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Taylor County 4-H Newsletter

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Mission of the Taylor County 4-H Program

Taylor County 4-H Program Will Provide Many Learning Experiences Through the Cooperation and Leadership of Both the Youth Members and Adult Leaders

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Life Skills in 4-H

The goal of 4-H is the positive development of young people. 4-H clubs create opportunities and environments that meet young people's needs as they grow. So what do young people need? Research done on this subject has documented four essential elements that youth need for positive development: Belonging, Mastery, Independence and Generosity.

When youth have their needs met in positive ways, like through participation in 4-H, they can develop life skills and other characteristics valued by society. A life skill is "an ability that is necessary and useful throughout life."

Here are some life skills that youth can learn through 4-H:

⇒ **Citizenship Skills** are developed as young people learn how government works, engage in community service, and connect to issues in their communities.

⇒ **Leadership Skills** enable youth to lead and build teams, develop motivation, set group goals, gain respect, and accommodate different styles.

⇒ **Relationship Skills** help youth interact more comfortably, accept responsibility, respect diversity, trust themselves and others, resolve conflict, and understand their strengths and limitations.

⇒ **Communication Skills** enable youth to exchange ideas and information clearly and minimize confusion for themselves and others.

⇒ **Planning and Organizing Skills** help youth set goals, manage time, build teams, delegate tasks, and work efficiently without supervision.

⇒ **Decision-making Skills** are developed as youth recognize how personal values influence decisions, find and use accurate information, identify and weigh alternatives, select and follow through on a course of action, and evaluate those decisions.

A 4-H volunteer leader's role is to help youth design and participate in experiences that build a variety of life skills and encourage overall positive development!

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Available at http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/clubs/leadership.cfm

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May 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Club assessments due	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 Livestock Learning Webinar: Meat Goats	9 **Taylor County 4-H T-shirt orders due to UWEX**	10 International Migratory Bird Day, Perkinstown
11	12 **STEM Night** 6-7 p.m. **Federation Meeting** 7:30 p.m., UWEX	13	14	15 Horse Project ID Forms & Coggins copies due to UWEX	16	17 Camp Counselor Training, Merrill Beef Round-Up, Brecke Rodeo Arena, Medford
18	19	20	21 Dog Project Training Weds. classes start	22	23	24
25	26 UWEX Office closed	27	28	29	30 **Summer 4-H Camp Registrations due to UWEX**	31

June 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 **Federation Meeting** 7:30 p.m., UWEX	10	11 Badger Dairy Camp June 11-13 UW-Madison	12	13 **Taylor County Fair entries due to club general leaders**	14
15	16 Clubs bring fair entries to UWEX	17	18	19	20	21 MASS Bidder Sheets due to MASS Committee
	Taylor County Summer 4-H Camp—Trails End Camp, Bruce					
22	23 Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference June 23-26 UW-Madison	24	25 *Newsletter Items Due*	26 Area Animal Science Day Eau Claire County	27	28 4-H Day at Creative Hideaway
29	30					

Taylor County 4-H is on Facebook!

http://www.fb.com/4h.taylorcounty

Like

Like us on Facebook and stay up to date with the latest news, announcements and reminders.

Taylor/Lincoln County 4-H Camp

June 16 - 19, 2014

Trails End Camp, Bruce, Wis.

Youth in grades 3-8 are invited to join us for four days and three nights of fun and learning. Older youth counselors and adult staff will lead programs in nature exploration, recreation, crafts, campfire activities, canoeing, music, drama and more!

Trails End Camp in Rusk County features comfortable group cabins, modern restrooms and showers, miles of nature trails and lots of room for activities both indoor and outdoor along the Chippewa River. Transportation from Medford and Gilman is provided.

Cost: $75 per camper. Sponsorship is available.

Registration and payment are due by May 30.

Registration forms are available in this newsletter, at the Taylor County UW-Extension, 715-748-3327, or at http://taylor.uwex.edu.

Breaking News

Centennial Cows: A 4-H Birthday Present for You

In celebration of the Wisconsin 4-H Centennial, the Federation of Taylor County 4-H is gifting each 4-H member in the county with a commemorative plush cow created just for the occasion. The adorable critters will be given to club leaders for distribution in June!

STEM Night: Campus Trail

Monday, May 12
6-7 p.m., UW-Extension Office, Medford

Please join us for our last STEM Night this spring for a special evening on the Campus Trail! We will be installing new interpretive trail signs that will teach visitors about wildflowers, birds, wildlife, fungi and other things to see in the Campus Woods. These signs are the final improvement to the trail funded by the Engaging Youth, Serving Community (EYSC) grant program, which Taylor County 4-H participated in.

Please wear old clothes and closed-toe shoes. All members, leaders and parents are welcome. If you plan to attend, RSVP to Karyn at 715-748-3327 ext. 8 by the May 9. We will need shovels and post-hole diggers for the project. If you have some tools we can borrow for the night, please mention this when you RSVP. Please label tools so they can be returned to the correct family.

2014 Summer 4-H Camp

June 16-19
Trails End 4-H Camp, Bruce

All 4-H members in grades 3-8 are welcome as campers! The cost for camp this year is $75 per camper. Sponsorship is available (contact Karyn at the UW-Extension Office for details). Bus transportation to and from Bruce, all meals, snacks, accommodations and materials for activities are included!

A registration form is included in the back of this newsletter. The camper registration deadline is Friday, May 30.

Cloverbud Camp

Thursday, July 10
Medford

All Cloverbuds (grades K-2) are invited to join the Taylor County 4-H for fun, hands-on activities. All projects made during the camp can be entered in the Taylor County Fair. There is no cost for the camps, but RSVP is required so we can plan for materials. There will be an invitation sent to all Cloverbuds in early summer.

Taylor County 4-H T-Shirts!

Congratulations to **Sarah Rudolph** of **Liberty** for winning the t-shirt design contest! Her club will receive free t-shirts for all their members.

The UW-Extension Office is now accepting orders for Taylor County 4-H t-shirts. The shirts will be bright green with black lettering and come in youth and adult sizes. Club names will be listed on the back.

Thank you to Jackie at Northwoods Awards & Apparel for helping us with this project and for donating the art and set-up fees. We greatly appreciate it!

Shirts are $7 each and payment is due with your order. Orders are must be received by **Friday, May 9** to receive your shirt in time for summer events.

Look in the back of this newsletter for a t-shirt order form!

Clovers returning to the food stand!

Last year's Clover Contest to decorate the Community Center at the Fairgrounds was a big success, so it's coming back bigger and better!

4-H leaders will be receiving Clovers in their fair information packets in May. Here's what you need to do:

1. Please draw a picture and/or write a few sentences to answer this question:

What 4-H Means to Me

2. Cut out around the clover, write your first name and last initial, grade and 4-H club on the back and return to either your leader or the UW-Extension Office. Club leaders will set due dates for their members. All clovers must be at the UW-Extension Office no later than July 15 to be judged and counted.

3. Look for your clover hanging on the giant tree at the 4-H Food Stand during the fair. We'll return the clovers to your club leaders after the fair.

The Federation of Taylor County 4-H will give cash awards for the top clovers in three individual categories: Cloverbuds (K-2), grades 3-7 and grades 9-13. Prizes this year are $100 for first place, $50 for second and $25 for third. Awards will be presented at the annual Awards Banquet in the fall.

In addition, the club with the highest percentage of clovers returned will win $50!

Get the most out of your 4-H newsletter!

This newsletter is filled with opportunities to expand your involvement and knowledge in leadership, community service and your project areas — so much that it can be overwhelming!

When new members visit the UW-Extension Office, we recommend this:

- ★ When you receive your 4-H newsletter in the mail, take some time to review it. Use a highlighter to circle anything that interests you!
- ★ Mark those dates in your family calendar.
- ★ RSVP and fill out forms for events soon after receiving the newsletter. The longer you wait, the more likely you are to forget!
- ★ **For leaders**: Please announce events that you think will interest your club members at meetings.
- ★ If you lose your newsletter:
  - — Extra newsletters are always available at the UW-Extension Office in a rack right outside of our door. There are also newsletters in the lobby of the Taylor County Courthouse.
  - — PDF versions of newsletters are uploaded to 4HOnline and the UW-Extension web site, http://taylor.uwex.edu.
- ★ If you don't get a newsletter within the first week of the months January, March, May, July, September and November, call the UWEX Office.

Town & Country Dairy Breakfast

Sunday, June 9

6:30 a.m. — 12:30 p.m., Taylor County Fairgrounds

Friendly Reminders

4HOnline
4-H Enrollment and Event Registration

Access your 4HOnline Profile at

http://wi.4honline.com

Help with 4HOnline

Did you forget your password? Need to update your contact information? Can't remember what email address you used to register? If you need any help using 4HOnline, please contact Karyn at 715-748-3327 ext. 8 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., M-F. Our office staff can also help you if you would like to stop in and work through the issue.

Address Changes

If you move, please update your address in your 4HOnline family profile or notify the UW-Extension office. We often get mail returned due to changed and incorrect addresses and the post office charges us a fee for the service with our newsletters. If you or someone in your club has not received their 4-H newsletter in the mail, contact us so we can correct our mailing list.

"Care to Share"

What do you like about 4-H? What would you like to change? The "Care to Share" form gives people the opportunity to identify what is going well, what needs to be improved and possible solutions. Copies are available in each newsletter, at the UW-Extension Office or online at http://taylor.uwex.edu.

UW-Extension Office Holiday Hours

The Taylor County UW-Extension Office will be closed on the following dates in observance of holidays:

Memorial Day — Monday, May 26
Independence Day — Friday, July 4
Labor Day — Monday, September 1

Cultural Arts Festival

From music and public speaking to art and posters, 4-H members from Taylor County put on an impressive display of talent on Saturday during the annual Cultural Arts Festival. This year's festival was organized by leaders and members of the Liberty and Little Whispers 4-H Clubs. Judges for this year's event were Russ Gowey and Dee Brewster for speaker, music and theater, and Vi Jensen for art, photography and posters.

Sarah R., a seventh grader in Liberty 4-H Club, was awarded the Best of Fest Award for grades 7 and up, with her demonstration of making mobile of origami cranes.

The Best of Fest honor for younger members was awarded to Lizzy S. for her outstanding rendition of "Let It Go," the Oscar-winning song from the animated movie, "Frozen."

In the Cultural Arts Gallery of art, photography and posters, Judge's Awards were given to the most outstanding exhibits. Sarah received the Judge's Award in Art for her etching. Jacob E., a third grader in Little Whispers 4-H Club, received the honor in Photography and Sawyer E., a fifth grader in Liberty 4-H Club, received this top award in Posters.

During intermissions, 4-H youth led "Minute to Win It" challenges for audience members and participants.

A bake sale was also held with the proceeds benefiting a cause voted on by the 4-H club members. Both Little Whispers and Liberty opted to contribute to the Kickstarter campaign for Broadway Theater's digital conversion.

Demonstration/informative speech
Grade 7 and up: Sarah R., Liberty, blue.

Grade 6 and under: Sawyer E., Liberty, blue; Kaylee O., Poplar Grove, red.

Play/drama
Grade 6 and under: Little Whispers Cloverbuds and Explorers (Kale, Owen and Max K., Jacob E. and Ariella L., with narrator Kristin H.), blue.

Interpretive Reading
Grade 7 and up: Douglas and Elaine S., Liberty, blue; Amannda S. and Scarlett L., Little Whispers, and Sarah

R., Liberty, blue.

Grade 6 and under: Elaine S., Liberty, blue; Olivia K., Liberty, red.

Instrumental Solo
Grade 7 and up: Sarah R., Liberty, blue; Bailey K. (tuba), Liberty, red; Bailey K. (piano), Liberty, red; Sam K., Liberty, red.

Grade 6 and under: Olivia K., Liberty, blue.

Vocal Solo
Grade 7 and up: Sydney M., Little Whispers, blue; Sarah R., Liberty, red.

Grade 6 and under: Lizzy S., Little Whispers, blue; Carley T., Little Whispers, red.

Original Painting
Grade 6 and under: Sawyer E., Liberty, blue; Olivia K., Liberty, red.

Original Drawing
Grade 7 and up: Sarah R., Liberty, blue.

Grade 6 and under: Abby T., Little Whispers, blue; Lizzy S., Little Whispers, blue; Jack K., Liberty, blue; Olivia K., Liberty, red; Ryan G., Poplar Grove, red (2).

Fiber Arts
Grade 7 and up: Sarah R., Liberty, blue (3); Bailey K., Liberty, blue.

Grade 6 and under: Kaylee O., Poplar Grove, blue and red.

Other Original Art
Grades 7 and up: Sarah R., Liberty, blue (2); Kaleb F., Poplar Grove, red.

Grade 6 and under: Sawyer E., Liberty, blue; Abby T., Little Whispers, red; Wheeler R., Liberty, red; Cody R., Poplar Grove, white and pink; Brandon G., Poplar Grove, pink.

Original Photo
Grade 7 and up: Sam K., Liberty, blue; Bailey K., Liberty, blue; Sarah R., Liberty, blue and two reds.

Grade 6 and under: Jacob E., Little Whispers, blue.

Poster promoting 4-H
Grade 6 and under: Sawyer E., Liberty, blue.

4-H Centennial Poster
Grade 7 and up: Kaleb F., Poplar Grove, red.

Grade 6 and under: Brandon G., Poplar Grove, blue; Olivia K., Liberty, red; Ryan G., Poplar Grove, red; Cody G., Poplar Grove, red.

If you have any suggestions for next year, please complete a "Care to Share" form available in the back section of this newsletter, at the UW-Extension office or online at http://taylor.uwex.edu.

Opportunities Unlimited

Youth Expo Activity Stations at Wisconsin State Fair

Youth are encouraged to participate in the Activity Stations program at Wisconsin State Fair. Activity Stations are located in the Youth Expo Building and feature free hands-on activities for young Fairgoers. Interested youth participants are needed to lead the Activity Stations and interact with young Fairgoers. Youth participants are also provided with opportunities to further develop their leadership and communication skills while having fun meeting new friends at the Fair. Potential activity stations include: visual arts, juggling, science and technology, aerospace, face painting, agriculture and more.

Qualifications and Responsibilities
Youth must be between the ages of 12 and 19 to participate. For a complete list of the qualifications and responsibilities, visit http://wistatefair.com/competitions/youth-exhibits/

Participation Fee
All participants must pay a nightly Youth Center Fee and complete a Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center Registration form to receive a wristband which covers admission, lodging and three meals per day in the Youth Center. Information regarding 2014 Youth Center Fees is forthcoming.

Participation Premium
New for 2014! Youth participating at Wisconsin State Fair for one day will receive a premium of $20. Youth who participate two or more days will receive a premium of $30.

For more information on Activity Stations contact Lisa Talen, Youth Expo Coordinator, at (414) 750-0872 or by email at lisa.talen@wistatefair.com.

4-H Foundation Golf Outings

Register now for the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Golf Outing fundraisers on June 9 and June 24. These annual events help Wisconsin 4-H create cutting-edge, relevant programs for young people to learn real-world skills that prepare them for the challenges of today and tomorrow.

The 7th Annual Northern Golf Classic will be held at Kilkarney Hills Golf Club in River Falls on Monday, June 9. The 12th Annual Southern 4-H Golf Classic will be held on Monday, June 23 at the Western Lakes Golf Club in Pewaukee. For more information, to register as a golfer or pledge support as an event or hole sponsor, visit www.wis4Hfoundation.org.

Recognition

Safe travels to all

Scarlett L., Megan E. and **Sydney M.** of Little Whispers, and **Sarah R., Bailey K., Megan R.** and **Mallory R.** of Liberty will be our delegates attending the Wisconsin 4-H Youth & Conference June 23-26 at the UW-Madison campus. **Virginia Ustianowski** will serve as our adult chaperone.

Allison L. of Lucky Hills, was chosen to attend the American Spirit Experience in June. **Megan E.** of Little Whispers was selected as the alternate.

Application information for trips in 2015 will be in the July/August newsletter, including Citizenship Washington Focus, the American Spirit Experience, Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference, Space Camp and others. Applications are due the last Monday in August — in 2014, the due date is August 25.

Newly certified shooting sports leaders

Congratulations to **Tim Green** and **Bob Fierke** for successfully completing the Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports Certification! Bob received his initial certification in Archery and Tim received a second certification in Rifle.

Another certification workshop is planned for fall. If you are interesting in becoming a certified Shooting Sports leader, please call the UW-Extension Office for more info.

Leadership

Youth leaders needed for Taylor County Centennial

Taylor County 4-H has been invited to be a part of the centennial celebration of the Taylor County Courthouse! The celebration is planned for Saturday, September 6 at the Courthouse grounds in Medford.

Youth leaders in grades 6 and up are needed to lead old-fashioned children's games during the celebration. If you would be available to help out, please let Karyn know. You can call her at 715-748-3327 ext. 8 or email her at karyn.eckert@ces.uwex.edu.

Club leaders: If your club would like to do this as a community service project, please call Karyn.

Fair-prep project meetings

Several of our members have been requesting more information about how to get their projects ready for the fair and what the judge will be looking for when they evaluate them. The answer: Project meetings!

If you would like to host a project meeting in June or July to teach youth how to get entries ready for the fair, please contact Karyn at 715-748-3327 ext. 8. She can help you find resources, activity plans and handouts, reserve space for your meeting, and contact project members to let them know about the opportunity.

Assessments Due

Assessment worksheets were mailed April 1 and payments are due May 1. If your club has not paid assessments, please sent them right away. These assessments cover accident insurance, support for the 4-H Foundation and help defray the cost of literature.

As of April 28, these clubs still need to pay assessments:

- Countrysiders
- Deer Creek Comets
- Little Black Bears
- Poplar Grove
- Thrifty-Go-Getters

4-H Fiscal Year Ends June 30

Attention leaders and treasurers: The end of the state's fiscal year is also the end our 4-H financial year. Having all your bank statements and your checkbook ledger up to date greatly helps you when completing your charter renewal forms, financial records and excess funds plans. These forms will all be distributed in the re-enrollment packets ready in early September, or you can also request electronic fillable PDF versions of these forms. **Completed charter renewal packets must be turned into the UW-Extension Office or postmarked by November 1, 2014.**

FEDERATION OF TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

Adopted January 6, 1994; Updated April 14, 2014

1. All reimbursements are dependent on availability of funds (advance request recommended).
2. All events with total cost to Federation in excess of $75.00 will require advanced written notice mailed to the Federation Treasurer, and be subject to #3 below.
   - A pre-reimbursement form is required to be filled out advance and mailing it to the Federation Treasurer.
   - A post-reimbursement form will be also filled out after the event and returned to the Federation Treasurer within two months of the event.
3. Events in excess of $75.00 (cost to Federation) will be paid on a scale of 0-5, dependent on Executive Boards' judgment of the benefit to 4-H program or needed support of outstanding youth. To be decided at closest Executive Board or annual meeting.

   0=0% 1=20% 2=40% 3=60% 4=80% 5=100%
4. The cost of gasoline plus an additional 50% of that cost will be the figure submitted as a reimbursement item. Mileage count will begin and end at local starting point.
5. All vouchers must be submitted to treasurer within two months of event, but no later than one week prior to the November Annual Meeting. A brief statement of benefit to the 4-H program must be written on the official voucher.
6. If a member or leader incurs an expense that is to be billed to the Federation, pre– and post-reimbursement forms must be submitted before the bill can be paid. If the Federation is billed for costs without the proper approval, no reimbursements will be given to family for two years.
7. All 4-H Rules and Behavior Expectations must be honored by the youth and chaperones or you will forfeit the right for reimbursement.

Reimbursement form can be found in the Forms section of this newsletter

Taylor County Fair

2014 Fair Books & Entries

This year's Taylor County Fair book will be available in electronic version again this year. There have been some changes made, so please dispose of any copies of the 2013 entry information. The fair book and entry blanks will be available on the Taylor County Fair web site:

http://www.witaylorcountyfair.com

Each 4-H club will receive a fair information binder which includes a printed copy of the fair book to share among members who are not able to access the fair book online. We also have a book at the office if you would like to fill out entry blanks here. Entry blanks may be downloaded online or picked up at the UWEX office.

Not all clubs returned their fair binder last year. Binders must be returned before you can receive your new fair book pages and packets! A list of missing binders is located on the bottom right corner of this page.

If you missed the club meeting where entries are discussed, be sure to call your general leader to go over this information. If you have any questions about fair entries, Karyn and your 4-H leaders will be happy to help you.

Entry Due Dates

Completed entry forms, any fees and required animal health paperwork must be to your club general leader no later than **Friday, June 13**. Your leader will review and sign your entry form. 4-H leaders may only sign entries for youth entering under their 4-H club; if you plan to enter under FFA, Farmers Union Juniors, Scouts, etc., those entries must be turned into and signed by those leaders.

Please make a photocopy of your entry form and keep it for your records!

Only enter in departments in which you have enrolled in a project. If you are not sure what your projects are, log-in to your 4HOnline account to check (http://wi.4honline.com). March 1 was the last day to add projects. The self-determined project is designed for youth who want to work in an area we do not offer as a project; it is not a catch-all for not enrolling in a project.

Club general leaders or a designated representative must drop off signed entries at the UW-Extension Office on **Monday, June 16** between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Entries will be submitted to the fair board at 4:30 p.m. No late entries will be accepted!

New for 2014: Maximum animals per exhibitor

The Taylor County Fair Board has approved new rules that set the maximum numbers of animals that may be shown per exhibitor in each department. These are the limits for 2014:

Dept.	Max. # Animals	Dept.	Max. # Animals
Dairy	6	Dogs	2
Horses	2	Rabbits	8
Sheep	4	Poultry	8
Swine	4	Cats	2
Goats	4	Exotics	2 per species
Beef*	4	Pets	4

**Cow/calf pair counts as 1*

Exhibiting pigs at the fair

Due to new health regulations for swine in Wisconsin, the Taylor County Fair will be a terminal show for market pigs. There will also be no breeding classes this year. Please see more information in the Animal Science section of this newsletter.

Cloverbud Fair Entries

Cloverbud members will use hot pink Cloverbud fair exhibit cards and green exhibit tags for their fair entries and do not need to enter with the regular form. ***These cards and tags are available from your general leader or the UW-Extension Office.***

Cloverbuds should attach a 3" x 5" or smaller picture of themselves to the hot pink Cloverbud fair card. The pictures can be picked up along with the exhibits on Sunday night.

REMEMBER: The Cloverbud Fair Card must accompany the Cloverbud project when brought to the exhibit building on Wednesday, July 24 (between 8 a.m. and 10 p.m.). Contact your Cloverbud leader for details or the Cloverbud Superintendent: Vi Jensen (715-748-4481).

Missing Fair Binders

If you are in possession of one of these navy blue fair binders, please return them to the UW-Extension Office:

Liberty
Little Black Bears
Little Farmers
Poplar Grove
Thrifty-Go-Getters

Have you ever used project literature? Gone to camp or on a trip? Received a project seal or pin? Do you plan to apply for a scholarship? The Federation of Taylor County 4-H provides financial support many of the activities our members enjoy. The Taylor County Fair 4-H Food Stand is the biggest fundraising event for the 4-H Leaders Federation. Please be sure to contribute.

Tentative 2014 Food Stand Work Schedule

Date	Club	Workers Needed	# Adults
Monday, July 22	**Everyone is welcome**	4-6	
Set up 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm			
Wednesday, July 24	**Everyone is welcome**	2-3	
Food Prep 11:00 am to ?			
Thursday, July 25			
1st Shift 10:00 am to 4:30 pm	Little Farmers	8-10	3
2nd Shift 4:00 pm to 10:30 pm	Deer Creek Comets	9-12	3
Friday, July 26			
1st Shift 7:30 am to 1:30 pm	Diamond Lakers	10-13	4
2nd Shift 1:00 pm to 6:30 pm	Countrysiders	11-15	5
3rd Shift 6:00 pm to 11:30 pm	Liberty	11-15	5
Saturday, July 27			
1st Shift 7:30 am to 1:30 pm	Little Black Bears	11-14	4
2nd Shift 1:00 pm to 6:30 pm	Poplar Grove	11-14	5
3rd Shift 6:00 pm to 11:30 pm	Little Whispers	13-16	5
Sunday, July 28			
1st Shift 8:00 am to 2:30 pm	Thrifty-Go-Getters	11-14	4
2nd Shift 2:00 am to 8:30 pm	Lucky Hills	11-14	5
Clean up 7-10 pm & Inventory	**Everyone is Welcome**	5-10	
Monday, July 29			
Clean up 10:00 am to 1:00 pm	**Everyone is Welcome**	5-10	

If you cannot work during your clubs allotted time, you are welcome to work a different shift. Please call and find out where extra help is needed.

Gina Timm — (715) 669-5278

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Animal Science

MASS Schedule

June 13 — COOL Sheets due with fair entry forms (give to your club leader—see pg 10 for details).

June 21 — Bidder sheets due.

July 12 — Outstanding Meat Exhibitor Award Applications due. If you attended a workshop not sponsored by MASS, your workshop verification form is due this day.

*Swine exhibitors are reminded that due to the identification changes for this year's fair, you need to take photos of your project pigs at least once per month. These photos need to be turned in at the fair with at the final weigh-in paperwork (white sheets in the MASS book).

Dog Project Training Classes

The first session of Saturday dog project training classes has started. Wednesday training sessions begin May 21. All dog project members should have received a project booklet in the mail the second week of April. If you did not receive a book or lost yours, please contact Karyn at the UW-Extension Office.

Remember, you must turn in your paperwork and a copy of your dog's rabies certificate to the UW-Extension Office prior to your first training session or to Jeanine at your first session.

SAVE THE DATE

State 4-H Dog Obedience & Showmanship Show

August 22-24, 2014
Hosted by Jefferson County

State 4-H Dog Show Guidelines and Rules will be posted at http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/DogProjectEvents.cfm when the information becomes available.

Reminder: To represent Taylor County at a state or national 4-H event, you must be a member of good standing. This includes enrolling by the deadline and attending at least three (3) club meetings, or the minimum participation requirements of your club. Meeting attendance is verified with your club leader.

Horse Project News

Please return your pink waiver/rules acknowledgement form to Heidi or the UW-Extension Office ASAP if you have not already done so.

Blue Horse ID Forms and copies of your Coggins papers are due to the UW-Extension Office by **May 15**. Thank you to those who have already returned your paperwork!

Watch your mail for summer clinic information coming soon! The clinic registration system will be the same as last year:

- ★ Registrations and fees will be collected at the UW-Extension Office.
- ★ There will be an additional cost of $5 for registrations past the deadline and at the event.
- ★ Clinics without the minimum number of participants may be cancelled and fees will be refunded.
- ★ Refunds will be given for cancellations only if notification is given before the clinic registration

Area Animal Science Day

Northwest Region:
June 26, 2014
Hosted by Eau Claire County

If you are interested in participating, please contact Karyn at the UW-Extension Office for details. There is a registration fee of $10 per participant and all attendees (participants, coaches, parents, etc.) are required to register for a lunch ticket ($6 each). Registrations and fees must be returned to the UW-Extension Office for mailing as a group no later than **Wednesday, May 28**.

Contests

- Dairy Cattle Evaluation
- Dairy Showmanship
- Dairy Poster
- Meat Animal Evaluation
- Horse Judging Workshop
- Hippology
- Horse Poster Contest
- Horse Photo Contest

NCWCA Beef Round-Up Judging Contest

UW-Extension Taylor County and the North Central Wisconsin Cattlemen's Association (NCWCA) will team up to host a Beef Judging Contest on Saturday, May 17, at the Brecke Rodeo Arena, W7939 State Highway 64, Medford. This contest is held in conjunction with NCWCA's annual Beef Round-Up.

Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. with judging getting underway at 9 a.m. There is no fee to enter and awards will be given to top individuals in four divisions: juniors age 13 years and younger, senior youth ages 14-18, and men's and women's divisions for adults, ages 19 and over. This is a fun opportunity for both youth and adults to sharpen their judging skills.

Pre-registration is preferred by May 1 to the Taylor County UW-Extension Office. To pre-register, call Karyn at 715-748-3327 ext. 8 or email karyn.eckert@ces.uwex.edu. Please be sure to include your name, age division and phone number when submitting your entry.

For more information, contact Sandy Stuttgen at 715-748-3327 ext. 1 or sandy.stuttgen@ces.uwex.edu, or visit http://taylor.uwex.edu.

Beef and Sheep Fitting Clinics

Plans are being made for fitting and showing clinics for beef and sheep at the North Central Wisconsin Cattlemen's Association (NCWCA) Beef Round-Up, Saturday, May 17, at the Brecke Rodeo Arena. These clinics will have valuable information for new and experienced youth. More information will be available once details are finalized.

Teaching youth about Livestock Safety

http://ylsp.bae.ksu.edu/

Livestock represent a major source of injury to children, accounting for at least one in five non-fatal injuries to children every year. Youth who show livestock generally spend a great deal of time with their animals, and therefore may be at greater risk of injury.

A web site from Kansas State University, http://ylsp.bae.ksu.edu/, offers information is designed for use by youth who raise and show livestock competitively and the adult advisers who guide them. Injury prevention and awareness of livestock-related injuries are the goals. For purposes of this project, livestock includes beef, dairy, horse, sheep, goat and swine.

On this page are links to safety quizzes and printable lessons related to each of the species listed above. These materials can be used alone or as part of a more comprehensive livestock safety program using printed safety lessons and/or video safety lessons. Also included are guidance and resources for helping young people with disabilities safely participate in livestock project activities.

Caprine Field Day & Goat Project Youth Fun Show

The events will be held on Saturday, May 17, 2014, at the Waupaca County Fairgrounds and is hosted by the Waupaca County 4-H Goat project.

Field Day: 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. $10 participant (includes workshops & lunch). Topics: Veterinarian, goat milk soap & cheese, nutrition, clipping and fitting, etc.

Youth Fun Show: Judging begins at 1:30 p.m. Pre-registration to show required, grades 3-13. Entry fee: $5 per goat (no pen fees). Spectators Free!

Vendors, raffle and silent auction all day.

If you have any questions contact: Kari-715-281-7003; Cindy-715-281-4504; Donna-920-250-1661. Registration deadline is May 1. Visit http://waupaca.uwex.edu/ for more information.

New websites for youth in animal projects

The American Quarter Horse Association has launched two new websites to help youth with their projects.

OnlineStable.com is designed for youth ages 10-19. The site is designed to make animal management and record keeping much easier to maintain for youth already actively involved. The web site is free to use and open to multiple species of animals.

For the younger audience (ages 5-9), TakeMeRiding.com is set to launch in June 2014. The site is a digital, immersive experience that freely engages kids with horses, creates a digital learning experience with pathways to horseback activity and introduces parents to the world of building self-esteem, teaching leadership and encouraging a lifelong positive relationship with horses.

The Swine Squeaky Clean Biosecurity Plan

Bernie O'Rourke, Extension Youth Livestock Specialist
Tammy Vaassen, Wisconsin Pork Association

Our world and society has become a global entity, where people and animals move about often. With the ability to move animals the potential risk of moving animal disease increases. Currently the United States and other countries are dealing with a rather pesky swine virus, which has caused concern of how viruses spread. In all animals, especially swine, practicing good biosecurity is imperative to minimize the spread. What is Biosecurity and why is it important? Biosecurity refers to the measures taken to keep diseases out of herds, flocks or groups of animals. Examples of practices are: washing & disinfecting boots, not allowing visitors on your farm and wearing coveralls and plastic boots just to name a few. As Wisconsin youth members begin to think about preparing for show season, it's time to think about how to deal with the many questions and challenges associated with Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea Virus (PEDv), the pesky virus that is affecting much of the United States. Being mindful of commingling feeder age pigs at sales, weigh---ins, exhibitions and other venues where the virus could potentially be spread is being a good citizen and steward of the swine industry. Regardless of PEDv's presence though, certain measures should always be a priority for anyone involved in swine shows.

What do we know about PEDv as of right now – this virus is passed through the manure, with symptoms of extreme diarrhea and vomiting. Baby pigs usually don't have enough reserves to survive however older pigs can survive and recover with extra care if added hydration such as water and electrolytes. If animals get exposed to the virus, symptoms show up rather quickly, 1---3 days. This is a new virus to the United States and still much is not specifically known on this virus. More information is gleaned each day for better ways of detecting and minimizing the spread of the virus. <u>What is most important to know and share with concerned consumers is that PEDv has no food safety risk. Pork products are safe to consume and pigs are the only host for this virus, it is not found in other animals and can't be transmitted to humans.</u>

Sales/Farm Visits

- Contact the farm(s) that you will visit in advance. Do they have any requirements for visitors – i.e. not visited another farm for 24 hours; will they provide disposable boots, coveralls; is there a specific location you should park your vehicle?
- Ask questions about the health of the animals you are purchasing. Have there been any health challenges in the current group of pigs for sale? If so, have they been treated and with what product?
- What vaccinations have the pigs received? When were they given?
- The risk for spreading PEDv is through fecal material. If manure gets on your shoes, clothes, truck mats, trailer, equipment or other items, they should be washed, disinfected and dried when you get home and before going to another farm, sale, or into your barn.
- Make sure you have a clean line of separation between farms, here is an example. Remove all of the boots, coveralls, etc. at that farm and have them discard. Then get into your vehicle. The clothes & boots that you wear when pig shopping should be different then what is used on your farm and or where your project animals are located.
- You should really schedule one visit per day to a farm for pig selection. Research has indicated showering has minimized the spread. Also make sure you are washing your hands frequently.

When Pigs Get Home

- Have your facilities ready for pigs. With cool spring weather, you will want to provide an area that is free of drafts and warm with plenty of bedding. Calf hutches or other structures work well until the pigs have grown and the weather has warmed.

- Isolate new pigs coming to your farm from other pigs that are already on the farm. The recommended isolation period before returning to contact with other pigs should be no fewer than 30 days in order to detect an illness. Do chores for the pigs in the isolation area as the last task of the day after you have already worked with your other pigs.

- Monitor pigs daily. Are they eating and drinking? Showing any signs of illness?

- Know the number of a large animal veterinarian. If pigs start to show signs of illness, make sure you work with the veterinarian for antibiotic use, electrolytes such as Swine BlueLite (made by *Techmix*), and other possible treatments.

Preparing for the Show, Returning Home

- Bring only healthy pigs to a show, if the pig is sick they need to stay home. We understand that being able to show is important, however bringing sick pigs indicates you are not being a respectful exhibitor and steward of the animal industries. Observe them daily because the pigs will tell you a lot.

- Clean out the tack box and do it away from the barn or pigs. Remove any organic material, then wash and disinfect all equipment—pails, brushes, waterers, whips, panels, gates—even the boots you wore at the show. Use a commercial disinfectant according to label directions and allow everything to dry.

- Clean out the truck cab and trailer. Use the same basic approach—remove organic matter, floor mats, gates, ramps—and wash, disinfect and dry.

- Take only the feed and shavings that you will need, and leave anything not used behind. Don't bring any feed or shavings home—it's not worth the risk. To not waste feed, weigh and bag the amount of feed you will need for each day of a show, add in a couple extra servings for a safety net and that's it.

- Pigs that return home should go into isolation—if at all possible—for at least 30 days or longer if possible. A shed or another room in a low-traffic area is good.

- Do the chores in the isolated area last each time and wash your hands before and after. Wear disposable boots and coveralls, and put them in the trash away from other pigs. Finally, be sure no equipment crosses out of this area.

Use of disinfectants:

Step 1: Remove **ALL** manure, bedding, etc. with hot soapy water from boots, show equipment, etc. If the manure material isn't fully removed, the disinfectant likely won't work.

Step 2: Disinfectant the boots, equipment, etc. and let sit for at least 1 day, potentially longer if possible. It seems with this virus the longer they sit the better kill effect it has. Such disinfectants are: One Stroke, Virkon, Tek Troll, etc. Make sure you follow the dilution directions specifically. Four parts water to one part bleach is also a good mix for disinfecting, however this solution can be hard on equipment – thus monitor this.

Supplies:

Disposable boots & coveralls http://www.farmtek.com/, www.enasco.com, many others. Disinfectants – location farm supplies stores, Farm & Fleet, Fleet Farm, Grocery store (bleach).

No doubt this virus has created changes in swine exhibition, however it shouldn't minimize youth's participation in this great learning experience that the swine project provides. Being a good steward of animal care and health, you too can minimize the spread of most disease. REMEMBER KEEP SICK ANIMALS AT HOME and TO WASH YOUR HANDS! There are many resources and fact sheets available from the Pork Checkoff and on the Wisconsin Youth Livestock Program website. Youth can find those at www.pork.org/pedv and http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/pedv

Regional/State Horse Project Events

Horse-A-Rama
May 3-4, Manitowoc County Expo
Admission includes clinics, demos, speakers, Showcase of Breeds, pony rides, horse drawn wagon rides, photo contest, kids activity area and more. For more information on this event visit their website at www.horse-a-rama.org.

Lincoln County 4-H Clinic
Saturday, May 17, Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Merrill
9 a.m.-12 p.m. Pleasure and showmanship—"Techniques to improve any Rider"
1-4 p.m. Gymkhana—"Patterns, patterns, patterns"
$10 rider/horse for one clinic, $15 for both clinics, $5 for additional horse/clinic.
Contact Loyetta Dennis 715-966-2605 for details.

Lincoln County 4-H Fun Show
Saturday, June 14, Lincoln County Fairgrounds (Merrill), starts at 10 a.m. All 4-H rules apply. For more information, call 715-966-2605 or visit http://goo.gl/H2W0WU.

Wisconsin State 4-H Hunter & Dressage Show & Clinics
June 27-29, Sheboygan County Fairgrounds, Plymouth
Show entry fee: $10 per class; $30 stall fee.
Clinic fee: $15 horse/rider per group clinic; $25 individual dressage clinic.
Show entries and clinic registration must be postmarked by June 7. Forms require signatures of county horse project leader and extension agent. Visit http://4h.uwex.edu/onlinpro/horses.cfm for more information.

Dates for State 4-H Horse Contests

Wisconsin State 4-H Gymkhana
September 6-7, State Fair Park, West Allis

Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Expo
September 11-14, State Fair Park, West Allis

Reservation of the Horse Arena at the Taylor County Fair Grounds

To reserve the horse arena, call the Taylor County UW-Extension Office. The UW-Extension Office will approve requests based on the following criteria:

1) 4-H sponsored horse training/workshops need to pass through Taylor County UW-Extension office, with the 4-H agent or Department Head approving the grounds reservations. This will be at no cost to 4-H. (Other horse organizations must pay a county grounds rental for the arena.)
2) If this is an official 4-H sponsored event it means **all participants** must follow 4-H policies and rules **for every date** that is reserved under 4-H.
   a. Be non-discriminatory.
   b. All safety gear must be used by all parties all the time, all adult teachers or project leaders must be registered with the 4-H office and have successfully completed the new leader training program. They cannot teach or be with the 4-H kids until this happens.
   c. A teaching outline or detailed project description must be submitted. (Name of club, number of youth participants, list of adult leaders, flow of the evenings program—what will be taught, methods, and routines.)
   d. State whether this is an individual 4-H club activity or if this series of workshops is open to other **County 4-H horse project members**.
   e. If it is found out that the above rules are not be followed, it is a violation of 4-H commitments to our youth, therefore all reservation dates will be withdrawn, and the County will charge for the grounds rental.

The Taylor County Building and Grounds Department requires this procedure to ensure there are no violations of their rules, liability insurance issues, fairness to the public, and avoidance of future conflicts.

Equine Herpesvirus-1

J. Liv Sandberg, Equine Extension Specialist

Equine Herpesvirus-1 (EHV-1) has recently been identified in horses primarily in eastern Minnesota and in N Western Wisconsin. The WI Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is in communication with WI veterinarians and will continue to update them on the status of the EHV-1 outbreak.

EHV-1 is a contagious virus that can cause respiratory disease, abortion and in some cases neurologic disease. While it is not uncommon to see EHV-1, it isn't typical to see several cases in which the horses show neurologic symptoms from the disease. Common symptoms of the neurologic form of EHV-1 include weakness, lack of coordination and difficulty urinating. If these symptoms are noticed, a horse owner should immediately isolate the horse from other horses on the property and have the horse examined by a veterinarian. The incubation period for EHV-1 is 7-10 days. Horses who have been exposed may develop a fever and be shedding the virus, but may not be showing other symptoms of the disease yet. Thus, monitor your horse's health by taking temperatures 2X day, especially if they may have been exposed to the disease.

Common symptoms of EHV-1

- Fever
- Runny nose
- Lack of appetite
- General depression
- Reproductive problems like abortion, still birth and weak foals.

Neurologic symptoms

- Weakness
- Lack of coordination
- Difficulty urinating

EHV-1 is usually spread between horses in close contact with each other via nasal secretions or from the sharing of the same feed or water buckets. Transporting horses to shows, clinics, training sessions, lessons, or other gatherings of horses may increase the risk of exposure to the disease. Thus, restricting or limiting travel to activities where horses will be in contact with other horses provides the most effective way to reduce the spread to the disease. The Wisconsin state veterinarian is recommending that any horse with a fever or horse showing symptoms of disease such as a respiratory infection should be kept at home.

Although humans cannot be infected by the disease, they can aid in spreading it to other horses. People in communication with horses (especially affected horses or horses that may have been exposed) should practice good biosecurity procedures when working with different horses and between horse farms; including farriers, trainers, etc. The virus does not survive long in the environment or on people and can be easily killed by disinfectants and drying. See USDA biosecurity brochure for further details. http://www.aphis.usda.gov/publications/animal_health/2011/bro_keep_horses_healthy.pdf

Limit horse-to-horse contact.
- Limit horse to human to horse contact.
- Avoid use of communal water sources.
- Avoid sharing of equipment unless thoroughly cleaned and disinfected between uses.
- Monitor your horse for clinical signs of disease and report any temperature over 102° F to a veterinarian.

WI DATCP will continue to update veterinarians as the situation evolves. If you have planned horse activities in the near future, please communicate with your local veterinarian to discuss the current EHV-1 status for your area to assess the level of risk associated for that specific activity.

Additional information can be located at these sites.

USDA APHIS: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/nahss/equine/ehv/equine_herpesvirus_brochure_2009.pdf
California EHV-1 fact sheet: http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/Animal_Health/pdfs/Equine_EHMbrochure.pdf
MN Board of Animal Health EHV-1 Q&A: http://www.cvm.umn.edu/umec/EHV1info/home.html

2014 Badger Dairy Camp

June 11-13, UW-Madison

Badger Dairy Camp is an annual camp held in June and is open to youth between the ages of 12 and 18. This camp, held on the beautiful University of Wisconsin Madison campus, provides an excellent opportunity for youth to get hands on experience learning how to fit and show animals. Youth also learn about the purebred cattle industry and attend workshops including "Roaming Through the Rumen". Instructors for the camp include dairy industry leaders, graduate students, and UW professors.

Each year the camp is open to one hundred youth. This three day event is open to all dairy youth, come near or far, between the ages 12 and 18. Although the majority of our campers come from Wisconsin, we welcome out of state campers and in the past have had camper come from as far as Texas, Arizona, New Mexico and Washington state!

The next Badger Dairy Camp will be held June 11-13, 2014. The cost is $115. Brochures and applications are available from the UW-Extension Office or at http://fyi.uwex.edu/dairyyouth/badger-dairy-camp/.

The Rules are Black and White

The Holstein Foundation provides the booklet "The Rules are Black and White—And they apply to all breeds" free of charge. The booklet provides a tool kit for you to use when making ethical decisions in your dairy youth program. If you have not received one yet, contact the Extension Office for a copy.

2014 Wisconsin Farm Technology Days

August 12-14 — Portage County
Hosted by Blue Top Farms and Feltz Family Farms

The Wisconsin Farm Technology Days is the largest agricultural show in Wisconsin and one of the largest in the nation. The three-day outdoor event showcases the latest improvements in production agriculture, including many practical applications of recent research findings and technological developments. Educational exhibits, special interest displays, and field machinery demonstrations provide something of interest for everyone.

Central Wisconsin Cat Club Spring Show

May 17-18
9 a.m. To 3:30 p.m. both days
Faith Christian Academy School Gym, Wausau

The Central Wisconsin Cat Club is proud to announce their upcoming 25th Annual Purebred & Household Pet Spring Cat Shows. The first show was in April and there will be a second show on May 17 and 18 at Faith Christian Academy School Gym (formerly St. Matthew's School), 225 S. 28th. Ave., Wausau. Admission will be $3 for adults and $2 for children. The shows are open to the public from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. both days. Special group rates are available for 4-H Clubs.

Special feature of this years' shows is a Cat Costume Contest on Saturday, May 17th. Theme for the Costume Contest is "Silver Anniversary!"

Judges are from all across the USA and Canada. These shows are Sanctioned and Scored with the American Cat Fanciers Association. In the past, there have been as many as 130 to 180 cats and kittens entered. As 24 different breeds of cats are expected to be shown.

This is also the place to get all your cat related toys, cat related clothing for yourself, cat furniture, cat knick-knacks and anything else cat (or other animal) from vendors from all over the Midwest.

If you would like to enter your purebred or household pet cat or kitten in the shows, go on-line at www.eclerkshows.com to enter. Deadline for entries is midnight May 9, 2014 for the May show.

Shawano County 4-H Poultry, Goat & Small Animal Swap

Saturday, May 17, 7-11 a.m.
Shawano County Fairgrounds

This event is sponsored by the Shawano County 4-H Rabbit, Poultry and Goat Key Committees. Proceeds support Shawano County Youth! All small animals, poultry, waterfowl, game birds and goats welcome. $1 admission at the gate per person.

Sellers: for poultry/rabbit info or to reserve a space, contact: Nancy Netzel at 715-823-2798 or netzel@frontiernet.net. Goat info: Ted Jobe, 715-754-4885 or Wisconsin_jobe@yahoo.com. $3 seller's fee and $5 to reserve a table. All current state rules will be followed!

Mechanical Sciences

2014 Tractor Safety Classes

Open to Youth ages 12 and up

Taylor County:
Medford Area Senior High, Room 220
June 16 — 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
June 17 — 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
June 18 — 8-11 a.m.
Bring a lunch Monday and Tuesday.
Contact: Roger Poulter at 715-748-5951

Clark County
Visit http://clark.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/tractor-safety-classes/ to download registration forms.

Abbotsford High School
June 23-26, 8 a.m.—2 p.m. (bring your own lunch)
Cost: $20. Register by June 1.
Class size limited to 30—first paid, first served.
Contact: John Slipek at 715-223-2386 or
Melissa Ploeckelman at 715-223-2338, Ext. 147

Loyal High School
June 23-26, 8 a.m. –1 p.m. (bring your own lunch)
Cost: $20. Register by June 1.
Class size limited to 20—first paid, first served.
Contact: Matt Reinders at 715-255-8511, Ext. 104

Thorp High School
To be announced

4-H Robotics Rally & Day of Learning

Saturday, May 31
Southwest Wisconsin Technical College, Fennimore
10 a.m.—2 p.m.

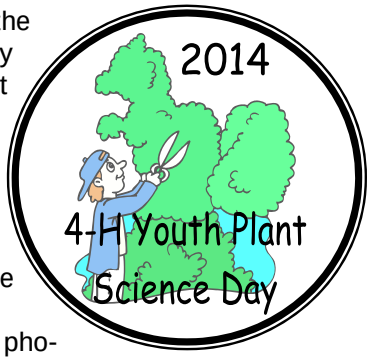
The 4-H Robotics Rally is an instructional and challenge-based event designed to increase knowledge of robotics programs. The South-West Wisconsin 4-H Robotics Rally is open to all youth in grades 5th and up. Registration is first-come, first served and participation is limited in each session. Registration deadline is May 16, 2014. The event is open to 4-H members and non-4-H members.

Registration is first-come, first served. The cost to participate is $6.50 per youth. Registration deadline is **May 16**. Contact the UW-Extension Office at 715-748-3327 for more information and a registration form, or visit http://goo.gl/ZFEiAW.

Plant & Soil Sciences

State 4-H Plant Science Day

Tuesday, July 8
Waushara County Fairgrounds, Wautoma
9:30 a.m.—2 p.m.



Plan now to participate in the State 4-H Plant Science Day event to be held July 8th at the Waushara County Fairgrounds in Wautoma. Youth in grades 3-13 can test their knowledge about plants while learning how to judge and identify a wide variety of plant specimens. Youth can also compete in photography, speaking and demonstration contests.

In the morning, regular participants will:

- Identify fruits, nuts, vegetables, trees, shrubs, flowers, and houseplants.
- Judge and place classes of plants. (As done at local County Fairs.) Test your knowledge with a written horticulture test. The study guide for these events is "Horticulture Contest Study Manual" 4-H 435 (2002) available from your 4-H Youth Development Agent. Visit http://www.njha.org/and http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/plants/index.cfm to learn more.

In the afternoon, the following workshop will be offered starting at 1 p.m.

> **"*House Plant Propagation- Tips, STEM's and Leaves*"** Youth will propagate plants which can become their next year's 4-H project during this hand on workshop!

Register by contact Karyn at the UW-Extension Office, 715-748-3327 ext. 8 or karyn.eckert@ces.uwex.edu your before June 20. A $10 registration/lunch fee will be collected at the event. This fee includes all materials, handouts and lunch. Walk-ins are welcome but pre-registration is preferred for lunch and material count. Event brochures, photography contest information and registration forms are available the UW-Extension, or at http://goo.gl/aEFZsj.

Please bring a clip board and a #2 pencil!!

Registration Deadline is June 20, 2014.

Family, Home & Health

4-H Day at Creative Hideaway

Attention all crafters: Creative Hideaway in Dorchester will host a countywide 4-H Project Day on Saturday, June 28. Card making and scrapbooking. A simple sewing project is also being planned. Please watch your email for a 4HOnline broadcast email with details about the event. Information will also be posted at http://taylor.uwex.edu.

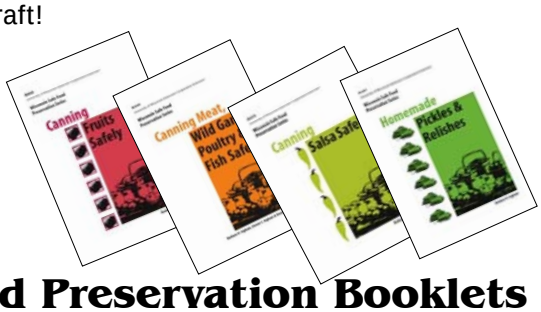
Stamp and Scrap Days

Stamp and Scrap days are held the first and third Monday of each month starting May 5 thru August. From 1-5 p.m., for a fee of $2.50, you can use all their stamps, stamp pads, cutters and punches. Please bring your own adhesive (available for purchase if you need some). If you have questions, contact Lou at Creative Hideaway at 715-654-5250.

Wall Hanging Workshop

Creative Hideaway invites experienced 4-H sewers to make a quilted wall hanging on Saturday, June 21, starting at 10 a.m. The class fee is $20 and includes all materials for your wall hanging. If you have a sewing machine, please bring it to use. Finished wall hangings can be entered in the Home Environment Department of the fair! To register and for more information, contact Creative Hideaway at 715-654-5250.

Creative Hideaway is willing to host more workshops for 4-H members. If you are a leader who would like to host a workshop there, contact Lou at Creative Hideaway. Remember, any of these projects can be entered in the fair, or you can attend just to learn a new craft!



Food Preservation Booklets at the UW-Extension Office

If you're going to preserve food, be sure to do it safely! The UW-Extension has booklets and flyers with approved instructions for canning all types of fruits, vegetables, meats, pickles, salsa, jams and jellies. We also have information for freezing, drying and making sauerkraut. These resources are available for a small fee (many are free for 4-H members through the literature library). You can also view them at http://learningstore.uwex.edu/.

Exploring the Health Project:

Make a family first aid kit

A well-stocked first aid kit is a handy thing to have. To be prepared for emergencies:

- ★ Keep a first aid kit in your home and in your car.
- ★ Carry a first aid kit with you or know where you can find one.
- ★ Find out the location of first aid kits where you work.

First aid kits come in many shapes and sizes. You can purchase one from your local American Red Cross chapter, a local drug store or you can also make your own. Some kits are designed for specific activities, such as hiking, camping or boating.

Whether you buy a first aid kit or put one together, make sure it has all the items you may need:

- ★ Include personal items such as medications and emergency phone numbers, or any other items your health care provider may suggest.
- ★ Check the kit regularly.
- ★ Make sure the flashlight batteries work.
- ★ Check expiration dates and replace any used or out-of-date contents.

The American Red Cross has a list of items you should have in your family first aid kit. To view it, visit http://goo.gl/0YzpHF.

Kids' Quilt Challenge 2014

Quilt Expo offers a quilt contest open only to youth ages 15 and under. The contest is sponsored by Nancy Zieman Productions, and Nancy's Notions gift certificates will be awarded to those making the top three quilts. Pre-registration is required and the contest is limited to the first 50 entrants so enter as soon as possible; quilts must be received at Nancy Zieman Productions by August 22.

First prize is a $200 gift certificate; second, a $100 gift certificate; and third, a $50 gift certificate. Winners will be announced at Quilt Expo, September 6, at Alliant Energy Center in Madison. For more information and complete quilt contest rules, go to www.wiquiltexpo.com or call the UW-Extension office at 715-748-3327.

Preserving Wisconsin's Harvest Lunchtime Learning Series

Lunch & Learn at the Taylor County UW-Extension Office

Join friends and colleagues at the Taylor County UW-Extension Office for webinar-based sessions on food safety and preservation topics. Distance-learning lectures will include the ability to ask questions of food safety and food preservation experts from UW-Extension.

All sessions will be noon - 1 p.m. on Mondays and will be held in the UW-Extension Meeting Room, 925 Donald Street in Medford. More information: 715-748-3327

May 12	**Tips for a Successful Year of Food Preservation** – The right equipment and the most up-to-date information will start the season off right.
June 2	**Home Freezing of Foods** – Freezing is an easy method of food preservation. Join us to find out how to freeze foods that your family will enjoy.
June 9	**Canning Basics** – Whether pressure canning or canning in a boiling water canner, there are some basic steps to make sure canning is done right.
June 16	**Making Jams and Jellies** – Learn how to make tasty fruit spreads that capture the taste of summer or fall.
June 30	**Drying Fruits and Vegetables at Home** – Drying foods can be fun! Learn how to get started using this easy food preservation method.
July 7	**Judging Home Preserved and Prepared Foods** – Ever wonder what makes for a ribbon-winning fair entry? Find out from a master fair judge!
July 14	**Canning Vegetables Safely** – Turn up the heat (and pressure) to safely can garden vegetables.
July 21	**Canning Tomatoes and Tomato Products** – Join us for tips on canning tomatoes tart and tasty.
August 11	**Canning Fruits Safely** – The bounty of the orchard preserved for the winter, tips on canning fruits safely will be shared.
August 18	**Time to Make Pickles** – Learn tips for making pickles that are safe enough for Grandma to enjoy (and tasty too).
August 25	**Fermenting Foods at Home** – Sauerkraut, genuine dills and yogurt are delicious fermented foods easy to prepare at home.

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Taylor County 4-H Shooting Sports—First Season Wrap-Up

Thank you to all who participated in the first Taylor County 4-H Shooting Sports classes. We had a good turnout for it and plan to continue it in the future.

A special thank you to Shay Creek Sports for letting us use their facility. Also thank you to the parents, grandparents and friends who brought 4-H members to Shooting Sports each week and supported the youth as they learned about Archery and Air Rifle.

At the last class for each discipline, we held our "Fair Shoot" to give the members a little taste of competition. The first place in each age group and discipline will receive a rosette ribbon. Everyone will receive a Shooting Sports participation ribbon.

Taylor County 4-H Shooting Sports now has a Facebook group page. Visit http://www.facebook.com/groups/TaylorCountyShootingSports/ to join.

Great job to everyone and hope to see you all at the range next year!

Archery

Grades 3-5

1. Jacob E.	39 pts
2. Clayton B.	36 pts
3. Matthew J.	35 pts
4. Devin T.	34 pts
5. Tatum W.	31 pts
6. Cody G.	24 pts
7. Sawyer E.	24 pts

Grades 6-8

1. Anthony D.	40 pts
2. Jack K.	38 pts
3. Sarah R.	32 pts
4. Kaleb F.	24 pts

Grades 9-12

1. Cody H.	41 pts
2. Dustin T.	39 pts
3. Josh L.	36 pts
4. Sam K.	33 pts
5. Bailey K.	16 pts

Air Rifle

Grades 3-5

1. Jacob E.	19 pts	Standing
2. Devin T.	17 pts	Standing
3. Sawyer E.	17 pts	Standing
4. Cody G.	6 pts	Standing
5. Matthew J.	0 pts	Prone

Working together in Air Rifle.

Grades 6-8

1. Jack K.	33 pts	Prone

Grades 9-12

1. Dustin T.	41 pts	Prone
2. Cody H.	40 pts	Standing
3. Sam K.	30 pts	Prone

Shooting in the prone position.

Working on Wildlife puzzles between shooting groups.

Setting up for Archery practice.

International Migratory Bird Day Celebration

Saturday, May 10
Perkinstown Winter Sports Area
6 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Celebrate birds at the 4th Annual International Migratory Bird Day Celebration at Perkinstown Winter Sports Area on Saturday, May 10 from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. This year's theme is "Why Birds Matter."

The celebration starts at 6 a.m. with a guided bird watching walk. Two additional walks will follow - another bird walk at 7:30 a.m. and a wildflower/bird walk at 9 a.m. Activities throughout the day included geocaching, a scavenger hunt, a bird hurdles game for children and adults, and a variety of crafts for children.

Presentations will help you learn how to select binoculars and how to identify birds by sight and sound, provide information on bird feeders and bird houses, and take a look at the services, such as insect control, pollination, seed dispersal, and rodent control, that birds provide.

New this year is an afternoon guided bird watching tour by bus of the Miller Dam area. The bus is being sponsored by the Miller Dam Lake Association.

All activities are free and both children and adults are invited. Lunch will be available on site. For more information and a complete schedule, go to the Chequamegon Bird Club website, www.chequamegonbirdclub.org, email info@chequamegonbirdclub.org, or call 715-748-3160.

The Bird Day Celebration is hosted by the Chequamegon Bird Club. Major supporters include the Taylor County Sportsman's Club and the Taylor County Tourism Committee.

Thank you to Lucky Hills leader **Sandra Prebeg** for sharing photos of birds (like this loon above), wildlife and wildflowers on our Taylor County 4-H Facebook page. Visit and "like" our page at https://www.facebook.com/4h.taylorcounty.

Upham Woods Summer Family Camp

July 25-27

Upham Woods's Family Camp Weekends are places where families play, laugh, and grow together in the spectacular beauty of the natural Wisconsin Dells. Take your family on a vacation that gets them unplugged from their iPhones, laptops, Xbox, Wiis and televisions. Enjoy land and water activities, campfires, crafts, family adventures and more! Families have the option of a stay full of adventure, relaxation or a little bit of both. Start building your family memories and traditions today through a weekend of outdoor adventure, together at Upham Woods.

Family Camp is open to all ages and includes lodging, meals, staff and program supplies. Register by July 10. The cost is $95 per person for ages 13 and up, $80 for 5-12 and children ages 4 and under are free!

Visit http://fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/family-camps/ to learn more and register.

2014 Shooting Sports Competitive Shoot Schedule

All 4-H Shooting Sports competitive shoots listed below are open to 4-H Shooting Sports project members across the state unless otherwise noted. *All are National 4-H Qualifying Events.* More information is available at http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/shooting/index.cfm

Shawano County All-Star Shootout
May 9-10, Crawford Center, Shawano
Disciplines: Archery, Air pistol, air rifle, wildlife
Register by May 2. Late fee for on-site registration.

Brown County Statewide Shoot
June 6-7, De Pere Sportsmen's Club
Disciplines: 3D Archery, .177 pellet air rifle, air rifle silhouettes, shotgun/trap, .22 rifle, .22 silhouettes, wildlife

3rd Annual Western Gateway Statewide Shootout
June 14, Sportsmen's Club, River Falls
Disciplines: Air rifle, plinker and pistol; .22 small bore rifle and pistol; shotgun trap, archery, wildlife, muzzleloading

Kettle Moraine 4-H Shotgun & Muzzleloading Tournament
July 28, Saukville Gun Club, West Bend
Disciplines: Shotgun, muzzleloading, wildlife contest

Shawano County Summer All-Star Shootout
July 12, Shawano Gun Club, Shawano
Disciplines: .22 pistol, .22 rifle, shotgun, wildlife

14th Annual 4-H Triple Crown Statewide Invitational
July 19-20, Central Wisconsin Sportsmens Club, Marshfield
Disciplines: Archery, air pistol, air rifle, wildlife

Arts & Communications

Make a video to celebrate the 4-H Centennial!

Gather your family, friends, club, or any 4-H gang together and make a centennial celebration video about your membership in 4-H. This could include multi-generational families, alumni from a former 4-H club, a current 4-H club, former camp counselors, fair friends - you name it – get the group together and make a video or two or three. Or maybe you would like to tell your own individual story – that works, too.

Sound like fun? Well, here is what you need to do:

Guidelines

★ Videos should be under 3 minutes in length.

★ Choose 2 to 3 questions from the list below to address in your video.

★ The format can be question and answer, performance, cheer, skit, song or whatever you may create.

★ Please save the video in .mp4 or .wmv format.

★ Email your completed video to: WI4H100video@gmail.com

★ The video will be reviewed and considered for use at the Wisconsin State Fair and other 4-H events and activities.

You will be notified if your video is selected. Selection of videos will begin on June 1. If you have questions regarding the making of your video, contact us at WI4H100video@gmail.com. Submission of your video implies consent for use for public viewing.

Possible Questions for your video:

⇒ Why did you join 4-H?

⇒ What did you learn in 4-H that you have used over and over?

⇒ What has 4-H done for your family?

⇒ What has 4-H done for your community?

⇒ What is a 4-H memory that stands out in your mind?

⇒ What has stayed the same in 4-H and what has changed?

⇒ Why did your family continue to be involved through multiple generations?

⇒ Pick one or two of 4 H's (head, hands, heart and/or health) and share why it is important to you?

⇒ How have you used the leadership skills you have learned in 4-H?

⇒ How has 4-H affected your career choice?

⇒ How has 4-H helped you be successful in your job/ career?

⇒ How has 4-H helped you contribute to your community, country and world?

Wisconsin 4-H Arts Camp

The statewide 4-H Arts Camp for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders is scheduled for October 4-5, 2014 at Camp Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells.

Youth will get together to explore and participate in the exciting world of the arts: theatre and drama, photography, communication, music, visual art, juggling and MORE! Campers will learn plenty of creative ideas to bring home for their club. Up to six youth from each county may apply. More will be accepted if space is available.

Camp is $75.00 for campers ($55.00 for adult chaperones) which includes a camp T-shirt.

The Camper/Adult Chaperone application is now available on the State 4-H website at http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hartswisconsin/arts-camp/. Please note you must submit the other required forms along with your application. The other required forms are as follows: Adults - Health form, Waiver form, Expectation form and Release forms located on the State 4-H Website; Youth – Health Form in 4-H Online at http://wi.4honline.com Send Camper/Adult Chaperone applications and the other required forms with payment to Lynn Pfeiffer at the State 4-H office by September 1.

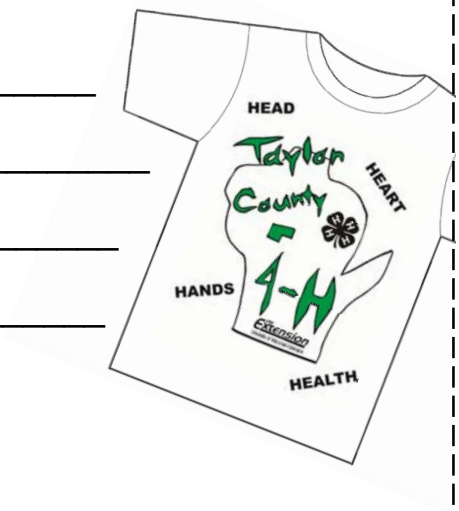
Acceptance letters will be mailed to campers in mid-September.

Join us for this exciting time with the arts!

Forms

Note: All forms in the newsletter are available at the UWEX Office or can be downloaded at http://taylor.uwex.edu.

TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H T-SHIRT ORDER FORM



Name(s): _____

Club: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

I would like to pick my shirts up from: ❑ 4-H Club Leader
❑ UW-Extension Office

Please indicate the sizes and quantity you need:

_____ Youth Small _____ Youth Medium _____Youth Large _____ Youth X-Large

_____ Adult Small _____ Adult Medium _____ Adult Large _____ Adult X-Large

Total Regular Size Shirts _____ x $7 each = _____

_____ Adult XX-Large ($8 each) Total XX-Large Shirts _____ x $8 each = _____

Total Due = _____

Payment due with order. Make checks payable to Federation of Taylor County 4-H.

Orders must be received at the UW-Extension Office by **Friday, May 9.**

Due to the recordkeeping that must take place and volume of orders we expect, the UW-Extension Office will not accept phone or email orders for t-shirts. Payment can only be made by cash or check (sorry, we don't have a card machine). If there is enough interest, there may be a second round of orders later in the summer.

We anticipate our order to be ready in late May. A mass email to everyone will be sent through 4HOnline and club leaders will receive phone calls when t-shirts are ready to pick up!

2014 Summer 4-H Camp Registration

Families may register multiple campers on a single form

Child #1:

Camper's Name:

_____

Grade in 2013-14 school year: _____

Current 4-H Member? Yes No*

Child #2:

Camper's Name:

_____

Grade in 2013-14 school year: _____

Current 4-H Member? Yes No*

Child #3

Camper's Name:

_____

Grade in 2013-14 school year: _____

Current 4-H Member? Yes No*

Street Address:

_____

_____

City: _____ **State:** ___ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____

Parent Name(s): _____

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Special needs my child has: _____

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Registration and payment of $75 per child due no later than Friday, May 30, 2014 to:

Federation of Taylor County 4-H

c/o Taylor County UW-Extension

925 Donald St., Rm. 103

Medford, WI 54451

** New 4-H members are welcome anytime of the year. Campers who are not current 4-H members must complete enrollment forms prior to attending camp. Completed enrollment forms should be submitted with your camp registration. Contact the UW-Extension Office more information about enrolling in 4-H.*

Taylor Co. Camp Payment Policy

Payment is due in full no later than Friday, May 31. If payment is not received in full, we reserve the right to cancel youth from camp. Cancellations must be made in writing, emailed, faxed, or postmarked to the UWEX prior to camp. No refunds for no-shows.

Fees will only be refunded for the following criteria:

1. If you camper becomes ill within 10 days before the start of their camp session, we must receive a written doctor's statement.
2. If a camp is cancelled due to low enrollment, you will be issued a full refund.
3. If there is a family emergency situation. You must write the Taylor County 4-H Leaders Federation to request a refund.

Refunds for Illness or Behavior during Camp:

A partial refund will be given if your camper is send home due to any illness EXCEPT homesickness. Camp staff will work with campers to correct behavior problems; however, no refund will be given if your camper is sent home due to negative behavior. Determining consequences for negative behavior is at the discretion of camp administration. You will be expected to pay the travel cost for children sent home from camp.

TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H

"Care to Share Form"

This form has been designed to provide valuable input to the Taylor County 4-H program. Once completed, this form will be distributed to the appropriate individual or group to address the issue or concern. Please take a few moments and complete all three sections of this form and sign it.
Forms without all three sections completed and a signature will be disregarded.

SECTION #1: Describe the current situation:

SECTION #2: Describe the problem or concern with the current situation:

OVER

SECTION #3: Give your suggestion(s) for a possible solution:

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Please Print:

Name of person completing form:_____

Address of person completing form:_____

Phone number of person completing form:_____

E-mail address of person completing form:_____

Signed:_____

Dated:_____

Please return completed forms to:
TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H
925 Donald Street, Room 103
Medford, WI 54451

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Please mark
____Pre ____ Post

REIMBURSEMENT VOUCHER
Federation of Taylor County 4-H

Club _____

From: _____Date of Event_____
Leader's Name

_____
Address City State Zip

Phone: _____Date Submitted_____

Name and Place of Event_____

Number of Participants _____
Youth Leaders

Number of Vehicles Used _____

	Per Unit		TOTAL	
Cost/Participant (registration, materials, etc.)				
Total Miles_____÷_____ =____X_____=_____ (your vehicle mil./gal.) (cost of gas/gal.) plus 50% of Above Total				
Miscellaneous (Explain) -				
TOTAL				

Brief Description of Benefit to Individual(s) and Total 4-H Program

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FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD USE ONLY

4-H Board Decision on Percent of Reimbursement

0=0% 1=20% 2=40% 3=60% 4=80% 5=100%

TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT

Be sure to fill out completely so our Treasurer knows who and where to send reimbursement to.

Wisconsin 4-H Centennial

Timeline of Wisconsin 4-H History: 1904—1941

September 27-30, 1904 – Ransom Asa Moore, director of the UW-Madison College of Agriculture Short Course, held the first countywide roundup corn show at Richland Center.

1909 – Moore held a youth Short Course on the campus, during the same week as the college-level short course. 25 were in attendance.

1910 – 45 fairs in Wisconsin had corn growing contests. This year the Short Course had 44 girls in attendance.

1912 – The first county Cooperative Extension agent is hired in Oneida County, marking the beginning of Cooperative Extension in Wisconsin.

1914 – Passage of the Smith-Lever Act by Congress on May 8 made possible the Cooperative Extension Service funded by federal, state and local (county) governments. Cooperative Extension work in agriculture and home economics, including boys' and girls' club work, became the delivery system for taking the research of the land grant colleges (in Wisconsin, the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture) and agricultural experiment stations to farm families.

Thomas L. Bewick, first Wisconsin 4-H State Program Leader

1914 – On July 1, Thomas L. Bewick was appointed in the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture Agronomy Department to assist Professor Moore in his work with ten thousand or more rural young people throughout the state. On October 1, Mr. Bewick was appointed Wisconsin's first State Leader of Boys' and Girls" (4-H) Club Work with the new Cooperative Extension Service.

October 30, 1914 – Linn 4-H club began under the guidance of Thomas L. Bewick, Wisconsin's first State 4-H Leader. He served for more than 40 years.

1915 – The first State Fair exhibit of boys and girls club work was arranged at West Allis. Potato, dairy calf and pig projects were featured.

1916 – Wisconsin State (4-H) Club Leader, T.L. Bewick and other state boys and girls club leaders identified green and white as the national club work colors; the four-leaf clover as the club work emblem; and "Not Our Bit, But Our Best" as the club work motto. The first definite and recognized Junior State Fair department was set up in a tent camp.

1917 – More than 26,000 youth enrolled in Extension's boys' and girls' clubs during World War I.

1917 – Elizabeth Amery was hired as Assistant State 4-H Leader. She was the first home economist on the staff. This was a part of the war effort. Her members worked under the pledge: "My Head, my Heart, my Hands and my Health for food production and conservation, to help with the war and the peace." The first year each member was to preserve five pints of fruit and five pints of vegetables. The next year it was ten pints each. They had to keep records, make an exhibit and teach others the cold pack method of preserving food.

1917 – Boys and girls club members participated in the first annual junior livestock exposition sponsored by the Wisconsin Live Stock Breeders Association.

1918 – First State Club Week (State 4-H Congress) was held at the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture in Madison.

1919 – The first 4-H Leaders Handbook was issued.

1919 – Wisconsin boys and girls clubs participated in the U.S. Garden Army to boost the production of food for defense during World War I.

1920 – The 4-H motto was changed from "Not Our Bit, But Our Best" to "Make the Best Better."

1920 – The State Club Staff issued the original Wisconsin volunteer 4-H leaders handbook.

1921 – First Extension agent employed and paid by the county to work with boys and girls club programs was Wakelin McNeel in Marathon County. Businessmen and leaders of agricultural organizations established the National 4-H Service Committee as a non-government

Young people stand outside in back of piles of what appears to be the fruits of an autumn harvest. C. 1920-1929. UW-Madison Archives e in back of piles of what appears to be the fruits of an autumn harvest. C. 1920-1929. Identifier S07a548.

organization to help further the 4 H movement through private support.

1922 – First National 4-H Club Congress held in Chicago.

1923 – A few part-time paid county leaders hired.

1924 – 4-H is recognized as the official name for Extension boys' and girls' clubs.

1924 – The first home economics judging team sent to Club Congress.

1924 – Geneva Amundson of Trempealeau County took top honors in the first National 4-H Dress Revue at National Club Congress with a red woolen dress she made herself.

1925 – The first 4-H club camps established in Wisconsin in Shawano and Rusk Counties, and in Langlade and Marinette Counties a year later.

1925 – 14 different projects offered with an enrollment of 32,948.

1925 – Staging of the first state 4-H Girls Dress Revue at State Fair.

1926 – County leader organizations began forming, adopted unified programs and began holding county leadership training meetings.

1927 – First full-time county club agents appointed by Cooperative Extension with federal funding to do primarily youth work included: C.J. McAleavy, Marathon; Bruce Cartter, Marinette; and Ben Hauser, Milwaukee.

At the 1937 Wisconsin State Fair, a group of girls who are 4-H members pose in the clothes they made as part of their club activities. UW-Madison Archives S05847.

1927 – Wisconsin sent delegates to first National 4-H Club Camp (National 4-H Conference) in Washington, D.C.

1928 – First three school forests dedicated in Forest County. 28 county club agents hired on a temporary summer basis.

1929 – First statewide drama contest at the State 4-H Club Week. Forty plays from nine counties with the 4-H Boosters of Marinette County as the winner. They put on "Early Ohios and Rhode Island Reds". They also performed at the National 4-H Club Congress.

1929 – Wakelin McNeel and Verne Varney inaugurated the first series of weekly radio sketches over WHA.

1929 – Helen Haldiman of Green County won the Thomas Lipton cup for achievement. Later she became the Douglas County Home Agent.

1930 – Club work was a part of every county agent's program.

1930 – Professor Ransom A. Moore was made an honorary member of Wisconsin 4-H during a ceremony dedicating the 4-H Club Knoll set aside by the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents near Agricultural Hall on the University of Wisconsin Madison Campus.

1932 – More than 4000 members went to 16 different 4-H camps.

1933 – State club staff member, Wakelin "Ranger Mac" McNeel, initiated "Afield with Ranger Mac," a weekly feature for schools on radio station WHA.

1934 – There were 3 or 4 county based gatherings to help local planning of programs, judging, demonstrations, music and drama.

1937 – Six counties hired club agents.

1938 –State 4-H enrollment reaches 30,877—largest number to this point. Dairy and Field Crops are the most popular projects. Nearly 10,000 girls enroll in the clothing project.

1939 – 25th anniversary of 4-H. 75 leaders honored by the state for 10 to 21 years of work. Oscar Hafs and May Hatch of Walworth County honored for 21 years, Ella McCarthy of Dane County and Mrs. Jennie Heifferman of Rusk County honored for 18 years. Three others well known for their work were recognized: Veva Divan of Green County, George Price of Kenosha County and Frieda Justman of Shawano County.

1940 – First 4-H camp in southwest Wisconsin is held at Wyalusing State Park in Grant County. 60 4-H'ers from Grant and Crawford Counties attended.

1941 – Elizabeth Upham Davis and Caroline Upham Keene chose to memorialize their parents, Horace and Mary Upham, by giving 310 acres of land near Wisconsin Dells to the University of Wisconsin to be used as a nature laboratory and youth camp. Wakelin McNeel (Ranger Mac), Assistant State 4-H Club Leader, was instrumental in procuring the land, to be known as Upham Woods, for use by 4-H clubs and other people cooperating with the University.

1941 – There was a war defense emphasis in 4-H posters, bulletins and over WHA radio. County agents had a heavy defense emphasis. Local leaders had to do most of the 4-H leadership. Over 1000 4-H members (boys) joined the armed services. Over 8,000 girls worked in the fields. Victory gardens were emphasized.

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