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## Taylor County 4-H News

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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 Lead-  
ership of Both the Youth Members  
and Adult Leaders

### Taylor County Website: [taylor.uwex.edu](http://taylor.uwex.edu)

### 4-H Online <http://wi.4honline.com>

### UW-Extension Office Phone Number:

715-748-3327  
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[cathy.mauer@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:cathy.mauer@ces.uwex.edu)



Dear 4-H Families,

I hope you are surviving the cold. I keep reminding myself that March is supposed to be 'in like a lion, out like a lamb,' but it's getting harder and harder in this cold. I don't think lions much care for these temps. At least, I'm pretty sure it doesn't get in the -20s on the African savannahs. Oh well.

As of this issue, everyone should be enrolled, and I am in the process of sending the roster to the Fair Manager. This is also the time of year when things start getting insane around here, as I'm sure they do for you, too! There are lots of things going on and everyone is trying to keep track of everything they have to do. There are also lots of amazing opportunities that come up around this time. Scholarships are due, enrollments are due, and everyone is starting to get to work on projects and project animals.

If, in the midst of the growing excitement and energy that is spring you find yourself in need of assistance and can't reach me, I want to be sure you know that Cathy is available during office hours to help. She has access to 4-H Online and is available to assist with the sorts of things Karyn used to take care of for us. She can be reached at extension 9.

At our leader meeting in February, I agreed to begin sending out weekly emails with updates, especially of deadlines. They will be sent to whatever email you have listed in your family profile. If you need help checking what email that is or if you aren't getting the emails, please call the office so we can make sure your information is entered properly. If you don't want the emails, there is an unsubscribe option at the bottom of the page you can click on.

I also want to thank everyone for their patience in working with me this last month. As some of you know, I have been dealing with two family emergencies and have been sick myself. I'm on the mend, and the situations are stable now, so I should be around more.

As always, if you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask!

Yours in Green!

Laura

## YLO

### Epic Night of Funness\*! March 22, 6-9 pm



Youth age 6th grade and older are invited to attend the YLO **Epic Night of Funness!**

- The fun will include a wii set up with Just Dance.
- Please bring any board games or card games that you enjoy.
- Pizza will be provided, but please bring your own pop/juice/beverages and a snack to share.

Friends are welcome as well.

Please RSVP by Thursday, March 19 so I know how much pizza to get:

Email Laura at [laura.fuller@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:laura.fuller@ces.uwex.edu).

*\*Thank Brandon Rudolph for the name.*



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March 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>1</i> <u>Reminder</u> March 1 is the last day to add/change projects. on 4-H Online		<i>3</i>  Fair Judges Webinar 6 pm UWEX	<i>4</i>  Enrollment opens For Youth Conference	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>8</i>	<i>9</i> <b>Federation Meeting</b> 7:30 p.m., UWEX	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>15</i>  6 pm Dog Project Meeting  Wis 4-H Foundation Scholarship Apps Due	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>  MASS Workshop 10 am-2 pm UWEX Office
<i>22</i>  5 pm New Leader Training 6-9 pm YLO Games Night	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>
<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>				

April 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<i>1</i>  <b>Federation Scholarships Due</b>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> <b>Federation Meeting</b> 7:30 p.m., UWEX	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> <i>American Spirit</i>  State Dog Project Meeting
<i>12</i>  State Dog Project Meeting	<i>13</i>  Camp Counselor Applications DUE	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>  Lions Photo Contest Entries Due	<i>18</i>  YELL Conference
<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>  MASS Lamb Weigh In
<i>26</i>  YLO	<i>28</i>  Camp Counselors Notified of Selection  <i>Newsletter Items Due</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>		

Please mark  
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REIMBURSEMENT VOUCHER  
Federation of Taylor County 4-H

Club \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_Date of Event\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Leader's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
AddressCityStateZip

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_Date Submitted\_\_\_\_\_

Name and Place of Event\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Participants \_\_\_\_\_  
YouthLeaders

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

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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 and mail to Wendy Rudolph at  
W4693 Rudolph Ln , Medford WI 54451

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Dated: \_\_\_\_\_



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## A central green brushstroke serves as a base for a collage of various creative and artistic tools and symbols. The items include a camera, a paint palette with a brush, musical notes on a staff, a microphone, a film reel, a paintbrush with green bristles, a pair of scissors, a ball of yarn, and two theatrical masks. The entire composition is set against a white background.



# For Your Information

## 4-H Volunteer Training

4-H Volunteer Leader Training, also known as Youth Protection Training, is required to be a certified 4-H volunteer. Wisconsin 4-H requires this training for volunteers to lead youth activities without accompaniment of another certified leader. It also allows leaders to be covered under our 4-H liability insurance. If your enrollment as a leader is still pending in 4-H Online, it may be because you haven't yet finished this training.

Training will be held:

**Sunday, March 22**  
**5 p.m.**

**UW-Extension Office, Medford**

The training takes a little over an hour.

Please RSVP to Laura Fuller at 715-748-3327 ext. 4 or  
laura.fuller@ces.uwex.edu.

*If this date/time does not work for you, you may also contact Laura to see if an alternate time can be scheduled.*

The following adults are currently listed as “Pending” in 4-H Online and need to complete Youth Protection Training in order to be active 4-H Volunteers:

Angie Apfelbeck

Benjamin Bolstad

Scott Brandner

Darlene Guski

Dustin Guski

Emily Holub

Tanya Hussner

Heather Kahan

Joshua Penk

Amanda Rosemeyer

## 4-H Afterschool Cancellation Policy

4-H Afterschool programs will be cancelled anytime a school district cancels all other afterschool programs due to weather or other reasons. This includes early dismissal and full day cancellations.



## Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference

**June 22-25, 2015**

## UW-Madison Campus

Approximately 600 youth attend this educational event in Madison each summer. Participants take part in educational seminars and assemblies and meet people from across Wisconsin. They are encouraged to take what they learn and share it with others in their home community.

Qualifications:

- Be in 7th-10th grade at the time of selection
- Be a 4-H member or member of another Extension program
- Carry county approval through time of award trip.

Costs:

The registration cost for Wisconsin 4 H & Youth Conference is \$235 this year. The Federation of Taylor County 4-H will pay 75% of the registration fee and cover bus transportation to Madison. The delegate's portion of the cost is \$58.75.

Per the county trips policy, each delegate will need to submit two checks: one for the \$58.75 portion and one for \$176.25 which is a deposit. The second check will be destroyed following the conference providing no disciplinary problems arise. Checks need to be brought to the UW-Extension Office by **April 1** to reserve your spot.

Enrollment:

Enrollment this year is through 4-H Online. **Registration will be open from March 4-15, 2015.** Informational packets including handbooks are being sent separately.



# ***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:

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

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# TAYLOR COUNTY LIONS/LIONESS MAPLE FEST

## Float/Rolling Billboard Competition Entry Form

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2015

The Taylor County Lions/Lioness Clubs, authorized by the Taylor County Tourism Committee, invite County Youth, ages 9-12, to participate in their Maple Festival Float/Rolling Billboard Competition. This age group includes 4th, 5th, & 6th grade classrooms and their teachers/parents. Members of youth groups (Scouts, 4-H, etc.) who are 9-12 years of age and their leaders/parents are also invited to participate.

### Float/Rolling Billboard Guidelines

Classrooms & their teachers/parents or Youth Groups & their leaders/parents would be involved in designing & building a small float/rolling billboard utilizing the theme **“Wisconsin & Maple Syrup”**.



- Maximum size of the Wagon – approximately 2' x 4'
- Wagon capable of being pulled by students – any number of students can walk with the wagon in the parade on Saturday, April 25, 2015, at the Taylor Co. Fairgrounds.
- Floats must be set up at the Taylor County Fairgrounds by 9 am on Saturday, April 25, 2015. Judging is scheduled for 9 a.m. on that date. (Floats can be delivered Friday, April 24, 2015, between noon & 6 p.m.)
- Parade and awarding of prizes is scheduled for 10:30 am on Saturday, April 25, 2015, at the Taylor County Fairgrounds.
- Criteria for judging the floats are originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme “Wisconsin & Maple Syrup.”

**Prizes to be awarded:** 1st Place: \$300 cash; 2nd Place: \$200 cash; 3rd Place: \$100 cash. Participation Prizes will also be awarded.

Please email/mail this entry from to: [dslemke@tds.net](mailto:dslemke@tds.net)  
Lion Shirley Lemke, W7836 Perkinstown Avenue, Medford, WI 54451

Name of School or Youth Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher or Youth Group Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Students in Classroom/Youth Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email Address of Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information about Maple Fest, visit : [www.taylorcountylionsmaplefest.org](http://www.taylorcountylionsmaplefest.org)

### SAVE THE DATE

2015 Summer 4-H Camp

June 29-July 2

Trails End 4-H Camp, Bruce



Mark your calendars for the 2015 Summer 4-H Camp.  
All 4-H members in grades 3-8 are welcome as campers!

## Camp Counselor Applications

Counselor applications are available on the website at  
<http://taylor.uwex.edu/4-h/taylor-county-4-h-camp/>

They are due in the 4-H Office by the end of the Federation Meeting on April 13, 2015, (at 9 p.m.).

Printed copies of the application instructions are available at the office.

**Please note that letters of recommendation are also required.** Don't wait until the last minute to begin your application!

Counselor's will be notified of their selection on April 28, 2015. If selected, you will be required to attend training on May 16.

## Agenda for Camp Counselor and Staff Training Day

**Lincoln County UW-Extension Office**  
**Saturday, May 16**

8:30 am	Check In
8:45 am	Welcome & Weekend Objectives
9:00 am	Creating a Welcoming Environment – Emotional Safety ( <i>Amber</i> )
9:45 am	Physical Safety ( <i>Laura</i> )
10:30 am	Teaching & Leading ( <i>Amber</i> )
10:45 am	Understanding YOUR Campers & Ages & Stages ( <i>Amanda</i> )
11:45 am	Walk to Bowling Alley
Noon	Lunch and Bowling - Les and Jim's Lincoln Lanes
	Camp Theme Brainstorming
1:30 pm	Camp Theme ( <i>Amanda</i> )
2:15 pm	Teaching & Leading ( <i>Amber</i> )
2:30 pm	Problem Solving ( <i>Laura</i> )
3:30 pm	Break/Snack Time
3:45 pm	Teaching & Leading ( <i>Amber</i> )
4:00 pm	YOUR Role and Attitude ( <i>Amanda</i> )
5:00 pm	Din Din
5:30 pm	Inclusion ( <i>Laura</i> )
6:30 pm	How to Plan ( <i>Amber</i> )
7:30 pm	Wrap Up & Reflection

### Safe Trip Home



Access your 4-H Online Profile at

<http://wi.4honline.com>

### Help with 4-H Online

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 4-H Online, please contact Cathy at 715-748-3327 ext. 9 or Laura at 715-748-3327 ext. 4 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 4-H Online 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 25  
Independence Day — Friday, July 3  
Labor Day — Monday, September 7



# Opportunities Unlimited



## 4-H Representative to the Fair Board

Because of the size of our program, 4-H currently has three representatives to the Fair Board. Though they

vote as a block during normal business meetings, each of the three gets a vote during the annual meeting.

Recently, Tim Hobl accepted a different position on the Fair Board, which means that we need to find a replacement. If you are interested in representing 4-H on the Fair Board and are a current 4-H Leader, please email or call Laura at 715-748-1981 or [laura.fuller@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:laura.fuller@ces.uwex.edu) so that she can include your name in those willing to accept a nomination. Otherwise, come to the Federation meeting on March 9 at 7:30 p.m. to throw your hat in the ring.

## Plat Book Making: Earn money for your club!

Assembling plat books is an easy way to earn money for your 4-H club's activities! Please call us at 715-748-3327 ext. 9 or ext. 4 if a group from your club would like to make plat books. UW-Extension staff needs notice of at least two business days so book pages can be printed if needed, and a room needs to be made available.

Clubs can request reimbursement from the Federation at a rate of \$3 per book made. Checks will only be written to clubs, not individuals. If your club has made plat books, please use the reimbursement form in the back of this newsletter and mail it to the Federation treasurer, Wendy Rudolph, W4693 Rudolph Ln., Medford, WI 54451. If you need a count of how many plat books your club made, contact Cathy at the UW-Extension office.

## Taylor County 4-H Trips Policies

To go on a trip and receive support from the Leaders Federation, you must interview for all trips with the Leaders Federation a month before the trip deadline. You will need to call the UW-Extension office at 715-748-3327 ext. 4 or ext. 9 to place yourself on the agenda. Participants will need to write out two checks for their awarded trip. Both checks will be made payable to the Federation of Taylor County 4-H. The first check will be made payable for 1/4 of the cost of the trip. The second check will be made payable for 3/4 of the cost of the trip. This check will be in a locked safe until after the trip. After returning from the trip, if no disciplinary action has been taken towards your child, the check will be shredded.

## Attention Project Leaders & Potential Project Leaders

4-Hers need project leaders. Many have no one to help them. If you would like to volunteer as a project leader, please contact our office for the application. A list of projects without project leaders is printed in the 2013 Taylor County 4-H Resource Book and Calendar. It's our goal to have a leader for every project!

Project leaders are encouraged to host county-wide project meetings, like the leathercraft meeting planned in March (see page 4). If you plan an event, we can help you advertise it. Newsletter deadlines are posted in the calendar each month and direct mailings to members of specific projects are possible.

## WERE YOU IN 4-H?

Whether you were a member, leader, volunteer, parent or friend of 4-H, we invite you to register online to receive information on our 100th anniversary, event announcements and occasional updates.



Visit us @ [www.wis4hfoundation.org](http://www.wis4hfoundation.org)

**JOIN THE REVOLUTION  
OF RESPONSIBILITY**  
WISCONSIN 4-H FOUNDATION

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## Taylor County Lions/Lioness Maple Fest

### Maple Photo Contest 2015



On April 25, 2015 at the Taylor County Fairgrounds in Medford WI, the Taylor County Lions and Lioness will host the 3rd annual Taylor County Lions/Lioness Maple Festival. A photo contest is being held as part of the event.

1. Eligibility: Open to anyone. By entering this contest, you certify that you made the original exposures of your submitted photos, and that the processing, printing and special effects were done by you, or under your direction.
2. Theme: The theme for this contest is "Wisconsin Sugar Maple". Photo's of the products of the maple tree, foods from maple syrup, the process of tapping or making maple syrup...anything to do with the maple tree, including fall color, etc, is eligible.
3. Categories: a. Youth: Under 18, up to 2 entries b. Adult: 18 and over, up to 2 entries
4. Size and Mounting: Entries may be submitted electronically or printed (4X6 or 5x7 only) in color and/or black & white. DO NOT FRAME THE PRINTS.
5. Entry Labels: Each photograph submitted to this contest must include an entry label attached to the back of it. Do not put any identification on the front of your entries.
6. Entry Deadline: Friday, April 17, 2015
7. Submitting your entries: By mail or hand delivering to: Maplefest Photo Contest Attn: Sue Breneman 400 West Riverside Drive Gilman, WI 54433 If emailing photos, send to: [TCMapleFest2015@gmail.com](mailto:TCMapleFest2015@gmail.com)
8. Judging: each photo will be judged on the following criteria: A) Center of interest, B) Composition, C) Lighting, and D) How well each photo follows the contest theme. Decisions of the judges are final.
9. Prizes: The judges will select 8 winning photos, a "Best of Show" and 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for each category. The "Best of Show" winner will receive \$50.00. Each category winner will receive: for 1st place-\$30.00; for 2nd place- \$20.00; and for 3rd place-\$10.00. All photos will be on display.
10. Usage Rights: All images submitted to this contest remain the property of the photographer. By entering the contest you agree that the Maple Fest committee has the right to use your entry photographs in its publications, educational programs and publicity efforts without requiring additional compensation. When possible, credit for the photo, if used by the Maple Fest committee, will be given to the photographer. The committee takes no responsibility for any third party usage of photos.
11. Photo Contest Exhibit: Your photos will be on display during the Taylor County Lions and Lioness Maple Festival, April 25, 2015 in Medford, WI at the Taylor County Fair Grounds.
12. Picking up your photos: Your photos can be picked up on Saturday, April 25th, after 4:30 PM. After this time, the remaining photos will be with the photo contest chair and you will be responsible for arranging pick up of your photo. Your entries will not be mailed back to you.
13. Handling of Prints: The Taylor County Lions & Lioness Maplefest Committee assumes no responsibility for lost or damaged photos, but wishes to assure entrants that all care will be taken with your entry photographs.
14. Chair Person: This year's photography contest chairperson is Serena Drangle. If you have any questions, please contact via email: [TCMapleFest2015@gmail.com](mailto:TCMapleFest2015@gmail.com) Sponsored by Lions/Lioness Clubs of Taylor County, Taylor County Tourism, Wisconsin Dept of Tourism

For more information about Maple Fest, visit : [www.taylorcountylionsmaplefest.org](http://www.taylorcountylionsmaplefest.org)

IV. 4-H Projects, Achievements and Activities

1. List the 4-H projects you have been enrolled in and the years for each.

4-H Project	# of Years	Did you take this project to the Taylor County Fair	Did you show this project under 4-H

2. List 4-H achievements and awards, including award trips, state groups, etc.

Club Level	Year	County/Regional Level	Year	State/National/International Level	Year

3. List 4-H leadership involvement (club officer, camp counselor, etc.).

Club Level	Year	County/Regional Level	Year	State/National/International Level	Year

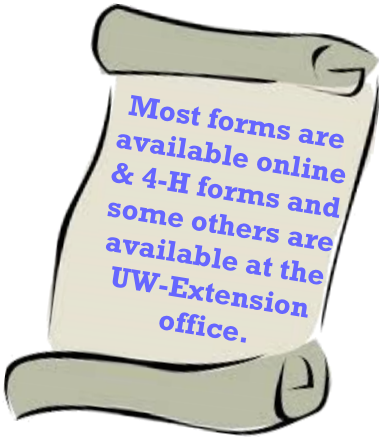
Scholarships & Contests

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarships

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation plans to award more than \$10,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing undergraduate degrees in 2015. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by **March 15, 2015**

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance, financial need and future educational goals with specific criteria for designated awards.

For additional information on the 2015 Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships and to print a scholarship application, visit <http://wis4hfoundation.org/support-4-h/538-2/>



Taylor County 4-H Leaders Scholarship

The Federation of Taylor County 4-H Leaders Scholarship is available to any current Taylor County 4-H member who is in the current graduating senior class with at least five years of 4-H Club membership and who fulfills all 4-H achievement requirements in the current year.

Applications are available in the this 4-H Newsletter, upon request at the Extension office, and as a fillable form on the Taylor County UW-Extension website (<http://taylor.uwex.edu>). The application form must be filled out (typed or computer) and submitted to the Taylor County Extension Office by **April 1**.

Applications must include two letters of recommendation submitted directly to the UW-Extension Office, one from a 4-H leader and one from a person of your choice. Recommendations cannot be written by family members. See the complete rules and application in the back section of this newsletter.

Wisconsin Towns Association Scholarship Program

The 2015 Wisconsin Towns Association Scholarship Program, funded together with its scholarship partners Rural Mutual Insurance Company and Scott Construction, Inc., has announced the essay topic and guidelines. The program will award \$7,000 in scholarships.

All applicants must be graduating from a Wisconsin public or private high school in 2015 and plan to attend a Wisconsin public or private college or vocational technical institute in 2015. This year's essay topic is: "Why is town road investment important to economic development in Wisconsin?" The deadline for submissions is **May 30, 2015**. Visit <http://wisctowns.com/home/scholarship-program>

Ag in the Classroom Essay Contest

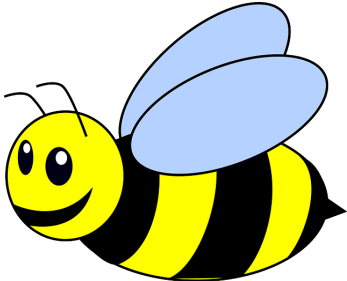
This year's essay contest topic is "Why are bees important to Wisconsin agriculture?"

Our 2015 Book of the Year is "The Beeman" by Laurie Krebs. The book and essay topic will encourage students to learn about bees, beekeeping, and the pollination process.

All rules, promotional materials, county Farm Bureau contacts, lessons and activities, and other resources related to the essay contest and book program can be found at [www.wisagclassroom.org](http://www.wisagclassroom.org).

Open to 4th & 5th grades students. Entry deadline is April 1, 2015.

*Sponsored by the Frontier Servco FS, We Energies and the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation.*





## Natural Resources & Environmental Education

### Medford 4-H Shooting Sports

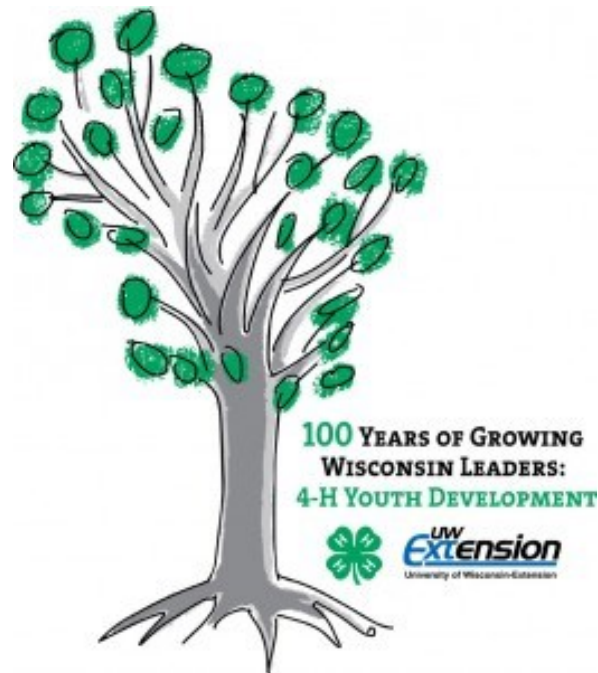
We are still finalizing details for Shooting Sports. Once dates and times are finalized, they will be included in a Friday Email Update.

Youth wishing to participate in shooting sports must be in at least third grade to shoot.

The cost of the program will be \$5 per youth per discipline. Fees will go toward the purchase of supplies and equipment for 4-H shooting sports. Please make checks payable to the Federation of Taylor County 4-H.

If you plan to participate and have not already enrolled in shooting sports projects, please update your 4HOnline profile to add the Air Rifle Project, Archery Project, or both.

To read more about Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports, including what you can expect in the project, goals, adult leader certification and competitive events throughout the state, visit: [www.uwex.edu/CES/4h/onlinepro/shooting](http://www.uwex.edu/CES/4h/onlinepro/shooting)



### Spring 2015 Shooting Sports Certification Workshops

To serve as a Shooting Sports Leader, 4-H leaders must complete the Youth Protection process, be at least 21 years old, and participate in at least one state-level 4-H Leader Training Shooting Sports certification in the discipline in which they are providing supervision. If an adult leader is not certified, he/she cannot provide hands-on or safety instruction without a certified leader being present.

Shooting Sports Certification workshops teach 4-H Leaders how to conduct safe, supervised shooting experiences for 4-H members. Leaders who have experience in safely handling archery equipment and/or firearms are encouraged to enroll in these certification workshops.

The 2015 Spring Shooting Sports Certification Workshops are now set:

#### Northern Area

**May 1-2, 2015 – Phillips, WI**

*Disciplines: Archery, Rifle, Shotgun*

**Registration Deadline: April 17, 2015**

#### Central Area

**September 11-12, 2015 – Marshfield, WI**

*Disciplines: Archery, Coordinator, Muzzleloader, Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun*

**Registration forms to be posted soon**

**Registration deadline: August 28, 2015**

#### Cost:

**\$70**—Includes instructor manuals, equipment, ammunition, Friday pm snack, Saturday lunch, and Saturday am and pm snacks, **or**

**\$55**—Saturday Discipline-Only—Leaders who completed a certification workshop in 2013 and 2014 may only need register for a Saturday discipline session of choice and pay a reduced \$55 workshop fee.

*Please note: leaders may request reimbursement from the Federation of Taylor County 4-H for the cost and/or mileage to attend this training. Please see the reimbursement policy and form included in this newsletter. Requests that exceed \$75 require pre-approval. Carpooling is encouraged if possible.*

More information and links to registration forms are available from the UW-Extension Office or online at [fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingsports/certification-workshops/](http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingsports/certification-workshops/)



## Federation of Taylor County 4-H Leaders Scholarship

*The application form must be filled out (typed or computer generated) and submitted by April 1 to: Taylor County UW-Extension Office, 925 Donald St., Rm. 103, Medford, WI 54451.*

### I. General Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Current year in school: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your 4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of post-secondary school you will be attending: \_\_\_\_\_

***I certify I prepared this application myself and the information in it is accurate.***

Signature of 4-H Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***We reviewed this application and believe it to be correct.***

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### II. Essay questions

*Attach separate pages to answer the following questions:*

- ☐ Describe your 4-H citizenship/community service involvement. What was YOUR role?
- ☐ How has your 4-H involvement contributed to your leadership skills? Give an example of how you used your leadership skills during a 4-H event.

### III. Recommendations

*Submitted directly to the 4-H Agent at the Taylor County UW-Extension Office. See rules for details.*

- ☐ Letter of recommendation from a 4-H leader.
- ☐ Letter of recommendation from a person of your choice.

*The University of Wisconsin Extension provides affirmative action and equal opportunity in education, programming and employment for all qualified persons regardless of race, color, gender/sex, creed, disability, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sexual orientation, pregnancy, or parental, arrest or conviction record or veteran status.*



## Forms

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



### Federation of Taylor County 4-H Leaders Scholarship

The Federation of Taylor County 4-H Leaders Scholarship is available scholarships to any current Taylor County 4-H member who is in the current graduating senior class with at least five years of 4-H Club membership and fulfills all 4-H achievement requirements in the current year.

#### Rules and Regulations

1. The scholarship may be used at any accredited vocational school or university for any level of continuing education on a full-time basis.
2. Payment of scholarship money will be made to the selected recipients after the end of the first semester. Enrollment in the 2nd semester and being in good academic standing are required to receive the scholarship. Send a copy to the Federation of Taylor County 4-H Leaders Treasurer.
3. If no worthy candidate is found, the committee also reserves the right to withhold the scholarship for a later time.

4. The scholarship committee will base their selection upon:

Participation in Community Service as a 4-H Member..... 10 Points

Demonstrating Leadership Skills as a 4-H Member..... 10 Points

Participation in 4-H Club Activities ..... 10 Points

4-H achievements and awards in County, State, and National Events ..... 10 Points

*(State and National Trips, Youth Leaders Adventure Trip, WI State Groups, etc.)*

Participation in 4-H Leadership Programs..... 10 Points

*(Camp Counselor, Youth Leadership Training, etc.)*

50 points possible

5. The application should be typed or computer generated using a 10- or 12-point size.
6. The application form must be filled out (typed or computer generated) and submitted to the Taylor County UW-Extension Office by **April 1**.
7. Applicants must solicit two letters of recommendation: one of a 4-H leader and one from a person of their choice. Recommendations cannot be written by family members. Letters of recommendation should be sent directly to: Laura Fuller, Taylor County UW-Extension, 925 Donald St., Rm. 103, Medford, WI 54451. It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure letters are received by the **April 1** deadline.

## Animal Science

### MASS Schedule

**MASS Species Specific and Salesmanship Workshop**  
**March 21. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. UW-Extension Office**

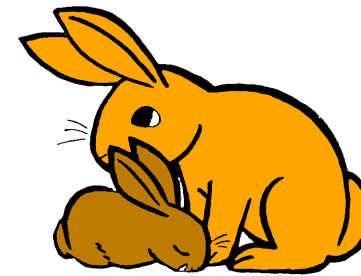
May finish up earlier. Lunch will be provided. Bring your paperwork with you. All species: Beef, Sheep, Swine.

**Lamb Weigh-in & Swine Tag Pick-up.**  
**April 25, 10-11. Time to be announced.**

Swine will not be present due to PEDv. More information will be available at the March training.

***MASS enrollment form must be received by April 25 in order to participate in the Shows and Sales.***

### Rabbit Project Members!



Saturday, April 25, 2015

Central Wisconsin  
 Rabbit Breeders

Double All-Breed  
 Spring Show

Marshfield Fairgrounds

This is a great opportunity for Rabbit Project participants to purchase quality rabbits and learn about different breeds.

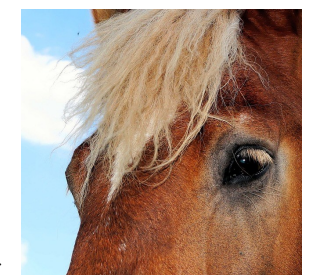
For more information, go to  
[www.centralwisconsinrabbitebreeders.com](http://www.centralwisconsinrabbitebreeders.com)  
 or contact the show secretary, Rhonda Wolff, at  
 rwolff@aol.com or Katie Krause at 715-654-6499

### Horse Project News

There will be a Mandatory Horse Project Meeting in March. Details will follow in a letter and 4-H Friday Blast.

Now is the time to have your veterinarian to your farm for Coggins testing. A certificate showing a negative test is required for any organized equine event you take your horse to, including 4-H clinics and the Taylor County Fair. Some veterinary clinics offer a discount for 4-H members so be sure to ask when you schedule your testing.

Horse ID Forms and copies of your Coggins papers are due in the UW-Extension Office by **May 15**.



### Dog Project Meeting

**Sunday, March 15**  
**6 p.m.**

**UW-Extension Meeting Room**

March topic: Getting Ready for Dog Project in the fair ... *what to do, what we're planning for workshops, what to start first.*

### 4-H State Dog Project Meeting

Outagamie County 4-H Dog Project will be hosting a State 4-H Dog Training Workshop. It will be held April 11-12 at Sleepy Creek Pet Lodge, New London. The workshop will include comprehensive dog training sessions in obedience, showmanship, and agility designed with a train-the-trainer approach.

The shedule will also contain a time that dog leaders will be able to meet as a group and talk about the possibility of establishing a State 4-H Dog Leaders Group as well as talk about state-wide concerns.

More information can be found at  
[blogs.ces.uwex.edu/4hyouthline/files/2015/02/2015-WI-4-H-Dog-Training-Workshop.pdf](http://blogs.ces.uwex.edu/4hyouthline/files/2015/02/2015-WI-4-H-Dog-Training-Workshop.pdf)

# Youth Leadership Derby

April 18-19, 2015

Waupun High School  
Waupun Wisconsin

\$79/student

Program starts at 10:30 a.m. Saturday & ends at 12:45 p.m. Sunday



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.....Ready for an amazing weekend? Want to Dive-In, Dissect, and Discover Dairy? How about a chance to meet Greg Peterson? Greg and his brothers are known for their agriculture music parodies on YouTube!

Join PDPW (Professional Dairy Producers of Wisconsin) for a two-day, overnight educational experience at Youth Leadership Derby! Youth Leadership Derby is for high school students like you - students wanting to dive into and explore future career opportunities. With hands-on, lab dissection and exposure to diverse careers, you will see the opportunities agriculture has for you. Take the next step to grow your leadership, communication, technical and life skills.

### Top Reasons YOU Should Attend:

- Explore more than 20 dynamic agricultural, science and dairy industry careers.
- Dissect alongside veterinarians and dairy experts at Hilltop Dairy.
- Dig into your choice of sessions from sire selection, seed technology, social media advocacy, financial basics, dairy food science and more.
- Get inspired by world-class key note speakers including YouTube Sensation Greg Peterson, from the Peterson Farm Brothers music parodies, and the energetic and engaging, Ed Slowikowski, who represented the USA at the 1987 Pan Am games and 1990 USA Track and Field Team in London England and who held the fastest college indoor mile (3 minutes 58 seconds) record in the nation in 1990.
- Ask questions and learn as you talk with an Agriculture Career Panel
- Connect and have fun with students with similar interests.
- Take the next step towards your school and career goals.

This youth-focused event is **designed for students between the age of 15-18**. Students are asked to bring a sleeping bag, towels for showering, and necessary toiletries. Participants are also strongly encouraged NOT to bring any valuables to this overnight event. A parent signed waiver will be required of each participant.

**Free Ride Share Locations:** Eau Claire/Tomah/Wisconsin Dells OR Wausau/Marshfield/Steven's Point OR Plattville/Madison.

For more information, visit the PDPW website [www.pdpw.org](http://www.pdpw.org) and look under the 'Programs' tab or contact PDPW at 1-800-947-7379 (TOLL FREE) or at [mail@pdpw.org](mailto:mail@pdpw.org).



## I WANT TO KNOW! CAMP

**April 24-25, 2015**

**Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center  
Wisconsin Dells**

- **Grades 6-8**
- **6 p.m. arrival | 4 p.m. departure**
- **\$55 – Includes meals, lodging, t-shirt, and supplies**

*Do you like science, technology or engineering? Have you always wanted to know what makes things work? Would you like to do cool, hands-on experiments—including activities in food science, DNA, and electricity, learn about the science of herpetology and more? If so, then I Want To Know! Camp is for you!*

"I Want to Know! Camp" registration forms are due by **March 13, 2015**, but **space is limited** and registrations will be taken on a first come basis with a waiting list if necessary.

### **Tell your friends and sign up TODAY!**

Special financial circumstances will be handled on an individual basis. For more information, contact Joanna Skluzacek, UW-Extension 4-H STEM specialist at 608.265.2949 or [joanna.skluzacek@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:joanna.skluzacek@ces.uwex.edu).

Forms are available at:  
[blogs.ces.uwex.edu/4hyouthline/files/2015/02/15\\_IW2K-Camp-regis\\_fillable.pdf](http://blogs.ces.uwex.edu/4hyouthline/files/2015/02/15_IW2K-Camp-regis_fillable.pdf)

## Barron County Tack Swap



Barron County 4-H will host their 12th Annual Tack Swap & Horse Expo on March 28, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Barron Area Community Center in Barron. There will be seminars, workshops, a hippology contest, vendors and silent auction items. Concessions on site; admission is free.

[blogs.ces.uwex.edu/4hyouthline/files/2015/02/Horse-Expo-2015.pdf](http://blogs.ces.uwex.edu/4hyouthline/files/2015/02/Horse-Expo-2015.pdf)

### **Do you have any 4-H project literature you didn't use?**

Please return unused 4-H literature to the UW-Extension Office. We can re-use any literature that has not been written in. These workbooks cost an average of \$4.50 each, so if you did not use them, please help us recycle them!

## **REIMBURSEMENT POLICY**

**Federation of Taylor County 4-H  
Adopted January 6, 1994**

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. 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.**