

**Project Learning Day February 3, 2018 at the Health & Human Services Building**

**Cupcake Decorating**  
Join the Rockwell Mills 4-H Club as they show you how to decorate cupcakes. *Please bring either 6 cupcakes or cookies for this session. Session Limited to 12 youth.* Sessions offered at 10 and 11.

**Wisconsin Agriculture**  
Join Wisconsin State FFA officer Morgan Fitzsimmons as you explore Wisconsin Agriculture. Session offered at 9.

**Wildlife/Trapping**  
Join the Jonesdale Jays 4-H Club as they lead a session all about wildlife and trapping in Wisconsin. Session offered at 10.

**Scale Models Meets Mechanical Sciences**  
Join Circle A Leaders to make a farm diorama and a snap circuit. Session will be offered at 11:00. Perfect for beginners!

**Mason Jar Crafts**  
The Up & Over 4-H Club is leading a session on decorated mason jars. There will be a couple of options to make. *If you want to create one with a picture, please bring a picture that will fit into a mason jar.* Session is limited to 10 youth per session. Sessions offered at 9 and 10.



**Yarn Crafts**  
Join the Coon Rock 4-H Club in making Valentine and spring decorations using yarn wrapping. Session offered at 10.

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**Fun with Paracord**  
Join the Blue Ribbon 4-H Club and learn about making jewelry using paracord. Session is limited to the first 10 youth who sign-up each session. Sessions offered at 9 and 11. **Cost \$2 per youth.**

**Bird Feeders**  
Join the County Line 4-H Club as they help you make a bird feeder. In this session, youth will be able to assemble a bird feeder to take home or exhibit at the fair. Limited to the first 5 youth who sign-up each session. Sessions offered at 9 and 11.



**Terrariums**  
Add the Wild West to your winter! This session will teach you how to make a terrarium as you learn about the plants & habitat of the Western United States. Session led by Marsha Wyatt and the Rewey Lucky Stars. Session is limited to the first 10 youth who sign-up each session. Sessions offered at 9, 10, and 11. **Cost is \$ 2 per youth.**

**Getting Started with Stop Motion Animation**  
Begin to explore the world of movie making with stop motion animation led by the Dodgeville Public Library and Sarah Weier, UW-Extension. Stop motion is a technique where objects appear to be moving on their own. We'll provide the technology and some materials you will use to make a very short (10 seconds or less) movie. This class is suggested for 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Session offered at 11 and limited to 6 youth.

**Decorated Vases**  
The Clyde Go Getters 4-H Club will be helping youth create beautiful decorated vases. These would be great Home Environment projects for the fair. Limited to 10 youth per session. Sessions offered at 9 and 10.

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**Project Learning Day registration form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pick one session per time slot:**

<b>Session 1 9-9:55</b>	<b>Session 2 10-10:55</b>	<b>Session 3 11-11:55</b>
YQCA _____	Cloverbuds _____	Cloverbuds _____
Paracord _____	Cupcakes _____	Cupcakes _____
Mason Jar _____	Yarn Crafts _____	Paracord _____
Bird Feeders _____	Mason Jar _____	Scale Models _____
Dec Vases _____	Wildlife _____	Bird Feeders _____
WI Ag Facts _____	Dec Vases _____	Terrarium _____
Terrarium _____	Terrarium _____	Animation _____

Please return by mail to UW-Extension Iowa County, Attn Muffy Swingen, 303 W Chapel St, Dodgeville WI 53533 by **January 29, 2018**

**YQCA**  
Youth for the Quality Care of Animals is the new program that replaces YQCA. Anyone who is planning on showing market hogs the Iowa County Fair or WI State Fair must be YQCA certified. Iowa County is offering the face to face training for youth in the 3-4<sup>th</sup> grades. **You must pre-register and pay the \$3 online at <http://yqca.org> before February 3<sup>rd</sup>.**



**Cloverbuds**  
Join the Iowa County 4-H Cloverbud Leader, Beth Graber, and the 4-H Ambassadors in this session for the youngest and newest 4-Hers. If you want to make fun art projects, play games, and learn about 4-H in a fun way then this is the session for you. All 4-Hers 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and younger are invited to join this 2-hour session.

## JOIN 4-H – Even as an adult! Make your contribution by volunteering!

Volunteers play a vital role in the growth and development of youth 4-H. Some roles include:

- Work with adults and youth to plan and lead 4-H clubs, activities and events
- Promote and support 4-H
- Lead workshops to share knowledge with young people
- Chaperone field trips and leadership conferences

To be a 4-H Volunteer, you must attend a Volunteers in Preparation orientation and enroll in 4-H online. Programs are scheduled at **2pm on Sunday, January 14th at the Highland School**. Please call or email Muffy to register at 930-9850 or [muffy.swingen@iowacounty.org](mailto:muffy.swingen@iowacounty.org)

**LIVESTOCK PROJECT MEETING:** There will be a meeting for all interested beef, sheep, swine, and goat members and families at 6:00pm on Monday, January 20th. Agenda items include: judging team plans, educational activities for the year, State Fair changes, county fair rules, and other issues of concern. Anyone interested in these projects are invited to attend this meeting.

**DAIRY PROJECT MEETING:** There will be a meeting for all interested Dairy Project members and families at 7:30 pm on Monday, January 29. Agenda items include: Dairy judging team plans, educational activities for the year, State Fair changes and plans, county fair rules, county fair herdsmanhip, and other issues of concern. Anyone interested in the Dairy project is invited to attend this meeting.

**Leaders Council Nominees Needed** Would you like to serve as a youth or adult representative on the 4-H Leaders Council? One adult representative (3 year terms) and 2-3 youth representatives (2 year term) will be elected at the January meeting. Do you know someone who would be a good candidate? Call Jackie today if you are interested or to nominate another leader.

# Congrats!

The following youth were selected to represent Iowa County on State and National 4-H trips.

Space Camp

- Wyatt Oxnem

Citizenship Washington Focus

- Dana Hanson
- Lydia Rowley
- Emma Webb

National Congress

- Bethany Harman

## Reminder –

*To participate in the Iowa County Fair, receive a 4-H Graduation Scholarship, participate in a 4-H trip or represent Iowa County or Wisconsin on a 4-H Judging Team or at a 4-H speaking contest, Iowa County members must be "4-H Members in Good Standing". To be a 4-H member in good standing, a member must attend at least four (4) 4-H Club Events (club meetings, fund raisers or community service activities) by August 1<sup>st</sup> of each year."*

## Attention all youth grades 9-13...

Do you love the "ARTS?" Are you interested in further developing your artistic talents and your leadership skills? If you said yes to the above questions...then consider applying to participate in one of our WI 4-H State Arts Teams in 2018! The Wisconsin 4-H Art Team, 4-H Communications Team, and 4-H Drama Company can all be applied for online at: <http://wi.4honline.com>. Application deadline is January 31, 2018.

Our WI 4-H State Art Teams create a supportive and positive environment for youth leaders to gain confidence, develop valuable life skills and cultivate friendships and relationships with positive adults to last a lifetime! Consider applying today. Adult Advisors are also needed to support the positive development of our youth leaders. If you are a Volunteer Leader interested in the arts, consider applying today in 4HOnline under "Events."

Team Descriptions, Adult Advisor Information, Photos, Video and Timelines can all be found on our website at <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/state-art-groups/>.

The on-line application and additional application materials (**see each teams' requirements**) are due January 31, 2018.

Please feel free to call or e-mail Amber Rehberg, WI 4-H Educational Programs Specialist, at 608.262.1557 or [amber.rehberg@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:amber.rehberg@ces.uwex.edu) with any questions or for more information.

### **Did you know?**

Did you know that there is literature available to all members for almost every project at no charge? The Extension Office carries an inventory of project literature that has lots of information and projects for you to work on throughout the whole year. Order forms are available by asking your Club Leader, or calling the Extension office at 930-9850, or stopping in the Extension office to see what is available.

### **Clothing Workshop**

Grant County 4-H has invited interested youth from Iowa County to attend their clothing workshop. It is being held on January 20th at the Youth & Ag Building in Lancaster. Youth will be making baked potato bags along with learning sewing techniques. The workshop runs from 9am-1pm. Please RSVP to Jackie by January 10th. Cost is \$5.



### **Rockwell Mills 4-H Meeting – December 2, 2017**

The Rockwell Mills 4-H club held their meeting on December 2, 2017 at the HHS building. The meeting was called to order by President Lance James. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kelsey Komplin, The 4-H Pledge by Jordan Komplin and the Conservation Pledge by Kassidy Komplin. The minutes from the November meeting were read with the nomination for approval by Andrea James and the motion seconded by Chad James. The treasurer's report was given and approved by the club. Andrea James made the motion to approve the report with Owen Tiber seconding the motion.

Reports were given on the for the following items: Crest Ridge, Leaders Association meeting, Secret Santa Shop, and Ambassadors. Record books and awards were handed out to the members of the club.

Under old business Heidi announced that our request to hold the future meetings at the HHS building has been approved. The Schwan's fundraiser is still open with the proceeds going to help assist Kaleb Dolan.

Under new business the club discussed the openings for bell ringing at Wal-Mart. Project Learning Days were discussed and the club committed to helping lead a session. Once the date if finalized, the club will find volunteers to lead the session. The members of the club also put together cookie and fruit trays for members of the community. Each club member brought in a dozen cookies or pieces of fruit to use in the trays. The Clover Buds made the tags for the trays as their project.

The next meeting will be held at Midway Lanes on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 1pm.

Rockwell Mills Reporter  
Blake Stapelmann

### **YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals)**

Starting in the fall of 2017, Wisconsin will replace the MAQA program with the YQCA national program. YQCA was created for youth in the beef, dairy, goat, poultry, rabbit, sheep, and swine projects. **Anyone who plans on showing market hogs at Iowa County or Wisconsin State Fair MUST be YQCA certified. ALL State Fair exhibitors (Dairy, Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Rabbit, Poultry) must also be certified in YQCA in 2018.**

Iowa County will only offer the face to face classes for youth in grades 3-4. Everyone else must take the class online. In the online version, the youth exhibitor will complete 3 interactive online modules and corresponding quizzes. The 3 modules includes information about animal welfare, food safety, and character education. The modules will provide new information every year. The modules take roughly 60 minutes to complete each year. There are also fees associated with YQCA. The online version is \$12 per youth and face to face is \$3. Youth must register and pay for YQCA at <http://yqca.org> and follow the step by step instructions.

The Extension Office will offer an YQCA certification sessions at **Project Learning Day in February and again in June.**

### **4-H Meats Judging**

The 2018 State 4-H Meats Judging contest will be held at UW-Madison on February 17, 2018. If you are interested in participating or just learning more about meats judging, please contact Ron Patterson at [repatterson@mhtc.net](mailto:repatterson@mhtc.net). Iowa County has the opportunity to work alongside the Grant County team as they prepare for the contest. To learn more please visit <https://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/4hmeatscontest/>



### **4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl Practices**

Practice for the 2018 state contests will be starting in December. This group will be working on preparing for different competitions. The Quiz Bowl involves a game show style format with buzzers. The Skillathon portion includes wool judging, meat id, feed id, livestock judging, animal handling, and much more.

Practices will be held from 6:30-7:30pm at the Iowa County Health and Human Services Building in Dodgeville on the following Mondays:

January-8 and 22

February-5, 19, 26

The State Skillathon and Quiz Bowl contest will be held March 3, 2018 at 9am at the UW-Madison Animal Sciences Building.

If you have any questions, please contact Val Gaffney at [gfc@mhtc.net](mailto:gfc@mhtc.net).



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### IOWA COUNTY 4-H LEADERS COUNCIL

**President** – Shelly Osterdorff - 2019

**Vice President** – Kari Brokish - 2018

**Co-Secretaries** – Maddie Siegenthaler – 2017  
Deena Vinger - 2017

**Treasurer** – Muffy Swingen - 2019

**Directors** - Julia Harman - 2018  
Bill Mitchell

Beth Graber – 2018

**Youth** – Kari Brokish, Jessica Vinger,  
Maddie Siegenthaler, Brady Palzkill

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Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is also a phone with voice mail available nights and weekends and a drop box by the flag pole.

# The Clover Connection



IOWA COUNTY 4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER

January/February 2018

### JANUARY

- 1 UW-Extension Office Closed
- 4 Horse meeting, 6:30pm, HHS bldg
- 8 Livestock Quiz Bowl, 6:30pm
- 20 Clothing Workshop, Lancaster
- 21 Livestock Quiz Bowl, 6:30pm
- 22 Leaders Association meeting
- 29 Livestock committee mtg, 6pm
- 29 Dairy project mtg, 7:30pm

### FEBRUARY

- 3 State Dairy Quiz Bowl, Madison
- 3 Project Learning Day, HHS
- 3 YQCA, 9am
- 3 Club Officer training, noon
- 5, 19, 26 Livestock Quiz Bowl practices
- 17 State Meats Contest, Madison



### LOOK INSIDE FOR.....

Project Learning Day

4-H Literature

Animal Project meetings

Trip Winners

Club News

This newsletter was mailed  
on  
**January 8, 2018**

4-H...Opportunities for All



Club Officer Training will take place in the afternoon of Saturday, February 3rd (after project learning day). Pizza will be provided for lunch. Any 4-H member (even if you are not an officer yet) is invited to attend. We need a minimum of 10 kids to hold the event, so please pre-register by calling the Extension Office or emailing Muffy at [muffy.swingen@iowacounty.org](mailto:muffy.swingen@iowacounty.org) to let her know how many from your club are coming.

