

Clover Leaves



Eau Claire County's 4-H Newsletter



4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills.

Eau Claire County 4-H collaborated with UW-Eau Claire's Blugold Beginnings to bring 4-H National Youth Science Day science programming to eight Eau Claire area elementary schools in October.



More than 60 Blugold Beginnings mentors and older 4-H youth facilitated science projects after school on Oct. 4, with more than 250 youth from Flynn, Lakeshore, Manz, Northwoods, Putnam Heights, Roosevelt, Sam Davey, and Sherman elementary schools. The Eau Claire youth were among the hundreds of thousands of youth across the nation taking part in the 4-H National Youth Science Day, the world's largest youth-led science challenge.

Blugold Beginnings and 4-H Youth Development are working to collaborate with educational leaders, community partners, and business and industry to address the skills gap in STEM fields. National Youth Science Day is just one example of those intentional partnerships to help inspire kids to engage in STEM learning.



We teamed up again for an incredible day of learning and fun at our Tri-County STEM Day Camp on October 21. Ninety-five third, fourth, and fifth graders joined us from Dunn, Chippewa, and Eau Claire Counties. Participants learned about chemistry, computer science, engineering, robotics, electricity, food science, and veterinary science. Blugold Beginnings mentors, 4-H Alumni, and UW-Eau Claire Faculty had a fantastic day sharing their passion for STEM.



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Andy's Hours



Andy's office hours have changed slightly. He now works 9:30-5:00 every day, usually taking his lunch from 12:30-1:30. Kristi is pretty knowledgeable about many things, but she does not deal with 4-H specifically, so if you need assistance from him, remember these hours. Thanks!

Does your club or project group have a Facebook page?

Let us know about it so UWEX can be a fan. Be sure your club/project "likes" [EC County UWEX](#)—let us help each other get the word out!

New to 4-H this year?

Be sure to "like" [Eau Claire County UW-Extension](#), and the [Expo Center](#), on Facebook to stay current of 4-H and Fair info!



CLUBS!

Submit the minutes from your last meeting for admission in the *Clover Leaves* so your members can see the highlights and other clubs can see your good example!

Email to Andy by the 20th of each month.

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Project Literature

Need 4-H publication materials?

EC County 4-H's Publication Library just grew! In addition to materials for the many projects we already had, we just received publications on the following project areas:

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| + Adult Leadership | + Science: Wind Power and Robotics | + Health |
| + Service Learning | + Celebrate Art | + Aerospace |
| + Scale Models | + Photography | + Horses |
| + Theatre Arts | + Sewing | + Rabbits |

See the full library list here: "[Project Literature Library](#)". Come to the UWEX Office to check-out materials for a month, free!

If you are a **club officer**: we have publications to help you better understand your duties! Contact UWEX to borrow them.

Looking for **Cloverbud** materials? Contact the Extension office.

You can always purchase your own items at

www.4hmall.org

Calendar



Leaders Association

November

4-Banquet, Osseo/Fairchild High School, 6:00 pm
6-OYC @ UWEC, Schneider Hall, Rm 209, 7:00 pm
7-Livestock Meeting @ Augusta HS, 7:00 pm
9- VIP Training for new adult volunteers, @ UWEX, 6:30 pm
10- Paint With Your Pup @ emBARK, 6:30 pm
14-Leaders Association Meeting @ UWEX, 7:00 pm
15-Enrollment due at 4-H Online
15-Fair Committee Meeting @ Pleasant Valley Room, Cleghorn 7:00 pm
17-UWEX Office Closed, Area 6 All-Staff Meeting
23 & 24- UWEX Office Closed-
Happy Thanksgiving!

December

9-Beef weigh-in @ Equity, 8:30-10:30 am
13-Fair Committee Meeting @ Johnson Litho, 7:00 PM
25 & 26-UWEX Office Closed—Happy Holidays!

January

22- Livestock Meeting, O/F HS, 7:00 pm

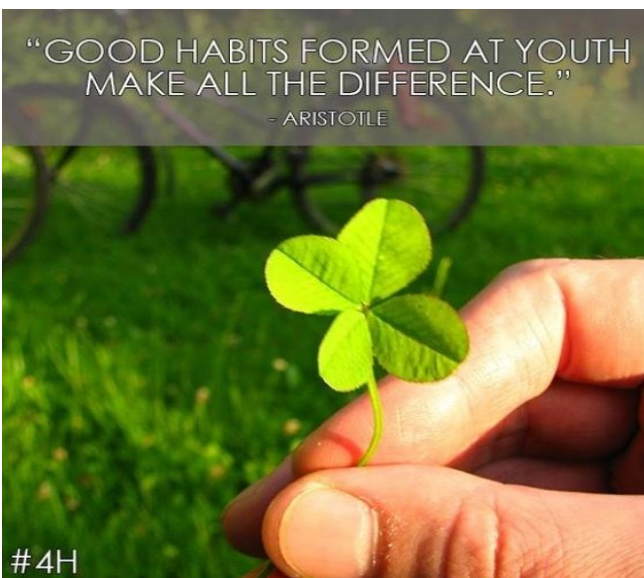


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Online 4-H Calendar

Click on the calendar to see the rest of the year for
Eau Claire County 4-H!



Notify us of any additions or corrections.

Livestock Project—Important Dates

Please mark these important dates on your calendars!

- The fair will be July 25-29, 2018
- The first livestock project meeting will be Tuesday, November 7, 2017, at 7:00pm at the Augusta High School
- Second meeting will be Monday January 22, 2018, at 7:00pm at the Osseo High School
- Third meeting will be Monday April 2, 2018, at 7:00pm at the Augusta High School

OTHER DATES:

- Beef Weigh-In is Saturday December 9, 2017, from 8:30-10:30 am at Equity
- Saturday February 17, 2018, will be MAQA at the Extension Office at 9:30am
- Monday April 2, 2018, will also be MAQA at 6:00pm at the Augusta High School
- Swine/sheep/goat weigh in will be Friday April 6, 2018, from 3:00pm-7:00pm at the fair grounds
- Saturday April 7, 2018, will also be sheep/swine/goat weigh in from 9:00am-11:00am at the fair grounds

Reminder dates, times, and facilities are subject to change. You will be receiving an email with these listed as well



Re-Enrollment Almost Due!

The due date for re-enrolling at 4-H Online is November 15. If you are not currently re-enrolled, you did not get this newsletter, but hopefully you have found it posted on our website and are reading this. Leaders, please remind your members to re-enroll today!

If you are having trouble with the process, or need to reset your password, be sure to call Andy (715-839-4712). If your computer is acting up or you need a hand, we can set you up at the office so you can take care of this.

Home and Family Corner

Save the Dates! The Home and Family Committee has tentatively set the afternoon of Sunday, March 4, 2018, for the Eau Claire

County Food Revue and the afternoon of Sunday, April 29, 2018.

For the Eau Claire County Clothing Revue (More details will follow)



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VIP Training



On Thursday, November 9, there will be a VIP (Volunteer In Preparation) Training for any new 4-H adult volunteers. If you enrolled this year for the first time as an adult volunteer, you need to go through this training. It will be held at the Extension office on Thursday, November 9, at 6:30 PM. Frank Ginther of Pierce County, our 4-H Liaison, will be leading this. It will take about an hour of your night. We know it is a bit short notice, but Frank will be in town that day and it works well.

Please make every effort to attend. If you cannot, please call Andy at the Extension office and let him know. Then, if a training is happening in a nearby county, you could attend there.

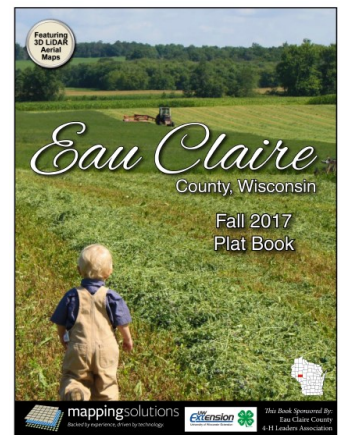
An additional Leader Training will be offered in December or January.

If you plan on attending the November 9 training, **please call Andy at the Extension office and let him know. 715-839-4712.**

Fall 2017 Plat Books

Stop by today to purchase your copy and be sure to tell your friends and family. Plat Books are sold by the 4-H Leaders Association and all profits go towards 4-H Programming.

If your club is interested in taking a number of books to sell, please contact Andy at the Extension office for more information. FYI-Plat Books may also be purchased at the Fall Creek and Augusta branches of Unity Bank as well as the Town of Washington Town Hall and the County Clerk's office.



Master Gardener Presentations

This month's Eau Claire Area Master Gardener educational presentation will be given by Ellen Terwilliger on Costa Rican Cocoa Plantation. Monday, November 20, at the UW-Extension Office.

November 20, "Costa Rica Cocoa Plantation" by Ellen Terwilliger

If you have any questions about any of them, call Andy at the Extension office at 715-839-4712.



4-H On the Air Signup—2017

1st Saturday Of The Month

Month	Club	Contact	Phone	email
November	Beef River Pacesetters	Renee Marino	715-577-1134	rjmarino5@gmail.com
December	Pleasant Valley	Heather Iverson	715-514-7979	heathermarie_7@hotmail.com



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4-H On the Air Signup—2018

1st Saturday Of The Month

Month	Club	Contact	Phone	email
January				
February				
March				
April				
5th Sat in April				
May				
June	Pleasant Hill Go-Getters	Jodi Thesing-Ritter	715-828-7221	thesinjm@uwec.edu
July				
August				
September				
October	Pleasant Hill Go-Getters	Jodi Thesing-Ritter	715-828-7221	thesinjm@uwec.edu
November				
December				

**Next meeting: November 6th, 7pm
@ UWEC(Schneider Hall, 105
Garfield Avenue) Meet in room 209,
with the ROTC**

**Sign up for text reminders: Text the
message @oyc to (715) 803-6013. We
will text you with important
reminders!**

**Our October meeting was the first
meeting for our new officer team
in charge! They are all excited to
plan and organize meetings at
new locations as well as giving
OYC members the opportunity to
participate in fun and educational
activities this upcoming year!**

Upcoming Events:

- Trip and Award Interviews:
October 25th
- Haunted Barn: October 26th-
28th 7-10 each night, members
please arrive at 6pm,
- County Banquet: November
4th
- December meeting is on the
5th, location TBD

**We will be learning about the ROTC
program that is offered at UWEC at
our November meeting. ROTC is the
Reserve Officer's Training Corps.
Through ROTC, students can attend
college for no cost, while preparing
to serve in the military.**



**Thank you to all the members
who came before the October
meeting and helped out with
banquet decorations!**



**Eau Claire County 4-H
Older Youth Council**



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Paint With Your Pup!



4-H Travelers Fundraiser!

Where: emBARK

When: Friday, November 10th at 6:30 PM

Details: Come to emBARK's back room with your dog! please bring a crate and any treats or toys that will occupy your dog. You will be painting the background, details and then personalizing the painting with YOUR dog's paw prints! If possible, please trim the hair on your dogs paw so the pawprints are perfect! Snacks and yummy drinks will be available. Be ready for some great Raffles too!

This project will help raise money for children in 4H to travel across the country!

\$30 per person (\$15 goes to the kids!)



2018 Shooting Sports Startup Meeting

MANDATORY MEETING FOR MEMBERS AND PARENTS

Date: Wednesday, January 3

Time: 7:00pm-7:30pm Sign-Up

7:30pm-8:30pm Informational Meeting & Elections

Location: Fall Creek Village Hall, 122 E. Lincoln Ave.



This will be a very important meeting to discuss safety issues that are imperative in shooting sports. We will also explain the roles and responsibilities that we will all be sharing in this project; from the leaders & youth leaders, to the youth members, to the parents.

Parents, you will need to be present at this meeting to get information and to submit the parental consent forms, health & medical treatment forms, liability waiver forms and code of conduct forms with your child. **Shooting Sports members must be at least 8 years old and in the third grade to participate in the program.**

We will be explaining the archery and air rifle programs, including the dates and locations. Air rifle meetings will be at the Eau Claire National Guard Armory (by the airport) on Friday nights beginning in early February and ending in late March. Archery meetings will be held at Mouldy's Archery in Eau Claire on Tuesday nights beginning in early April and ending in late May. The cost for each participant will be \$15 for air rifle and \$25 for archery. We will also collect a \$50 check from each family that will be returned upon successful completion of a mandatory Shooting Sports volunteer activity.



Shooting Sports members can participate in competitive shoots around the state. Eau Claire County hosted our first competitive shoot in 2014 and will be hosting again this year, other shoots usually held in our area are in Bloomer, River Falls, Marshfield, and Rice Lake. These events are great ways to learn more about shooting and the outdoors, as well as having fun meeting others involved in shooting sports.

Shooting sports instructor certification workshops are also held at various locations throughout the state. These are excellent opportunities for parents and other adults interested in teaching shooting sports to become certified and join our group of instructors. We need more instructors in our group to continue as well as expand opportunities. Volunteer instructors must also complete the 4-H Adult Volunteer Orientation and Screening (ROPES). Details on competitive shoots and instructor workshops are available at:
<http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinepro/shooting/index.cfm>

We look forward to seeing you on January 3 so we can conduct this program with your family in the safest and most enjoyable way.

QUESTIONS?

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EC Shooting Sports
We have a website!
ecshootingsports.weebly.com

Pleasant Valley Cookie Walk

13TH ANNUAL
PLEASANT VALLEY 4-H COOKIE WALK AND CRAFT SALE
SAT. DEC. 2 10 A.M. TO 1 P.M.
PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER-CLEGHORN

Cookies by the pound, hot lunch, Mr. and Mrs. Claus,
local vendors, kids' craft!

Always a large variety of homemade holiday treats!



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Club Minutes

Maple Drive Boosters

The October Maple Drive Boosters' meeting began with roadside cleanup on Highway Z. We followed with our club banquet, with yummy food and good conversation. Our meeting followed and we began with pledges led by Anna Crawford, then our secretary's report was stated by Katy Haworth, followed by the treasurer's report by Seth Henning.

In Old Business we started with discussing Discovery Day which was held on October 8 at the Sports Warehouse. Several members shared on the booths they did. Emily Haworth did a cookie-decorating booth, and Katy Haworth did a shaving cream swirl booth. We then had a few members share on the Interview workshop that was held on September 27 at CVTC. The interview is an opportunity for younger youth to learn how the interview process works. We then discussed National 4-H week, October 1 through the 7. This year Scott Walker recognized National 4-H week statewide! To finish off Old Business we filled out our month by month sheets.

Starting off in New Business we reminded members to re-enroll. It is due November 15, and is \$10 per member. We then discussed our clubs 2017-18 calendar. We organized places/events we want to attend and started to figure out months that will work for them. Moving on we talked about the OYC Haunted Barn, which is October 26-28. It is from 7-10 p.m. each night, and the proceeds benefit OYC and Feed My People food bank. Admission is \$7 without a non-perishable food item, and \$5 with a non-perishable food item. To conclude new business we discussed Music Fest. Katy Haworth has offered to direct it and a group of 6 youth are interested in taking part in Music Fest.

We finished our meeting with our General Leader, Lisa Roettger's notes. She wants us to continue updating our record-book pages as we work through the forms each month. Our assignment for November is to take our month by month pages from this past year and transfer them to our year by year pages for our 2017-18 record book. Our meeting was then adjourned.

Club Minutes

Pleasant Valley Clover Secretary Report—October 16

Our club meeting was held at Cleghorn Community Center. One of our song and game leaders Bernie Falbo lead the club in a game to get to know our new member before our meeting. We installed our officers after pledges, and we sang happy birthday to Ashley Chilson, Lindsay Duerkop, Amara Harvey, and Jasmine Harvey. Motion to approve secretary's report was made by Bernie Falbo, and second was made by Ashley Chilson. All agreed. Allison Duerkop, Lindsay Duerkop, Cierra Kortbein, Camy Kortbein, and Cullen Kortbein talked about Discovery Day that was held at Sports Warehouse on October 8.

For old business the Banquet Committee agreed to give a \$25 Visa gift card for the county banquet on November 4 as a prize. Cleghorn Lions Club donated \$300 for clean up at Harvest Fest which happened in September. As a club outing this month we will be going to the OYC Haunted Barn, and the club will pay for the members who bring a canned food item with them, and will pay up to \$5 for the members who don't. Motion was made by Katelynn Friederichs, and second by Ashley Chilson. All agreed.

Our club banquet will be on November 12 at 3:30p.m. at the Cleghorn Community Center. Motion was made by Bernie Falbo, and second was made by Ashley Chilson, all agreed. Youth Leaders report was given by Sam Friederichs and leaders report was given by Wendy Duerkop. Meeting was adjourned to have Allison Duerkop give her demonstration about healthy snacks. Motion was made by Bernie Falbo, and second was made by Cullen Kortbein. All agreed.

Country Cousins

9-18-2017

Secretary Notes

The meeting was called to order at 7:56 pm. Flag pledge was led by Gretchen Accola. The question for the roll call was: What is your favorite thing about school? for attendance by Sadie Robb. There was no secretary's report and Dakota read the treasure's report. Cash motions to approve and Autumn 2nd. There is a new policy because of previous issues. The club fills W9 with EIN for vendor number and the club gets check with a spreadsheet and distributes premiums accordingly. There is a new family registration cards available and Mr. Anczack will compile a directory.

On November 11, Paw fest is supporting the Humane Society. There will be a Feed My People food bank haunted house on October 26-28. We will be going to the Accola's pumpkin patch on Friday, October 20 to maybe decorate pumpkins to put around town. Marisa made a motion for a formation of pumpkin decorating/hunt committee. Motion seconded and carried. The committee would be Marisa, Mrs. Accola, Mrs. McLain, Dakota, and Saywer. Marisa will send an email to the committee. Cash makes a motion for pumpkin patch Friday, October 20, 6 pm. Motion seconded and carried.

Other Business

There will be a parent meeting after the pumpkin patch activities and input values, not necessarily more duties assigned. Dakota made a motion to begin meetings at 6:30. Motion seconded and carried. This will be started next meeting. Marisa would be appreciated if family or kids planned meeting activities. Yvonne has snack sign up for those who wish to add for it. There were no demonstrations. It was moved by Cash that the meeting to be adjourned. Motion seconded and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm. The next meeting will be October 16, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

Club Minutes

Country Cousins

10-16-2017

Secretary Notes

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by Gretchen Accola, who also led the flag pledges. The roll call question was: What is your favorite fall food? for attendance by Sadie Robb. There was no secretary's report but there was a treasure's report. Motion seconded and carried.

Go online for re-enrollment for 4H at 4honline.com. National 4H week was October 1-7 and Discovery Days was October 8. If you are interested in the Haunted Barn (October 26-28) Yvonne has flyers on that.

New Business

American Honey Queens is an educational opportunity. They will be coming to visit on October 30-November 3 and will be giving a presentation that is 20-30 minutes long. The presentation will be on the types of honey bees, pollination, bee keeper, etc. On November 4, there is a 4H banquet in Osseo-Fairchild with a meal before at 6 pm. This is mainly for middle/high schools with a presentation on how to be a better leader. Country Cousins were asked to donate \$25, so we decided on a \$15 to Kristi's and \$15 to Weavers. Motion was seconded and carried.

For our October activity, we will be going to the Accola's pumpkin patch on Friday, October 20 at 6pm. Bring a snack if able. Monday-Friday (October 23-27) we will be having a pumpkin scavenger hunt around town to involve the community in 4H. We will hide the pumpkins around town with 4H saying written on them. Kristi's will be the start and end of the pumpkin scavenger hunt. There will be a slip at Kristi's in order to start. We will let people know by posters/flyers and the electronic boards in town. The age in order to participate is 12 and under. Motion seconded and carried. When you finish the scavenger hunt, go back to Kristi's and there will be goodie bags. The first 75 will get goodie bags. Motion seconded and carried. There is no new information on fair checks.

For our November activity, we will be making cards for nursing homes, bowling, swimming, food drive or blankets. We will be making Christmas cards and pairing up with Edward Jones for a food drive and bring food/canned food that is nonperishable. Motion seconded and carried. We will be doing Samaritan's purse for our club service project.

Yvonne has snack sign-up. We will be introducing the Remind app but will talk about it more at the next meeting. Braylon (Sunshine person) will send out an e-mail to whoever is bringing snacks for the next meeting. There was no other business and no demonstrations but will have 2 demonstrations next meeting. It was moved by Mason to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded and carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm. Next meeting will be November 20, 2017 at 6:30pm.



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Truax Eagles

Before the meeting we played balloon volleyball with the residents of Dove West.

----OLD BUSINESS----

Elections took place last meeting. President- Isaiah Vlcek, Vice President- Jared George, Smiley-Bella Blackmon and Felicity Michaels, Treasurer- Elijah Vlcek, Secretary- Ava Black, Sargent of Arms- Samantha Michaels, Historian- Abigail Hill

Fall activity. On Sunday, October 22, at 2 pm the club will be meeting at Niblets Apple Orchard. Bring a snack to share.

It was decided that each person will pay full club admission price. If you have not already, please sign-up on 4-H Online.

Coupon books were handed out in the September meeting, to be sold for \$25 each. Keep in mind that a portion of the money you make selling the coupon books goes toward your own family 4-H account. That money can be used for trips and admission fees.

----NEW BUSINESS----

Jane, Taylor and Morgan did demonstrations

We had a Halloween party facilitated by Samantha Michaels

Remember to sell your coupon books.

November activity, ceramics, details to follow

On the 21, the 4-H STEM camp is being held, at UWEC from 9-4

Also on the 21, the Rabbit show is being held in Neillsville.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask one of our club leaders, or Andy (at the extension office)!

(Other details about the meeting can be found in the agenda)

-Ava Black

Truax Eagles Secretary

Club Minutes

PV 4-H Club October Meeting Minutes

Pleasant Valley 4-H Club had their monthly meeting, Thursday the 19th of October, at the Cleghorn Community Center. This was our Halloween party meeting. The President, Chris Johnson, called the meeting to order at 6:39, the Sergeant at Arms, Nick Bowers, led pledges. For roll call we passed around a sign-in sheet. Rachel Anderson, treasurer, gave the treasurer's report. We sang Happy Birthday and gave a piece of candy to Tyler Wathke who turned 15. We split into 7 groups and wrote 3 goals for the upcoming 2017-2018 4-H year.

Chris started out talking about Old Business. We recapped our wagon ride to the apple orchard and the bonfire afterwards. Everyone got reminded to turn in their empty bowl projects. Online Enrollment: Dues are \$10.00 per person, cap at \$40.00 per family (Rachel Anderson will collect). Sheila talked about ordering club t-shirts. We reminded all of the older youth in OYC to sign up for the haunted barn and encouraged others to come. Plat books are available at the extension office for \$35 a book. Grace Richardson had a shaving cream painting booth at Discovery Day and Rachel Anderson had a cookie frosting booth. Anna and Sydney Iverson talked about helping youth make incredible wearables, basically a fitness tracker that hooked up to your phone, at National Youth Science Day.

Moving on to new business Anna read a thank you from the Cleghorn Lions Club; they gave us an additional \$100 dollars for cleaning up every morning of Harvest Fest and Sunday at the end. We voted on making a budget of 120 dollars to buy fleece to make tie blankets to donate. Everyone was told to bring a nonperishable food item to donate to Feed My People for the November 16 meeting. Dani and Fern talked about the cookie walk—to be held on December 2 this year. The topic was brought up to hold at January meeting at the Sports Warehouse, an Archery Meeting. It would be a 75 dollar cost all together that the club would pay for, the motion was passed. Everyone is required to do a Youth Leadership project if you are in 6th grade and older. Tyler made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Rhegan seconded it at 7:20. We adjourned to do the costume contest and to play Halloween games such as pin the nose on the pumpkin, a craft table, mummy wrap, and a beanbag toss.

Respectfully submitted,

Annabelle Iverson



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Tri-County 4-H Music, Speaking, and Demo Festival Saturday, January 13, 2018 Cadott High School, Cadott

WHEN	Saturday, January 13, 2018
WHERE	Cadott High School, Cadott
TIME	Speaking/Demonstration: Action Centers and Registration will start at 8:30 a.m. All registering are strongly encouraged to participate in Action Centers-they need youth to participate to be judged! The remaining speaking events will start at 9:00 a.m. and hope to be completed by 11:30 a.m. A break for all participants will be held from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm. There will be a food stand in the Commons Area. Music: 12:30 p.m. registration, performances start at 1:00 p.m.
WHO	All current 4-H members are eligible to participate, including Cloverbuds. Clubs with a limited number of musicians may combine with another club(s) to form a "music performance group". At least five or more members are required for a Musical Performance. All ages are welcome to participate in Speaking/Demos and may combine any ages for Dynamic Duos and other team presentations.
ENTRIES	Entries are due to the Chippewa County Extension Office by December 29, 2017. Return to: 4-H Communication Arts Festival, 711 N. Bridge Street, Room 13, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
RULES	Rules for the events and a sample evaluation form are enclosed.
HELPERS	Helpers from all counties would be appreciated! Tasks include ushering, emceeing, etc.

RULES FOR 4-H MUSIC FESTIVAL and INFORMATION ON HELPER ROLES AT THE FESTIVAL

Each 4-H music group must contain at least five 4-H members. Clubs may have more than one entry. Members may participate as a performer in only one group. Clubs may combine to form a group.

TYPES OF ENTRIES:

Vocal	Five or more vocalists with or without accompaniment. Emphasis is on the vocal quality of the music. Minimal costuming (if any) and no props or choreography. Accompaniment can be taped, BUT IT MUST BE INSTRUMENTAL ONLY, NO VOCAL.
Instrumental	Five or more instrumentalists with standard musical instruments. Emphasis is on the instrumental quality of the music. Minimal costuming and no props or choreography.
Dance	Five or more dancers. Accompaniment may be recorded and can have vocal on tape. Emphasis is on the quality of dance. Performance may be with or without costumes or props.
Novelty	Five or more performers. Emphasis is on total production. Should include choreography*, costumes and props. Generally has a topical theme or focus. Pantomiming to records is not permitted. Accompaniment can be taped, BUT IT MUST BE INSTRUMENTAL ONLY, NO VOCAL. *Choreography is the composition and arrangement of vocalists/dancers.

MUSIC FESTIVAL RULES:

- (1) Accompaniments and direction can be by 4-H members or adults. Adult accompanists or directors will not be allowed to sing with their group's presentation. Taped INSTRUMENTAL accompaniment is acceptable. Each category will be judged independently; that is, dance against dance, vocal against vocal, etc., and rated as follows:

All groups: Gold Silver

Special certificates will be given according to the discretion of the judge(s) (as in costuming, use of young members, audience appeal, etc.).

- (2) All performances must be no longer than **15 minutes** in length, ***including set up and take down***. Make sure that your performance, not only the music, singing, etc., but **EVERYTHING** you do on stage fits within the 15 minute time limit! If you go over the 15-minute limit, you may be dropped a placing, at the discretion of the judge(s).
- (3) Groups must supply any props, except piano and folding chairs.

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- (5) Two judges will share the responsibility of evaluating the music presentations, and will talk to the performers on stage *after the group completes its take-down*. Written critiques will be given at the end of the evening to each group.
- (6) No hay bales, straw bales, candles or real fire on stage.
- (7) There will be no practices allowed on the stage the day of the festival.
- (8) Each county can select one music group to perform at State Fair.

A schedule for workers will be set up at the final music committee meeting and will be sent out with the final performance schedule.

4-H MUSIC FESTIVAL

Saturday, January 13, 2018
Cadott High School, Cadott



Consider It

The Tri-County Music Festival will be coming up before you know it. We are hoping your club will consider preparing an entry for this event. Your participation will make the afternoon a great one for members, families and friends!

Points to Ponder

A music entry consists of 5 or more 4-H club members. Clubs may combine members to present a musical performance. Clubs may also have more than one entry in the Music Festival. Entries may be vocal, instrumental, dance, novelty, or any combination of these. Groups may use pianists, instrumentalists, or recorded music for accompaniment. Groups may choose to perform without any accompaniment (a capella). Performance time is 10 minutes with an additional 5 minutes allowed for set-up and removal of props.

Helpful Hints

If you don't have someone who works with music in your club, find a musical helper within your community. Have one adult leader supervise the music preparations and another adult leader organize props and costumes, etc. Plan ahead. Plan to get started in right away as enrollment begins now. Begin practice about a month before the festival. It helps to prepare audio tapes and give them to group members to listen to and sing to – this reduces practice time considerably. Remember to turn in your music festival registration form on time. Use a theme. Use narration or speaking parts/dialog to

transition between musical selections. Several shorter songs are better than one longer one.

Possible Themes

Music from tv or motion pictures ---
patriotic music saluting America ---
ethnic music --- a salute to a famous person or character --- music around the world --- a salute to 4-H --- school days --- animals --- the zoo --- Disney music --- rock 'n' roll --- square dancing --- traveling --- clowns --- the circus --- the railroad --- dancing from the 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s --- music from long ago --- cowboys --- country western music --- families --- children's songs --- nursery rhymes --- a salute to the armed forces --- a salute to a special day/event in history --- magical things --- sweet things --- sacred music --- etc. etc. etc. Be creative, involve the members Have fun!

Judges Look For

Overall appearance --- enthusiasm --- SMILES --- pitch and tone quality --- dynamics --- a bit of harmony in your music --- movement during your presentation --- SMILES --- costumes and special effects --- audience appeal --- variety --- kids who are having fun --- and MORE SMILES.



For more specific information, contact the your local Extension Office. Clubs, now is the time to begin your involvement in this year's festival! Plan now!

ENTRY FORM

TRI-COUNTY 4-H MUSIC FESTIVAL

4-H Club _____

Club Advisor _____

Music Director _____

Full Address _____

Phone Number: Home _____ Work _____ (hours) _____

Accompanist _____

Selections

Emcee _____

(name of youth)

Category - Please check one:

Vocal _____ Instrumental _____ Dance _____ Novelty _____

Number of members in club _____ Number in music group _____

Names of Participants: Please list on back of page

Entries are due to the **Chippewa County Extension Office**, 4-H Communication Arts Festival, 711 N. Bridge Street, Room 13, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 on **December 29, 2017**.

Thank you for your entry!

MUSIC FESTIVAL

Names of Participants:

Instructions:

Please list members **alphabetically** by their last names. THANK YOU!

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4-H MUSIC EVALUATION FORM

County _____ Club _____

Selections: _____

Circle Type of Group: Vocal Dance Instrumental Novelty

Music Selection *(appropriateness, quality of music selected and correlation between numbers)*

Originality *(interpretation of the performance shows unique thought, development, and execution of performance)*

Stage Presence *(participants are confident and comfortable in their performance)*

Dress or Costume *(dress or costume that is expressive and compliments the performance)*

Choreography and Formations *(ensemble moves with grace and meaningful motion in style and accuracy)*

Audience appeal or Entertainment value *(group keeps the undivided attention of the audience)*

Tone quality *(sound is very desirable and pleasant to the listener)*

Enunciation, Articulation and Precision (*clear and clean enunciation in vocal music articulation, attacks, and releases in instrumental music; precision of dance participants; technical accuracy*)

Dynamics, Expression and Harmony (*how selections were interpreted musically*)

Other comments

This group excelled in:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Best smiles | <input type="checkbox"/> Costumes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use of stage | <input type="checkbox"/> Audience appeal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use of young members | <input type="checkbox"/> Originality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Enthusiasm | <input type="checkbox"/> Humor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Musicianship | <input type="checkbox"/> Stage Presence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use of props | <input type="checkbox"/> Set Design |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Projection | <input type="checkbox"/> Accompaniment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Theme | <input type="checkbox"/> Harmony |

Other _____

Ratings:

Gold _____ Silver _____

Evaluator: _____

Tri-County 4-H Music, Speaking, and Demo Festival Saturday, January 13, 2018 Cadott High School, Cadott

Demonstration & Speaking Contest

Helping people speak in front of groups is one of the most important life skills 4-H offers. One of the best ways to help 4-H members prepare for the future is by helping them to become better public speakers & demonstrators. With this in mind, we would like all clubs to work together to stress the importance of speaking & demonstrations.

4-H Demonstration

The ability to demonstrate is an important speaking skill. Demonstrating means that you show how to do or make something while you talk. Here are some tips:

- Select something that you do well
- Make attractive posters. Use large letters and space them so that they are easy to read.
- Assemble all materials necessary to complete your demonstration.
- Demonstrate as you talk.
- Show the finished product.
- Summarize the steps of the demonstration.

An educational brochure is available from the Extension Office on how to do a demonstration.

DEMONSTRATION DIVISION

Age categories and time limits:

- Cloverbuds (K-2) - maximum time: 3 minutes
- 3rd & 4th Grade: 4-5 minutes
- 5th & 6th Grade: 5-8 minutes
- 7th & 8th Grade: 6-10 minutes
- 9th Grade & Up: 8-15 minutes

The categories listed below are types of demonstrations that can be done in the contest. You may enter more than one category. You may also enter as an individual and/or as a team in each category.

Formal Demonstrations - Showing and telling the audience how to make or do something. Presents information through actions with an explanation. Has an introduction, body, conclusion, and a time to answer questions. Length is determined by your age group (see above).

Illustrated Talk - Presents information with the use of visual aids such as maps, charts, posters, graphs, pictures, slides, or models. Has an introduction, body, conclusion, and time to answer questions. Length is determined by age group (see above).

Action Center - Sharing ideas and showing how to do a skill in an informal way. The audience should participate and ask questions throughout the entire demonstration. The demonstrator converses with the audience members who are standing around the demonstration area. Audience participates by talking with the demonstrator, trying

things, doing, tasting, judging and asking questions. Handouts may be used (instructions, recipes, etc.). Posters or pictures can be used. The demonstration should be 15-30 minutes long. A brochure is available at the Extension Office which gives tips for planning and presenting your action center.

Recognition:

- All Demonstration Contest participants will receive a fair ribbon.
- Certificates will be awarded for each participant.
- The top two demonstrations in the middle or high school categories from each county will also have the opportunity to represent their county at the 2018 State Fair (demonstrator must be at least 12 years of age).
- Fair premiums will be offered to all participants, per individual county rules. You **MUST** enter your demonstration on your fair form to receive premium.

The amounts listed above are for individual demonstrations. Team demonstrations will be awarded a premium double the amount of the individual premium. These premiums will be paid along with your regular fair check. The deadline to register (late entries will NOT receive fair premiums) is December 29, 2017.

SPEAKING DIVISION

The following are four categories and rules (enter any or all):

Original Speech

Cloverbuds: up to 1 minute (Grades K-2)
Novice: 1-2 minutes (Grades 3 & 4)
Junior: 2-3 minutes (Grades 5 & 6)
Intermediate: 3-4 minutes (Grades 7 & 8)
Senior: 4-6 minutes (Grades 9-13)

Rules:

1. Talk must be developed by the member who is presenting it. It cannot have been given previously in another contest or previously critiqued.
2. Only Cloverbud & Novice division speakers may have their speeches written out and read them. Junior through Senior division speakers should use note cards.

Interpretive Reading

Cloverbuds: Up to 1 minute (Grades K-2)
Novice: 1-2 minutes (Grades 3 & 4)
Junior: 2-3 minutes (Grades 5 & 6)
Intermediate: 3-4 minutes (Grades 7 & 8)
Senior: 4-6 minutes (Grades 9-13)

Rules:

1. Readings may be either prose, poetry, original, or a selected reading. If not original, the author should be credited.
2. All readers should use full-size copies of their selections (**NO** notecards). Please mount your copy on construction paper or other heavy paper (8 ½ x 11" or 9 x 12"). Do NOT read your selection from the book.
3. Create an introduction to introduce your reading.

Contact the Extension Office for an information sheet that provides more information and tips for doing Interpretive Readings.

4-H Promotion - Your chance to promote 4-H. Tell why you are involved and why others should join. Props or visual aids are optional.

- Novice: 1-2 minutes (Grades 3 & 4)
- Junior: 2-3 minutes (Grades 5 & 6)
- Intermediate & Senior: 3-4 minutes (Grades 7-13)

Dynamic Duo - For a team of two - may be two 4-H members of any age or combination of ages or a 4-H member and an adult. This is an interpretive reading consisting of a dialogue for two. Up to 6 minutes in length.

Each participant will receive a participation ribbon and a certificate. A top overall speaker in each age division will be selected and receive a trophy (across all entry divisions).

2018 Tri-County Demonstration and Speaking Contest Registration Form

Return to: 4-H Communication Arts Festival, 711 N. Bridge Street, Room 13, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Deadline: **December 29, 2017** (late entries will **NOT** receive fair premium)

NAME(S): _____

GRADE(S): _____ CLUB(S): _____

Check and list your entries below:

_____ **Original Speech**

Title: _____

_____ **Interpretive Reading**

Title: _____

_____ **4-H Promotion**

Title: _____

_____ **Dynamic Duo**

Title: _____

_____ **Demonstration**

Title: _____ Team _____ Individual

_____ **Illustrated Talk**

Title: _____ Team _____ Individual

_____ **Action Center**

Title: _____ Team _____ Individual