

September/October 2016



Taylor County 4-H Newsletter

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MISSION OF THE TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM

The 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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2016-2017 4-H Enrollment

Re-enrollment and new enrollment will again be through 4-HOnline. Enrollment for the 2016-2017 4-H year will begin on Friday, September 2, and go through Tuesday, November 1. On September 2, all active members will be set to "Inactive" in 4HOnline. When you log in to re-enroll, update your contact info if anything has changed, and review and confirm the waivers and agreements. You will also need to update your health information.

Clubs and projects will remain in your profile. Please delete ones you no longer want and add new ones. Once you have completely updated your profile, click submit. If you need assistance with enrollment, or access to internet, you can stop by the UW-Extension building during office hours.

It is imperative that members enroll or re-enroll on time **by November 1**, **2016.** These deadlines are set by the State Office for grant reporting information. Please make sure to give yourself enough time to complete your enrollment so we can have a great 2016-17 4-H Year!

Youth Enrollment Deadlines:

November 1, 2016—deadline for 4-H re-enrollments. Youth who have been absent/inactive for more than 12 months are considered a new member upon joining 4-H again.

March 1, 2017—deadline for 4-H members to sign up for all 4-H projects if they plan on exhibiting at the county fair.

After March 1, 2017—youth may still join 4-H, but will not be allowed to exhibit at the county fair. Youth enrolling after March 1 may still participate in 4-H programs and activities as a member.



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September 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Re-enrollment begins through 4-H Online Registration for Fall Forum begins through 4-H Online	3
4	<i>5 Labor Day</i> UWEX Office closed	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
YLO 6 p.m. UWEX	Federation Meeting 7:30 UWEX	MASS Annual Meeting 7pm, UWEX Building				
18	19	20	21 *Volunteer Orientation in Gilman. Call 715-748- 1981 to register or see page 13-14.	22 *Volunteer Orientation in Medford. Call 715- 748-1981 to register or see page 13-14.	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

October 2016

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National 4-I	H Week					
9 *4-H Discovery Day & 4K 4 4-H UWEX, 12pm-4pm See page 8.	10 Federation Meeting 7:30 UWEX	11	12	13	14	15
YLO 6 p.m. UWEX	17	18 Newsletter Items Due	19	20	21 Club Charters Due	22
23/30 *23—Trick or Treat for the Hungry Prep - pg. 7 *30—Trick or Treat for the Hungry Collection	24/31 Halloween	25	26	27	28	29

2 * Indicates an event that needs to be registered for, check the newsletter for details or call the UW-Extension office if you do not see details listed.

SAVE THE DATES!

COUNTYWIDE PROJECT UPDATES

Fall Forum: November 4 – 6, 2016

- Green Lake Conference Center
- Registration will be available in September via 4HOnline (wi.4honline.com)

MASS Program Orientation

- Saturday, November 5, 2016 10 a.m.
- UW-Extension building
- Includes booklet, reviewing rule changes, Junior Rep. elections, and new family Q & A

4-H Awards Banguet

• Sunday, November 6, 2016 (see pg. 11)

4-H Junior Camp

- 2nd—4th grade youth
- June 9-10, 2017

4-H Intermediate Camp

- 5th—8th grade youthJune 29—July 1, 2017



CLUB LEADER CONTACTS

Countrysiders—Wendy Rudolph, 715-748-0961

Diamond Lakers—Dorothy Halida, 715-669-3655 or Paula Dubiak, 715-669-5875

Liberty-Kathy Schumacher, glws@tds.net

Little Black Bears—Heather Albers. 715-748-4046

Little Farmers—Violet Jensen, 715-748-4481

Little Whispers—Christy Tomandl, 715-748-9816

Lucky Hills—Linda Lynch, 715-748-9289

Poplar Grove—Sharon Hughes, 715-447-8702

rifty-Go-Getters—Rita Bunkelman, 715-678-2669

COUNTYWIDE PROJECT CONTACTS

If you have questions about a project or would like more information, please contact the following county project leaders:

Dog Project: Jeanine Renzoni, 715-748-4248

Horse Project: Heidi Brandner, 715-678-6184

Leather Craft: Mike Johnson, 715-678-2536

Rabbit Project: Katie Krause, 715-654-6499

Shooting Sports: Kami Stahlbusch, 715-560-0868.

Youth Leaders Organization (YLO): Lanice Szomi, interim co-organizer, 715-965-8324

Shooting Sports

Seeking 4-H Leaders to become certified Shooting Sports instructors to help with the project. Contact Kami Stahlbusch at 715-560-0868 and or Sasha Busjahn at 715-748 -1981 if you are interested.



Youth Leaders Organization (YLO)

YLO is a group of 4-H members in 6th grade and above that represent what it means to be a leader in the 4-H Program. YLO is a great opportunity to meet other 4-Hers, and to show involvement in coordinating events, community service, and leadership.

Please contact Lanice Szomi, listed in the Countywide Project Contacts for meeting time information.

Members must have signed up on 4HOnline for the Youth Leadership project to participate as an active member.

YLO is on Facebook—look for the Taylor County Youth Leaders Organization.



SUMMER 4-H RECAP

As summer draws to a close, take a moment to look back on the things you've accomplished. Summer is a busy time full of Dairy Breakfasts, Camps, County and State Fairs, Trips, and so much more!

As was displayed at the Taylor County Fair and in 4-H Record Books that are now coming into the UW-Extension office, it is obvious that 4-H youth of Taylor County put in a lot of hard effort on their projects. It is also obvious that they get wonderful guidance from Leaders, parents and other 4-H members. Make sure to thank those that have helped you accomplish your goals this summer!

Lastly, thank you to all of the volunteers that made this summer's 4-H events possible. Without your hours of volunteering, 4-H would not be possible!

Sincerely,

Sasha Busjahn,

Interim 4-H Youth Development Educator









Congratulations to the following individual Clover Contest winners!

Grades K-2

1st place – Preston Olson of Diamond Lakers 2nd place - Anthony Syryczuk of Diamond La 2nd place - Anthony Syryczuk of Diamond Lakers 3rd place – Lenny Benninger of Diamond Lakers Honorable Mention - Ariella Lubahn of Little Whispers

1st place – Lizzy Schultz of Little Whispers 2nd place – Emma Halpka of Little Whispers 2nd place – Emma Halpka of Little Whispers 3rd place – Evan Schunk of Countrysiders Honorable Mention – Shoshanah Damm of Liberty

Grades 6-8

1st place – Samantha Alexander of Lucky Hills 2nd place – Emma Benninger of Diamond Lakers 3rd place – Janessa Venzke of Liberty Honorable Mention - Maddie Williams of Little Whispers

1st place – Sarah Rudolph of Liberty 2nd place – Sienne Down ¹ 2nd place – Sienna Demuling of Countrysiders 3rd place – Douglas Schumacher of Liberty Honorable Mention Taylor Adelman of Countrysiders

Congratulations to the three clubs that turned in 100% of their clovers including: Diamond Lakers, Liberty, and Thrifty-Go-Getters! Clubs turning in 50% or more included Little Whispers, Countrysiders, and Lucky Hills.

Thank-you to our judges, Ray Soper, Cathy Mauer, and Brenda Herrell!



Market Animal Show and Sale **Awards Night**





Taylor County 4-H Opportunities

Bulletin Board for Club Use

The UW-Extension/4-H bulletin board is available for clubs to use to promote their club. The board now has a fabric backing, and clubs can attach their materials with Velcro dots provided by the UW-Extension office. Please call or email Sasha at 715-748-1981 or sasha.busjahn@ces.uwex.edu to let her know if your club would like to choose a month to use the bulletin board. Clubs will be responsible for hanging up their materials at the beginning of the month and taking them down at the end of the month so that the next club can use the board. If a club does not take the materials down by the end of the month, Sasha will take them down and hold them for one month, after that the materials will be discarded.

Featured Bulletin Board August 2016 : Lucky Hills



Bulletin Board Sign Up 2016-2017

2016

September: Countrysiders October: UW-Extension November: Diamond Lakers December: Open



2017 January: Thrifty-Go-Getters February: Liberty March: Open April: Open May: Open June: Open July: Little Whispers August : Open September: Open October : UW-Extension

4-H Week Window Decorating

The Federation of Taylor County 4-H sponsors National 4-H Week (October 2-9) window decorating. Each club has the opportunity to decorate a store window in their club's hometown promoting 4-H to earn up to \$15 for their club. A photo must be taken of the window display and sent to the November Federation meeting with a reimbursement voucher (page 19).

Harvest Day Parade

See page three for club leader contact information if your club is interested in collaborating with another club on a Harvest Days Parade 4-H float. Parade is October 30.

Taylor County 4-H Ambassadors

See page 9-10 for 4-H Ambassador Application. Applications are due to the UW-Extension office by September 16, 2016.

Downtown Medford Fall Decorating

Contact Melissa Heinecke, President of the Friends of the Medford Downtown, to be the 4-H Club that gets to decorate for Fall! The Friends of the Downtown will

pay a generous amount (in the past around \$200) to the club that decides to decorate. The club provides the decorations such as haybales, Indian corn, pumpkins etc. Decorations would be set up before Homecoming and Harvest Days and taken down after Thanksgiving. Clubs can contact Melissa at 605-268-1193 for specific details.

Rib Lake 4-H Club?

Are you from the Rib Lake area and interested in a 4-H club starting there? If so, please contact Sasha at 715-748-1981 or email sasha.busjahn@ces.uwex.edu so that she can start a list of interested 4-H members!

Invasive Species Control Project

Contact Sasha at 715-748-1981 if your club would like to be part of a Purple Loosestrife bio-control project or other invasive species control program. If

there are enough 4-H members interested, 4-H will partner with the Medford Library next spring for the Purple Loosestrife program.



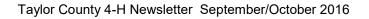
YLO

Trick or Treat for the Hungry

Do you plan on participating in Trick or Treat for the Hungry? If you are in sixth grade or above, you can help out with Trick or Treat for the Hungry, which is a fun event for 4-H members to participate in and help the community! There are two phases of the event.

On October 23, youth go around to sponsored by households in the community and hang an orange door hanger with instructions to place food donations in their bag by October 30.

On October 30, youth collect the food, which is then donated to the local food pantry. Sign up to be a part of Trick or Treat for the Hungry on page 13-14.



4-H Discovery Day & 4K 4 4-H

Sunday, October 9, 2016

UW-Extension Building— 925 Donald St. Medford, WI 54451

NOON-4:00 p.m.

- 12 p.m.—2:00 p.m. Discover 4-H & Projects
- 1:45 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Tour UW-Extension Office
- 2:00 p.m. Sign in for "4K 4 4-H"
- 2:30 p.m.—3:30 p. m. "4K 4 4-H"
- 3:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m. 4K participation prizes awarded

Have you been trying to work on your 4-H projects and wanted a little more help with them? Are you a prospective 4-H youth trying to figure out what 4-H is all about or can be to you?

Join us on Sunday, October 9 from Noon—4pm at the Taylor County UW-Extension Office to meet with 4-H Leaders in Taylor County. Leaders will have interactive project learning opportunities and activities that youth can participate in, while getting advice, about projects they are interested in trying. Then join us for a little 4-H recreation in an untimed 4K run/walk with participation prizes for all! This event is open to all families, including those interested in joining 4-H.

If you are an Adult or Youth 4-H Leader or parent interested in helping with this event, please make sure to register, you will be contacted by the UW-Extension office about where you would like to help out during the day. Approximately 15 or more Adult and/or Youth 4-H Leaders and parents will be needed to run project or club booth stations and help with the 4K 4 4-H. This event will be cancelled if not enough Leaders or 4-H members are able to attend.

All participants must register, see page 13-14 to register or go to :

https://goo.gl/forms/pEqGyfRQ02zHui2y1



4-H Year Calendar/Insurance

Do you have 4-H activities and events you'd like to see on the year-long 4-H Calendar for Taylor County?

You can submit 4-H programs such as; project meetings, club meetings, or other 4-H events that you plan to hold. *All club and or project meetings or other 4-H events for the November 2016-November 2017 4-H year must be submitted by October 21, 2016,* and approved by UW-Extension and Taylor County in order to be covered under the county insurance. As a reminder, any meetings held on personal property are primarily covered by personal home owners insurance, and 4-H Leaders transporting youth in their personal vehicles are assuming primary coverage under their personal auto insurance. This is why it is a good idea to hold meetings at public locations, which also generally provide accessibility to all members, and why it is a good idea to have families transport their own family members.

It is also important to remember that youth who are not registered 4-H members are not covered under 4-H insurance, and are not allowed to participate in 4-H meetings or events. If you are holding a meeting involving potential new 4-H members, please consult with Sasha before the event happens.



Call Sasha at 715-748-1981 or email at sasha.busjahn@ces.uwex.edu to submit a program or meeting time.

Taylor County 4-H Ambassador Program

4-H Ambassadors promote the 4-H program throughout Taylor County and Wisconsin. They learn more about 4-H by participating in a selection of activities (Part I) and they act as an ambassador through public relations activities (Part II). The 4-H Ambassador program is an opportunity to develop teamwork, leadership, and other important life skills.



The 4-H Ambassador role runs from September through August of the following year.

4-H Ambassadors will be responsible for promoting the 4-H Program by participating in and completing parts one and two of the program. A record log must be kept of all activities completed (record log provided by UW-Extension office after Ambassador selection). <u>4-H Ambassador records must be turned in by the last Monday in August of the 4-H Ambassador Program year (August, 28, 2017).</u>

Applicants must be in 6th grade and above. <u>Applications will be accepted until Friday, September 16, 2016.</u> Up to 20 applicants will be selected and notified by September 19. 4-H Ambassadors will be recognized at the Annual Awards Banquet.

4-H Ambassador Application

Write a summary of why you wish to be a 4-H Ambassador, and why you think you would make a good 4-H Ambassador. Include your current leadership roles, your participation in 4-H, and examples of community service you have completed. Indicate on the back page of the application which areas you will complete as a 4-H Ambassador if you are selected for the position.

Indicate the items in parts I and II that you would complete if you are selected as a 4-H Ambassador.

Part I. Getting to know your county 4-H Program:

Choose at least *five* of the following to complete from part 1.

(Club level)

Work with your club leader to develop a community service project for your community club to participate in. Have the UW-Extension office approve of the plan, and then implement it.

Work with your club leader to hold a 4-H project meeting covering a project that you are comfortable teaching for your 4-H Club or county to show others what they can do with that project.

(Countywide level)

- Be a 4-H Camp Counselor (must be 9th grade or older, look for information in spring newsletters, see 2017 dates on page 3)
- Attend at least three 4-H Federation of Taylor County 4-H Leaders meetings
- Become an active member of the Youth Leaders Organization (YLO)

Be a 4-H Fair Ambassador at the Taylor County fair or volunteer to help with at least three events leading up to or after the fair such as fair work days or clean up days. (See 2017 dates on page 3)

Volunteer in at least two events throughout the 4-H Ambassador program year (not all events are held every year):

- □ 4-H Discovery Day
- \Box Trick or Treat for the Hungry
- \Box 4-H Awards Banquet
- Cultural Arts Festival
- Dairy Breakfasts
- Cloverbud Day CampYLO Soda Stand
 - YLO Soda Stand
- □ Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs

Check with the UW-Extension office to see about other events that might qualify. Also let the UW-Extension office know if you are planning on helping with these events so that they know how much help they will have with the event.

(State Level)

Attend Fall Forum and run for the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Leadership Council and/or present a seminar at Fall Forum OR <u>actively</u> participate in another State 4-H Event (must be approved by Taylor County UW-Extension office). Look for registration information for Fall Forum in September on 4HOnline.

Part II. Being an Ambassador for your county 4-H Program:

Participate in at least two of the following PR events throughout the 4-H Ambassador Program year:

Do an interview on the radio about a 4-H event and/or promoting 4-H.

Write an article for the local newspaper about a 4-H event and/or promoting 4-H.

Get permission from your school to go to a Taylor County elementary school and talk about 4-H to at least one grade level to promote the program.

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

due before or on September 16, 2016

4-H Awards Banquet and Annual Leader Training

Sunday, November 6, 2016

<u>4-H Awards Banquet Potluck</u> 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Medford High School Commons Area (1015 W Broadway Ave, Medford, WI 54451)

- Please bring a dish to pass for this potluck event.
- 2016 trip participants should share a short summary of their experience, projector will be available to show photos.
- Cultural arts festival participants are invited to share their performances if they would like.

<u>Annual 4-H Adult and Youth Leader Training</u> 2:30 p.m.—5p.m. Medford High School Commons Area (1015 W Broadway Ave, Medford, WI 54451)

- At least one leader from each club must be present at the Annual Leader Training to meet charter requirements, however, all leaders are encouraged to attend.
- This year, the Annual Leader training has been mandated by the state to be the new Volunteer Orientation training, which is now called the Volunteer in Preparation training, to update leaders on current 4-H policies and information that have changed over time.
- Any parents who wish to become 4-H Leaders are encouraged to complete this part of the requirement to become a leader, the other requirements can be completed on their own time. Please specify when registering if you will be completing the orientation for the first time.
- The Youth Leaders Organization will hold a youth leadership training during the Annual Leader Training for youth who wish to participate.



Join us to recognize:

- Leaders, Cloverbuds, firstyear members, and fifthyear members
- Leaders reaching milestone volunteer year
- Leader of the Year, Friend of 4-H, and Bernice Brandner Award awardees
- 2016 Award Trip and Key Award recipients
- Members receiving project seals and pins for record books
- Graduating 4-H members

See page 13-14 to register.



Taylor County 4-H Notices

Plat Books

Assembly

Any club wanting to make plat books needs to give the UW-Extension Office 24-hour notice. This notice is so we can make sure that pages are ready and the room is available. Please call us at 715-748-3327 ext. 4 or ext. 9.

Photo Contest

A new plat book is being planned for 2017 and your photo could be on the cover! *Prizes will be awarded*.

Basic contest rules:

- Taken by current 4-H member.
- No more than 2 photo submissions per member.
- Taken in Taylor County.
- Photos must be full resolution and submitted electronically.
- Deadline for submission is October 1.
- Email photos to <u>taylorcountyplatbook@gmail.com</u>. *Please rename your photo with your name and include location and date taken.*

Advertisements

If you would like to contact businesses to help sell ads in the new plat book, visit the UW-Extension office for more details. This is a great way to help with one of Taylor County 4-H's largest fundraisers to help raise money for opportunities for youth!

4-H Member in Good Standing

4-H members must be in good standing with their club and the county in order to be eligible for county awards, to represent Taylor County 4-H in state and national level events, and to receive reimbursements. Member-in-good-standing status will also be taken into consideration when future scholarships are awarded.

To be a member of good standing, you need to:

- •*Re-enroll through 4-H Online by November 1.*
- •Attend a minimum of three (3) club meetings.

Your club's bylaws may require more meetings or community service than the county minimum. Please check with your club leader to make sure you are meeting both your club and the county's member of good standing rules.

Club Leaders and Secretaries

Completed charter renewal packets must be turned into the UW-Extension Office or postmarked by **October 21, 2016.** Failure to turn in Charters by the due date will result in disbanding of the club.

Please be ready to report the status of your members of good standing by July 15, 2017 for the 2016-17 4-H Year.

Club meeting minutes must be sent to the UW-Extension office in a timely manner after each club meeting. They can be mailed to the UW-Extension office Attn: Sasha at 925 Donald St. Room 103, Medford, WI 54451, or emailed to sasha.busjahn@ces.uwex.edu.

Federation of Taylor County 4-H

Please be sure to use the legal name <u>Federation of Taylor County 4-H</u> whenever referring to the 4-H Leaders group in Taylor County, especially in writing.



Access your 4HOnline Profile at

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 UW-Extension at 715 -748-3327 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 or Email 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. Similarly, please list an email on 4HOnline that you will check regularly if you wish to receive 4-H updates.

"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 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:

Labor Day — Monday, September 5 Thanksgiving—Friday, November 25 Christmas & Monday, December 26 New Year's & Monday, January 2

Registration form for youth and adults for Taylor County 4-H Events

Both sides of this form must be completed, list contact information on second page for 4-H members registered on first page, they will be contacted if details of the event change. Events with less than five people registering may be cancelled. Registration forms due Friday, September 16, 2016 .
Events are also available for online registration at <u>http://goo.gl/C9iJ4I</u> or by scanning the QR code:
EVENTS:
 4-H Volunteer In Preparation Training (formerly known as 4-H Volunteer Orientation)—Wednesday, September 21, 2016 at 3:00-6:30pm at the Taylor County Gilman Village Hall, 4th & Main Street, Gilman, WI 54433.
Names of registrant(s):
 4-H Volunteer In Preparation Training (formerly known as 4-H Volunteer Orientation)—Thursday, September 22 2016 at 5-8:30 pm at the Taylor County UW-Extension building, 925 Donald Street, Medford, WI 54451.
Names of registrant(s):
4-H Discovery Day & 4K 4 4-H — Sunday, October 9, 2016 at NOON—4pm at the UW-Extension Building 925 Donald St., Medford, WI 54451. See page 8 for details.
Names of registrant(s):
 Trick or Treat for the Hungry <u>Setting out Door Hangers</u>, meet at UW-Extension on Sunday, October 23, 2016 at 6pm—meet at the UW-Extension Building. <i>See page 7 for details</i>. Names of registrant(s):
Trick or Treat for the Hungry <u>Food Collection</u> , meet at UW-Extension on Sunday, October 30, 2016 at 6pm, meet at the UW-Extension building. <i>See page 7 for details</i> .
Names of registrant(s):
 4-H Annual Awards Banquet—Sunday, November 6, 2016, 11:30—2:30 pm at Medford High School Commons Area (Cafeteria)— 1015 W Broadway Ave, Medford, WI 54451. See page 11 for details.
Names of registrant(s):
 Annual 4-H Adult /Youth Leader Training—Sunday, November 6, 2016, 2:30 pm—5pm at the Medford High School Commons Area (Cafeteria) — 1015 W Broadway Ave, Medford, WI 54451. See page 11 for details. Names of registrant(s):
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List contact information of 4-H members registered on first page, they will be contacted if details of the event change. Events with less than five people registered may be cancelled.

Family Name or Club Name:

Member name: Age: Youth or Adult (please circle one) Best phone number to be reached at: Best email to be reached at:

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Turn in completed forms by <u>September 16</u> to :

TAYLOR COUNTY UW-EXTENSION 925 DONALD STREET, ROOM 103 MEDFORD, WI 54451

Attn: 4-H Youth Development Educator

State & National 4-H

2017 Cedar Crest Ice Cream Contest

It's not too late! Spend a few minutes at your next meeting to create an entry in the Cedar Crest Ice Cream flavor contest. The entry deadline has been extended to October 1.

Visit the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Website for more information:

http://wis4hfoundation.org/cedar-crest-ice-cream-flavor -creation-contest/



National 4-H Council \$5,000 Scholarship

National 4-H Council is now accepting applications for the 2017 4-H Youth in Action Awards to be presented at the eighth annual Legacy Awards in Washington, D.C. on March 21, 2017.

As the highest honor National 4-H Council awards to 4-H youth, the 2017 awards will recognize one remarkable 4-H'er within each pillar area: Agriculture; Citizenship; Healthy Living; and STEM.

Each of the four 4-H Youth in Action Awards pillar winners will receive:

- Scholarship: \$5,000 scholarship for higher education.
- **Public Recognition:** An all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. to be recognized at Council's Legacy Awards on March 21, 2017.

Spokesperson Opportunities: Serve as the National Youth Spokesperson for their recognized pillar area.

In addition, one National 4-H Youth in Action Award winner will be selected from the four pillar winners and receive an additional \$5,000 scholarship for higher education.

All applications must be submitted by 5:00 PM ET on Monday, October 24, 2016.

For qualifications, application rules, and information on past honorees, please visit the <u>4-H Youth in Action</u> <u>Awards website</u>.



International 4-H Exchange



Mrs. Hiroko Tashiro, a Japanese International Exchange Chaperone visited the UW-Extension office. We enjoyed getting to meet Mrs. Hiroko Tashiro, who is staying with the Jensen family during her visit to the United States. So far, the Jensens have gone canoeing and to a midpoint picnic where they met with the other exchange host family that she stayed with. We are glad she was able to stay in Taylor County!

Fall Forum



Adult and Youth Leaders: Mark your calendars for the Fall Forum and Hall of Fame Celebration: *November 4-6*,

2016. Don't miss out on a great statewide workshop for youth and adult leaders! The program kicks off Friday evening with over 15 interactive sessions. Saturday offers more than 25 workshops to choose from. Top off the night with a special celebration where up to 10 people will be inducted into the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame. An evening of circle dancing and table games will follow the celebration. Plus an ice cream hospitality sponsored by Cedar Crest Ice Cream. Sunday morning brings a high energy program that you can use at the club or community level.

All youth participants need to have a chaperon who has completed Youth Protection identified when they register.

Find out more details at <u>http://fyi.uwex.edu/</u> wi4hvolunteers/fall-forum.

Register through 4HOnline from early September through September 30.

This program is partially funded by the WI 4-H Foundation.

2016-17 Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council

INFORMATION AND APPLICATION AVAILABLE AT: <u>http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hvolunteers/wi-4-h-leader-council/</u> PURPOSE OF THE WISCONSIN 4-H LEADERSHIP COUNCIL:

- To be advocates for Wisconsin 4-H
- To provide input into enhancing the Wisconsin 4-H Program
- To model youth and adult partnerships
- To provide education and leadership opportunities for others
- To engage youth and adult volunteers in statewide leadership roles

REQUIRED OF WISCONSIN 4-H LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEMBERS:

• Attend and participate in Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council in-person meetings: Fall Forum-November 4-6, 2016; Winter Retreat-Fri-Sun Jan 2017; Spring Conference Planning Meeting-Fri-Sat, Mar/Apr 2017; 2017 Youth Conference Meeting- June 24 or 25 and 3-4 additional teleconferences

- Contribute to statewide events, including but not limited to Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference-June 26-29, 2017: Governor's Blue Ribbon Meat Products Auction at the Wisconsin State Fair, Fall Forum, and Wisconsin 4-H Foundation fundraisers.
- Fulfill committee work, promote Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development, communicate with and present to counties in your region and other agreed upon responsibilities
- Communicate regularly with Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council advisors and members
- Conduct yourself, at all times, in a manner that is consistent with UW-Extension and 4-H Youth Development Behavior Expectations

Demonstrated Skills and Expectations of Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council Members: Leadership in local and county 4-H programs, Teamwork and cooperation, Verbal and written communication skills, Public relations skills, Responsibility, Positive role model, Positive attitude.

Cost: The majority of Leadership Council expenses are covered by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation and Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development. Council members are responsible for registration fees and lodging at Fall Forum; meals at training events as well as other supplies such as

t-shirts; transportation to workshops and trainings; and additional t-shirt or apparel costs. Support for costs may be available from your county leaders' association or other sources. Cost should not be a barrier for application.

WISCONSIN 4-H LEADERSHIP COUNCIL ELIGIBILITY:

Youth:

- •4-H youth member in good standing and in 9th through 11th grade at time of election
- Support from your county 4-H Youth Development Agent/Educator to serve on a statewide council
- Experience working with youth in leadership roles
- Willingness to serve on committees and work with adult volunteers
- Agree to abide by Youth Behavior Expectations

Adults:

- Enrolled, certified 4-H volunteer leader
- Support from your county 4-H Youth Development Agent/Educator to serve on a statewide council
- Experience working with youth in leadership roles
- Willingness to serve on committees and work with youth leaders
- Agree to abide by Volunteer Behavior Expectations

WI 4-H LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEMBER ELECTION PROCESS:

Youth: The number of representatives per region (East Metro, North Central, Northwest or Southwest) will be determined by size of 4-H membership in each region with a minimum of 3 representatives per region. In 2016-17, there are nine vacant positions for youth with openings in all four regions. Terms are two years.

Adults: Three representatives per region (East Metro, North Central, Northwest, Southwest). In 2016-17, there are six vacant positions. Terms are two years. (*Continued on page 17*)

Applicants need to register for Fall Forum via 4HOnline **no later than September 30**. The completed Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council Application and resumé must be received by the State 4-H Office **no later than September 30, 2016.** While electronic files are preferred, paper applications will also be accepted. Email applications to <u>terry.boehner@ces.uwex.edu</u>, fax to 608-265-6407 or mail to Attention Terry Boehner,

4-H Youth Development, 436 Lowell Hall, 610 Langdon St, Madison WI 53703.

Applicants need to allow time for the Agent/Educator to provide a recommendation. References from the Agent/Educator must be sent directly to <u>terry.boehner@ces.uwex.edu</u> and arrive **no later than September 30**.

Current officers and advisors of the WI 4-H Leadership Council select and rank a slate of candidates by region by reviewing the applications and recommendations using the Application Review Form. Those chosen to be candidates will be notified by October 20, 2016.

Candidates will attend Fall Forum and should be present to be elected. There will be youth and adult caucuses by region for candidates to give a short presentation and answer questions before the election. If not present, only the application will be read to represent the candidate. Candidate resumés will be shared with delegates and delegates will utilize the Candidate Evaluation Form to assist in their votes. (Find the Candidate Evaluation Form at http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hvolunteers/wi-4-h-leader-council/

One youth delegate and one adult delegate from each county will be designated to cast a vote for youth and adult candidates respectively (i.e., youth will select youth and adults select adults.) Candidates are not eligible to vote. In the event of a tie, the applicant with the highest ranked application will be selected. Results will be announced at Fall Forum. Newly elected Council members take office immediately following the voting at Fall Forum.

TIMELINE

Applications Due – September 30, 2016

- Email to <u>terry.boehner@ces.uwex.edu</u>, fax to 608-265-6407, or mail to Attention Terry Boehner, 4-H Youth Development, 436 Lowell Hall, 610 Langdon St, Madison, WI 53703.
- Electronic documents preferred. An email confirmation will be sent upon receiving them.

References Due – September 30, 2016

Review of Applicants - October 5-19, 2016

Candidates Notified - October 20, 2016

Election at Fall Forum – November 4-6, 2016

Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council Meetings

Council members are expected to attend and participate in:

- •Winter Retreat-Jan 2017
- Spring Planning Meeting-Spring 2017
- •Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference-June 26-29, 2017 (depending on responsibilities, some will attend the

whole conference; we may schedule a business meeting for the Council on June 24 or 25)

•Fall Forum-Nov 2017

•Council members also participate in other statewide events, including but not limited to the Governor's Meat Products Auction at the Wisconsin State Fair, the Farm Bureau of Wisconsin's Annual Meeting, and Wisconsin 4-H Foundation fundraisers.

APPLICANT CHECKLIST:

Submit the following items no later than September 30.

- •Resumé (See sample at http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hvolunteers/wi-4-h-leader-council/) 2-page application
- •Ask for a reference from your county agent by September 15 at the latest.

Address questions to:

Kandi O'Neil (kandi.oneil@ces.uwex.edu), Matt Calvert (matthew.calvert@ces.uwex.edu) or Amber Rehberg (amber.rehberg@ces.uwex.edu)







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:

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

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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FEDERATION OF TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

Adopted January 6, 1994; Updated June, 2016

- 1. All reimbursements are dependent on availability of funds (advance request <u>recommended</u>).
- 2. All events with total cost to Federation in excess of \$75.00 will <u>require</u> advanced written notice <u>mailed</u> to the Federation Treasurer and will be subject to #3 below.
 - A pre-reimbursement form is required to be filled out one month in advance and mailed to the Federation Treasurer.
 - A post-reimbursement form will be also filled out after the event and returned to the Federation Treasurer within one month 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 Board's 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 total miles driven multiplied by \$0.41 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 one month of event. A <u>brief</u> 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.

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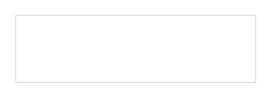
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September & October 4-H Federation Meeting Times

Monday, September 12, 2016—7:30pm UW-Extension Meeting Room

Monday, October 10, 2016—7:30pm. UW-Extension Meeting Room

YLO and Federation Meetings will be available by phone or google hangouts for those who live more than 20 miles away and cannot make it because of the drive. Please contact Sasha at least one week in advance of Federation meetings at 715-748-1981 if you would like to participate remotely.

Taylor County 4-H is on Facebook! <u>www.fb.com/4h.taylorcounty</u>



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

Send us your 4-H club activity photos, short articles, and thank yous, and we'll put them in the newsletter! Submit them at the UW-Extension Office or e-mail sasha.busjahn@ces.uwex.edu.



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