

January/February 2019



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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2019 New Year

As the new year begins, you may be thinking about your 2019 projects. This is a good time for 4-H members and leaders to start thinking about the goals you want to accomplish in your project or leadership role. I am encouraging each 4-H member and leader to set a goal for this year. Why? To make your best better, its easier to have a goal in mind! It may be helpful to start with answering questions like: "What am I interested in learning this year?" or "What do I need to be successful?"

Setting goals is a life skill that can be developed by participating in 4-H. Part of setting a goal is being able to reflect on what went well or what didn't go so well. Which is also part of your record book! Now is a great time to construct a plan for keeping track of the information necessary for your record book. Remember to keep track of what you purchase or make, how much it costs, and how much time is involved. To help you get organized, you may want to consider writing in a notebook or placing information in a folder.

Another part of goal setting is understanding what you need to reach your goal which could be specific materials or information on how to learn a new skill. One resource you could use for your project is project literature. To get project literature, please contact your club leader. Lastly, while you are thinking about the goals for your projects, keep in mind that projects can be changed or added until March 1 in your 4HOnline profile to be eligible to show at the Taylor County Fair.

I wish you all the best on your journey this year to reach your goals! If you have any questions, please reach out to me.

Sincerely, Stephanie Boehnlein Positive Youth Development Educator



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January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		UWEX Office Closed	2	3	4	5
6	7 Diamond Lakers	8	9	10 Lucky Hills	П	12
I3 Countrysiders Poplar Grove	14	15 CWF Program Assistant Apps Due	16	17	18 Dairy Quiz Bowl Registration Deadline	19
20 Liberty State Art Team Applications Due	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 4-H Art Beat Reg- istration Closes		

February 2019 **

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Camp Counselor/ Chaperone Applications Due	2
3 YLO Meeting 3pm UWEX	4 Diamond Lakers Little Whispers Thrifty-Go-Getters	5	6	7 Lucky Hills	8	9 WI 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl
10 Countrysiders Poplar Grove	Federation Meeting 7:30pm UWEX	12	13	14	I 5 Educational Experience Adult Advisor Applications Due	16
I7 Liberty	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28		

Please note, Taylor County 4-H programs will be cancelled if Taylor County is under a winter storm, wind chill, tornado, blizzard or severe thunderstorm warning as issued by the National Weather Service.

If you see an event you would like to attend, or would like more information about, please contact the UW-Extension office at 715-748-3327 x 4 or 9. Please note, for planning purposes, some events require an RSVP.

SAVE THE DATES!



M.A.S.S, Orientation #2

March 19, 2019

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2019 Taylor County 4-H Summer Camps

- Junior Camp—June 14-15, 2019
- Intermediate Camp—June 9-11, 2019

Taylor County Fair

• July 25-28, 2019

CLUB LEADER CONTACTS

Countrysiders—Wendy Rudolph, 715-748-0961

Diamond Lakers—Dorothy Halida, 715-669-3655 and Paula Dubiak, 715-512-0250

Liberty—Kathy Schumacher, glws@tds.net

Little Farmers—Violet Jensen, 715-748-4481

Little Whispers—Christy Tomandl, 715-748-9816

Lucky Hills—Linda Lynch, 715-748-9289

Poplar Grove—Cheryl Bolstad, 715-447-5428 and Wendy Okerglicki, 715-644-0854

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

COUNTYWIDE PROJECT CONTACTS

If you have questions about a project, please contact the following county project leaders:

Dog Project: Jeanine Renzoni, 715-748-4248

Horse Project: Heidi Brandner, 715-678-6184

Market Animal Show and Sale (MASS): Karyn

Eckert, 715-748-2576

Poultry Project: Sara Matyka, 715-427-3331 or

Edward Ploszay, 715-560-2145

Rabbit Project: Katie Krause, 715-654-6499

Goat Project: Sara Matyka, 715-427-3331

Youth Leadership Organization (YLO): UWEX

Office

Learn more about countywide 4-H projects at taylor.uwex.edu/4-h/4-h-clubs/4-h-projects/.

Countywide Project Information

4-H Youth Leadership Organization (YLO)

4-H members in 6th grade and above are eligible to join this group. YLO always welcomes new members! The group is geared towards building leadership skills appropriate to the older age level. These skills are built though experiences such as helping plan and put on countywide events like camps, doing community service projects such as Trick or Treat for the Hungry, and fundraising at the YLO Soda stand at the Taylor County Fair.

If you plan to participate in 4-H trips and scholarships, this group is a great way give back to the 4-H program as well as meet other 4-H'ers your age.

If you are interested in joining the Youth Leadership Organization, go to http://taylor.uwex.edu/4-h/4-h-leaders/youth-leaders-organization-ylo/ or contact the UW-Extension office at 715-748-3327 x 4 or 9 to learn how. Or come to the next meeting on *February 3*, 2019 at 3pm at the UW-Extension building.

Shooting Sports Project Leader

Seeking 4-H Leaders, 21 years or older, to become certified Shooting Sports instructors. There are currently not enough instructors to run a 2018-2019 Shooting Sports program. Contact Stephanie at 715-748-1981 if you are interested.

Upcoming 2019 Certification class:

- ◆ Phillips, WI: Dates not yet announced, but will be held in May 2019
- ♦ Marshfield, WI: Dates not yet announced, but will be held in September 2019

More information can be found at: https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingsports/certification-workshops/



Callie Cat's 4-H Newsletter Contest

Hey 4-H Youth Members! Callie Cat wants you to read the 4-H newsletter! If you are reading the newsletter, you could have the opportunity to **win a prize of**

\$15 each newsletter to put towards your 4-H projects! All you have to do is complete the Callie Cat 4-H Newsletter questions and submit them by the last day of the month the newsletter comes out. If you are in grade 6-13 and submit at least 13/15 correct answers, while following all submission directions, OR in grade K-5 and submit at least 11/15 correct, while following all submission directions, your name will be put into a drawing for a \$15 prize. There will be 3 winners per newsletter. Participants must be youth 4-H members.

Callie Cat 4-H Newsletter Questions:

- 1) Find the snowman (to the right) in two other place in the newsletter and state the locations.
- 2) How old do you need to be to be a 4-H summer camp counselor?
- 3) What is the WLC?
- 4) Where do state art team members have opportunities to apply their skills?
- 5) Who was awarded a 10 year milestone leader award?
- 6) What are three life-skills you could learn from attending 4-H camp?
- 7) What are two reasons that it is a good idea to do a record book?
- 8) What camp could you attend if you are in 3rd-5th grade and like art?
- 9) What are two benefits for being a camp counselor at summer camp?
- 10) What two places could you get information for your projects?
- 11) What date are camp counselor applications due?
- 12) What is the 4-H livestock guiz bowl?
- 13) Who were the Wisconsin 4-H Key Award Winners for Taylor County?
- 14) What is one goal you have for the upcoming 4-H year?
- 15) Sign your entry with your full name.

Congratulations to Sarah Rudolph and Marissa Peters for winning the November/ December Newsletter Contest!

Submitting your entry:

- Answer questions on an $8\,1/2$ by 11 piece of paper. Write your full name and club name in the upper right hand corner of your entry page. Include any other items such as photos with your answers
- Submit your answers to: 4-H Agent Attn. Callie Cat Contest
 Taylor County UW-Extension Office,
 925 Donald St. Room 103, Medford, WI 54451
- Submissions will be due the last day of the month that the newsletter comes out for the Jan./ Feb. 2019 newsletter, Callie Cat submissions are due January 31.
- Once submissions are received, all submissions with at least 11/15 (K-5th grade) or 13/15 (6-13th grade) correct answers will be put into a drawing, and three winners will be selected at the closest Federation of Taylor County 4-H meeting.
- Winners will be notified after the Federation of Taylor County 4-H meeting following the submission date, prizes will be mailed with the notification.
- Youth who have entered into the Callie Cat Contest for past newsletters are welcome to enter again!



Taylor County 4-H Opportunities

Youth Opportunities

2019 Youth and Adult Camp Counselor Opportunity

Mark your calendars, interested youth leaders and adult volunteers.

Session 1: March 9-10, 2019 Session 2: April 27-28, 2019

Registration will open in January 2019. Camp Counselor training is an excellent opportunity for counselors, adult volunteers, and 4-H staff alike to come together in collaboration to prepare youth to excel in their summer camp counselor role. Applicable for both beginning counselors (as participants), experienced counselors (as leaders), and adult volunteers.

A variety of opportunities exist at Counselor Training Weekend with sessions for both adults and youth!

Cloverbud and Other 4-H Project Materials

Are you looking for ideas and materials for leading or participating in 4-H projects? If so, visit the UW-Extension office to pick up project literature. Some club leaders pick up materials for members, so please check with your leader beforehand to make sure there is not duplication. Each member is eligible for up to six literature booklets. When signing up on 4HOnline for projects, you have the option to select literature for the project. This helps club leaders know which six books you are interested in using for your projects. Additionally, if you and your siblings or other club members have the same project, you may be able to share. Another source you can check out for project materials is the state 4-H projects page at https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hprojects/.

4-H Record Books

It is never too early to start your record book for the year. The more records you keep during the year, the less work you will have leading up to the deadline. Record books are required for youth applying for scholarships, educational experiences (trips), and awards. Not planning to go on an educational experience? Do a record book anyways! Record books help you set goals for yourself and keep track of all the things you are accomplishing in 4-H. You can learn more and print your record book pages by going to http://taylor.uwex.edu/4-h/record-books/. Record book pages are also available from the UW-Extension Office; however, if you are requesting pages for more than five members, please call ahead to make sure there are enough pages printed at 715-748-3327 x 4 or x 9.

Making Plat Books

The UW-Extension office is looking for clubs to come in during January to put together more Plat Books. Each book put together earns \$3 for the club that is making them. Please call the UW-Extension office, 715-748-3327 x 9, at least three days in advance of coming in to make sure that enough supplies are available.

Volunteer Opportunities

4-H Adult Leaders Wanted!

There are various roles an adult leader can have in a 4-H club: Organizational/Co-organizational, Project, General, Activity, etc!

To be a 4-H adult leader there are 4 steps required to ensure youth protection. These steps are as follows:

- 1. Enroll as a volunteer in 4HOnline
- 2. Pass a background check
- 3. Compete the Mandated Reporter module
- 4. Attend Volunteer in Preparation (VIP) training

Any newly enrolled leaders can contact the UW-Extension office if they need to determine what steps they need to complete to be confirmed as an active leader.

If you enrolled as a volunteer and your enrollment is still pending, you are likely missing one or more of the steps listed above. If you are missing the VIP training step, watch for an email blast or look in the March/April Newsletter for dates of the next VIP training offered. If you are not sure which step you are missing, please contact the UW-Extension office for help.

Share Your Skills



Federation of Taylor County 4-H Meetings

All 4-H Leaders are a part of the Federation of Taylor County 4-H and have voting rights to represent their club or group. Each club should have a leader representing their club that attends Federation meetings to help make decisions at the county level for the Taylor County 4-H Program and to report back to their club. Each club also has one standing spot on the Board of Directors for the Federation. See the back cover of the newsletter for upcoming meeting times.

4-H Food Stand Manager

The 4-H food stand is looking for a new manager to begin at the 2019 fair. There would be an opportunity for the new person to be mentored at the 2019 fair. For more information, please contact Stephanie.



Summer Camp Information

2019 4-H Summer Camps

This year, Taylor County will be camping again with Waupaca, Portage, Wood, and Lincoln Counties. Registration information for campers will be available in the March/April and/or May/June 4-H Newsletter.

Junior Camp, 2nd-3rd graders: June 14-15th 2019 at the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station (CWES), Amherst Junction, and WI.

(CWES), Amherst Junction, and WI. <u>Intermediate Camp.</u> 4th-8th graders: June 9-11 2019 at Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells, WI.

4-H summer camp is a great opportunity for youth. During camp there are countless opportunities to participate in fun age appropriate programming, meet other 4-H members, and develop life skills such as leadership, responsibility, social skills, cooperation, teamwork, self-esteem, critical thinking, and so much more! We hope you will consider joining us for camp this summer to have a great experience that you'll remember for a lifetime!





Camp Counselors Needed

If you are in 9th grade or above and wish to be a summer camp counselor for Junior or Intermediate camp, please fill out the application on the next page, or submit an online application which can be found on the Taylor County UW-Extension website. Camp counselors are required to be mature and able to relate to campers and staff. They must take leadership responsibility and be able to help evaluate camp. Most qualified applicants will have experience as a camper or counselor. Camp counselors will be chosen based on how closely they meet the criteria of the position. Counselors will be expected to participate in camp counselor training (on April 13) and all camp activities. Camp counselors will serve as a counselor for 5-10 4-H members. See details for each Camp Counselor and Adult Chaperone position in the next column and see the application on the Taylor County UW-Extension website at https://taylor.uwex.edu/. Applications are due February 1, 2019 to the Extension Office.

Camp Counselor Roles

Intermediate or Junior Camp Director:

Requirements: At least 10th grade at the time of selection; must be mature and able to relate to campers and staff; must take leadership responsibility and be able to evaluate counselors; should have experience as a counselor.

Cabin Counselor:

Requirements: At least 9th grade at time of selection; must be mature and be able to relate to campers and staff; experience as a camper is beneficial. Cabin counselors serve up to eight 4-H members.

Resource Counselor:

Requirements: At least 9th grade at time of selection; must be mature and able to relate to campers and staff; experience as a camper is beneficial. Must be able to lead group activities—arts & crafts, nature activities, or games and recreation.

Benefits of being a 4-H Camp Counselor include an opportunity to be a role model to younger members, meet other 4-H members, learn or improve leadership skills like communication, planning, decision making, and responsibility.





Adult Chaperones and Nurse Needed

Another important role are adult chaperones. Adult chaperones must be 21 or older and have completed the 4-H Leader training. Adult chaperones are a crucial part of camp, we cannot run camp without devoted adults. In past years, there has been a need for more adults to volunteer, especially adult male chaperones. We will need 1 adult per 10 campers as mandated by the state, and one nurse. While this experience is not a "vacation" for adults, it is necessary to have enough adults to provide a safe camp and to be able to provide impactful programming that youth will learn valuable life skills from and remember for a lifetime.

Please consider being an adult chaperone if you meet the qualifications. We will only be able to send youth to camp if we have enough chaperones. If you are interested, please submit a half page letter of interest including why you would like to volunteer as an adult chaperone and your experience working in a camp setting. Letters can be sent to the Extension office or emailed to stephanie.boehnlein@ces.uwex.edu by February 1, 2019.

2019 4-H Camp Counselor Application

- ⇒ Deadline for Application: February 1, 2019
- ⇒ Counselor Training will be held from 10 am-3 pm on April 13, 2019. Specific locations not yet determined.
- ⇒ Must be in Grade 9 or above to be a Camp Counselor.
- ⇒ Submit an adult recommendation with at least one letter of recommendation from a teacher, 4-H leader, and/or other community contact (cannot be a relative) along with application.

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					City:
Pho	ne: ()		Grade:	Birthdate:
T-S	hirt size	<u> </u>			
1.	Check	all that you are	interested in applyi	ing for:	
		_Junior Camp (Counselor (2 nd -3 rd g	grade campers), Jun	ne 14-15, 2019
		_Junior Camp `	Youth Director (M	ust be 10 th grade or	older)
		_Junior Camp I	Resource Counselo	or (arts & crafts, nat	ure activities, recreation & games)
		_Intermediate (Camp Counselor (4	th -8 th grade camper	rs), June 9-11, 2019
		_Intermediate (Camp Youth Direct	tor (Must be 10 th gra	ade or older)
		_Intermediate (Camp Resource Co	unselor (arts & craf	fts, nature activities, recreation & games)
		st interested, 2=sArts & CoNature A	somewhat interesterafts	please RANK youred, 3=least intereste	choices of activities you would like to lead: d)
2.	Why d		e a 4-H Camp Cou	nselor?	
3.	What e	experiences have	you had that will	help you be a good	4-H Camp Counselor?
4.	Have y	ou ever been a	I-H Camp Counsel	or? YES	NO

Number of Days Responsibilities Year of Name of Camp Camper or Counselor Camp I understand the State 4-H guidelines require counselor training. By applying to be a camp counselor, I am agreeing to participate in the scheduled training April 13 in Taylor County or Portage County. If I cannot attend that training, I will attend one of the Upham Woods Camp Counselor Trainings (please contact the UW-Extension office for details on how to sign up). Lunch will be provided at the trainings so please note any food allergies. I will attend the following camp counselor training (choose one): Taylor/Lincoln/Portage/Waupaca/Wood training on April 13, 2019 in Taylor County 10am-3pm Taylor/Lincoln/Portage/Waupaca/Wood training on April 13, 2019 in Portage County 10am-3pm Upham Woods Camp Counselor Training on April 27-28 in Wisconsin Dells (ONLY choose if you absolutely cannot attend on April 13) Applicant Signature: Date Parent Signature: Date: Applications are due to the UW-Extension Office by February, 1 2019. Send Completed Applications to:

5. Please list the 4-H camps or other camps you have attended as a counselor or as a camper:

925 DONALD ST. ROOM 103 MEDFORD, WI 54451

Taylor County 4-H Camp Counselor ADULT RECOMMENDATION

The following applicant counselor. You have been identified as a pyouth leader to see that you receive this readdressed envelope. Recommendations are dation from a family member will not be Please complete the following recommend. Today's Date:	commendation at leas confidential and will caccepted. ation and return as dis	t 2 weeks prior to the not be returned to the rected below.	e due date along w he 4-H youth leadd	ith a pre-		
Phone:	Email:					
Do you feel this member would be a good How long have you known this 4-H member In what capacity do you know this member	er?	1 00				
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Involvement in 4-H at Club level				
Teamwork Skills				
Planning & Organizing Skills				
Works to the best of their ability				
Dependability				
Communication				
Leadership Skills				
Ethics				
Solving Problems & Decision Making Skills				

If you would like to share more details, please write below discussing why the applicant is qualified to be a 4-H Camp Counselor or if you have any concerns.

Please return to the address below by February 1, 2019.

Recommendations should be sent directly to:
Taylor County UW-Extension
4-H Camp Counselor Recommendation
925 Donald St, Room 103
Medford, WI 54451

Taylor County 4-H Recap







In early November, the Wisconsin 4-H Fall Forum was held in Green Lake, Wisconsin. Sarah Rudolph and Amannda Szomi attended as youth members and Lanice Szomi attended as an adult leader. The weekend was full of educational sessions to attend, and an awards banquet was held on Saturday night to recognize leaders from around the state. Amannda and Sarah both participated through state level teams. Amannda participated through Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council and Sarah participated through Art Team.

Amannda Szomi also ran for a position on the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council (WLC), she was elected to be the secretary. Congratulations Amannda!



Taylor County 4-H Awards Banquet November 11, 2018

At this year's awards banquet, youth and leaders came together at the Medford High School to celebrate another year in 4-H. The afternoon started out with a potluck lunch which was followed by wonderful presentation of educational experiences and recognition of youth and adult leaders.















Club awards were presented by representatives from each club. Cloverbud awards were presented by Amannda Szomi and Sarah Rudolph.

Graduating members were recognized by Federation President, Katie Krause, including Derek Rudolph, Ryan Stunkel, Mallory Rudolph, Sarah Rudolph, Amannda Szomi, Clare DeRosia, Erin Elsner, Scarlett Bender-Bishop, Cody Okerglicki, and Aaron Julian.

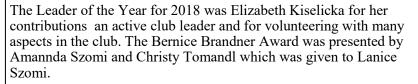
Taylor County 4-H Recap







Leader awards were presented by Federation President, Katie Krause, to all leaders. Milestone leaders were (5 years) Allen Bolstad, Jenny Duellman, Kirby Jensen, Nancy Jensen, Elizabeth Kiselicka, Jill Penk, and Brook Wesle, (10 years) Wendy Rudolph, (15 years) Stacy Juedes, (20 years) Lorie Floyd and Tanya Pagel, and (30 years) Paula Dubiak and Virginia Ustianowski.







The Friend of 4-H award this year went to the Stanley Vet Service and Leslie Huber to recognize the large contribution they put into making the Taylor County 4-H program great.



The Wisconsin 4-H Key Awards this year were presented by Ryan Klussendorf of the Farm Bureau Federation to Amannda Szomi and Sarah Rudolph for their involvement and leadership in the Taylor County 4-H program. Congratulations Amannda and Sarah!

4-H Opportunities and Events

2019 WI 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl

The 2019 Wisconsin 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl will be held on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at the Sewell Social Sciences Hall on the UW-Madison Campus. The Wisconsin 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl encourages 4-H members to develop a more complete knowledge of dairy animals and related subjects. This contest is designed to provide an educational dairy experience for all 4-H Dairy project members, including those who may not own a dairy project animal while also providing opportunities for 4-H members to develop alertness and self-confidence. The Dairy Bowl is a "quiz bowl" competition where all questions focus on dairy topics. Teams of four 4-H members compete with each other in giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Teams receive points for correct answers and may lose points for incorrect answers. The team with the highest final score is the winner. The registration deadline is *January 18, 2019* and there is a \$20 fee per team.

More information can be found at: https://fyi.uwex.edu/dairyyouth/2019-dairy-quiz-bowl-contest-rules-and-entry-information/

2019 State Art Teams Applications

Three State 4-H Arts Groups are formed every year to give 4-H youth the opportunity to develop their artistic and leadership skills. They then have the opportunity for real-world applications of these skills at the 4-H and Youth Conference and the Wisconsin State Fair. If you are a youth in grades 9-13 this could be the perfect opportunity for you! All applications and other required materials must be received by *January 20, 2019*

For more information about the opportunities with State Art Teams and information on applying for state art teams visit: https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/state-art-group-application-info/.

4-H Art Beat

March 15-17, 2019

Camp Upham Woods Wisconsin Dells WI Cost: \$100.00 per person (youth and adults) Registration Closes: *January 31, 2019*

Art Beat was created for 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their parents and leaders, 4-H Art Beat is the introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H Arts and Communication. The weekend features a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, art in nature, and more! 4-H members will explore their own creativity while discovering the great variety of 4-H Arts & Communication experiences available to them now and in the near future. Session leaders will be 4-H older youth, adult leaders and 4-H staff members with a wealth of experience to share. Youth and adult participants will rotate through a variety of sessions which are hands-on and active and held at various sites throughout camp, including outdoors. Both youth and adult participants stay in the cabins on cabin hill. Parents are not required to attend, but are invited. Adult applicants please note: All adults will be considered Adult Advisors (chaperones) for the camp – if you are not already an active 4-H volunteer you must complete the requirements to become one before camp - contact your county UW-Extension 4-H Office for assistance. Please do so as soon as possible to allow enough time to complete the required training and for a background check to be completed before camp.

The \$100.00 per person fee (both youth and adults must pay the registration fee) will include all materials and supplies, overnight lodging, meals and snacks. Why not get a whole carload of youth and adults together from your county for some genuine 4-H bonding time? Transportation is **NOT** provided by the State 4-H Office.

Art Beat registration infor: https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/art-beat-forms/

2019 Educational Experience Adult Advisor Applications

Apply today for an adult advisor position with Wisconsin 4-H! Adult advisors travel to many different cities across the United States with youth participants to serve as mentors, guides, and support for the youth on the programs. Adults are responsible for the well being of all youth participants and must work as a team to ensure that an experience runs smoothly. This application covers adult advisor positions for Citizenship Washington Focus; National 4-H Congress; Space Camp; American Spirit Experience; and Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference. Applications are completed in 4HOnline. A complete application must be submitted to WI State 4-H by 4:30pm February 15. More information can be found at: https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hedopp/adult-advisors/

4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl

Livestock Bowl is a quiz competition where all the questions are about beef, sheep, swine, and meat goat topics and students use a buzzer in order to answer the questions. Teams compete in a double elimination format by giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Each match has both an individual and toss-up question round. The winning 4-H senior team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl competition in Omaha, NE at the AKSARBEN Livestock Exhibition. For more information, visit: https://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/quizbowlskillathon/

When: Saturday, March 2, 2019 – Information forthcoming Where: UW Madison Animal Sciences Building Time: Registration 9 a.m., Competition starts 9:30 a.m.

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarships

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than \$10,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing higher education in 2019. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via email by *March 15, 2019, 5:00 pm*. Find out more at http://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/

Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Scholarships

The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board is offering \$1,000 scholarships to be used during the second semester of the 2019-20 school year. Third and fourth-year college students pursuing dairy-related or food science degrees at one of Wisconsin's four-year universities are eligible to apply.

Applicants will be evaluated on involvement and leadership in dairy-related activities, scholastic achievement, and career objectives. Finalists will be interviewed in mid-April, with the recipients to be recognized at the 2019 Wisconsin State Fair. The application is available at http://wistatefair.com/competitions/dairy-promo-board/. Application deadline is Friday, March 22. For more information, contact Katy Katzman at 262-903-6727 or katzman@idcnet.com.

2019 4-H State Meats Judging Contest

This contest test the knowledge of youth in placement of carcass and retail cut classes, carcass grading, retail cut identification and a quiz. This contest occurs annually with the teams traveling to Kansas City, MO and Denver, CO for national competition. There is a Junior Division as well at the state level. Details can be found at: https://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/4hmeatscontest/

When: Saturday, April 27, 2019 Where: UW Madison, Meat Lab

Bulletin Board for Club Use

The UW-Extension/4-H bulletin board is available for clubs to use to promote their club. Please contact Stephanie at 715-748-3327 x 4 or email stephanie.boehnlein@ces.uwex.edu 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. If a club does not take the materials down by the end of the month, they will be taken down and held for one month; after that the materials will be discarded. Bulletin board content must follow 4-H Policies.

Bulletin Board Schedule 2019

January 2019: Diamond Lakers February: YLO March: Liberty April: Little Farmers

May: Open June: Open July: Open August: Open



Taylor County 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 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.
- If you have not attended any meetings by March 1 and your club leader and the UW-Extension office have tried to contact you with no response, you may be archived on 4HOnline and not considered an active member anymore.

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.

Groups Using UW-Extension Meeting Rooms

Groups using UW-Extension meeting rooms after business hours: please lock the building after your meeting is done. If you have questions on how to do this, please ask.

Club Leaders and Secretaries

Club meeting minutes should 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: 4-H at 925 Donald St. Room 103, Medford, WI 54451, or emailed to stephanie.boehnlein@ces.uwex.edu.



Secretary books should be turned in at the end of the year with Charters.



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-Ext. 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 & Other Closures

The Taylor County UW-Extension Office will be closed on the following dates & times:

New Years Eve—Monday, December 31 New Years—Tuesday, January 1



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 curre	ent situation:
SECTION #3:	Give your suggestion(s) for a possible solution	:
Please Print:		
Address of per Phone number	on completing form: erson completing form: er of person completing form: es of person completing form:	
Signed:		Dated:



Please return completed forms to:

TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H 925 Donald Street, Room 103 Medford, WI 54451

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 30 days 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.

	REIMBURSEMENT Federation of Taylo		
DATE SUBMITTED:	PLEA	ASE CHECK: pre-event pos	
CLUB:	LEADER'S NAME: _		
NAME (of person submitting voucher):			
ADDRESS PHONE:	CITY	STATE	ZIP
MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:			
EVENTS			
DATE OF EVENT:			
NAME & PLACE OF EVENT:			
NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:			
COST/PARTICIPANT (registration, mate	erials, etc.):		
TOTAL MILES x \$0.4	1/mile = \$		
(Must attach a Google Map or MapQuest ma	up showing starting point and a	lestination)	
Signature of instructor/leader of the event (Must have proof of attendance at event attac		e above is sufficient.)	
	TOTAL AMO	OUNT REQUESTED FOR EVENT \$_	
PLAT BOOKS			
NUMBER MADE x \$3.00 = \$			
NUMBER OF PLAT BOOKS SOLD		_	
SIGNATURE:		Ln. Medford, WI 54 Extension office.	within 30 days of the event. dy Rudolph, W4693 Rudolph 451 or drop off at UW- rned in at other locations will



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No January Federation Meeting

Monday, February 12, 2018—7:30 pm UW-Extension Meeting Room

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



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 stephanie.boehnlein@ces.uwex.edu.





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