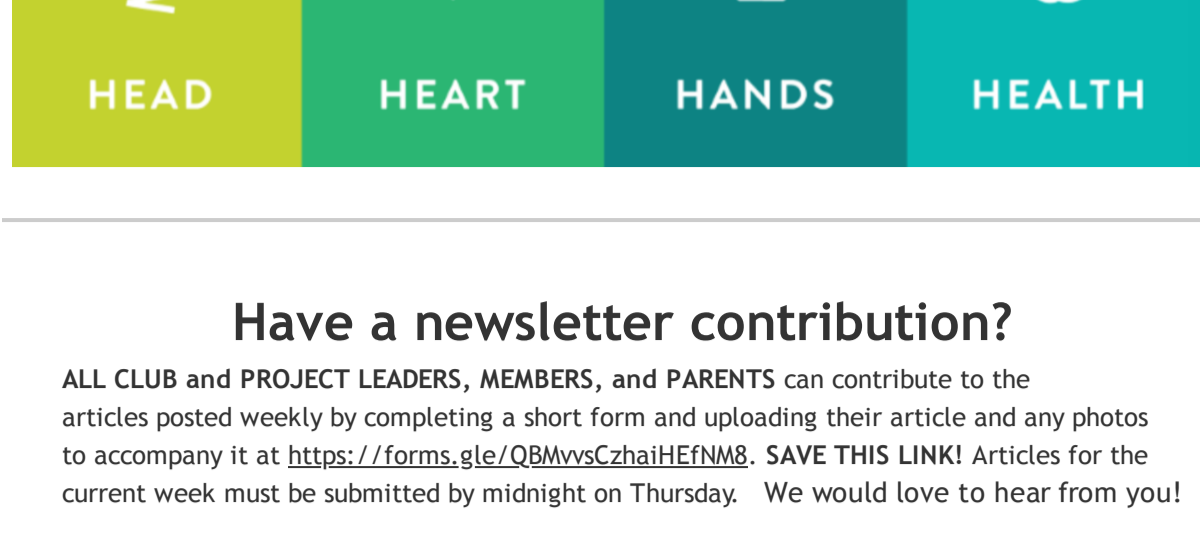




**4-H Friday Newsletter- Friday, June 26, 2020**



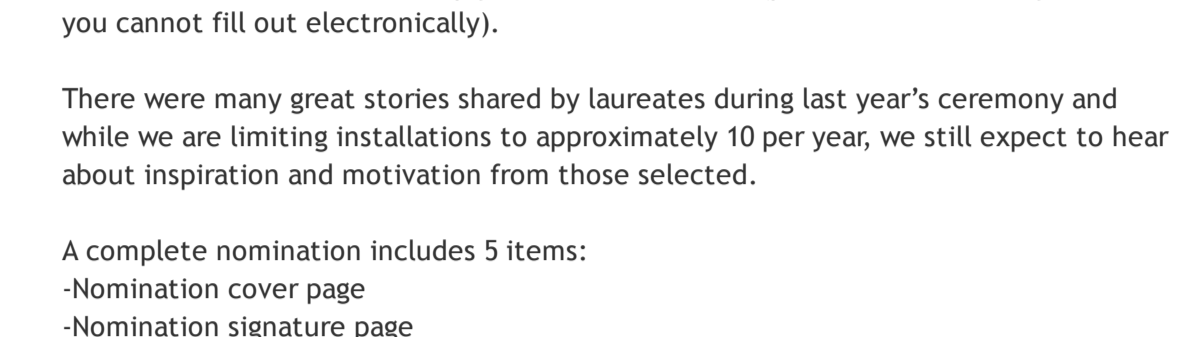
**Have a newsletter contribution?**

ALL CLUB and PROJECT LEADERS, MEMBERS, and PARENTS can contribute to the articles posted weekly by completing a short form and uploading their article and any photos to accompany it at <https://forms.gle/QBMvvsCZhaiHEFNW8>. SAVE THIS LINK! Articles for the current week must be submitted by midnight on Thursday. We would love to hear from you!

[Newsletter Form](#)

**4-H Friday Project Ideas**

Click on the pictures below for Cheesy Broccoli and Ranch Smashed Potatoes, Origami projects, or building bridges activity!



**Final Reminder - Call for Nominations - 2020**

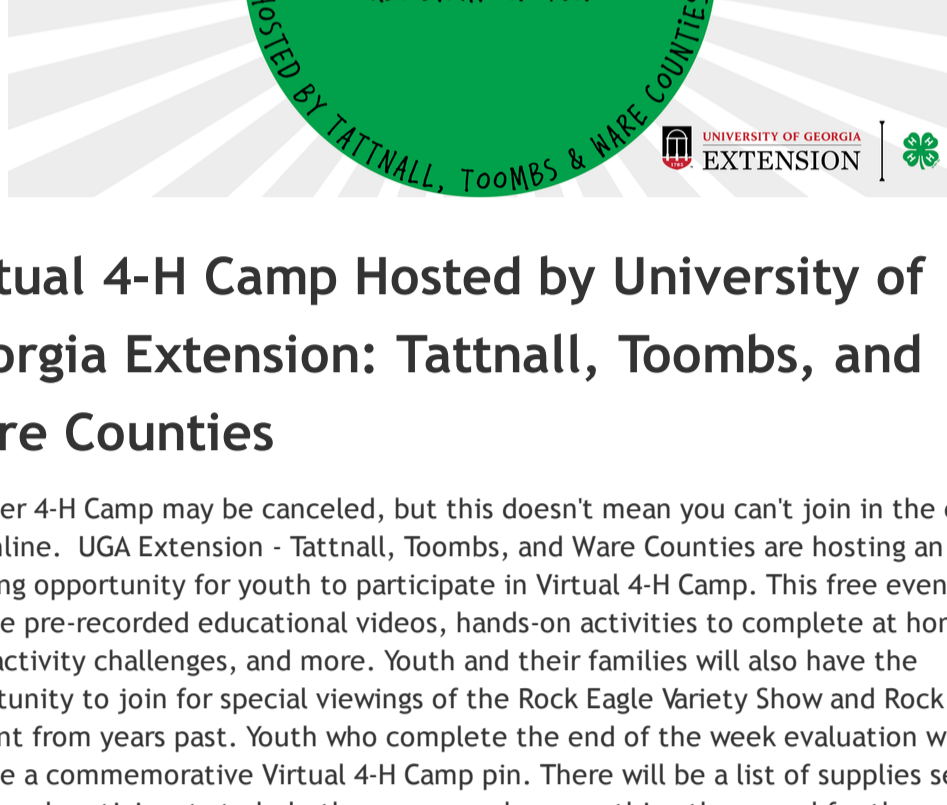
**Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame due July 1, 2020**

This year's laureates will be inducted into the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame on Saturday, November 7, 2020 during Fall Forum at the Green Lake Conference Center. The forms linked below are identical, simply in different formats (print out and fill in by hand if you cannot fill out electronically).

There were many great stories shared by laureates during last year's ceremony and while we are limiting installations to approximately 10 per year, we still expect to hear about inspiration and motivation from those selected.

- A complete nomination includes 5 items:
- Nomination cover page
  - Nomination signature page
  - One-page Microsoft Word document outlining the nominee's qualifications based on the 4-H Hall of Fame criteria
  - Digital head and shoulder photograph and
  - Brief (no more than 250 words) biography.

Completed nominations are due by July 1, 2020 and should be sent via email to [cynthia.blackburn@wisc.edu](mailto:cynthia.blackburn@wisc.edu). You can also visit the website for the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame at <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hhof/nominations/> for more information.



**Virtual 4-H Camp Hosted by University of Georgia Extension: Tattnall, Toombs, and Ware Counties**

Summer 4-H Camp may be canceled, but this doesn't mean you can't join in the camp fun online. UGA Extension - Tattnall, Toombs, and Ware Counties are hosting an amazing opportunity for youth to participate in Virtual 4-H Camp. This free event will include pre-recorded educational videos, hands-on activities to complete at home, daily activity challenges, and more. Youth and their families will also have the opportunity to join for special viewings of the Rock Eagle Variety Show and Rock Eagle Pageant from years past. Youth who complete the end of the week evaluation will receive a commemorative Virtual 4-H Camp pin. There will be a list of supplies sent to registered participants to help them pre-purchase anything they need for the activities.

Register for FREE at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/virtual-4-h-camp-tickets-108025328666>

Please feel free to share the attached flyer as well as the promotional video found at the link below with any youth you know who may be interested in this unique camping experience!

Promotional Video for Virtual 4-H Camp: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TOfLdaOvg>

For more information contact Rebekah Greene ([rbowen1@uga.edu](mailto:rbowen1@uga.edu)), Lili Hester ([Lillian.Hester@uga.edu](mailto:Lillian.Hester@uga.edu)), or Cheryl Poppell ([cashburn@uga.edu](mailto:cashburn@uga.edu)).

**4-H and 2020 FDL Co. Fair Updates**

**4-H Involvement (4-H Members, Volunteers, Extension Staff)**

Can a 4-H member participate as an exhibitor at a local county fair or the Wisconsin State Fair with the current Extension programming cancellations? Due to the health concerns, 4-H members are discouraged from participating in large gatherings of any kind. However, 4-H will not prevent young people from exhibiting individually. Members choosing to participate against 4-H advice will not be covered by 4-H liability insurance during their participation and 4-H assumes no responsibility should they become sick as a consequence of their participation.

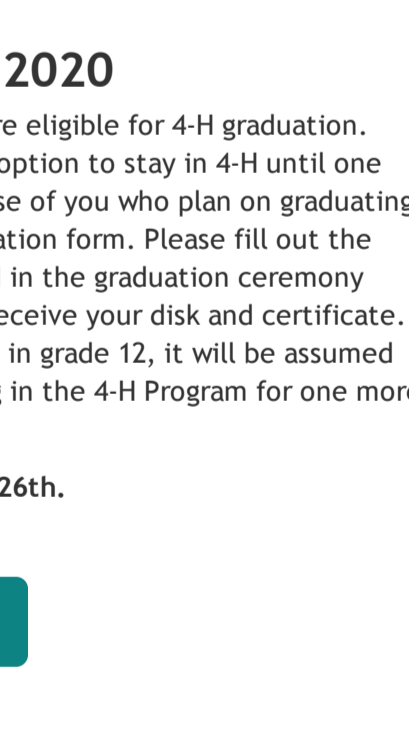
Can Extension Staff or 4-H Volunteers help in person at a county fair if Extension has canceled programs and activities? Due to the health concerns, 4-H volunteers are encouraged to avoid large gatherings of any kind and to attend only events that are following Extension guidelines, including distancing and face coverings. However, 4-H will not prevent people from volunteering individually. Volunteers choosing to participate on their own will not be covered by 4-H liability insurance during their participation and 4-H assumes no responsibility should they become sick as a consequence of their participation.

Staff members cannot attend fairs or other gatherings where the size exceeds the recommended guidance, in their official capacity.

Click here for more [WI 4-H County Fair Updates](#).

On Tuesday, June 9, the Fond du Lac County Fair Board voted unanimously to proceed with the fair in a modified capacity. Please see the [official statement](#).

**Fond du Lac County Fair Exhibitor Information**



- Junior and open class exhibitors will receive a wristband for non-judging events
- Junior and open class exhibitors will not need a "reserved ticket" in order to enter the fair and show
- The wristbands the junior and open class exhibitors will receive from their fees affiliated with their entries will replace a ticket, they can enter the "fair" part of the grounds with that wristband for each "session" from Thursday, July 16th thru Sunday, July 19th.
- Exhibitors will not be required to wear a mask; exhibitors may choose to wear a mask at their own comfort. Social distancing should be practiced during judging.

**Information for Non-Animal Exhibitors**

Junior exhibitors will be REQUIRED to sign up for a time slot with The Fond du Lac County Fair office to show their projects.

- You can sign up for a time slot by calling the Fair Office at (920) 929- 3168, emailing at [office@fonddulacountyfair.com](mailto:office@fonddulacountyfair.com) or when you pick up your entry tags
- A google sheet will be released for viewing only so that exhibitors may view which time slots are available

Judging will remain Face to Face

- Exhibitors will be highly encouraged to practice social distancing with the judge and other exhibitors that might be there at that time
- Exhibitors will not have a chair so we are not sharing surfaces
- Exhibitors will set the project on the table and step back to the designated "6 Feet Apart Mark" to get judged
- Anyone uncomfortable with face to face judging can call the Fair Office and set up a "Zoom" meeting call with the judge
- If any of the time slots do not work for you, call the Fair Office with that information, or you can drop off your projects with some notes about it to be judged
- Projects will be taken home right after judging because the building will not be open to the public this year to view projects
- We will be taking pictures of each project while they get judged to show recognition to the exhibitors on our Facebook and/or our website
- Any projects that get "starred" for the opportunity for state or merit recognition will have to be picked up within two weeks after judging

Open class will have the same drop off on Wednesday, July 15th by 10 A.M.

- Open class may still watch the judging
- Open class exhibitors may also take their projects home immediately following judging

We will still have merit and state fair ribbons  
Masks are encouraged but not required

**Information for Animal Exhibitors**

The information has been emailed out in a separate email regarding fair details. If you have not received an email please look in your spam or junk mailbox. If you still have not received the email please reach out. We are communicating the best we can, so please be patient.

Any other questions or clarifications call the Fair office at (920) 929- 3168 or [office@fonddulacountyfair.com](mailto:office@fonddulacountyfair.com). Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in these tough and changing times.

**2020 Horse Expo & Gymkhana Cancellation**

Dear Wisconsin 4-H horse project participants,

We are sorry to have to deliver this message to you. Wisconsin 4-H staff and the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association have been working to plan for safety protocols and ways to hold this show this year and unfortunately, we deeply regret the need to cancel the 2020 4-H Horse Expo and Gymkhana events as we know it is yet another loss for our young people this year.

As decisions are made during this difficult time, the health and safety of our 4-H Youth, the Wisconsin, and their families and community members remains our primary concern. The Wisconsin 4-H Horse Expo is the state's largest horse show that draws almost 450-500 horses and over 1000 people in attendance. As public health Covid-19 restrictions and guidance are yet to be determined for September, it has become clear that events where more than 50-100 people gather will not be safe to occur and an event such as this requires a great deal of advance planning and financial investment. Out of respect for all of our youth participants who are making plans to train and practices, families that are making plans for qualifying shows, we cannot continue to hold out hope for our public health situation to improve. We continue to limit events to virtual or no-contact and to plan for the commencement of small group programs this summer and fall as our effort to protect those around us. We are all feeling the pain of these cancellations and look forward to moving forward together in the future to continue the positive impact and connections we make through our 4-H programs.

We will get through this together.

Sincerely,

WI 4-H Staff & WI 4-H Horse Association  
Joe Muellenberg  
Outreach Specialist  
Wisconsin 4-H Program



**4-H Graduates of 2020**

Members in grades 12 and 13 are eligible for 4-H graduation. Members in grade 12 have the option to stay in 4-H until one year after high school. For those of you who plan on graduating, please fill out this short graduation form. Please fill out the form, so your name is included in the graduation ceremony program, and also so you will receive your disk and certificate. If we don't hear from members in grade 12, it will be assumed you are planning on continuing in the 4-H Program for one more year.

Please complete graduation surveys by Friday, June 26th.

[4-H Graduation](#)

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Adult Leaders Executive Board meeting**

- Tuesday, June 30th at 6:30 pm via Zoom
- Watch emails for connection information and agendas

**First Summer Virtual Exchange**

- Thursday, July 9th at 2 pm via Zoom
- Watch emails for connection information
- Still want to join- email Tracy at [tracy.keifenheim@wisc.edu](mailto:tracy.keifenheim@wisc.edu)



**Idea Corner**

Please feel free to share with me what your clubs are doing, and I will highlight them in the weekly emails to share with everyone as we want to continue to serve our community in this time of need! Please send highlights to Tracy at [tracy.keifenheim@wisc.edu](mailto:tracy.keifenheim@wisc.edu). Please include pictures!



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