# December 2019- January 2020

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Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful for all of our blessings. Two things that I am especially thankful for are the amazing volunteers of Fond du Lac County 4-H and the fabulous staff at UW-Extension Fond du Lac. I would like to thank all of you for the support you have shown me and for the time and energy that you put into this program.

On November 13th we formally thanked our Fond du Lac County 4-H volunteers at our annual Leaders Banquet.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following who were nominated and received special awards:

- JoAnn Maedke Lifetime Volunteer of the Year Award
- JoAnn Critchley Volunteer of the Year Award
- Ann Kaiser Friend of 4-H Award



**CONGRATULATIONS** to the leaders with 25 or more years of volunteering with 4-H.



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...for my club, my community, my country, and my world.



THANK YOU to the banquet committee: Paul Bleuel, Busy Bees, Green Valley, and Hands of Friendship.

**THANK YOU** to the volunteer recognition committee: Adult Leaders Executive Board.

THANK YOU to door prize sponsors: Busy Bees, Green Valley, and Hands of Friendship 4-H Clubs.

# **New Family Corner**

Welcome to 4-H! While you may have heard the 4-H pledge said at your club meetings, you may not be positive what the H's stand for or why they're meaningful. Below is a brief explanation of each H and why it's important to the mission of 4-H. And on that note, if you don't have the 4-H pledge memorized, it's okay! If the pledge isn't posted somewhere at your meeting location, suggest to your club officers that they have someone hold up the words to the pledge at every meeting.

**HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING:** Youth are given opportunities to learn new things through projects and programs. Youth develop life skills of problem solving, critical thinking, and learning to learn.

**HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY:** Youth are given the opportunity to develop positive relationships with adults and peers. Youth develop life skills of conflict resolution, accepting differences, and social skills

HANDS FOR LARGER SERVICE: Youth use their hands to give back to the community, country and world. Youth develop life skills of teamwork, leadership, and volunteering.

**HEALTH FOR BETTER LIVING:** Youth learn how to live healthy and develop healthy habits. Youth develop life skills of stress management, self-esteem, and making healthy lifestyle choices.

The last ten seconds of this amazing video demonstrate the hand motions that go with the 4-H pledge. https:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=4vJ5Ab-uTDk









# Fostering Leadership

# Congratulations to our newly elected Fond du Lac 4-H Leaders Association **Board Members and Officers**

JoAnn Critchley will be serving another term representing District 1 and the board is still looking for a representative for District 4, Helping Hands, South Byron, Wonder Workers or a County Leader. Congratulations to Lorna Bock, this year's Leaders Association President, JoAnn Critchley, this year's Leaders Association Vice President, and Alexis Bauer, this year's Leaders Association Secretary. JoAnn Maedke will be continuing as the Treasurer, an Ex-Officio member of the board. The Youth Leader Representatives this year are Oliver W., Noah H., and Makayla S..

# **Annual Required Leader Training for** Clubs and Groups to Maintain Their Charter

If your club missed the Annual Leader Training on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> no worries. More dates will be offered in late winter/early spring. A session may also be offered at Family Learning Day. Dates will be released in the next newsletter.

# Make the Most of 4-H- Become Involved with Teen Leader **Association**

TLA members during the month of November helped lead sessions at the officer training and then enjoyed a roller-skating outing afterwards at Spectrum Rollerskating Rink in Fond du Lac. Before the November TLA meeting, members went to Fleet Farm and bought toys that they donated to the Salvation Army to be distributed to families in need.

Their next meeting is January 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Rolling Meadows. At the January meeting TLA members will be making Valentine's Day Cards for Christian Home. The recreational activity will be tubing at Sunburst. Watch Facebook for more information on TLA's recreation outing!

# **Ready for Summer Camp?!**

Please mark the following dates Sunday, June 21st-Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> for 2020 4-H Summer Camp! Fond du Lac County will be camping at a new location this year, Camp Lakotah. Also new this year, Fond du Lac County will pair up with Ozaukee County for some camp training as they also camp at Camp Lakotah.



We will be seeking counselors and adult volunteers. Counselor and adult volunteer applications will be available at https://fonddulac.extension.wisc.edu/ events-activities/in January.

Applications will be due to fdl4hcamp@gmail.com or the UWEX office by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, February 15, 2020. A letter of recommendation from a non-family member will be required with your application. Once applications are reviewed youth will be contacted regarding an interview time. Interviews will be held differently than in the past, youth will be contacted as to how to prepare for the interview process.

There will be a required training meeting for counselors and adult volunteers. The training will cover required state training as well as planning and other camp logistics. The date will be announced once it is finalized. Ozaukee County will also be participating in the training as well!



# **Opportunities & Events**

### **Wisconsin 4-H License Plates**

The Wisconsin 4-H license plate is now available for cars. trucks and motor homes. The specialty plate, available through the Wisconsin Department of Motor Vehicles, supports the Wisconsin 4-H program and bears the message 4-H Empowering Youth. The sale of the plate includes a fee that goes to the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation. Half of the proceeds from every plate sale will go back to the county in which the plate was purchased. The other half will be used for state and regional 4-H programs. More information is found at http://www.wis4hfoundation.org/fundraisers/4-hlicense-plate/.



# 4-H Family Learning Day

With over 200 attendees, the annual 4-H Family Learning Day is one of the most exciting local events of the year. Mark your calendar for Saturday, February 22. Brochures with session descriptions and registration forms will be mailed to families in late December. It will also be on the 4-H website at https://fonddulac.extension.wisc.edu/events -activities/ Get your registration in as soon as possible, because sessions fill fast. Late registrations are not accepted so that we may give adequate notice about enrollments to presenters.

# **Youth Tractor and Machinery Safety Certification Program Offered in Dodge County**

https://dodge.extension.wisc.edu/agriculture/youth-tractor -machinery-safety/

**Youth Farm Tractor & Machinery Safety Training** Registration. Registrations due by JANUARY 3RD for best price. Limited to the first 35 youth. Pre-registration is required.

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agriculture instructors and industry professionals will be offering the Youth Farm Tractor and Equipment Operations Safety Training program for 2020. This program includes classroom instruction and a practical test and is held only once each year.

This course's curriculum is the model for county programs across the country and includes instruction on topics: Safety-It's an Attitude; Livestock Safety; Pesticide Safety; Electrical Safety; Confined Space Safety and many others.

2020 Classroom dates are three Saturdays January 11, January 18, January 25 Attending all 3 classes is required to meet the 24 hours of training requirements.

All Classes will be held in the Dodge County Administrative Building Auditorium, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau. Classes are 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., with a short break in the morning and afternoon and lunch about noon. Students must bring their lunch. Parents should plan on attending the first 45 minutes of the first class for orientation. Dates for the late April/early May practical driving test at the fairgrounds will be announced to participants when registrations are confirmed.

Pre-registration is required. Registration fees are \$35 per youth if registered by January 3. \$45.00 from January 4th until the class is full at 35

registrants.

To register, complete a registration form for each youth and return with payment to Extension Dodge County, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau. WI 53039. Registration forms are also available at the Extension Office as well.

Wisconsin state law (Act 455) requires that any youth under the ages 12-16 who operates a tractor or selfpropelled equipment on the highway for a parent, must successfully complete a Tractor and Machinery Safety program. The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) require those youths ages 14-16 that work for a nonparent must complete an approved farm safety course. Class participants younger than 14 will receive their federal certificate after they turn 14.

For more information, contact the Extension office at 920-386-3790, visit the Extension Dodge County website at https://dodge.extension.wisc.edu or connect with us on Facebook.

# In the Spotlight



### **Fall Forum**

Fond du Lac County had 3 youth and 1 adult chaperone attend. Attending were: Adult Cindy K, Youth Amber T, Rebecca V, and Brianna T. All participants attended a number of workshops and sessions throughout the weekend, learning new ideas to bring back to their clubs as well as the county.

Rebecca V was elected onto the Wisconsin Leadership Council. The Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council (WLC) provides a statewide forum for youth and adult volunteer leaders to discuss ideas and provide input to enhance UW-Extension 4-H Youth Development programs at the state, county and local levels. WLC members:

- Serve as leaders and role models for 4-H youth and
- Advocate for Wisconsin 4-H
- Provide input for enhancing the 4-H program
- Provide educational opportunities to 4-H members and leaders
- Connect the county, regional and state levels of Wisconsin 4-H, as well as the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation

Elected at the annual Fall Forum, the WLC helps to plan that annual event, along with the State Youth Leader Conference and UW-Extension Day and Meat Products Auction at Wisconsin State Fair. It is a great experience and we look forward to having a Youth Representative on this council from Fond du Lac County.

# **Understanding Culture & Heritage**

Hosting a young person from another country is a wonderful opportunity to expand your horizons, learn about another culture and develop lifelong friendships without even leaving your home! Every summer, more than 70 youth from 7 different countries spend one month with Wisconsin host families. We would love your family to have this experience this summer!

## Q. When are applications due?

A. All applications are due to the State 4-H Office by February 1st for those wishing to participate in a program the following summer, however applications are accepted until all students are placed. If you are unsure about whether your application will still be accepted, please contact WI 4-H International programs at 608-262-2491 or wi4hinternational@extension.wisc.edu.

#### Q. Where are the kids from? Can you choose where from?

A. The delegates are from Argentina, Japan, South Korea, Mexico, Finland and Norway. Yes, you can choose the youth you'd like to host, and the sooner you apply, the more choices there are.

## Q. I don't speak any of those languages; is that a problem?

A. All of the delegates understand and speak English to some extent, some better than others, depending on how long they've studied English and their willingness to be adventurous with their skills. Most of them begin studying English by 6th grade, if not earlier. Even if their English isn't perfect, 4-H youth and delegates find all sorts of ways to communicate through games, music, dance, sports, play, teaching each other, and laughing together. One of the purposes of the program is to learn to communicate and feel comfortable with those whose first language isn't English. (Parents: don't worry, the groups are accompanied by Adult Advisors who support and help them and us in case of illness or emergency!)

### Q. How old are the delegates?

A. The youth are ages 12 - 18. Your family can also choose to host an Adult Advisor (chaperone) for half of the homestay (2 weeks). We ask that host siblings be within about 2 years of the age of their delegate. Apply early for better choices and matches of personality and age.

#### Q. What are the dates? How long do they stay?

A. The delegates stay in Wisconsin with one host family for about 4 weeks (Adult Advisors split the time between two host families). Dates vary by country. please contact us for specifics. Involved families will receive detailed schedules and itineraries for arrival and departure.

### Q. We are a very busy bunch! Is this a problem for some families?

A. Busy is good! Imagine if you were staying with a family in another country – you'd expect to be kept busy so you could learn about everything! It would all be exciting!



#### Q. What are the requirements for hosting?

A. Host youth must be of same gender and within two years or so of the same age; minimum age for hosting is 10; only one youth can be assigned per family; they must have their own bed but can share a room with host sibling; and the primary home must be in Wisconsin. Interested applicants complete an application, forward a photo with the application for their delegate, obtain two non-family references and their county 4-H Educator's recommendation, complete an in-home interview, and those over 18 must complete Youth Protection if they aren't currently registered as volunteers.

### Q. What is the commitment required?

A. Families must have an interest in other cultures and working with young people; they are expected to provide a separate sleeping space and board. Delegates come with their own spending money and insurance. Pick up and drop off is in Madison but there are usually opportunities for families to join together and car pool to save time and gas. There is no fee to host.

# Q. Are there organized trips and events planned for them by their organization or the state?

A. Only for the Japan/Korea group: County 4-H Coordinators work with families to reach consensus on a date/time/place for one Midpoint Meeting in a central location so hosts don't have to drive too far. This affords an opportunity to network with 4-H staff or volunteer Coordinators and the youth Adult Advisors. This meeting is usually a potluck at a park or event on a weekday evening which allows families to plan their own fun on weekends.

# Q. Do you need to have a current 4-H'er in your household?

A. No, however all who are over 18 in the home must complete the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Protection program. Just as we would expect 4-H to ensure a host in another country offers our youth a safe home environment, we need to assure our foreign visitors the same.

# Q. What organization are they involved with? (Are there foreign versions of 4-H?)

A. The Mexico, Japan and South Korea delegates are from the cultural clubs of <u>Labo</u> (name derived from "language laboratory") and from <u>LEX</u> (Institute for Language Experience, Experiment, and Exchange). Yes, there are other versions of 4-H around the world – we exchange with <u>4-H Norge</u>(Norway), the <u>Finnish 4-H Federation</u>. The exchange with Argentina is facilitated by the town of Lincoln in Buenos Aires.

# **Taking Care of Business**

# **Risk Management Reminders**

As clubs plan for the new year you are reminded that lifeguards are required when youth are swimming or participating in water-related activities, including canoeing, kayaking and boating. This includes at camp, club program, or hotel. For more details on this or other 4-H policies visit: <a href="https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/about-4-h/policies/">https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/about-4-h/policies/</a>

We have accident insurance for all enrolled youth. It does not cover injuries sustained while downhill skiing, tobogganing, sledding, and tubing. If your club is participating in these activities this winter purchase the coverage at <a href="http://www.americanincomelife.com/">http://www.americanincomelife.com/</a> If you have questions call the UWEX office.

## 4-H and UW-Extension Co-branding

The University of Wisconsin Madison, Division of Extension recently released new guidelines for branding and logo use. If you need access to the new logos to use please contact Tracy Keifenheim and she can get you the logo. Co-branding is requiring that the 4-H Clover always appear with the UW-Madison Crest on printed and web materials produced by Wisconsin 4-H clubs, groups and offices, such as:

- T-shirts
- · Pens and pencils
- Banners
- Yard signs
- Posters
- Newsletters
- · And more





# **4-H Year and Award Recognition Plaques**



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All first year 4-H members receive this green award plaque. Their name and club are engraved on a bar that is to be attached over the rectangle on the plaque. At the end of the 4-H year, all achieving members receive a year disc to be attached to their plaque. Youth might also receive record book award discs, club officer award discs, county project award discs, etc.

If the plague is filled up, additional extension bars (as shown in photo) are available for \$2.75 each at the UW-Extension office.

#### Weather Cancellations

When poor weather conditions make you wonder if a countywide activity is still scheduled, tune into or check the web site of KFIZ AM 1450 or WFDL FM 97 for 4-H cancellations, or go to UW-Extension Fond du Lac County website https://fonddulac.extension.wisc.edu/ or to the 4 -H Facebook page, or call our office at 920-929-3170 (by 4:30pm).

## **UW-Extension Holiday Office Hours**

The UW-Extension office will be closing at noon on December 24th will be closed all day December 25th and Jan 1.

# Targeting Life Skills

# 4-H Club Officer Training

Thank you to the 32 youth who attended the annual 4-H Club Officer Training! I enjoyed the energy in the room and hearing your thoughts on 4-H in Fond du Lac County. Special thanks to Makayla S, Camron V, Joseph K, Becca V, Amber T, and Brianna T. for designing and leading sessions on officer positions. Thanks to Ron Jakubisin, Positive Youth Development Educator, for leading a session and Deb Senn for helping co-lead an officer training. This was a great way to have some Youth-Adult partnerships and will hopefully get more for next year's officer training!

In the general sessions, youth had an opportunity to learn about their leadership style and how to work with other leadership styles. They learned ways that they can make their meetings more successful, participated in games and ice breakers they can lead at club meeting or activities, and participated in a wrap-up reflection activity that they can bring back to their clubs. In the officer sessions, youth learned what is expected of them in their officer role and received strategies on how to be successful in the roles.

In the participant evaluation, youth said that they enjoyed meeting new people, learning the new officer responsibilities, and playing the games that they can bring back to their own clubs. Some words that the youth used to describe how they felt about their new positions before the training were: worried, unsure, and nervous. After the training youth were asked again how they felt about their new positions and answered with: excited, happy, confident, and supported. If your club officers were not able to attend materials will be put in mailbox slots in the office. There will be an officer check in meeting in the spring to help support the youth in these roles!

Clubs represented at the training were: Armstrong, Brandon Tanagers, Calumet, Campbellsport, Creative Clovers, Forest Hills, Ledgers, South Byron, Taft 23, Weeping Willow and Wonder Workers.



This wheel of Life Skills has been mentioned at many recent trainings. This is a great resource for the youth to be using when creating goals, filling out scholarships, building their resumes and working on their record books! Many of these skills the youth use

may overlap with many of the activities thev participate in. Please contact the office if you would like handouts or more information on the Targeting Life Skills Model!



# **Animal Sciences**

#### **Small Animal**

The Fond du Lac County Small Animal Project met on October 23rd. We discussed many items including; fundraising options, the fair auction, the auction meal, a photo area, showmanship, starting a chicken show experience and the new out of county educational credit form. The discussion and ideas will continue at our February county meeting.

Elections for the board were held. Deb Ries and Jenny Vollmer were elected as the adult reps. The youth reps include Jacob B., Liliana B. and Abigail W.

Nicole Langenfeld, also new to the board, is taking over for Jeff Karls, who stepped down. The board consists of 3 more adults that are continuing their terms, they are; Jesse Schulz, Jaime Karls and Kimberly Carey.

The board will be meeting at the end of November to plan the year. County meetings, the Fun Show and other activities will be scheduled. Please check the newsletter and the Fond du Lac County Small Animal Facebook page for updates.

### **Horse Calendar**

A complete list of events and activities throughout the year can be found in the Horse & Pony Project Book, or on the 4-H website at https://fonddulac.uwex.edu/4h/ projects/#horse.

#### December 2019

- 2 Board of Directors, 6:30pm, RMDB, Holiday Potluck
- 7 Fond du Lac Holiday Parade of Lights, 4:15 pm, Main St. FDL

### January 2020

- 6 Board of Directors, Rolling Meadows Dairy Barn (RMDB), 7:00 pm
- 21 Project Meeting, 7:00 pm, RMDB, Orientation for project members, icebreaker activity, sign-up for style show

# **Dairy Day of Learning**

A meeting held each February, the Dairy Day of Learning exposes youth to all things dairy and dairy related careers. Mark your calendars for February 29<sup>th</sup> for the 2020 Dairy Day of Learning held at Extension Fond du Lac County, Room AE-205/206, 10:00 am -12:00 pm. For more information, please contact:

Tina Kohlman at 920.929.3180 or tina.kohlman@wisc.edu.

# **Livestock Projects - Upcoming Events**

To qualify for the Market Livestock Sale, participants are required to complete eight (8) educational credits. There will be no educational requirement for youth who graduated from high school the previous year except for YQCA. For additional information regarding the educational requirements, please visit https:// fyi.uwex.edu/fdlmeat/educational-requirements/.

To qualify for the sale, each exhibitor must be Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA, formerly Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA)) certified, regardless of year or species showing. A listing of YQCA meetings in Fond du Lac County and surrounding areas will be posted at http://fyi.uwex.edu/fdlmeat/calendar-ofevents/ as they become available. Registration for YQCA must be done online at <a href="http://yqca.org/">http://yqca.org/</a>

For a listing of all events, visit: http://fyi.uwex.edu/ fdlmeat/calendar-of-events/.

### January 2020

4 Initial Beef Weigh-in, 10 am to 12 noon, Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds

### February 2020

25 Beginner YQCA Training, 6:30 pm, UW-Extension Fond du Lac County

#### March 2020

16 Fond du Lac County Market Livestock Project Orientation, Fond du Lac County Fair Grounds \*Note new location, 7:00 pm (2 points)

#### April 2020

15 Fond du Lac County Market Lamb, Meat Goat, Market Swine Self-Identification due

# Fond du Lac County Market Livestock Sale Committee

The 2020 Market Livestock Project/Sale Committee Officers are:

- · President Ed Schrauth (Beef)
- · Vice-President Jerome Bord (Swine)
- · Secretary Kevin Doll (Swine Superintendent)
- · Treasurer Jeremy Kintzler (Swine)

The purpose of the Fond du Lac County Market Livestock Committee is to provide leadership and educational opportunities for 4-H and FFA members in the meat animal projects. Each year the Fond du Lac County Fair board accepts applications for new Livestock Committee members. Applications are accepted yearly by September 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions regarding the Market Livestock Sale, please contact any of the committee members. Member contact information can be found at <a href="http://fyi.uwex.edu/fdlmeat/committee-contacts/">http://fyi.uwex.edu/fdlmeat/committee-contacts/</a>.

# **Market Beef Initial Weigh-in**

Save the date for Saturday, January 4, 10 am to 12 noon at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds for the Market Beef Initial Weigh-in and Identification. For the beef weigh-in, all steers must be castrated by excisional or banding (crimping will not be allowed) and done two months prior to the initial weigh-in. Animals must be fully healed and have no physical sign of testicles at the initial weigh-in. If there is any question at time of initial weigh-in regarding the castration of an animal, the exhibitor has the option to request a veterinarian's opinion (at the exhibitor's cost) regarding castration before the animal leaves the grounds. Weigh-in forms will be available at the weigh-in. For more information regarding the market beef initial weigh-in, please contact Ed Schrauth at 920.960.8751 or eschrauth67@gmail.com.

# Self-Identification for Swine, Sheep & Meat Goats

Once again, swine exhibitors will be self-ID'ing market hog project animals. New for this year, there will be no initial weigh-in for market sheep and meat goats. Instead, exhibitors will self-ID market lambs and goats, similar to market hogs. Ear tags, instructions, and details will be distributed at the March Livestock Project

Orientation. Identification of animals must be completed by 4:30 pm, April 15th in order for animals to qualify for the 2020 Fond du Lac County Market Livestock Sale.

# **Stay Connected with Livestock News**

Don't forget to subscribe to <a href="http://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/fdlmeat/">http://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/fdlmeat/</a> to receive timely updates regarding the market livestock project that might miss the 4-H newsletter.

# **Arts & Communications**

## **2020 Creative Arts Festival**

After reviewing the survey results, this event will be moving to spring of 2020. Creative Arts Fest will be held at UW-Oshkosh Fond du Lac Campus like in the past but with a new date of Saturday, March 28th. Please mark your calendars. The festival will have a registration deadline of March 2nd. With the extra time please practice your talents and get your visual art items ready!

ALL youth welcome to participate!!! (Open to non-4-H members) Featuring: Music, Dance, Drama, Public Speaking, Demonstrations, Arts and Crafts, Photography, Writing, Drawing and more. Many prizes will be awarded. Everyone is encouraged to participate. Volunteers are needed for this event to be a success. Contact Tracy Keifenheim if you are able to volunteer for the day or part of the day! Volunteers can be youth or adults. Thank you for your patience and helping voice your opinions for this event!



# **Natural Sciences**

Welcome 4-H Club hosted guest speaker Sydnie P. of Eau Claire, Wisconsin who was selected as the 2019 Wisconsin Honey Queen. She visited the Welcome 4-H club and gave a presentation about honeybees and the beekeeping industry. Please feel free to follow her activities on Facebook at Wisconsin Honey Queen Program. The Wisconsin Honey Queen spends the year traveling the state, educating the public and promoting the beekeeping and honey industry in Wisconsin.



# **Cloverbud Corner**

# **Year-Three Cloverbud Lesson Plans Available**

As you may know, year-three Cloverbud lesson plans are available. Wisconsin 4-H did a soft release of the materials during Fall Forum in early November. The plans include a variety of lessons like livestock, understanding body language, mindfulness and much more. You can find the lesson plans on the website (https://

fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hcloverbuds/activity-plans/). Click the Unlock Activities button. That will take you to a short survey. After you complete the survey, you'll be able to view the materials. We hope you find these materials fun and engaging for our youth.

You don't have to search high and low for lesson ideas for youth in kindergarten to 2nd grade. Everything you need is right at your fingertips!

- Three years of lessons with nine lessons per year
- Three-year rotation so Cloverbuds won't have to repeat any activities
- Easy to plan and lead lessons.

Thank you for volunteering your time to provide programming to youth across the state. We could not offer high quality programs without your help. If you have questions, email Monica Lobenstein at <a href="monica.lobenstein@wisc.edu">monica.lobenstein@wisc.edu</a>.



# **Club News**

# **Brandon Tanagers**

By: Reporter Landen Y



Brandon Tanagers 4H Club Officers 2019/2020

From left to right: Conner B - President, Landen Y -Reporter, Billy B and Isabella L - Sargent at Arms, Cora W - Vice President, Will R - Secretary and Ryan B - Treasurer.

### **Busy Bees**

By: Secretary Jessica F.



The club installed Officers: President- Kaylee M., Vice President- Megan O., Secretary- Jessica F., Treasurer-Callista V., Reporter- Harley L., and Sergeant at Arms-Tate V. The club had a Little Farmer Trip members shared what they did, and things they liked best about the trip. The club went to the Eldorado Fire Dept. open house to promote 4-H. The club also decided that they want to make tie blankets again and donate to local fire departments, the club decided to make 6 tie blankets. Club will be making blankets at the January meeting. The next club meeting will be December 2, 2019, at Eldorado Community Hall @ 6:30pm.

#### Calumet

By: Reporter/Historian Howard S

The Calumet 4-H installed new officers for the 2019-2020 year. The club officers are: President - Lauren W, Vice-President - Lydia D and Faith R, Treasurer - Cami G, Secretary - Aubrey W, His/Rep - Howard S, and Sergeant at Arms - Brady F.



The club members also created ornaments to distribute at Villa Loretto home while Christmas caroling next month.



#### **Green Valley**

By: Reporter Owen B.

Our November 11<sup>th</sup> meeting was held at Rolling Meadows Dairy Barn beginning at 6:30pm. It was our yearly parent's night; we had a potluck and discussed our record book award winners. We held a short meeting, installed officers and new members. Club leaders were recognized for years of service and certificates were handed out. We received our record books back and made snowflakes for the veteran's home.



#### **South Byron**

The club had its annual Achievement night and recognized members. The club also inducted the new 2019-2020 officers as well. The new officers are: President Katelyn K., Vice President Madelyn K., Secretary Jaye Z., Treasurer Izak J., Sunshine Officers Dylan R. & Oelysea O., Sergeant at Arms Blake S. & Cameron R., County Communicator Lydia T., and Historian Delinda O. South Byron Club members with donated items to give to the FDL Humane Society.



#### Taft 23

By: Secretary Nathan S.

The club had installation of officers. Makayla became president, Cullen became vice president, Logan became treasurer, Nathan became secretary, Hannah became sunshine, and Ebbie became sergeant at arms. The club went on a tour of the methane digester at Boyke's Farm. The club is having a Christmas party December 1st at

noon. Afterwards, the club is going to Fleet Farm at 2:30 to buy toys for Toys for Tots. Jeb shared about being in the pumpkin contest. The next meeting is at the Empire Town Hall on January 14th at 7:30pm.

### **Weeping Willow**

By: Reporter Brandon S.



New Club Officers elected for 2020 clockwise from top: President Matthew L., Treasurer Alyia V., Sqt-at-arms Alisabeth P., Sgt-at-arms Lydia S., Sgt-at-arms Nolan M., Vice-President Amelia S., and at center: Sgt-at-arms Dawson S. Missing from picture: Reporter Brandon S. and Secretary Sylvia F.

The Weeping Willow 4-H club held there monthly meeting at the Waupun Town Hall on November 17th. Before the meeting, all members pitched in to bring food and drinks for a potluck. For roll call, members stated their favorite food for a potluck. During the meeting, we decided that the club will be adopting a family in the Waupun area for the holiday season. Members also received their record books back and awards that they won.

#### Welcome

The members and leaders of Welcome 4-H club at both their Oct and Nov meetings wrote on the Thanksgiving pumpkin what they were thankful for. At the end of the Nov meeting the president of the club, Mason H., read all the various things that our club was giving thanks for this year.



# Bright Minds Bright Futures





This ancient invention allows people to see through walls.

What is it?

# Calendar of Events

#### December 2019

- 2020- American Spirit and Space Camp4HOnline Registration closes
- National 4-H Conference applications are due to State Office
- 15 Family Learning Day Presenter Apps
- 15 2020 CWF 4HOnline Registration closes
- 24 UW-Extension Office closed Noon 4:30 pm
- 25 UW-Extension Office closed for holiday
- 31 UW-Extension Office closed Noon 4:30 pm

### January 2020

- 1 UW-Extension Office closed for holiday
- 4 Initial Beef Weigh-in, Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds, 10:00 am to 12:00 noon
- 9 Fond du Lac County 4-H Adult Leaders Association Executive Board Meeting 6:30 pm @ UW-FDL
- 27 Teen Leader Association 7:00 pm @ RMMR
- 4-H Enrollment deadline to exhibit at the FDL County Fair for premium (for NEW members)

### February 2020

- 15 Camp counselor and adult applications due
- 22 Family Learning Day @ UW FDL
- Teen Leader Association 7:00 pm @ RMMR
- 25 Junior (ages 8-11) Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Training, Extension Fond du Lac County, room UC-113/114, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm (2 points)
- 29 Dairy Day of Learning, Extension Fond du Lac County, Room AE-205/206, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm



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### 4-H Adult Leaders Association Executive Board

President - Lorna Bock
Vice President - JoAnn Critchley
Secretary - Alexis Bauer
Treasurer - JoAnn Maedke
Director - Paul Bleuel

**Director** - Deb Senn **Director** - Vacant

Youth Representatives - Makayla Stommel, Noah Holzman, & Oliver Wettstein

### Teen Leaders Association Executive Board

President - Makayla S. Vice President - Alexandria F. Secretary - Camron & Alyia V. Treasurer - Noah H. Attendance - Oliver W.

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Adult Advisor - Tina Engelhardt

Adult Advisor - Cindy Holzman

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Dairy & Livestock Agent - Tina Kohlman

**Human Development & Relationship Educator** - *Shelley Tidemann* 

**FoodWise Nutrition Educator** - Pamela Nelson

FoodWise Nutrition Educator - Melanie Phillips

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