St. Croix County 4-H

**4-H** 



October 2021

# **COMMUNICATOR**

### Help Celebrate National 4-H Week!

Here is a list of fun and engaging activities that you can do to spread the word about 4-H.

Sunday, Oct. 3 - Service Project Sunday

 $\Rightarrow$  Do something nice for a neighbor or family member.

#### Monday, Oct. 4 - Social Media Monday

 $\Rightarrow$  Share your love of 4-H with your friends through a social media platform.

#### Tuesday, Oct. 5 - Thank a 4-H Leader

 $\Rightarrow$  Send a thank you to the leader / leaders who have helped you grow through the 4-H program.

#### Wednesday, Oct. 6 - 4-H Spirit Day

 $\Rightarrow$  Wear your favorite 4-H Shirt today.

# Thursday, Oct. 7 - Participate in a Healthy Living Walk

 $\Rightarrow$  Grab your family, friends and pets and take a 30 minute walk outside.

#### Friday, Oct. 8 - Favorite Project Day

⇒ Posts photos of your favorite projects. Don't forget to tell us why they are your favorite.

#### Saturday, Oct. 9 - Join Our <u>4-H Open House</u> Event

 $\Rightarrow$  9:00am—12:00pm at the UWEX Office in Baldwin. Come and try out new 4-H project. Bring a friend.



#### **Inside this Issue**

Letter from A II
Letter from 4-H Staff2
Calendar3
Club Information4
Leader News10
4-H Committees14
Friends of the Fair16
Wisconsin 4-H17
Other News19

#### <u>4-H Pledge</u>

"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,

#### How Vibrant is 4-H?

#### On a scale of never to always, how would you answer these questions about 4-H?

- 4-H provides an environment where youth feel safe enough to take risks to exceed beyond their own expectations.
- Programs (clubs, committees, activities) in 4-H are tailored to meet the needs and interests of youth.
- 4-H volunteer leaders are advocates for youth and help give voice to youth concerns and issues in the larger community.
- 4-H programs provide a safe, nurturing environment for learning and development.
- Parents are valued partners in the process of youth development. It is a goal to involve parents in all parts of the program.

*So, how did you answer the questions?* Depending on your response, your 4-H experience may range from anywhere from weak to vibrant.

National 4-H week, October 3-9, is an opportunity for each of us to share the amazing things we know about St. Croix County 4-H. It's also a great kick-off to the new 4-H year. Think of it as an opportunity to...

- Take a fresh look at what projects you are participating in, maybe it's time to try something new, or challenge yourself with the next step in a favorite project.
- Tell someone about the great experiences available in 4-H, from learning about a project area, to meeting new friends, to taking trips across the country!
- Remember why you are committed to the 4-H program, and find the best ways to express that commitment to and belief in the program.
- See the things you take for granted with the eyes of a new member or family.
- Be a buddy or mentor to a new member or family, help them get acquainted with 4-H lingo, all the different opportunities, and navigate projects and the fair.
- Listen closely and be open to suggestions and conversations, there's always something to take away! Contribute to your club and county through participation in new events, giving input and ideas, and giving time and energy to improve St. Croix County 4-H.

The more vibrant 4-H is; the chances are the more successful it will be. If there are some spots in 4-H that don't completely "shine", it will take some time and energy to polish it to get it vibrant. However, the end result will be well worth the journey. The most important part of 4-H is to learn, grow, and have FUN! Always remember to do these things and your commitment, participation, and experiences will be more than you ever imagined!

Here's to a VIBRANT 4-H year!

Sincerely,

Heather Verling

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





#### October

- 1 Ambassador Applications Due to UWEX
- 1 Entry Deadline for 4-H Promotion / Window Display Contest
- 3-9 National 4-H Week
- 4 VIP Training (RSVP Deadline Sept. 24)
- 4 Horse Project Annual Meeting / Banquet
- 6 Club Award Pick Up
- 8 Ambassador Interviews
- 9 4-H Open House
- 11 Dog Project Committee Annual Meeting
- 12 Livestock Committee Meeting / Elections
- 15 Annual 4-H Charters Due to the UWEX Office
- 15 Giants Contest Entries Due
- 19 Celebrate 4-H / Leaders Association Annual Meeting

#### November

- 1 4-H Re-enrollment Deadline
- 1 Horse Project Committee Meeting
- 6 WI 4-H Virtual Fall Forum
- 9 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 16 VIP Training
- 16 Dairy Committee Meeting
- 22 Registration Deadline for Cloverbuds @ Home
- 23 Club Officer Training
- 25 UWEX OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY
- 26 UWEX OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY
- 30 VIP Training (RSVP Deadline Nov. 22)

#### December

- 4 Beef Weigh In
- 4 Annual Leader Retreat
- 6 Horse Project Committee Meeting
- 9 Cloverbuds @ Home
- 14 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 16 VIP Training (RSVP Deadline Dec. 6)
- 24 UWEX OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY
- 31 UWEX OFFICE CLOSED—HOLIDAY







# **CLUB INFORMATION**

#### 2021 4-H Cloverbuds @ Home Program



We are excited to offer the Cloverbuds at Home program again this year! This program is designed for ANY youth in grades K-2, not just registered Cloverbud members. Each youth will receive a box with 5 months of hands-on learning activities, running December-April (boxes contain several supplies, but youth will be responsible for supplies not included – these are items you have around your house). Each month offers TWO different educational opportunities! One staff-lead Zoom meeting, and one on your own opportunity. Each Zoom meeting will start at 6:30 pm and run approx. 30 -45mins. The Cost of the program is \$35.00 / youth. Please complete the registration form on the next page.

#### 2021-2022 4-H Enrollment

#### **ENROLLMENT IS OPEN!**

- All youth grades K—13th are welcome to enroll in St. Croix County 4-H.
- Enrollment will be open from Sept. 1—Nov. 1 for all current 4-H members.
- All members must enroll in at least one 4-H project.
- K—2nd graders are only eligible to enroll in the Cloverbud project
- 3rd grades may only take one animal project
- New members can enroll anytime.
- March 1 is the enrollment deadline to be eligible to show at the St. Croix County Fair under the 4-H name
- March 15 is the deadline to add/delete projects

To enroll go to <u>www.4HOnline.com</u> and log in to your account. Make sure you hit the submit button when you are finished.



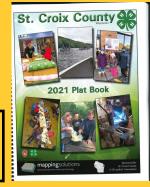
Book Cost \$40 Map Cost \$45

#### <u>St. Croix County 4-H</u> 2021 Plat Book and Plat Maps

On Sale NOW at the following locations:

- UW-Madison Extension Office, Baldwin, WI (payment with cash or check only)
- Gregerson Ace Hardware, Baldwin, WI
- Doyle's Farm & Home, New Richmond, WI

Thank you for supporting St. Croix County 4-H!





### Cloverbuds at Home Registration form

We are excited to offer the Cloverbuds at Home program again this year! This program is designed for ANY youth in grades K-2, not just registered Cloverbud members. Each youth will receive a box with 5 months of hands-on learning activities, running December-April (boxes contain several supplies, but youth will be responsible for supplies not included – these are items you have around your house). 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 9, Thursday, January 13, Thursday, February 10, Thursday, March 10, and Thursday, April 14.

Registration closes on Monday, November 22 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-contac nights listed bel	t fashion, in Baldwin, WI at ow. Please include a check	
We will pick our boxes up on Friday, December3 from 9ar	m-Spm	
We will pick our boxes up on Monday, December 6 from 9	am-8pm	
We are unable to pick our boxes up on the designated pic	k-up nights	
Number <i>of Cloverbud at Home</i> boxes ordering:	X \$35.00	
	Total: \$	
Checks payable to: St. Croix UW-Extension		FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
Mail to: UW-Extension Office		Payment:
ATN: Heather Vierling		Cash
1960 8 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 140, Baldwin, WI 54002		Check → Check #:
		Date Received:

#### **Clover College Workshops Needed**

We are gearing up for another exciting 4-H year. The 2022 4-H Clover College is planned for February and we need your help!

We are focused on moving this back to an in person event. We are in need of adults and youth who would be willing to teach a 4-H project related workshop. Topics can be on pretty much anything that K-5th graders would find fun to learn about. Youth will spend the day rotating between workshops.

Our hope is that they learn a little about the project and go home with a number of completed fair projects. To register to host a workshop please go to <u>https://forms.gle/JL5bv7KkQM7NgoCp9</u>



#### Help Wisconsin Make 4-H Better



This fall, Wisconsin 4-H will be inviting members (ages 13-18) to complete a survey about their 4-H experience. The survey was developed by National 4-H Leaders (<u>https://helping-youth-thrive.extension.org/</u>) and will help Wisconsin 4-H to learn about the quality of our programs. The information will help to show how 4-H helps young people to learn new things, develop leadership skills, manage goals, set high personal standards, create positive academic attitudes, and other skills that lead to long-term success in life.

The survey will be sent to all Wisconsin 4-H members by email in the first week of October. Youth who complete the survey will be entered into a raffle to receive gift cards, scholarships to 4-H events, and other prizes.

For more information on the 4-H Thriving Model and some of the results from the 2019-2020 4-H Thriving Study in Wisconsin, visit <u>https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/4-h-foundations/4-h-thriving-model/</u>

Please keep an eye out for messages and more information about this important survey.

#### 4-H PROJECT DAY!

Club Leaders and Members - Please help us promote the St. Croix County 4-H Project Day to your Club and your friends as part of National 4-H Week! See attached promotional flyer to share with your friends, post in your 4-H Window Display, post in your local neighborhood or at your local library. This is a great way to recruit for your Club!

#### WHEN: Saturday, October 9, 2021 TIME: Drop in anytime between 9-12pm WHERE: UW-Extension Office, Baldwin

If interested in volunteering to help with this event or have a project to share, please email <u>heather.vierling@wisc.edu</u> before October 5th.

#### 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. Examples include:

- Horse
- Beef
- Dairy & Meat Goat
- Swine
- Sheep
- Poultry
- Waterfowl
- Rabbit
- Dog
- Vet Science
- Shooting Sports
- Hunting
- Adventures
- Bikes
- Aerospace
- Scale Models
- Self Determine
- Woodworking
- Small Engines
- Tractors
- Electricity
- Lawn Care
- Landscape
- Child Development
- Clothing/Crochet/Knit

- Home Economics
- Cloverbuds
- Exploring 4-H
- Citizenship
- Youth Leadership
- Photography
- Videography
- Communication
- Theater
- Demonstrating
- Leathercraft
- Block Print
- Metal Enamel
- Food & Nutrition
- Wildflowers
- Trees/Forest Fun
- Insects
- Spring Bulbs
- House Plants
- Vegetable Gardens
- Pest

Contact Laura for info: 715-531-1937 or laura.hinz@wisc.edu

#### 2021 4-H Club Officer Training

Tuesday, November 23 @ 6:00pm

Have you been elected as a 4-H club officer? Do you have questions about your new leadership role?

Join us for club offer training. During training we will discuss what each offer does, how to vote on action items, how to plan a club meeting, and how make members feel welcome and engaged.

Please register at <u>https://forms.gle/</u> <u>cWxhMX33mX7h7Mrm8</u>





# **4-H Project Day!**

Date: 10/09/21

Time: Drop in anytime between 9:00am—12:00pm Are you interested in finding out more about 4-H? Join us during National 4-H Week for hands-on activities!

Join us for a breakfast treat while you try out 4-H projects like seed art, owl pellet dissection, electrical circuit kits, blender bike, 3 –D printing & more!

LOCATION: UW-Extension Office, 1960 8th Ave, Baldwin, WI

<u>4-H Contact information</u>: www.stcroix.extension.wisc.edu Phone 715-531-1938 or email heather.vierling@wisc.edu



# **ROLLING HILLS CLUB**







#### September was a busy month for Rolling Hills 4H Club!

- During our September meeting, we had our 2021-22 Installation of Officers, hosted an enrollment workshop and guided our club members on a prairie grass species hike.
- Our club also volunteered at the Fishing Has No Boundaries event on September 18th by donating treats and serving dinner.
- Rolling Hills organized a 4H Volleyball team and enjoyed playing the first night of games against other 4H Clubs.



# LEADER NEWS

#### 2021-2022 4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS

The St. Croix County 4-H Leaders Association is in need of enthusiastic and innovative leaders who want to enhance the countywide program. Elections will be held at their annual meeting in October. They are seeking leaders to fill the following positions.

- •President Elect (2 year term)
- •Secretary (1 year term)
- •Youth Director (2 year term) 8th grade and up

This group meets 5 times a year. The Leaders Association assists with the direction for countywide 4 -H programming. Please contact Heather if you are interested. heather.vierling@wisc.edu

#### CLUB AWARD PICK UP

Please mark your calendar for *Wednesday, October 6 from 9:00am – 7:00pm* 

The office will be open for clubs to pick up their award packets. If you can not make it please send another leader from your club to pick up your awards.



#### <u>4-H Event Insurance</u>

As you plan out your club calendar take note of those activities that may require additional insurance. This insurance will cover all participants (youth/adult, 4-H and non 4-H). The cost is \$0.30/person/day. Contact Heather for insurance coverage.

#### 2021-2022 4-H CHARTERS

The 4-H Annual Charter process has changed for 2021-2022. We are splitting the Charter into two pieces with two separate deadlines. For more detailed information about this process go to <u>https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/</u>volunteer-resources/administrative/charter/

The first piece is the Financial Records, Audit Checklist and Inventory Worksheet. Once completed please email or mail it back to me. The deadline for the financial piece was <u>September 1</u>. Please remember to provide me with copies of bank statements and/or copies of your check register / excel spreadsheet for July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021. Also due by <u>September 1</u> was the Inventory Worksheet. Please list all current inventory of land, buildings, property or project equipment that values \$1,000.00 or greater.

The second piece, is the rest of the Charter Paperwork (club info, goals, calendar, etc.). This piece is online and requires electronic signatures. Go to <u>https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/</u> volunteer-resources/administrative/charter/.

Remember to include your club calendar for the upcoming 4-H year.

The deadline for this piece will be **October 15**.

If your club is expecting new leadership in the fall please let me know I can update all of our club contact lists. Also, if you have questions I am more than happy to help. Thanks again for all you do to make our program a success.

Heather <u>heather.vierling@wisc.edu</u>

### 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 both in person and 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 30 @ 12:00pm
November 30 @ 7:00pm
December 16 @ 5:00pm
December 16 @ 7:00pm

(RSVP By: November 22) (RSVP By: November 22) (RSVP By: December 6) (RSVP By: December 6)

## TO REGISTER FOR A TRAINING GO TO <a href="https://forms.gle/n.jbsSJM6fHbbb7ht6">https://forms.gle/n.jbsSJM6fHbbb7ht6</a>

#### Steps to Becoming a 4-H Volunteer

 Enroll in 4-HOnline
 Complete a National Background Check
 Attend VIP Training
 Completed online Mandated Reporter Training

#### **PREMIUM CHECKS:**

Premium checks will be given to the leaders in their leader award packets on October 6th. PLEASE cash the checks before December 15, 2021 as they will be void after that date. If you do not cash the check before that date you will have to come to the Fair Board Meeting to get a replacement.

#### FAIR PROMOTION:

Checks have also been issued for each club that participated in the Promote the Fair Roadside signs Club Treasurers, please cash these checks as soon as possible so they don't become invalid as well. Thank you to all the clubs that helped promote our great fair!

- \* 1st place was Springbrook
- \* 2nd was Sunnyside Shamrocks
- \* 3rd was Oakland Ramblers

#### **SAVE THE DATE** 2021 Annual Leader Retreat

**Date:** Saturday, December 4, 2021 **Time:** 9:30am—12:30pm **Location:** UW-Madison Extension Office, Baldwin



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 2021-2022 club charters. All adult and youth leaders are welcome to attend. If you can't make it, send another leader / parent in your place.





### 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 <u>ahiben@hotmail.com</u>
- •<u>Fundraising</u> (includes plat book sales and any other fundraising activities) Committee Contact: Mary Luckwaldt <u>luckwaldt123@yahoo.com</u>
- •<u>Recognition / Public Relations</u> (includes 4-H scholarships, year end club awards, Leaders banquet, 4-H promotion / marketing, etc.) Committee Contact: Tara Brown <u>trbrown3@gmail.com</u>
- •<u>Budget / Finances</u> (monitors budget and decided where to cut and where to spend) Committee Contact: Bridget Lentz <u>pblentz@sbcglobal.net</u>
- •<u>Educational Program Development</u> (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 <u>heather.vierling@wisc.edu</u>



# **Celebrate 4-H**

#### FOOD & FUN

October 19<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM



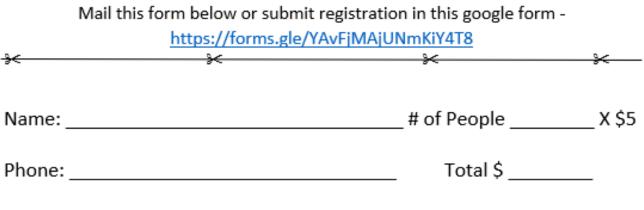
### Gibby's Lanes - New Richmond, WI

#### \$5.00 per person – Buffet Meal

Join us for our Annual Leaders Banquet to recognize 4-H volunteers and all the great accomplishments of 2021.

> 6:00 PM – Registration 6:30 PM – Dinner 7:00 PM – Program/Awards/Meeting

#### Please RSVP by October 5th 2021



Please make checks out to <u>St Croix 4-H Leaders Association</u>. If you register using the google form, please make sure to still send your payment to the address below.

Mail registration and/or check (prior to October 5<sup>th</sup>) to: Celebrate 4-H Leaders Banquet, 1960 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite 140, Baldwin WI 54002

Hosted by the St. Croix County 4-H Leaders Association



If you are a 4-H committee chairperson and your committee would like to see changes made to the **2022-23 St. Croix County Fair premium book** please have your changes to Carole Schurtz or Cindy VanDyk no later than October 20th.



To make changes you will need to tear the pages out of the old fair premium book, or download a copy from the fair website to print out, and write the changes directly onto the paper page. Please no word, google, or publisher files. We know this is old school but it makes finding and making the changes easier for the person putting the book together due to formatting issues. You can then either scan the page as a pdf and email it to <u>carole@dewittmedia.com</u> or mail the hardcopy to Carole Schurtz at PO Box 38 Glenwood City, WI 54013.

Remember all changes are **due no later than October 20, 2021**. All changes will be taken into consideration by the St. Croix County Fair Board for inclusion in the next book.

When: October 11th 2021 Time: 7:00 PM

#### Calling All Dog Project Members and Parents

Where: Ag Center Baldwin

Please join us for the annual meeting of the Dog Project Committee.

Agenda:

- Review of the bylaws
- Elect officers
- Complete the 2021 2022 Committee Charter

DOG PROJECT

Contact Val Meijer – <u>vmeijer1985@gmail.com</u>

#### <u>State 4-H Gymkhana</u>

St. Croix County Horse Project had a wonderful time at the State 4-H Gymkhana. Nicholas Lentz, AJ Lentz, and Alexis Brenner all participated. Multiple Top Tens, Grand Champion for Alexia and AJ, and two Reserve Champion for Nicholas. Great job kids!!







Northern Wisconsin Beef Producers

# 16th Annual Kids & Cows Family Day



**Education**, Fun



#### Hands On Learning



All Ages & Experience Levels

#### Saturday October 9, 2021

#### at Barron County Fairgrounds Rice Lake, WI



#### For Rules and Entry Information:

www.wisconsinbeefproducers.com Contact Lori Lyons 715-210-0049 or lalyons4@yahoo.com \$10 Per Kid

#### RSVP preferred but not required on website.

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

# FRIENDS OF THE FAIR

#### Friends of the Fairgrounds Update

#### News!!

1. The "Maytober Sales are in progress at Smith Auctions. **Donations and buyers are welcome**. See the Friends' Face Book page for "hot" items!

2. This year's Renovation for Generation Raffle concluded Friday, September 24th. Our thanks and appreciation to all that participated.

3. Be sure and check out the Friends grant program for club development. Application deadline 12/1. Applications sent separately to General Leaders

#### **Maytober Sale Schedule:**

Receipt of donations by October 11th Farm Equipment & Supplies: Closing dates - October 25th & 26th Antiques, Collectibles & Household: Closing date - October 4th Sporting Goods & Firearms: Closing date - October 18th Entertainment, Services, Equine & Misc: Closing date - November 3rd Register to bid & view auction bills: Go to <a href="https://www.smith-auctions.com">www.smith-auctions.com</a>>

To make a donation: Contact Rosemary Donahoe (715) 684-9060, Lori DeBoer (715) 491-0221 Chris Libbey (651) 247-0395

#### 2021 Raffle:

A big thank you to the following: Growers: Beef: Les Langness Pork: Levi Nelson

Prosessors:

Beef: Ross' Glenwood City Lockers Pork: Kesslers Processing

Our sponsors:

Gold: Bernards Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram & FNCB (First National Community Bank) Silver: Frontier Ag & Turf

Bronze: Boldt's Plumbing & Heating

Since starting in 2007, our annual raffles have netted over \$70,000 towards our building projects!!

#### **Employee Volunteer Matches:**

Are you 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 3M Volunteer Matching Grants. 3M grants require 25 hours of service work for active employees and retirees. The annual 3 M grants are \$500 for each qualifying applicant. To date over \$6,000 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. More than 1600 clubs are eligible to create and submit a flavor 'recipe' with the top clubs named as finalists, and the top flavor produced for summer 2022.

#### Entries are due no later than November 12, 2021.

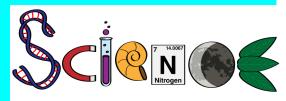
Who: All 4-H members in the state of Wisconsin
What: Develop and name an ice cream flavor
When: Entries must be submitted to Cedar Crest Ice Cream no later than November 12, 2021
How: Submit entries using the online form at the Cedar Crest website: <u>https://</u>www.cedarcresticecream.com/

According to Brenda Scheider, Executive Director of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, the contest is a great opportunity for 4-H youth to work together to develop and name their flavor. "The most exciting part of the contest is the winning flavor will be available through Cedar Crest beginning next July." The annual contest has already yielded popular flavors including Deep Space, created by the Badger Boosters 4-H Club of West Bend and Wisconsin Campfire S'mores, created by the Springbrook 4-H Club of New Richmond. This year's winning flavor was Tractor Tracks, created by the Country Clover 4-H Club in Green Lake County.

A panel of ice cream experts chosen by Cedar Crest judges the entries. The company manufacturers more than 80 flavors of ice cream, along with frozen custard, sherbet and sorbet at its Manitowoc, Wisconsin, plant, and distributes products in five states. Many of the flavors now produced by Cedar Crest, including Wisconsin Campfire S'mores and Big Muddy, are a result of the contest.

#### The winner will be announced in December 2021. Zoom into the Wednesday Nite @ The Lab Public Science Series

Come explore the unknown with researchers from UW-Madison every week at the "Wednesday Nite @ The Lab" public science talks. Talks start at 7pm Central Time every Wednesday night, 50 times a year. Join in live at the Biotech Center, 425 Henry Mall, Madison, WI, or zoom into the room



at **<u>go.wisc.edu/240r59</u>**. You can even web stream at

biotech.wisc.edu/webcams. Talks are free and run for about 50 minutes followed by Q&A. Park for a small fee in Lot 20 at 1390 University Avenue, Madison WI, adjacent to the Biotech Center. More information at <u>https://science.wisc.edu/wednesday-nite-at-the-lab/</u>

#### Wisconsin 4-H Fall Forum

#### Saturday, November 6, 2021 Virtual Conference

Fall Forum is an opportunity for youth and adult leaders to attend the statewide training weekend with county and state staff. Planned by a team of youth and adult volunteers from the Wisconsin 4-H Leaders Council with the support of county and state staff; promote to youth and adult leaders in your county! Our hope is that 4-H youth and adult leaders will come together to connect, collaborate, celebrate, and continue building excitement and energy for a new year of 4-H learning.

#### The purpose of Fall Forum is to:

- Provide an educational opportunity for youth and adult volunteers
- Develop youth and adult partnerships
- Create an engaging and welcoming environment to facilitate discussion between counties and regions
- Provide an opportunity for youth and adult volunteers to be involved in the planning and evaluation of statewide programs
- Encourage diversity of thought, perspective, interests, and people Each county is encouraged to send a delegation of youth and adults

#### Who Can Attend:

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

This is a great opportunity for a team of county/state staff, volunteers, and youth to work together and present an interactive workshop for youth and adults as well as staff from throughout Wisconsin.

**Register through your 4-HOnline account.** 



# OTHER NEWS

#### WISCONSIN HONEY QUEEN PROGRAM ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Wisconsin Honey Producers Association is seeking applicants for the position of 2022 Wisconsin Honey Queen. The 2022 Wisconsin Honey Queen will travel the state promoting the honey and beekeeping industries. The Queen will broaden her skills in public speaking, develop effective marketing presentations, and use social media to enhance product promotion. She will also be a spokesperson for various media outlets and teach students using an education program.

A successful applicant will be a woman between 18 and 24 years old as of January 1, 2022. She will be a high school graduate and motivated to broaden her skills in public speaking, marketing, education, social media, interviewing, and developing and delivering presentations. The Wisconsin Honey Queen serves as a professional representative for the Wisconsin Honey Producers Association, a trade group representing beekeepers, honey producers, and those working to protect honeybees.

<u>No prior experience with beekeeping is required for this unique opportunity.</u> The candidate must be willing to learn about the industry through a variety of paid training opportunities. Applicants may be full-time college students or have other part-time employment.

The 2022 Wisconsin Honey Queen will travel throughout Wisconsin for a variety of appearances, including the 2021 Wisconsin State Fair, through November 2022. Additionally, she may represent the Wisconsin Honey Producers Association at the American Beekeeping Federation conference in January 2023, as she applies for the American Honey Queen position.

Interested women must submit an application form and a 300-word essay entitled "Honey" postmarked by **October 15, 2021.** Application forms are available at <u>www.wihoney.org</u> or through the Wisconsin Honey Queen Program Facebook page.. Applicants will be asked to participate in a selection process during the annual conference to be held in Wisconsin Rapids from November 4 - 7, 2021, which includes an interview and meetings with industry representatives. Lodging expenses will be provided by the Wisconsin Honey Queen Fund.

Contact Mary Kettlewell at 414.429.5502 or <u>wihoneyqueenprogram@gmail.c</u>om for further details.



# 2021 HONEY BEE POSTER CONTEST

THEME Honeybees: Why do we need them?

DIVISIONS

- 2nd grade & under
- 3rd-5th grades
- 6th-8th grades
- 9th-12th grades

#### RULES

1. Size 11"x14" poster board 2. Print name, age, grade & address clearly on back side 3. Include theme in design 4. Posters become property of

WI Honey Producers Association PRIZES PER DIVISION 1st place \$35 2nd place \$25 3rd place \$15

()

Mail by OCT. 29, 2021 to: Shelly Astle/WHPA S4131A St. Hwy 80 Hillsboro, WI 54634 Questions? Call Shelly 608-489-2456

R

#### UW- Madison, Division of Extension Non Discrimination

Periodically, UW-Madison takes steps to ensure that our partners know and understand our policy of non-discrimination. This is to remind or notify you that the University of Wisconsin Madison, Division of Extension does not discriminate in the treatment of individuals in the admission or access to its programs and activities, in the provision of services, or in employments.

Further, UW-Madison will not participate with organizations or in activities, which discriminate on the basis of any of the prohibited categories of discrimination. Categories of prohibited discrimination include: race, color, gender/sex, creed, disability, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status, arrest or conviction record, or membership in the National Guard, State Defense Force, or any other component of military services.

Consistent with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons who need materials in alternative format or other accommodation must write or call the UW-Extension contact person for the specific program or call the main telephone number of St. Croix County UW-Extension (715) 531-1930, 1960 8th Ave., Suite 140, Baldwin, WI 54002 at least 10 working days prior to the event. Individuals who need TDD/TTY access, can call 711 for relay assistance.

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.

#### St. Croix County 4-H

1960 8th Ave. Suite 140 Baldwin, WI 54002

Phone: 715-531-1930 Fax: 715-264-2666 Website: <u>https://</u> stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/ PLEASE PLACE STAMP HERE

