

4-H



COMMUNICATOR

UW-Extension COVID-19 Updates

Here are the latest guidelines from the University for 4-H members and leaders:

- Virtual and distance programs are preferred through fall / winter.
- For Adult Only In Person Programming (for groups of 10 or less)– A Program Approval Checklist and Participant Log still need to be submitted, but no state approvals are required.
- For Youth In person Programming – A Program Approval Checklist requires approval before the event by the 4-H Educator. Participant log sheets must be submitted following the meeting.
- Face to face meetings of groups with 10 or more (not to exceed 50 people) may meet in outdoor or multi-room locations with program approval. Large groups must be broken down in to groups of 10 or less and remain separated and physically distant from each other.
- Overnight camps and travel programs continued to be cancelled.
- 4-H clubs and committees participation in local events, festivals, parades, or food stands is not allowed.

For the most updated list on COVID meeting rules please go to <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-faqs-related-to-covid-19/>

If you would like to request program approval please contact Eileen eileen.vandyk@wisc.edu or Heather heather.vierling@wisc.edu to receive paperwork and review meeting guidelines.

The link below is to a video that will assist you with holding a face to face meeting for your club or group.
<https://youtu.be/QLUd9lyMGO8>

The following policies are currently in place, but may change depending on the number of COVID-19 infections in Wisconsin, guidance from the CDC and DHS, and UW-Madison policies.

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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."*

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St. Croix County 4-H

Dear 4-H Families,

In the 4-H pledge, we pledge our heads to clearer thinking, our hearts to greater loyalty, our hands to larger service and our health to better living for our club, our community, our country and our world. These aspects spoken in our pledge outline the four essential elements to youth development. We say that we pledge our hands to larger service, which is meeting the need for generosity in youth.

A major part of generosity is that contribution that the youth provide. Throughout the year 4-H youth plan and implement many community service projects in an effort to contribute to our community. These service projects take many forms including: work on food drives, clothing drives, adopt-a-highway, bake sales, telethons, ringing bells, and other projects that help to better their communities. They also take part in community festivals to help provide assistance for these big events. By taking part in service learning, the youth gain skills in organization, planning and communication. In addition they learn the value of helping and being part of a community.

The COVID-19 pandemic has put a halt to a number of face to face service learning opportunities that St. Croix County 4-H youth annually participate in. Now is the time to think outside the box on how we can still give back to our communities but remain safe. Below are a few ideas.

Nursing Homes:

- Send cards and care packages to the nursing home residents
- Set up virtual bingo with the residence
- Have your club / family record a number of holiday songs and send the video for residents to view

Food / Clothing Drives:

- Set up a drop box at a families home or business



Adopt a Family:

- Have families independently shop for items, create a drop box of where the families can place their purchased items. Have one person / family deliver the items to the adoptive family.

Highway Cleanup:

- Club members must stay at least 6 feet away from each other while picking up trash

There are a number of other service projects you or your club can do. If you have questions in regards to them please contact Eileen or Heather. Thank you for giving back to St. Croix County and teaching our youth the value of service.

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

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

CALENDAR

November

- 2 Horse Project Committee Meeting
- 4 Virtual VIP Training (must register by Oct. 28)
- 6-7 Virtual WI 4-H Fall Forum
- 7 Ambassador Meeting
- 10 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 13 Deadline to Enter the 2021 Cedar Crest 4-H Ice Cream Flavor Contest
- 13 2020-2021 4-H Program Planning Committee Meeting
- 14 St. Croix County 4-H Leader Retreat
- 15 Re-enrollment Deadline
- 17 St. Croix County 4-H (Virtual) Leader Retreat
- 20 Hunting Challenge Entry Deadline
- 23 Cloverbud at Home Registration Deadline
- 24 Virtual VIP Training (must register by Nov. 17)
- 26 UWEX OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY
- 27 UWEX OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY



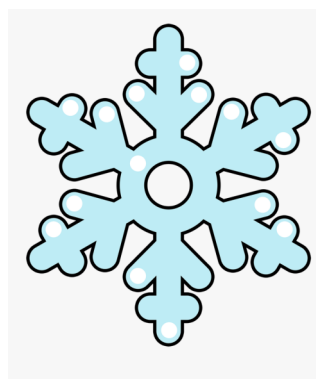
December

- 1 Cloverbud at Home Box Pick Up
- 5 Beef Weigh In
- 7 Horse Project Committee Meeting
- 8 Cloverbud at Home Box Pick Up
- 9 Virtual VIP Training (must register by Nov. 30)
- 10 Cloverbud at Home December Virtual Project Meeting
- 14 Virtual VIP Training (must register by Dec. 4)
- 24 UWEX OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY
- 25 UWEX OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY
- 31 UWEX OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY



January

- 1 UWEX OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY
- 2 Hunting Challenge Submission Deadline
- 4 Horse Project Committee Meeting
- 5 Photography Challenge Submission Deadline
- 5 Quilting Challenge Submission Deadline
- 7 Cloverbud at Home January Virtual Project Meeting
- 9 Ambassador Meeting
- 12 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 30 Foods Fair (Virtual)



CONGRATULATIONS!

2020 4-H Week Club Promotions



Check out this promotional video created by North Country 4-H Club <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cnL61CzOOUI>

2020 4-H Club Scrapbook Winner



**Rolling Hills
4-H Club**

2020 4-H Virtual Leaders Banquet

A huge thank you to all of our 2020 4-H leaders, families and members. We wish we could have celebrated in person this year. Please view this awesome awards presentation celebrating our wonderful membership.

[https://
stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/2020/10/27/2020-
virtual-4-h-leaders-banquet/](https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/2020/10/27/2020-virtual-4-h-leaders-banquet/)

CONGRATULATIONS!

2020-2021 4-H Ambassadors

Evelyn Bakken—Rolling Hills
Owen Bauman—Rustic Renegades
Carly Brown—Rolling Hills
Bennett Hatfield—Rolling Hills
AJ Lentz—Rolling Hills



Nicholas Lentz—Rolling Hills
Abigail Lingenfelter—Rolling Hills
Maran Luckwaldt—Lone Pine
Anna Paulson—Rolling Hills

CONGRATULATIONS 2020 HORSE PROJECT WINNERS

Graduating (Super) Seniors



Abby Stark



Jessica Moor

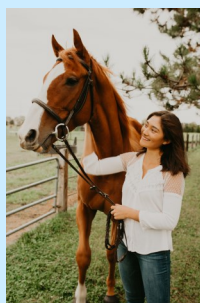


Dakota Gartmann

Horse Project Scholarships



Nicholas Lentz



MacKenzie Korent



Payton Gilbertson

Summer Challenge

Gabbi Linder, Abby Stark, Kaisa Engstrom, AJ Lentz, Alexis Brenner, Natalie Anderson, Ayla Anderson, Olivia Anderson and Lana Erickson

2020 Wisconsin 4-H Dairy Judging

Junior Division Teams: 1. Grant, **2. St. Croix-A**, 3. Fond du Lac, 4. Shawano-A, **5. St. Croix-B**

Junior Division Individuals: 1. Hailey Zernicke (Shawano), **2. Tessa Wagner (St. Croix)**, 3. Matthew Winch (Grant), **4. Stella Kamm (St. Croix)**, 5. Brady Burmeister (Grant)

Senior Division Teams: 1. Grant, **2. St. Croix-A**, **3. St. Croix - B**, 4. Iowa

Senior Division Individuals: 1. Randy Winch (Grant), 2. Julia Searls (Iowa), 3. Mariah Kopp (Grant), 4. Wesley Winch (Grant), **5. Amelia Dittman (St. Croix)**

THE 4-H FAMILY CHALLENGE

Its time to get the whole family involved! We are excited to offer four 4-H Family Challenge Activities during the next few months. Each time your family completes one of the challenges your name will go into the hat for a drawing at the end of February. We will draw two families to receive a family night fun gift pack (worth over \$50 each). Good luck.

To register for the 4-H Family Challenge go to: <https://forms.gle/Wi6LzhRw6YGpGopi9>

SERVICE PROJECT

Here is an opportunity for your family to give back to your local community. Find a service project that means something important to your family. Examples could include: food drives, clothing drives, writing cards to nursing home residents, ringing bells, shoveling a neighbors driveway, etc. Service activities can be found every-

where. Jump in and do some good deeds for the year.



GINGERBREAD BUILD

The holiday season is fast approaching. Get the entire family involved in creating a one of a kind gingerbread build. This could be a traditional house or you can design a one of a kind structure. Advance the fun with lots of frosting, candy decorations, and accessories (tress, cars, animals, etc.). The sky is the limit. We can't wait to see what your family builds!



GEO CASHING

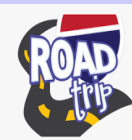
Are you ready for a scavenger hunt? Get outside and explore St. Croix County. Families will receive clues to find a number of caches around St. Croix County. Can you find them all?



TAKE A ROAD TRIP

Get on the road with your family and discover new places. This could be a day trip or a family vacation. You can travel within St. Croix County or beyond. Below we have listed a few ideas for your family to visit.

- WI State Parks
- St. Croix County Parks
- Como Zoo & Conservatory
- Mall of America Aquarium
- MN Science Museum
- Train Ride in Osseo, Spooner, or Duluth
- Local Holiday Light Displays
- Virtual Trip



4-H PROJECT CHALLENGES ARE BACK!

To Register for Any of the 4-H Project Challenges go to: <https://forms.gle/Ckv7tr9tZmga9VYU6>

Additional Project Challenges will be added each month so stay tuned for more! Also, if you have suggestions for new Project Challenges email Heather at heather.vierling@wisc.edu

Deer Hunting Challenge

This challenge is open to all youth interested in hunting deer during the 2020 season. Youth may use a gun, bow, or crossbow for this challenge. This is not a big buck contest. Every deer killed will count. Youth will need to register and submit a photo and form for each deer. Every time a youth submits an entry their name will get entered into a drawing for a \$25.00 Fleet Farm Gift Card (4 gift cards will be given out). Once youth are registered, the full list of rules will be sent to you. Youth must abide by all Wisconsin DNR hunting rules and regulations.



All youth must be entered into this challenge by November 20, 2020. All entries must be submitted by January 2, 2021. To register for this challenge go to <https://forms.gle/Ckv7tr9tZmga9VYU6>

Photography—Holiday Challenge



The holidays are a great time to capture memories. Over the next few months take photos that symbolize the holiday season. You can submit as many photos as you like. All photos must be submitted by January 5, 2021. We will pick one winner from each category (K—2), 3-5, 6-9, 10-13). Winners will receive their photo blown up and framed. All participants must register for this challenge at <https://forms.gle/Ckv7tr9tZmga9VYU6>

Service Learning Challenge

This is the season for service. Document your service project by creating a video of what you did, why you did it, who you helped, and what you learned from the experience. All videos will be posted on the St. Croix County Face Book page. Additionally, all of these stories will be written up for a newspaper article to be published in all the local papers. All youth who participate will receive a prize. Entries are due February 1, 2021. Register at <https://forms.gle/Ckv7tr9tZmga9VYU6>



Quilting Challenge

Pull out your sewing machine and create a quilt for the holidays. This challenge is for beginners to advanced quilters. Once you are registered a quilting pattern will be sent to you. You will have two months to create a beautiful quilt. Use it as a holiday gift for someone special or keep it to stay warm in over the cold winter months. All participants will receive a quilting related gift. Entries are due Jan. 5. Register for this challenge at <https://forms.gle/Ckv7tr9tZmga9VYU6>



Cloverbuds at Home

We are excited to offer a St. Croix County Cloverbuds at Home program! This program is designed for **ANY** youth in grades K-2, not just registered Cloverbud members. Each box will receive 5 months of hands-on learning activities, running December-April. Each month offers **TWO** different educational opportunities! One staff-lead Zoom meeting, and one on your own opportunity. Please note that participating in the Zoom meetings are encouraged but optional. Each Zoom meeting will start at 6:30 pm and run approx. 30-45mins, the dates are as follows; Thursday, December 10, Thursday, January 7, Thursday, February 18, Thursday, March 11, and Thursday, April 8. You will find a registration form on the next page. Please contact Heather if you have additional questions heather.vierling@wisc.edu

<u>DECEMBER</u>	
Virtual Activity	Home Activity
Winter Science	Holiday Ornaments
<u>JANUARY</u>	
Virtual Activity	Home Activity
Baking 101	Tie Blanket
<u>FEBRUARY</u>	
Virtual Activity	Home Activity
Sounds & Music	Growing Herbs
<u>MARCH</u>	
Virtual Activity	Home Activity
Food & Nutrition Fun	Family First Aid Kit
<u>APRIL</u>	
Virtual Activity	Home Activity
Become an Engineer	M&M Math



Cloverbuds at Home

Registration form

We are excited to offer a St. Croix County Cloverbuds at Home program! This program is designed for **ANY** youth in grades K-2, not just registered Cloverbud members. As we work towards meeting the engagement needs of our 4-H community we wanted to make sure our youngest and newest members also got some special attention. Each box will receive 5 months of hands-on learning activities, running December-April. Each month offers **TWO** different educational opportunities! One staff-lead Zoom meeting, and one on your own opportunity. Please note that participating in the Zoom meetings are encouraged but optional. Each Zoom meeting will start at 6:30 pm and run approx. 30-45mins, the dates are as follows; Thursday, December 10, Thursday, January 7, Thursday, February 18, Thursday, March 11, and Thursday, April 8.

Registration closes on Monday, November 23 so don't delay, register today!
Your registration is not complete unless payment accompanies your form.

First and Last Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

4-H Club: _____

Pick-up will be held in no-contact fashion, in Baldwin, WI at the UW-Extension Office on the nights listed below. Please include a check with this form.

_____ We will pick our boxes up on Tuesday, December 1 from 3-6pm

_____ We will pick our boxes up on Thursday, December 8 from 3-6pm

_____ We are unable to pick our boxes up on the designated pick up nights

Number of *Cloverbud at Home* boxes ordering: _____ X \$25.00

Total: \$ _____

Checks payable to: St. Croix UW-Extension

Mail to: UW-Extension Office

ATN: Heather Vierling

1960 8th Ave., Suite 140, Baldwin, WI 54002

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Payment:

_____ Cash

_____ Check → Check #: _____

Date Received: _____



FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Instagram: @stcroixco4h

Facebook: St. Croix County 4-H

HURRY...the 2020-2021 4-H Re-Enrollment Deadline is Fast Approaching



All returning 4-H youth must be re-enrolled by November 15, 2020.

Please go to
<https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in> to enroll.

Your existing 4-HOnline user name and password should work. If you need additional assistance with re-enrolling go to <https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/v2.Family.Enrollment.Guide.pdf> or contact Eileen at eileen.vandyk@wisc.edu

St. Croix County Club Officer Info Sharing

Are you a club officer that lead your club through the stay at home order and virtual meetings? Are you a newly elected officer that is going into a year of uncertainty and zoom meetings? Then this session is for you!

Purpose of meeting - Brainstorm with other club officers on what works and where there are opportunities during virtual meetings. Please fill out this google form to RSVP and to make sure the agenda includes topics that are important to you.

Sunday November 29th

5:00 via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4456389556>

Meeting ID: 445 638 9556



SAVE THE DATES

CLOVER COOKING

January 23 (9am—12pm)

Virtual

CLOVER COLLEGE

February 27 (9am—3pm)

TBD



Adults and Youth leaders needed to create 4-H Project Informational Sheets

Do you have an interest and knowledge in a certain 4-H project? Would you like to help others learn more about that project and how they could lead a successful year in that project? If so, we have got the opportunity for you! The Statewide 4-H Project Leader Support Committee is looking to develop committees of staff, youth leaders and adult volunteers to edit current project information sheets and create project leader supplemental documents. Youth should be in 8th-13th grade. Project sheet workgroups will include: **Art, Horses, Photography, Swine, and Woodworking**. Examples of current project information sheets can be found at: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4h-ext/opportunities/projects/>



To develop these materials committees will:

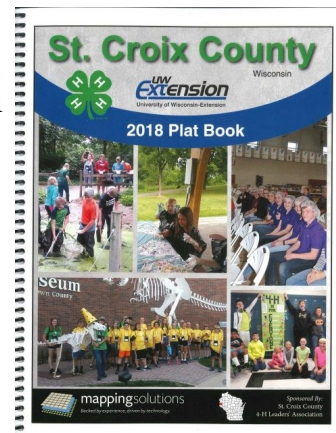
- review current curriculum available for this project
- develop a list of most common project skills using the project skill list, committees will develop a list of suggested activities to provide a path through project learning
- suggested activities lists will provide project leaders a simpler process for planning and focusing project meeting calendars

We are anticipating committees will meet for an hour every other week, as necessary for about 3 months. Each committee will develop their own meeting schedule. Meetings will be held via Zoom and Chaired by 4-H Staff.

If interested, please complete the google form: <https://forms.gle/cb7vEMA7V1zLXtmR9> by November 5. We are hoping for a November 15 start date.

St. Croix County 4-H Needs Your Help—2021 Plat Book

Attention 4-H Families and Friends!! The 4-H Leaders' Association is beginning to gather advertising for a 2021 St. Croix County Plat Book publication. If you have a business or if you know of someone with a business that would like to advertise in this new plat book please contact Mary Luckwaldt at luckwaldt123@yahoo.com or on her cell phone at 715.497.8034. The plan is to have all advertising gathered by March 1, 2021 so that the books may be proofed and printed by the May Fair Event in 2021.



LEADER NEWS

2020 Annual Leader Retreat

Face to Face Meeting: November 14 @ 9:00am at the UW-Extension Office in Baldwin

Virtual Meeting: November 17 @ 7:00pm via ZOOM

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 2020-2021 club charters. All adult and youth leaders are welcome to attend. If you can't make it, send another leader / parent in your place.

Everyone must RVSP by November 5 at

<https://forms.gle/CdjReM8bnKNUVndHA>

ATTENTION 4-H CLUB LEADERS: The November 4-H Communicator is only being sent out to families that have already re-enrolled for the 2020-2021 4-H year. In order for families to receive future 4-H communications they need to enroll ASAP.

4-H Leaders Association Annual Meeting

Tuesday, January 19 @ 7:00pm

The Leaders Association is still seeking nominations for the following leadership positions:

- **President Elect** - This is a 2 year position with the option of serving a 3rd year. This position will head meetings and oversee committees. A mentoring system has been set up to support this position.
- **Treasurer** - This is a 2-3 year position. This position oversees all county 4-H funds, pays bills, deposits income, provide an annual budget, and manages our endowment funds. A mentor system has been set up to support this role.

If you are interested or know of someone who is please contact Amanda Hanson at ahiben@hotmail.com

**4-H
LEADERS**



4-H Annual Leader Training*

(*Virtually)

**Ideas for Virtual, Hybrid, and
Small Group Meetings**

**Nov. 23, Dec. 1, & Dec. 10
7pm**

REGISTER NOW

See post below for session topics
and registration links



Register for the 2020-2021 Annual Leader Training! This will be a highly interactive VIRTUAL program for 4-H leaders and older youth.

This year, there will be three (3) one hour sessions:

Session 1: Leading Club Meetings (business in 4-H clubs and groups) November 23, 2020, 7:00-8:00pm (zoom platform)

Register here! <https://bit.ly/34S9F3c>

Session 2: Learning in Club Meetings (education in 4-H clubs and groups) December 1, 2020, 7:00-8:00 pm (zoom platform)

Register here! <https://bit.ly/3dpsjTU>

Session 3: Laughing in Club Meetings (recreation in 4-H clubs and groups) December 10, 2020, 7:00-8:00 pm (zoom platform)

Register here! <https://bit.ly/3jYFpd6>

4-H Leaders Association Committees

WE NEED YOU!

Youth and adult volunteers are needed to serve on new countywide committees. Please contact the names listed below each committee if you are interested in serving on this committee or if you have questions concerning the committee. Each of these committees will meet 4-6 times throughout the year.

- Leadership (focus on recruiting new leaders, finding out what leaders are proficient in, training for leaders, and development of materials/resources) Committee Contact: Amanda Hanson ahiben@hotmail.com
- Fundraising (includes plat book sales and any other fundraising activities) Committee Contact: Mary Luckwaldt luckwaldt123@yahoo.com
- Recognition / Public Relations (includes 4-H scholarships, year end club awards, Leaders banquet, 4-H promotion / marketing, etc.) Committee Contact: Tara Brown trbrown3@gmail.com
- Budget / Finances (monitors budget and decided where to cut and where to spend) Committee Contact: Beth Sippl bj.sippl@gmail.com
- Educational Program Development (includes existing countywide 4-H programming – MTE, STEM, Clover College, Foods Expo, WI Tour, etc. and any new educational programs that the committee develops) Committee Contact: Heather Vierling heather.vierling@wisc.edu

VIP Training—Required for New 4-H Volunteers

If you have adults who are interested in becoming certified 4-H volunteers they are required to take the Volunteer in Preparation Training (VIP). Completion of a VIP Training is one of the requirements to becoming a certified 4-H volunteer. All VIP Trainings will be held virtually this fall. These trainings take 1—1 1/2 hours to complete. Below you will find a list of dates and RSVP deadlines. These RSVP deadlines are firm in order to mail you the training packet ahead of time. For more information contact Heather heather.vierling@wisc.edu

November 24 @ 7:00pm	(RSVP By: November 17)
December 9 @ 6:00pm	(RSVP By: November 30)
December 14 @ 7:00pm	(RSVP By: December 4)

Steps to Becoming a 4-H Volunteer

- 1.) Enroll in 4-HOnline
- 2.) Complete a National Background Check
- 3.) Attend VIP Training
- 4.) Completed online Mandated Reporter Training



HEAD



HEART



HANDS



HEALTH

Horse Project Committee

Horse Project Committee Meeting via Zoom
November 2 @ 7:30pm



Meeting Zoom Log In: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71872357238pwd=ekhpMTFBZlQyam9aUzZhTldzQU1MUT09>
Password: horse

Have questions? Contact Tyler Mentink at (715)928-1436 or Karie Kaul at (715)220-9691.

Heritage Dairy Heifer Calf Applications Due: December 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 can be found online at [https://](https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-applications/)

stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-applications/ and are due December 15. All applications should be emailed to Mary Luckwaldt at luckwaldt123@yahoo.com. The goal of the committee is to make the selection in early January or February. Interviews are planned for mid-January so that recipients may take advantage of the Spring sales.

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!

Registration Open for 2020 Wisconsin 4-H Virtual Meats Judging Contest

This virtual contest will test the knowledge of youth in placement of carcass and retail cut classes, carcass grading, and retail cut identification. Juniors (age 8-13) and Seniors (age 14-19) are invited to register as individuals to participate and display their meat evaluation and oral reasoning skills in this competitive educational experience.

Sunday, November 22nd, 2:30-5:30pm

No cost to enter! Register by November 16 at this link: https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b9fY5uiTD3uBvk9



More information at <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4haganimalscience/livestock/>

Livestock Committee Updates

St. Croix County Livestock Committee November Meeting

Virtual committee meeting will be held Tuesday, November 10 @ 7pm

Connection information is: [https://uwmadison.zoom.us/j/95511908478?](https://uwmadison.zoom.us/j/95511908478?pwd=MGpPO2lyekdCaXBCSFdUQy92S2tqdz09)

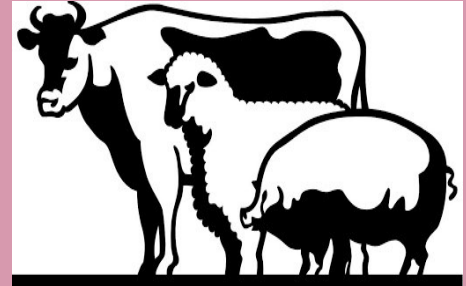
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Meeting ID: 955 1190 8478

Passcode: 164348

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Rules Meetings

No in-person Rules Meetings have been scheduled at this point. The SCLC will be updating/approving the rules at the November 10, 2020 meeting. Following the meeting, the rules power point will be posted to our YouTube page. You will need to view the power point and complete the Education Event form and return it to Lori DeBoer. Deadline to complete will be February 1, 2021. Once we have received your Education Event form for the rules meeting, you will be sent your Rules packet (possibly via your General Leader). We will also start working on species specific educational opportunities. If you see a workshop that you would like to attend, please make sure that it is approved prior to attending. If you have any questions, please let Lori know.

YQCA

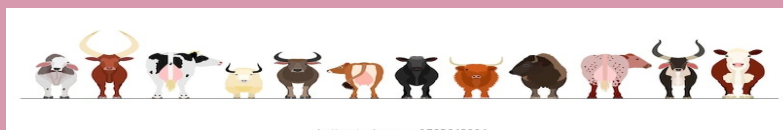


Did you complete your YQCA in 2020? If the answer is yes, good news, you will not need to complete a new one to show at the 2021 St. Croix County Fair. The SCLC will be accepting your 2020 certification. If you did not complete the YQCA, you will need to complete the training prior to July 1,

2021 to be eligible to show at the fair. For 2021 this training is only being offered online. To enroll in an online YQCA class please visit <http://yqca.org/> and log in using your 4-HOnline2.0 user name and password.

Beef Weigh In/Registration

The 2020 beef weigh in will take place on Saturday, December 5, 2020 from 9:00-11:00. The inclement weather date will be December 12, 2020. The weigh in will look a little different this year. No animals will be weighed in...leave them all at home. You will come to the scale house. The first attendant will take your name, club, and animal information. The second attendant will give you your tags. You will need to tag your own animals. If you need help with tagging, please let the SCLC know. Masks and social distancing will be required to attend this event. We ask that all exhibitors stay in their vehicles. If you are experiencing any symptoms of Covid-19 or have had known contact with anyone with Covid-19 in the last 14 days, please contact the SCLC to make arrangements to register your animals at another time. Please note: UW Madison Division of Extension faculty, staff, and volunteers may require the program participants leave a program, based on health concerns associated with Covid-19.



International Cookie Mini Camp



True friendship, according to the Cookie Monster, is sharing your last cookie. Join youth from Buffalo, Chippewa, Eau Claire, Dunn, Jackson, St. Croix, Pepin, Pierce, Polk and Trempealeau counties as 4-H youth and educators teach an International Cookie Mini Camp starting December 1st.

This program will be held each Tuesday (December 1, 8, 15, and 22) at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom, over four weeks and cover four different international cookies. The program will include the following cookies: Berlinerkranser, Polvorones Rosa, Gingerbread and South African Chocolate

Pepper. There will be plenty of cookies to share with friends and family!

Youth in grades 3-8 are encouraged to register, especially those enrolled in the Foods and Nutrition project. Youth in grades 3-5 are recommended to have an adult caregiver to assist during this program as more detailed cookies are being taught.

The program fee is \$22 and includes the following items: Clover Cookie Cutter, Measuring Cups/Spoons, Shortening, Molasses and Chocolate. All other supplies are the responsibility of the participant and include things like flour and sugar. If you need any assistance in purchasing these supplies, please reach out to your county educator.

Youth can register here by November 19: <https://forms.gle/Xb2NBmKt3JqZ64NN6>. Bag pick up will be November 24, 25, 30 and December 1st.

Photography Project ~ November 2020

Who has been out taking photos of our Fall Winter Wonderland that has come about? Wow this was a little bit too early for me!!! This could be a year where come fair time we may see some Pumpkins sitting on snowbanks or one could be the head on a snowman!!! Now there are some ideas for you!!!

What type of photo is your favorite? Do you have a favorite topic or item that you like to take pictures of when you have your camera out? Are you taking photos now and through the months or do you wait for fair time to decide to get out there? These are all great questions to be asking yourself when you sign up for a project. The more you practice the better you become at something (this is for all your projects). Can you get lucky with a photo; a first photo and get a blue ribbon? Of course! I remember getting a blue ribbon at the fair the first time (and only time) I ever made banana bread. The thing I wonder about still though is can I do it again and with that comes the response “of course, but I should practice and improve my skill!”

It would be great to see some of your photos on the Facebook page!! Share and let's see what everyone is up too!

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 and you will be accepted!).



FRIENDS OF THE FAIR

Friends of the Fairgrounds Update

News!!

The Friends Board is working through making the necessary adjustments to both cope with the COVID-19 pandemic and keep faith with our financial commitments. Your understanding and support is greatly appreciated!

Maytober closes November 4 at 6 p.m. There are 171 lots - automotive/ art & collectibles/entertainment/ farm & ranch/food/retail/tools etc. Truly something for everyone!! Go to <http://www.smith-auctions.com> to register /see catalogue & bid.

Also, there is still time to enter & support the Friends Raffles. Drawing will be held at 6:30 p.m., November 14 at Ready Randy's, New Richmond Call or email Chris Libbey to get tickets (651) 247-0395 cjlibbey@frontiernet.net \$1000 Cash Raffle - \$5/ticket 5 tickets for \$20 - no age restriction

Club development grant applications will be sent electronically to all General Leaders. Deadline to submit 12/1/20.

We continue to wish each of you the best as you deal with the physical, emotional & financial impact of the pandemic. Our best wishes for the Holiday Season

2020 Raffles

Renovations for the Generations Cash Raffle.

Again this year - the prizes will be all cash: 1st place \$1,000, 2nd place \$500, 3rd place \$250, 4th place \$100 and 5th place \$50. Again this year, the backside of each ticket is printed with a great offer from 14 out of 16 St. Croix County businesses making almost every ticket sold an instant winner.

Pig Raffle

Thanks to the Matt Doberstein family donating a pig and Kesslers Processing for donating the processing, we again will be conducting a pig raffle. Pig raffle - whole pig cut & processed, total of 100 chances at \$20/chance. Want to buy a chance, call Chris Libbey at (651) 247-0395.

Employee Volunteer Matches

Are you an Allina Health System employee or a 3M employee/retiree that donates time to the St. Croix County Fair/St. Croix Valley PRCA Rodeo/4-H/Project Committees? Friends of the St. Croix County Fairgrounds has been approved for Allina Health System & 3M Volunteer Matching Grants. 3M grants require 25 hours of service work for active employees and retirees. The annual 3M grants are \$500 for each qualifying applicant. To date over \$5,000 has been donated in matching grants. This is a great way to get involved!





Cedar Crest Ice Cream Flavor Creation Contest

Cedar Crest Ice Cream and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation have teamed up again to present the “Cedar Crest Ice Cream 4-H Flavor Contest” for Wisconsin 4-H clubs. The contest is open to all Wisconsin 4-H members to create and submit a flavor recipe.

Who: All 4-H members in the state of Wisconsin

What: Develop and name an ice cream flavor

When: Entries must be submitted to Cedar Crest Ice Cream no later than **November 13, 2020**, via the online entry form on the Cedar Crest website (<https://www.cedarcresticecream.com/>) or email.

How: Submit entries using the online form at the Cedar Crest website: <https://www.cedarcresticecream.com/> Forms can also be emailed to kaitlyn.mazza@cedarcresticecream.com.

We encourage you to include high-resolution photos (cell phone or digital camera), drawings or stories about the development of your flavor with your entry; however, it is not required. Cedar Crest and Wisconsin 4-H Foundation may use these items for promotional purposes. Please email to: kaitlyn.mazza@cedarcresticecream.com or use the File Upload option on the online form.

We will select five top finalists with one finalist chosen as the grand prize winner. **The grand prize winner** will receive a Cedar Crest Ice Cream Party and a \$500 prize. The winning flavor will also be produced in 2021 and featured on all materials announcing the 2021 Feature Flavor line-up for the year. The 4 additional top finalists will receive a Cedar Crest Ice Cream Party.

WI 4-H Foundation Kicks Off 2020-2021 Arts Contest—DEADLINE EXTENDED

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation has kicked off their Celebrate the Arts Contest; challenging all 4-H members to explore and share their creativity. The contest is open to any current Wisconsin 4-H member, with cash prizes totaling nearly \$1,000. The contest will be held virtually, with photos of all entries submitted electronically. Entries are being accepted now through **January 1, 2021.**



For official contest rules and requirements and how to submit photos of artwork, please visit Wis4HFoundation.org/events/celebrate-the-arts/

If you have any questions and/or need any additional information, please reach out to Amber Rehberg, WI 4-H Educational Program Specialist at amber.rehberg@wisc.edu or 608.294.8131.

OTHER NEWS

GRIEF, LOSS, AND NEW TRADITIONS DURING THE HOLIDAYS



Wednesday, November 11, 2020; 11:00am – noon

OR

Thursday, December 10, 2020; 7-8pm

Feelings of grief and loss can be particularly strong around the holidays. The drastic changes to our routine, traditions, and way of life we've experienced due to COVID-19 adds in another layer to grief and loss.

In this interactive, virtual presentation, you'll learn about common reactions to grief and loss, how to identify and draw upon your sources of strength to better cope, resources to support you and those you care about, and ways to create new and meaningful traditions.

This program will be facilitated by UW Madison Division of Extension Educators Selena Freimark & Debbie Moellendorf.

Register in advance for this meeting:

For November's Presentation: <http://bit.ly/UWEXTNOV>

OR

For December's Presentation: <http://bit.ly/UWEXTDEC>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

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The University of Wisconsin Madison, Division of Extension staff in St. Croix County thanks you for collaborating with our many educational endeavors. We appreciate your support and working relationship as we provide educational programs designed to empower the diverse citizens of St. Croix County.

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