SHOES Still Needed

We are collecting a few more gently worn or out grown shoes for World Wear Project to distribute to third world countries. Once collected, Iowa County 4-H will receive a donation from World Wear Project Shoe Box Program. Any size shoes are accepted. They must be in wearable condition with no stains or dirt. Shoes with metal (cleats or toes), winter boots, flip-flops, open toe or heel and slippers are NOT accepted. Drop off at the UWEX office during normal business hours.



Summer Open Camp and Family Camp at Upham Woods

• Family Camp is May 4-5, 2019. If you have any questions about Family Camp you are welcome to contact Sarah. Current rates are as follows:

- o Cabin & Meals, individual: \$47/person
- o Dorm & Meals, based on guad occupancy: \$188/room

Summer Camp Open House! Upham Woods will be hosting an open house for anyone interested in summer camp to attend on May 5 from 11am-1pm.







All Aboard for 4-H Camp

Planning is underway for 4-H Camp 2019 at Upham Woods on June 23 - 25. We will email registrations to youth in grades 3-7 as soon as they are ready.

On January 1st, UW-Extension became part of UW-Madison with a new name, new logo, and new color – Badger Red. You may have noticed the Wisconsin 4-H website

(https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/) has changed and our county office is in the process. Iowa County's new website address is https://iowa.extension.wisc.edu/ and we are trying to answer the phone 'Extension Iowa County'. In the next few months, Sarah and Muffy's e-mail will change to sarah.weier@wisc.edu and

muffy.swingen@wisc.edu. Our old e-mail address ending in @ces.uwex.edu will forward to the new address any e-mail you sent until June of 2020. Please be aware that these are legitimate e-mails.





Congratulations to the Iowa County Dairy Quiz Bowl Members, who competed in Madison on Saturday, February 9th. Results will be posted in the next newsletter

WI 4-H International Programs invites YOU to be a Summer Host Family!

Are you interested in bringing the world closer to your doorstep? Would you like to learn about a different country without leaving home? Do you like the idea of sharing American culture and your family's traditions with a young person? If yes, then International Hosting is for you! This summer, Wisconsin 4-H International Programs will welcome over 60 youth delegates from Japan, Korea, Mexico, Costa Rica, and Norway. These delegates will stay with Wisconsin host families for 4 weeks, and participate in every-day activities and plans with their host families. All exchange students come from language learning institutions in their home countries, so they are excited to live with an American family and improve their language abilities. Host families do NOT need to plan any special trips or activities; exchange students visit our state to learn about every-day life and culture! Yes, host families can choose which delegate they'd like to host, based on a profile of the delegates' interests, personality, and hobbies. The sooner host families apply, the more delegates there are to choose from! What is required of host families?

- delegate for 4 weeks
- with a "host sibling" who is of the same gender and similar in age.
- Must provide exchange student with three meals per day
- Complete an application, including background checks

How do I apply, or get more information? To complete an application, please visit: https://www.states4hexchange.org/ To learn more about the hosting experience, please visit our website at: https:// wi4hinternational.org/host/, or contact the office at wi4hinternational@ces.uwex.edu or at

608.262.2491

• All family members must be enthusiastic to open their homes and hearts to an international

• Have a son or daughter between the ages of 9~16 years old. Exchange students are matched

• Must provide exchange student with a separate bed (a separate bedroom is not required)

Annual 4-H Food Fight

Saturday, April 20 at the Iowa County Food Pantry, Dodgeville

New location: 138 S lowa Street.

County Line 4-H Club is challenging all County 4-H Clubs to a Food Fight to raise food and supplies for the Iowa County Food Pantry. All clubs should bring their food and supplies to the Food Pantry (entrance behind building) on Saturday, April 20, 2019 between 9am and 11 am. We will be adding up the weights of items and money and will determine the Top Large Club and Top Small Club (over 25 members is large).

County Line 4-H Club will be participating, but not eligible for the reward for the winning club.

The food pantry is currently very low on hamburger, cereal, peanut butter, ravioli, apple juice, toilet paper, toothpaste, shampoo, and deodorant and laundry detergent.

Rules:

- 1. All food will be physically weighed by Food Pantry staff on their scale.
- 2. No Home canning is allowed. They will be negatively assessed at 16 oz each.
- 3. No expired items are allowed. They will be negatively assessed at 16 oz each.
- 4. No Ramen Noodles allowed. They will be negatively assessed at 16 oz each.
- 5. All laundry soap, personal products (shampoo, conditioner, etc.) will be positively assessed at **twice** the listed weight.
- 6. Most needed products will be listed at the below weights:

Toilet paper- every 4 rolls will be equal to 5 pounds

Peanut Butter – every 16 oz jar equals 5 pounds

Hamburger - every 1 pound donated equals 5 pounds

Cereal- every 2 boxes equal 10 lbs.

Every \$1 donated equals 1 pound

8. All donations made must be made on or before April 20th to count in the Food Fight. Please call to make arrangements, 935-2326. Any questions please contact: Michelle Ripp at michelleripp11@gmail.com

Dog practices

Hi everyone, I am Pamela Pishion, the new 4-H Dog Leader. It's time to start thinking about the dog project! Dog practices will start early this year, due to the State Dog Show is August 9th. Practices will be on Monday nights at the fairgrounds in Mineral Point starting on May 6th. We will have a meeting on April 22nd at 6:30 in the community room of the HHS Bldg. All new members are required to attend this meeting. We will discuss changes to the project, schedules, dates & equipment., etc. Any questions or concerns, please call me at 574-5152 A more detailed letter will be mailed to those enrolled in the project this spring.

Beef ID

Beef ID for the Iowa County Fair will be held March 23rd. 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

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 17th.

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.

State Fair Dairy / Dairy Project Meeting

There will be a State Fair dairy meeting on April 17th at 7:00 pm 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. There will be a brief meeting regarding the county fair after this meeting.

Dairy Judging Practice

There will be Dairy Judging Practice on April 17th at 6:00pm at the HHS building. The state fair dairy meeting will take place after at 7:00.

Shooting Sports Practices

Shooting sports practices will start on April 28th for new members. All members will start on May 5th. Other practice dates include: May 5, 12, 19; July 21 and 28; August 4, and 11. The competitive shoot will be on August 18th. A more detailed letter will be sent to all those enrolled in April.

Project News

Club News

Trapper Nafzger called the **Pleasant View** meeting to order at 6:30 on February 10th. Roll call was your favorite sports team. Secretary report was read by Atley Potterton. Treasurer's Report was given by Anthony and Jarvie. For old business, we talked about roller skating in Monroe in January. New business was our Pizza Hut Coupon Book Fundraiser, and Milk Moola Fundraiser. For our activity we made valentines cards. Submitted by James Steele and Olivia Jacobson, Co-Reporters.

Rockwell Mills 4H met on February 2, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:32pm. The pledge of allegiance was led by Gage Dolan, the 4H pledge was led by Natalie Wilson, the conservation pledge was led by Kaleb Dolan and the ice breaker was done by the Dolan family.

The leaders meeting was rescheduled for March. The club approved paying half of Owen Tiber's space camp. The Bloomfield activity was listening to Mary Dunn play piano and dancing with the residents. There were two demonstrations given at the last meeting. Carlene Jenson gave hers on making hats and Natalie Wilson gave hers on a puzzle she had put together and framed. The next Crestridge activity will be held on March 2, 2019 at 10am. Our next meeting is on March 2nd at 7:30pm at the Iowa County Health and Human Services buildina.

Emily Graber started the **County Line** meeting at 7:05. We began our meeting with the pledge. Annie Robinson did roll call and last meeting minutes. Johnny Robinson approved last meeting minutes Brady Palzkill seconded it. Joey Robinson read the treasurer report. Cloverbuds came up and showed their projects that they made. They made valentine lanterns. Emily Graber gave old businesses and we got a thank you from the church for our donation to them for using the basement for our meetings. The ice skating party will be on Feb. 17 from 2:30 to 5:30, members are asked to bring snacks. Day in the Arts is coming up on March 3 please register online. A reminder about doing YQCA to sell pigs at the fair and to show at state fair. The class is to be completed online. Bowling will be in March or April. Food fight fundraiser will be in April. Dairy guiz bowl is coming up. February birthdays Joey Robinson, Emmit Steffes, and Breanna Tibbits. Happy Birthday. Demonstrations are needed for county awards. Day of the arts can be too. Sarah Weier is the new 4H Coordinator. She came and did games with us. Next meeting is March 4th. Submitted by Ellie Robinson Reporter

The Cobb Busy Badgers 4-H meeting was held on January 13th, 2019. The meeting was called to order by president Nathan Daniels. The pledge of allegiance was led by Tanner Kleist and the 4-H pledge was led by Blake Droessler. The roll call guestion was "What is your favorite winter activity?" The treasurer's report was given and approved by the club. Our VP monthly exercise was our program of fun and games night!

Old business. Nathan Daniels read thank you notes the club had received and the rest of the 4-H awards were handed out. New business. the newsletter was read, the new 4-H t-shirts were handed out, our new meeting time of 6:30pm was discussed and agreed upon, and our Cobb Busy Badgers project learning day idea was discussed. Our club will be at project learning day on February 9th making Valentines Cards. Our new 4-H sign in the community building has been displayed and presented to the club.

Demonstrations and Talks for the night were given by Logan about internet safety and Noah about the basics of basketball.

Our program was game night and officers provided interactive games for members to play! In the last game, younger club members joined older members to put together boxes for the Iowa County Homeless Coalition in record time. Along with putting boxes together we also played the 4 corners game and the human knot.

The next meeting will be held on February 10th at 6:30pm at the Fire Station/Community Building. Members were asked to brainstorm ideas about their experiences in 4-H to share with the other members at the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm by Lily and Tanner. Treats were provided by the Albaugh, Batton, and Breuer families.

Iowa County has a 4-H Facebook page where we post updates weekly. Like our page on facebook to stay in touch with Iowa County 4-H!

Iowa County HCE (Home & Community Education Association) 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 2019 semester.

Applications can be picked up at the UW-Extension office, or on our website at www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/iowa/

Auction Education Requirements

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 Ir. Holstein Conv Quiz Bowl contest Participate in District, State, or National Dairy Show Livestock or Dairy Judging Team Practices State FFA Judging Contest YOCA 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

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





Iowa County HCE Scholarship

July 21; selected sessions December, January & February March December & January January & February Summer May, June Spring

June, UW-Madison campus June, West Allis June, Fairgrounds Iune, Location to be announced Summer, as scheduled Summer, as scheduled

Cloverbud Corner

Milk Jug Bird Feeder

Recycle a milk jug and make new feathered friends with this creative nature craft.

What you'll need:

Gallon milk jug with lid

Sharp pointed scissors

Pencils

Bird seed

String, optional

How to make it:

Rinse out an empty plastic gallon milk jug with lid.

Dry thoroughly.

Cut a window in the front of the jug, and make two small poke holes for the perches.

Insert pencils for perches and fill the bottom of the jug with bird seed.

You can either rest the bird feeder on a ledge or punch holes near the top, add string, and hang from a branch.

Pine Cone Feeder

Children of all ages can help make this feeder. Preschoolers learn to spread with a knife and to tie the ribbon on to the pine cone.

Birds and squirrels of all ages also like this craft.

You will need:

pine cone wax paper 1/4 cup bread crumbs large bowl

ribbon or strong string 1/4 cup peanut butter 1 cup bird seed wooden spoon



Tie the ribbon or string near the top of the pine cone so it can be hung. Lay the pine cone on wax paper. Measure the peanut butter and bread crumbs into the bowl. Mix with wooden spoon until smooth. Spread this mixture on the pine cone. Roll the pine cone in bird seed. Press more seed between the scales of the pine cone. Hang the Pine Cone Bird Feeder outside where you can see it from a window.



Information for Club Leaders

Thank you to the clubs and individuals who presented at Project Learning Day - Bloomfield Buddies, Country Cardinals, Cobb Busy Badgers, Five Point, Pleasant View, Red Barn, Mounds View, Donna Peterson, Ruth Schriefer, Sarah Weier, and Beth Graber.

These Clubs are asked to plan sessions for the July project learning day session (information will be needed by May 10th for the newsletter) - Rockwell Mills, Blue Ribbon, Clyde Go Getters, Circle A, Up & Over, Jonesdale Jays, County Line, Rewey Lucky Stars, Coon Rock, Section Line, Kountry Kousins

There will be a Zoom Webinar on 4HOnline for club managers at 7:00PM on March 7, 2019. All club managers are welcome to join.

Topics covered will include:

Club dashboard icons and what they mean

Using the Search screen

Approving members

Creating and using reports

The training should take about an hour and will be recorded for those that cannot join live. Connection information is listed below. Participants will need to preregister, but that can even be done mere minutes before joining.

You are invited to a Zoom webinar. When: Mar 7, 2019 7:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada) Topic: 4HOnline for Club Managers Register in advance for this webinar: https://zoom.us/webinar/ register/9e5309730568465fdc2040ba88984b7b

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

Zoom is a free application you can download from the Google Play or Apple Store. Call Muffy in the Extension office and I can forward you the link to the zoom.



YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals)

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 2019.

lowa County will offer the face to face classes for any age on **Thursday, June 13** at 6 pm in the HHS Bldg. 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.

YQCA Test Out Option

New this year, is an online test out option for YQCA certifications. You can only take these tests when you are 12, 15 and 19. The test has 50 questions and you to need answer 80% correctly to pass. Youth can only take the test ONCE at the beginning of the age group - if you don't pass you must take the online course. The credit card is billed when the youth passes the test. To find the test out option, scroll to the bottom of the course list when you are logged into your YQCA account.

12 - 13 - 14: You can only take the test as a 12 year old. Cost is \$36.00.

15-16-17-18: You can only take the test as 15 year old. Cost is \$48.00

19-20-21: You can only take the test has a 19 year old. This is available for those who exhibit in breed shows until they reach the age of 21. Cost is \$36.00.



Livestock Judging Practices

There will be a practice at the HHS Building in Dodgeville for beginners (first and second year) on Monday, March 11th 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 28th in Grant County. Call coach Jeff Thomas at 574-7265 if anyone has questions.

News for Families



Recently the Cobb Busy Badgers purchased items for the Iowa County Homeless Coalition. These containers were filled with personal and household items that will be given to families or individuals while they stay in one of the four homeless shelters located in Dodgeville. This photo shows club members along with the donated containers.



Tie With Tanner

On April 12, 2018 our family experienced a tragedy that you don't think will happen to you. Tanner was trampled by cattle and tossed through the air. Luckily, his sister Brianna was able to get him out of the pen. Becki got home and did a quick assessment and clean up to see any obvious injuries. Tanner started turning blue. EMS was called and was there within minutes. Tanner was transported to the parking lot at Iowa Grant High School to wait for Med Flight coming from Mineral Point. When Med Flight landed, Tanner had gone into cardiac arrest and CPR was in progress. Med Flight personnel hopped in the ambulance and went to Upland Hills Heath where the ER Trauma Team was ready thanks to a heads up by the Med Flight Doctor. Tanner was stabilized and then airlifted to American Family Children's Hospital in Madison. After several surgeries, and a 29 day hospital stay, Tanner was able to go home. During this time, Tanner received 5 blankets from the Child Life staff. These blankets are donated by different organizations. Tanner and his family would like to donate 29 blankets to the American Family Children's Hospital on April 13. We are asking for donations of fleece to make this happen. All blankets will be made on March 23 at 9 am at the Cobb Community Building. Organizations can let us know if they are interested in helping tie blankets. We, Tanner's family will then wash and individually bag each blanket before delivering them to the hospital. We hope that you will see this as a worthwhile cause and help us with a monetary donation, fleece fabric donation, or help with tying the blankets. Any donations that we receive beyond what we need for this first event will be used for another donation in the future. We hope to make this a yearly event. If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Grunenwald (Grandma) at 608-574-2500 or ilgrunenwald@charter.net. Thank you for your consideration. Lynn, Becki and Tanner



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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

MARCH

- 2 State Livestock Quiz Bowl
- 3 Dav in the Arts
- 15 Equine Board Mtg
- 15 **4-H Foundation Scholarships Due**
- 23 Iowa County Steer ID, Fairgrounds
- 25 Leaders Mtg/Annual Training, 6 pm

Please remember to update your information on 4-H Online (https://wi.4honline.com) if you have a new phone number, email address or mailing address.

LOOK INSIDE FOR.....

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4-H...Growing for the Future, Rooted in the Past



This newsletter was mailed

on

February 26, 2019

Too cold to think about ice cream? Never! Congratulations to this year's winners and finalists of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation and Cedar Crest Ice Cream Flavor Contest. Country Cardinals 4-H Club, Highland was a finalist with the flavor Unicorn Magic. Unicorn Magic creation was a vanilla ice cream with angel food cake, vanilla wafer pieces and rainbow sprinkles mixed in.

As a finalist, *County Cardinals* will receive a Cedar Crest Ice Cream party. Enjoy!

Reminder.....4-H members have until April 1st to make additions/changes to their 4-H projects online. 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 an exhibit in the fair unless they are enrolled in that project through 4H by April 1.



March / April 2019

APRIL

- Fairest of the Fair Applications Due 1
- 4 Equine Board Mtg
- 17 Dairy Project Meeting, HHS 7:00 pm
- 20 Food Fight, SWCAP Dodgeville
- 27 State Meats Contest, Madison
- 28 Shooting Sports Practice, New Members



The Iowa County Fair is now taking applications for the 2020 Fairest of the Fair and a 2019 Junior Fairest of the fair. More information can be found on their website, at https://iowacountyfair.org/fairest-of-the-fair/

Applications are due April 1.