu/uarr89>



UW RIVER FALLS, JUNE 20

Agriculture & Animal Science

Explore your sparks and discover career options you may not have considered. Meet faculty and students to learn more about programs and majors in the Colleges of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Science, and more. Experience the campus lab farms, learn about the UWRF college experience, and participate in hands-on sessions.



UW MILWAUKEE, JUNE 21

Urban Agriculture/City Sparks

Explore unique programs and majors, including Urban Agriculture, Film, Architecture, Freshwater Sciences, Library Sciences, and more on the UW-Milwaukee Campus! Meet people from local community organizations, professionals in different career fields, college students from UWM and MATC, and youth from across the state. You don't want to miss this!



UW MADISON, JUNE 22

Arts & Culture

Explore your creative side and how to create a creative life post-high school. Workshop choices include theater arts, dance, photography, and media. Led by Wisconsin 4-H Arts Team, Drama Company, and other community partners.

LEARN MORE HERE:

[HTTPS://4H.EXTENSION.WISC.EDU/OPPORTUNITIES/STATEWIDE-EVENTS-AND-OPPORTUNITIES/4-H-SPARK-DAYS/](https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/4-h-spark-days/)

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2023 Wisconsin 4-H Advanced Space Academy

**Registration
Opens
July 1**

Activities Include:

- High / Low Ropes Course
- NASA Simulators
- Russian Language Lessons
- Scuba Diving
- Fighter Jet Simulators
- Advanced Rocketry
- Meeting NASA Engineers
- Land, Air, and Sea Robotics Training
- STEM Challenges
- Simulated Space Mission
- International Space



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Advanced Space Academy explores college and career preparation through an immersive experience in science, technology, engineering, and math. Trainees undergo a variety of astronaut training exercises, engineering challenges, and team-building activities, all culminating in an extended duration simulated space mission.



Grades: 10th—12th graders as of January 1, 2023

Dates: January 21—27, 2023

Location: US Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama

Cost: \$1,650.00 / youth (Deposit of \$825.00 is due by October 1, 2022)

Lodging: Youth will stay at a hotel in Milwaukee, WI the first night. During the rest of the program youth will stay in the Space Camp dormitory.

Meals: All meals will be included in the price.

Transportation: Youth will fly to and from Space Camp from Mitchell Airport in Milwaukee, WI

Registration: July 1-31, 2022 through 4-HOnline. Registration is on a first come., first serve basis. There are only 32 spots available.

More information: Contact Joshua Goede at 608-269-8722 or joshua.goede@wisc.edu

OTHER NEWS



SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2022 AT 10:30 AM – 1:30 PM
EARTH DAY CELEBRATION
Giezendanner School Forest

A family friendly Earth Day Celebration at Giezendanner School Forest. Bring a picnic lunch, if you choose and eat under the trees.

Activities begin at 10:30, pick and choose or do them all!

Bird Migration Game & Bird Display

Earth Day Cookie Decorating

Clay Impressions

Story Station

Free Trees

Scavenger Hunt

Wildflower GPS Hunt

Shrinking Habitat Activity

12:30 - River Valley Raptors presentation with an owl, falcon & hawk.

Sponsored by B-W School District, Baldwin and Woodville Public Libraries,
Botany Belles & Beaus Garden Club, St. Croix Valley Bird Club

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