



Cloverbud Corner

July Project Learning Day Sessions -

Bloomfield Buddies, Cobb Busy Badgers, Country Cardinals, Five Point, Pleasant View, Kountry Kousins, Mounds View, Section Line please start to plan your July Project Learning Day II sessions which will be held on July 21st at the Fairgrounds. Information on the sessions will be needed by the Extension Office before May 15 for the June newsletter. Thank you!



All Aboard for 4-H Camp

Planning is underway for 4-H Camp 2018 at Upham Woods on June 10-12. We will email registrations to youth in grades 3-7 as soon as they are ready.

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING CLUBS WHO TAUGHT SESSIONS AT PROJECT LEARNING DAY:

Rockwell Mills, Blue Ribbon, Clyde Go Getters, Circle A, Up & Over, Jonesdale Jays, County Line, Rewey Lucky Stars, Coon Rock, Beth Graber, and Morgan Fitzsimmons. Also THANKS to Beth Graber, Jessica Vinger, and Dana Hanson for helping out with Officer Training.

Livestock Judging Practices - There will be 2 practices at the HHS Building in Dodgeville for beginners (first and second year) on Monday, March 5th and Monday, April 2nd from 7 to 8 pm in room # 1001.

Practices will be held on local farms on Sunday evenings in June, locations to be determined. An email will be sent out in May with locations & times. Area Animal Science Days will be held on June 29th in Lafayette County.

Call coach Jeff Thomas at 574-7265 if anyone has questions.



Iowa County HCE Scholarship

Iowa County HCE (Home & Community Education, formerly Extension Homemakers) will again be offering scholarships for students planning to enroll or who are presently enrolled in a program that benefits families or communities. Applicants must be an Iowa County resident or attend a school in Iowa County. He/she also needs to be a relative of an Iowa County HCE member or an Iowa County 4-Her. They must successfully complete the fall 2018 semester.

Applications can be picked up at the UW-Extension office, or on our website at

www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/iowa/

A FARM PUZZLE

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4-H Foundation Scholarships

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than \$10,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing higher education in 2018. Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance and future educational goals.

To be eligible for Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships, students must have been a 4-H member for at least one year, have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college or technical school during the 2017-2018 academic school year.

To be considered for financial support, applications (cover letter, résumé, project list and digital photo) must be received via email by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation on or before **March 15, 2018**. For more details go to: <http://wis4hfoundation.org/support-4-h/538-2/>.

State Fair Dairy

There will be a State Fair dairy meeting on April 11th at 7:30pm at the HHS building. If you plan on exhibiting at the State Fair please plan on attending. If you can't attend, please send a parent or other family member.

Dog practices

Dog practices will start on June 4th (no dogs this practice). Practices with dogs will be on June 11, 18, and 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30; August 6, 13, and 20th. The 4-H Dog Obedience and Showmanship Show will be held on August 11th. A more detailed letter will be mailed to those enrolled in the project.



Beef ID

Beef ID for the Iowa County Fair will be held March 24th. Information will be sent to Beef project members. Contact Jarred Searls at 608-393-3735 or Scott Gaffney at 608-924-1029 with questions. ALL market animals to be shown at County Fair will need to be identified at this time. No recent castrations, steers must be healed over – NO BULLS!! **Steers identified for State Fair MUST attend Steer ID. There are NO exceptions for State Fair Steers.** Contact Jarred Searls at 608-393-3735 or Scott Gaffney at 608-924-1029 with questions.

Sheep ID *****NEW***** *****NEW***** *****NEW*****

New this year sheep ID will be self-identified.(similar to swine id) Youth must submit an identification head photo including the scrapie tag and the appropriate paperwork for their sheep to the Extension Office by May 18th.

Youth enrolled in the sheep project will receive a packet of information from the Extension Office which will include the Iowa County Fair sheep self-identification information.

Shooting Sports practices

Shooting sports practices will start on April 29th for new members. All members will start on May 6th. Other practice dates include: May 6, 13, 20; July 22 and 29; August 5, and 12. The competitive shoot will be on August 19th. A more detailed letter will be sent to all those enrolled in April.



Swine ID

Swine ID will be From May 1-25, youth must self-identify their swine for the Iowa County Fair.

Youth must submit identification photos and the appropriate paperwork for their swine to the Extension office by May 26, 2018 in order to exhibit at the Iowa County Fair.

Youth enrolled in the swine project will receive a packet of information from the Extension Office which will include the Iowa County Fair swine self-identification information.

New this year—pigs will have to be tested for SECD and PRRS within 90 days of the fair. The cost of the test will be dependent upon what test was done prior by the producer but typically range between \$10-75. The superintendents felt it was important to keep the fair non-terminal to allow for more options for exhibitors.

Day in the Arts

Day in the Arts will be held on Sunday, March 4 at 1:00 in the Mineral Point High School.

Registrations are due on Monday, February 26th, and the registration is done online at wi.4honline.com.



AUCTION EDUCATION PROGRAMS

ALL exhibitors selling in the auction will attend one educational program and notify the Extension Office **prior to August 1**. This applies to those selling poultry, rabbits, beef, swine, sheep, goats, and cheese (top 6 Dairy animals.) Below are educational programs that will apply to this requirement.

- Project Learning Day II
- Livestock Quiz Bowl Practices
- Livestock Quiz Bowl Contest
- Dairy Quiz Bowl Practices
- 4-H or WI Jr. Holstein Conv Quiz Bowl contest
- Participate in District, State, or National Dairy Show
- Livestock or Dairy Judging Team Practices
- State FFA Judging Contest
- YQCA Certification
- Badger Dairy Camp
- Youth Livestock Show Camp
- Sheep Show Camp
- Area Animal Sciences Day
- County Project Meetings
- Carcass Shows
- National Livestock Shows
- WLBA Sponsored Events

- July 21; selected sessions
- December, January & February
- March
- December & January
- January & February
- Summer
- May, June
- Spring
- June 20, July 21
- June, UW-Madison campus
- June , West Allis
- June , Fairgrounds
- June, Location to be announced
- Summer, as scheduled
- Summer, as scheduled

FFA Members -- you are responsible to have your FFA Advisor notify the Extension Office if you have completed any educational programs.



Dairy Quiz Bowl Participants included Brianna Kleist, Avri Kleist, Jorah Jacobson, Kari Brokish, Tamra Ihm, Anastasia Dannenberg, Nathan Daniels, Kylee Hathaway, Allie Kleist, Lily Jenson, and Lily Linscheid. They competed in Madison on Saturday, February 3rd. We had 3 teams, one junior, one senior, and one mixed. Each team won one match and lost two matches. Angela Davis Brown is their coach. Congratulations!

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 include 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 on June 20th from 6-7pm at the HHS Building or July 21st at Project Learning Day II for 3rd & 4th graders.

County Line 4-H monthly meeting was held on Jan. 8th at Hope Lutheran Church. Joey Robinson did role call. Emily Graber talked about old minutes. Grace and Izzy approved the old minutes. Emily did the treasurer's report. The cloverbuds made butterflies from coffee filters. Emily introduced new minutes. Movie and game day at the rescue squad on January 14. We ask you bring a snack to pass. There is a livestock quiz bowl practice on January 22nd, in the Mineral Point AG building. Quiz bowl practices are in the HHS building on February 5th, 19, 26. State Quiz Bowl and Skillathon is March 3rd at the UW Madison animal science building. We gave out pins for years in 4-H. Emmett Steffes's birthday was celebrated. Grace Engels did a demonstration on cloud lanterns. Regan Shuette did a demonstration on string drawings. Abby Webb did a demonstration on chocolate chip cookies. Ellie Webb did a demonstration on Pig Latin. James Webb did a demonstration on snap circuits. Quinten Walter did a demonstration on bird feeders. Laurianna Dannenberg did a demonstration on her flute. We played penguin walk. Tucker moved to adjourn the meeting. James 2nd it. Next meeting is Feb. 5th at 7pm with cloverbuds at 6:30.

The **Rockwell Mills 4-H club** held their meeting on January 7 at Midway Lanes. The meeting was called to order by President Lance James. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Olivia Jenson, The 4-H Pledge by Owen Tiber and the Conservation Pledge by Grant James. The minutes from the December meeting were read with the nomination for approval by Colton James and the motion seconded by Andrea James. The treasurer's report was given and approved by the club. Kaleb Dolan made the motion to approve the report with Grant James seconding the motion. New members were introduced and we welcomed Abby Ammen, Tristan and Olivia Jones.

Reports were given on the following projects:

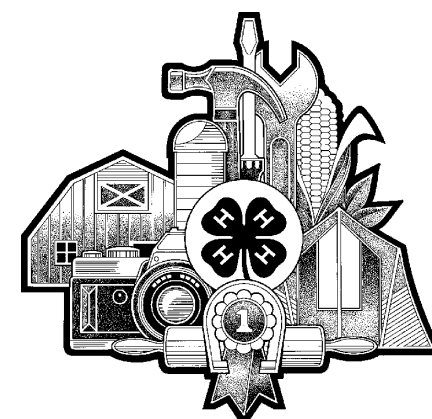
Holiday Fruit & Cookie project, the kids enjoyed delivering them. The thank you notes that we received were read. Santa Secret Shop, this was the last year for the project. They had a great turnout. Schwan's Fundraiser is complete.

Under old business the club discussed Project Learning Days. We will host cupcake decorating, for two sessions. Project Learning Days will be at the HHS building.

Under new business the next CrestRidge activity will be held February 10th at 10am.

Thank you to Midway Lanes for hosting our January meeting. The meeting was followed by pizza and bowling for the club members and their families.

The next meeting will be held at the HHS Building on February 3rd, 2018 at 7:30pm.



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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.

MARCH

- 3 State Livestock Quiz Bowl
- 4 Iowa/Lafayette Day in the Arts
- 5 Beginner livestock judging prac. 7pm, HHS Bldg
- 11 Horse Kick-off Mtg, 12:30 pm HHS
- 15 4-H Foundation Scholarships Due
- 24 County Fair Steer ID
- 26 Leader's Assoc Mtg, 6 pm HHS Bldg

APRIL

- 1 HCE Scholarships Due
- 2 Beginner livestock judging practice, 7pm HHS Bldg
- 5 Equine Board Mtg, 6:30 pm HHS Bldg
- 11 State Fair Dairy Mtg, 7:30 pm HHS Bldg
- 29 Shooting Sports practice, New kids only Iowa County Fairgrounds



LOOK INSIDE FOR.....

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4-H...Opportunities for All



Reminder.....4-H members have until **April 1st** to make additions/changes to their 4-H projects. This will be very important since the Iowa County Fair is utilizing an online fair entry program this year. **Youth will not be allowed to enter a project in the fair unless they are enrolled in that project through 4H.**

