

Clover Leaves



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Eau Claire County's 4-H Newsletter



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

Hello fine 4-H folks,

It seems like so long ago since our 4-H Awards banquet, but it has only been a month. Time flies! Thank you to everyone who came and to those who helped plan. What a celebration of fine young folks. The banquet is the culmination of our Awards process. We will be reviewing that process soon. Please contact me if you are interested in being part of that committee.

I hope everyone had a wonderful and rejuvenating Thanksgiving Holiday. I thoroughly enjoyed mine even though I didn't finish the curtain project I started. Starting is the first step to a completed project, right?

The weather has declared that it is winter already. I'm thinking of all the farmers who have extra work to do to take care of their animals and who have crops standing in the fields. It has certainly been a LONG year in the weather department and low milk prices are crushing so many farmers. Some of my Extension colleagues have put together a website with resources for farmers to help them deal with the stress of farming right now. Please share with those who might need it: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/farmstress/>

As we approach the end of the year, I am preparing counselor training for our winter camp. I'm excited that we have thirteen young folks signed up for our overnight at Beaver Creek Reserve and four young people who have agreed to be counselors. I am looking forward to it!

I am already looking ahead to our summer programming, working on a partnership with the Eau Claire Area School District to provide hands-on learning experiences for more kids in our area. And, I'm starting to think about summer camp. If you are interested in helping with summer camp in any way, please fill out the following: [Summer Camp Help Sign up](#)

And, I'm also looking to make a list of expertise available within our 4-H world. If you have a skill that you could share with young people either as an advisor or a project leader, please fill out the [google survey](#). I want to make sure that we can meet the needs of our youth and that happens much more readily if we know who we can send where for guidance.

Thanks for supporting Eau Claire County 4-H programming!

Best,
Rachel

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**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!

AND

Add "[Extension Rachel](#)" to your friends.



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:

- | | | |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| + 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

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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.

Andy.Heren@co.eau-claire.wi.us

Calendar

Leaders Association



December

10– Livestock Project meeting, Osseo High School

11– Fair Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, Extension Office

28-29—Winter Camp (Registration on page 5)

**Next Meeting:
Tuesday,
January 14**

Full Leaders meeting will begin at 6:30. Executive council meets at 6:15pm.

Note time change!

January

14-- Leaders Association Meeting

February

23-Sarah Nelson Pancake Breakfast

29– Tri-County Performing Arts Festival, Cadott High

March

8– Foods Revue at Extension office

May

17—Clothing Revue at Extension office

Agenda items:

Camp planning

Awards process review

Leader support



Winter Camp

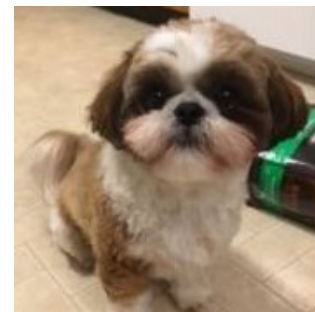
We are holding winter camp for 6-9th graders in conjunction with Dunn County! We have reservations at Beaver Creek starting at 9:00am on December 28 and ending at 3:00pm on December 29.

See page 5 for the registration form!

LAST DAY FOR REGISTRATION

Dog Project Meeting

There will be a dog project meeting on Monday, January 13, 2020, at 6:30pm. The meeting will be at Paws & Claws 3800 Old Town Hall Rd, Eau Claire. The building on the top of the hill. All those enrolled in the dog project are encouraged to attend. *No dogs at this meeting please.*



New Cloverbud Curriculum

Wisconsin 4-H just developed some new Cloverbud curriculum. If you are looking for Cloverbud activities, this is a good place to start! <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hcloverbuds/activity-plans/>

You will be asked a few questions before opening. They want to know who will be using the curriculum. Are you a parent, leader, volunteer, how will you be using it, etc.

4-H On the Air Schedule

Month	Club	Contact Person
December	Pleasant Valley	Heather Iverson



It is time again to get our schedule made out for 4-H On-the-Air for 2020! Please call Andy at the Extension office at 715-839-4712 or [email](#) him to select your month. Any clubs or projects may schedule a time. First come, first served! Then, as your month approaches, Scott from WAXX will call you to set up a time.

National Congress Fundraiser



Purchase one of these stickers to advertise your participation in 4-H and help spread the word! The number listed is for the Extension office. They are only \$3 each. Profits will go towards the National Congress Educational Experience.

You can contact Josie Syverson at (715) 579-7681 to get yours!



Eau Claire & Dunn County 4-H Winter Camp December 28-29, 2019



A winter cabin camping experience designed to build skills,
experience teamwork, and make friends for

6th-9th Graders

At Beaver Creek Reserve

Cost: \$40 for 4-H members, \$45 for non 4-H members
includes Lodging, Meals, & Supplies

If you have questions, contact: Rachel Hart-Brinson, Eau Claire County 4-H
Luisa Gerasimo, Dunn County 4-H

715-839-4712
715-323-1636

4-H Winter Camp

Registration Due: Dec 3, 2019 (\$40)

Mail to: Extension-Eau Claire County
227 1st Street W
Altoona, WI 54720

Make payable to: Extension-Eau Claire County

Name: _____ County _____ Gender: _____

Address/Town/Zip: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Day/Night/Cell Phone: _____ Emergency #: _____

Photo Release: ☐ Yes ☐ No Describe any dietary or other needs on the back:

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If you would like to register for Winter Camp online, just click on this [link](#).



Parliamentary Procedure Training

This is short notice, and it is during the day, but if you are a club leader, you may want to participate in this Zoom meeting. It will probably be recorded and posted later, in which case we will let you know. This could be a good educational tool for club officers.

Leading Effective Meetings with *Parliamentary Procedure* December 5, 2019 10:00 am – Noon

Join us Via Zoom at:

<https://uwextension.zoom.us/j/426868634>

You've been elected chairman, now what?

Join UW-Madison, Division of Extension Educator Sarah Tarjeson to learn more about:

- Using Parliamentary Procedures/Roberts Rules of Order
- Writing and Amending Effective Bylaws
- Alternative Strategies for Making Group Decisions
- Valuable resources to teach others or apply skills immediately

Please register ahead of time in order to receive valuable materials by entering information here: <https://forms.gle/XjgtBTfKoA9Zq2P9>

Who should participate? *Extension Educators, Coordinators, and Volunteers, Club Officers and Older Youth Leaders!*

This session will be recorded and made available for viewing and participation at alternative times.

15TH ANNUAL PLEASANT VALLEY 4-H CLUB COOKIE WALK AND CRAFT FAIR!

Saturday December 7, 2019

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Pleasant Valley Community Center

Buy cookies by the pound!

Shop local crafters and vendors!

Come see Mr. and Mrs. Claus!

Grab a hot lunch!

Kids' craft!



Facebook: Pleasant Valley 4-H Cleghorn, WI

2020 Shooting Sports Startup Meeting

MANDATORY MEETING FOR MEMBERS AND PARENTS

Date: Tuesday, January 7th **Time:** 6:30pm-7:00pm Sign-Up

7:00pm-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 meeting at Banbury Place, Door 17. It has a 4h symbol on it.

Air rifle will be on Feb 4th - March 24th.

Archery will be from March 24th - May 12th.

We will have entry fee of \$15 per child. There will be a \$50 deposit for volunteering. If you or your child volunteers, you will receive your money back at the end of the year.

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 7th so we can conduct this program with your family in the safest and most enjoyable way.

Questions?

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Eau Claire County 4-H Shooting Sports Registration and Waiver Form

Member:

Name _____
Age _____
Grade _____
Email _____
Phone _____

Parents:

Name _____
Address _____
Email _____
Phone _____

1. Is this your first year in the Shooting Sports project? Yes/No
2. Air rifle/air pistol will be Tuesday evenings. If you enroll in the air rifle program, you will be scheduled into an early or late class to evenly distribute the number of members. Do you have a preference? (Please indicate 1st and 2nd preference).

_____ 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. _____ 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.
3. Archery will begin on Tuesday evenings. If you enroll in the archery program, you will be scheduled into an early or late class to evenly distribute the number of members. Do you have a preference? (Please indicate 1st, 2nd, and 3rd preference)

_____ 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
_____ 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.
4. Our goal is to offer a muzzleloader program. It generally meets for two days over one or two weekends in the summer with dates to be determined based on availability. Participants must have completed a DNR hunter education course. Please indicate if you wish to be notified of this class.

_____ Yes _____ No
5. Our goal is to offer a shotgun program. It generally meets for two days over one or two weekends in the summer with dates to be determined. Participants must have completed a DNR hunter education course. Please indicate if you wish to be notified of this class.

_____ Yes _____ No

AREA 2 4-H POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
EDUCATORS PRESENT...



An opportunity to meet other volunteers from northwestern Wisconsin for annual leader training and meaningful, guided conversations. Please come share resources and ideas about club or project activities.

ONLY \$10
(payable at the
door)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2020
9:30 A.M.-4:00 P.M.
SPOONER AG RESEARCH STATION
(W6646 WI-70, SPOONER, WI 54801)

REGISTER VIA GOOGLE FORM AT:
[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/AYKKLTW58PU8UZ2U6](https://forms.gle/aykkltw58pu8uz2u6)
BEFORE MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER VIA PHONE CALL
BETH RANK, BURNETT CO 4-H EDUCATOR AT 715-349-2151.

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WI State 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl and 4-H Skillathon contests scheduled for March 7, 2020

(Madison) The 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl and State 4-H Skillathon contests will be held together on Saturday March 7, 2020 at UW Madison Animal Sciences Building, Madison, WI. **Deadline for registration is Feb. 21, 2020, 5 p.m. Only emailed registrations will be accepted, mailed registrations will NOT be accepted.** The cost is \$12 per youth and due at the time of registration. Registration starts at 9 a.m., competitions start at 9:30 a.m. Teams are encouraged to participate in both contests as they will be occurring at the same time. The planning committee reserves the right to alter schedule if needed to manage both contests effectively.

The teams are divided into three age divisions and teams can consist of 3 or 4 members. The junior division are youth who are under 14 years of age as of Jan.1, 2020. The senior division are youth who are all 14 years of age or older as of Jan. 1, 2020. A mixed team must contain at least one youth from each age division.

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 Louisville, KY at the North American International Livestock Exposition.

Skillathon contest is made up of a written quiz and learning stations such as breed identification, feed identification, equipment identification as well as some team activities such as demonstrating evaluation skills. The top Senior level 4-H team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Skillathon Contest, held each fall in Louisville at the North American International Livestock Exposition.

Competition in Quiz Bowl & Skillathon encourages members to develop a more complete knowledge of animals and related subjects. This contest provides an educational program for all project members, including those who may not own a project animal, and provides a way to develop self-confidence. These programs are a great parallel to some similar programs that breed associations and other organizations conduct such as Junior Cattle Nationals, NJSA (National Junior Swine Association) and the All-American Sheep Show.

For more information and registration information, please contact Bernie O'Rourke, UW Extension Youth Livestock Specialist and contest coordinator at (608) 263-4304, borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu or the Animal Science Youth Website at <http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/quizbowlskillathon/>. You can also "like" Wisconsin Youth Livestock Program on Facebook as well.

OYC and Club Minutes

Old Youth Council

The November meeting of the Eau Claire County 4-H Older Youth Council was held November 4, 2019, at Our House Memory Care Center. The meeting was called to order by Teresa, and pledges were led by Grace. Roll call was taken, and the Treasurer's Report was given by Cullen and motioned by Anna and Ben. In Old Business, Mason shared about National 4-H Youth Science Day. We discussed our Culver's Fundraiser, and Beth and Mason talked about Discovery Day. Teresa and Grace talked about Haunted Barn, and Cullen reported how much we made. Teresa, Beth, and Ben talked about the County Banquet, and Grace and Mason shared their experiences at Fall Forum. Old Business was motioned by Garrett and Nick.

In New Business, our Christmas Party will be at our December meeting on December 2 at the Cleghorn Community Center. Grace and Nick motioned a \$175 budget for Adopt a Family, which was approved. The Clearwater Winter Parade will be December 6 at 6pm. The Pancake Breakfast will be February 23. New Business was motioned by Garrett and Nick. Angelina talked about the OYC Ambassadors. Birthdays were recognized, and the meeting was adjourned by Anna and Grace.

Pleasant Valley Clovers November 2019 Meeting Minutes

Before the meeting we had a potluck, slide show, game and achievement banquet, as well as installed two new officers. Emilia Jaquish talked about her youth leadership project and asked members to donate things to the Foster Care Santa's Store. The meeting was called to order by Sam and pledges were said and roll call was taken. We sang happy birthday to Hannah, Sam, and Kylee. The secretary's report was read and a motion was made by Bernie and seconded by Adam to accept the report. The treasurer's report was also read.

For old business the committee sign-up and snack sheet was passed around. Members were also reminded to pay their dues to the club. A sheet was passed around to those interested in going to the Oak Gardens Place on December 8th at 1pm. Duerkops will bring cookies and cookie decorating supplies, but also asks someone to come up with a craft. A sign up for Salvation Army Bell ringing was also passed around. We will be having a holiday party for our next meeting and card making will start at 5:30 with potluck at 6 and meeting at 6:30. Members were asked to bring a \$5 gift for the gift exchange also. The Adopt a Family gift shopping will be on December 3rd at 6pm at Walmart. A budget of \$100 was motioned by Daniel and seconded by Hannah. There was no other old business.

For new business, a club t-shirt order was passed out to members interested in buying some. Members were reminded those in 6th-9th grade can attend winter camp. Registration is due on December 3rd and cost is \$40. There was a sign up for deciding if you want to paint or pour at the paint shack for our January Meeting. Teresa will check on dates for volunteering at Feed My People in January. Members were reminded of the Tri-County performing Arts Festival February 29th. A sign-up went around to see who was interested in drama, music, or speaking contest. There was no other new business.

For youth leaders report, they had their meeting at a Care Center in Eau Claire and OYC members brought animals for the residents to see and pet. They had a quick meeting and went over the banquet. They also reminded that you can join if you're 7th grade and up.

For Leaders report, Wendy talked about writing goals and updating club folders. Families were reminded of following the club on Facebook or Instagram for photos and updates. Each family was asked to fill out a sheet granting permission for sharing contact info, posting photos, etc. The meeting was adjourned by Lillian and seconded by Connor.

Submitted by Allison Duerkop

Club Minutes

Pleasant Hill Go-Getters—November 2019 Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 11, 2019

Club members got their meeting snack and older youth partnered with younger youth for our meeting warm up activity. For the meeting warm up club members were given a piece of paper and pencil and asked to write down things that they are grateful for. They were told that these lists would be used for our project meeting. The meeting was then called to order by Grace at 6:45. The pledges were lead by Cullen and Emmett. The secretary's report was read by Lily and the approval was motioned by Grayson and Nick. The treasurer's report was read by Jaidynn. She also reminded all members to cash or deposit your 4H checks if not done so already. The approval of the treasurer's report was motioned by Emmett and seconded by Cullen.

For old business Skyler, Grayson, Abby, and Lorelei talked about what they learned when they participated in at STEAM day camp. For our Feed My People service night several members explained what we had done; including packaging cereals and sorting beans. With OYC a total of \$1,000 was donated along with 864lbs of food. Members that had been recognized at the County Banquet stood up and shared what recognition they had received. Approval of Old business was motioned by Grayson and seconded by Cullen.

For new business Club members (and their parents) were reminded to please make sure that they are registered as a member on 4-H online as soon as possible. Grace reminded us of the ceramics meeting on November 15 and 22. Members should complete the sign-up genius to confirm their attendance. We also voted on dates for the 4-H lock-in. The 4-H lock-in will be held on February 1 through 2 from 7 pm to 7 am at the Eau Claire Sport Warehouse. New this year we will also be having a "snow party" at The Sarauer's house on Sunday, January 4 from 2 to 4. We also decided that we would vote on whether to go sledding or not at our December or January meetings. For our December club meeting at Action City we ask that all members wear their 4-H shirts, and a reminder that Action City is still open to the public so please represent 4-H in a positive way. New business was motioned by Nick and Grayson. Sophie gave a demo on how to pack a first-aid kit and Hope gave a demo on ceramics. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31. The meeting was followed with a club gratitude project activity of making gratitude jars, Gratitude garlands, gratitude journals, and gratitude magnets.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lily Schwartz, Secretary



Club Minutes

Truax Eagles Secretary Report- November 19, 2019

Before meeting: Thanksgiving crafts and coloring flags for the Army/Chris Kohn.

Meeting was called to order: at 6:05PM by Isaiah, and pledges were lead by Joel. Roll call was taken by Samantha, by saying your name and favorite Thanksgiving food. Secretary's report was given by Samantha, Then Annaka gave Treasurer's report.

Old Business: Annaka and Joel talked about the UWEC stem camp, Felicity talked about the 4-H Awards Banquet, and Keziah and Jane talked about our tour of Menards. Old business was motioned by Ben and Keziah.

New Business: Make sure you pay your club dues, 10 per member and 25 per family. Mrs. Black gave a leaders report. Winter camp is Dec 28-29, 6-9th Graders @Beaver Creek Reserve. Shooting Sports is Jan 7, 2020 @Fall Creek Village Hall. We talked about the Hope Gospel Christmas Meal Service, Ben will set it up and will have more info coming. JoJo will set up our activity for Dec which is @Irvine Park to see Christmas Lights. Older Youth and Parents will talk more about any Fundraiser ideas in later meetings. New business was motioned by Anaya and JoJo. After meeting, birthday song was sang to Felicity, Keziah, Abi, Ben, and Elijah. Group photo was taken and demos to follow by Keziah and Joel. More crafts were made after.

Respectfully Submitted,
Samantha L. Michaels



Maple Drive Boosters

We started out our meeting at 6:00 pm. We started our meeting by decorating new clipboards for our members. After we were all around finished we officially started our meeting. We started with our pledge led by Anna and then moved into roll call and our secretaries report. We recognize our new members and all veterans that served our country. We had a talk about the county banquet and how it went for the people that attended. We then talked about demonstrations and the different requirements we also talked about our new family demonstrations and what we can do for those. We also asked everyone in the club to come with a new club goal. We talked about what a smart goal should look like (what, when, and how). With that we concluded our meeting and wished everyone a happy Veterans Day!

2020 TRI-COUNTY
4-H PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL
General Information
SATURDAY, February 29, 2020
Cadott Middle/High School

WHEN	Saturday, February 29, 2020
WHERE	Cadott Middle & High School, Cadott, WI
TIME	<p>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 10:30 a.m. and hope to be completed by Noon.</p> <p>Music: 8:30 a.m. registration, performances start at 9 a.m.</p> <p>Drama: 12 p.m. registration, performances start at 12:30 p.m. (upon completion of music)</p> <p>Awards: At the conclusion of each disciple.</p>
WHO	All current 4-H members are eligible to participate, including Cloverbuds. Clubs with a limited number of 4-Hers may combine with another club(s) to form a performance group. 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 February 10, 2020. Return to: 4-H Performing Arts Festival, 711 N. Bridge St Room 13, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.
RULES	Rules for the events are enclosed. Judging criteria can be found on the Chippewa County 4-H website under Events & Opportunities.
HELPERS	Helpers from all counties would be appreciated! Tasks include ushering, emceeing, etc. Please contact your respective 4-H Program Coordinator if interested in volunteering for the day or for more information.

2020 TRI-COUNTY
4-H PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL
Music Festival
SATURDAY, February 29, 2020
Cadott Middle/High School

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.

[OVER]

- (5) Two judges will share the responsibility of evaluating the music presentations and one judge will talk to the performers in a separate room after the group completes its' take down. Critiques will be given at the end of the musical performances 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, February 29, 2020
Cadott Middle/High School



Consider It

The Tri-County Music Festival will be coming up before you know it. We hope 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 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

Return this form to the Chippewa County Extension Office by February 10, 2020: 4-H Performing Arts Festival, 711 N. Bridge St Room 13, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.

Thank you for your entry!

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Clover Leaves

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

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2020 TRI-COUNTY
4-H PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL
Speaking & Demonstration Contest
SATURDAY, February 29, 2020
Cadott Middle/High School

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.
- 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 **February 10, 2019**

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).

ENTRY FORM

TRI-COUNTY 4-H SPEAKING & DEMONSTRATION FESTIVAL

Return to: 4-H Performing Arts Festival, 711 N. Bridge St. Rm 13, Chippewa Falls WI 52729

Deadline: February 10, 2020 (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

2020 TRI-COUNTY
4-H PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL
Drama Rules & Registration
SATURDAY, February 29, 2020
Cadott Middle/High School

ALL plays must be registered at the Chippewa County Extension Office by Monday, February 10. Telephone registrations will NOT be accepted.

A set of rules for our festival follow.

1. **Entry Division and Length of Performances:** The difference between the two drama categories is as follows:
 - a. *On-Stage Drama* is a traditional one-act play using full costumes, props and sets.
 1. One play, any length up to 30 minutes, including set-up and take-down time. It is suggested that performances be about 20 minutes in length.
 2. Performances must include two or more actors.
 3. Any props that touch the floor should have felt on them to protect the floor and to dampen sound.
 - b. *Mini-Dramas and Skits* can be performed at or in any place (*setting*) and might include puppetry, creative dramatics, etc. No stage or lighting will be provided. Performances must include two or more actors.
 1. *Mini-dramas* may use costumes and props similar to on-stage drama performances
 2. *Skits* use minimal props and costumes (*less is better*)
 3. Mini drama and skit performances can be any length up to 15 minutes, including set-up and take-down time. Make sure your skit or mini-drama is within these time guidelines.
 - c. *Puppetry* – can be up to 15 minutes and provide own puppet stage.
2. All actors must be 4-H members. The director(s) may be any 4-H member(s) and/or adult(s).
3. Stage lighting may not be available, due to the facilities (mini-drama and skits – no stage or lighting provided).

4. On-Stage Drama Props: Drama groups should plan for special props and sound effects equipment as needed. Any props need to have felt on the bottom to avoid scratching the stage.
5. No hay or straw bales, animals, candles, real fire or real weapons are allowed.
6. If a club uses fake weaponry or strobe lights, it must be noted on the registration form.
7. Clubs may have more than one entry, but a 4-H member can be involved in only one play.
8. The Drama Festival staff will have a Stage Manager/Emcee who will introduce the Club and the Club's Emcee. The Club's Emcee will be expected to introduce the play and set the scene for their play. Introduction of cast used at club's discretion. This will not be timed.
9. Your presentation must not be the same one your club presented last year.
10. Music plays (*NOT* reviews), where music is used as part of the play, are acceptable.
11. Each group will receive a critique from the evaluators. Each drama participant will receive a participation ribbon and certificate. Clubs will be rated gold or silver.
12. Each entry will be given an "Award of Merit" for their area of outstanding achievement. The awards will be given from the following categories:
 - Total Voice Projection
 - Cooperation, Enthusiasm and Spirit
 - Characterization
 - Creative Costuming
 - Audience Appeal
 - Creative Theme Development
 - Set
 - Humor
13. Individual awards for outstanding youth performers will be presented, not to exceed two youth per play.
14. Best Actor and Best Actress will be selected from each county.

Other helpful information

Evaluation Form: Upon your request, the committee will send an evaluation form that will be used at the festival. It notes the essential parts for viewing and critiquing a dramatic performance, and will be your copy for study prior to the play.

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2020 TRI-COUNTY
4-H DRAMA REGISTRATION

RETURN BY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10 (CHIPPEWA COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE)

Please print clearly or type:

Name of Club _____ County _____

Club Advisor _____

Director's Name _____ Telephone _____

Director's Address _____

Name of Play _____

Name of Emcee _____

Check Entry Division:

Maximum Total Time (includes set-up and take-down time)

_____ On-Stage Drama 30 minutes

_____ Mini Drama 15 minutes

_____ Skit 15 minutes

_____ Puppetry 15 minutes

Length of your group's performance: _____ minutes

_____ Yes _____ No This play uses fake weaponry.

_____ Yes _____ No This play uses a strobe light.

Check performance time preference:

_____ early afternoon _____ mid-afternoon _____ late afternoon

There will be no practice times available for 2020. Please do not contact the school regarding this program. We will have a simple room set aside for a run through prior to your performance.

List cast and characters portrayed, to be printed in program. Use the back of the sheet if necessary. Remember to include other 4-H members with props, scenery, etc. *Please print clearly, or attach a typed list.*

4-H MEMBER

CHARACTER

Return to: Chippewa County Extension, Attn: 4-H Performing Arts Festival, 711 N. Bridge St. Room 13, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 by Monday, February 10, 2020

[OVER FOR MORE CAST AND CHARACTERS, AS NEEDED]
4-H MEMBER CHARACTER

Seeking Photo Exhibitors

for 2020 Farm Technology Days



For more information or to participate,
visit the [Eau Claire 2020 Farm Technology Days](http://www.wifarmtechnologydays.com/eau_claire)
(www.wifarmtechnologydays.com/eau_claire) website.





PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

THEME: Showcasing Wisconsin's Farm Life and Agricultural Diversity

- An official Entry Form is required and must be securely attached to the back of the submitted photo. An entry form is available at http://www.wifarmtechnologydays.com/eau_claire. Submissions without an entry form will be rejected.
- Submitted photos must relate to the stated theme above.
- High quality, creative photographs with good composition are preferred and strongly encouraged.
- Entries will be accepted from youth, adults, amateurs, professionals and Farm Technology Days staff/volunteers.
- Entries submitted by a minor (under the age of 18 at the time of submission) or which include the visible face of a minor require parental signature on the entry form.
- Entries can be black and white, color, or sepia and may be digitally manipulated.
- Photos must be taken in 2018, 2019 or 2020 and taken by the individual submitting the entry.
- Photos must be printed, matted or framed, and not exceed a total overall size of 11" x 14".
- Each participant may submit one (1) photo.
- A photo title is encouraged for labelling and display purposes at the show (include on entry form).
- Entries will be accepted from Monday June 1, 2020 through Friday, June 26, 2020 at the UW Extension Office located at 227 1st Street, Altoona, WI 54720. Entries can be mailed or dropped off during business hours. Clearly label package with "FTD photo exhibit".
- Up to 50 photos will be displayed at the 2020 Eau Claire County Farm Technology Days show in the Rural Event Center (REC) tent from July 21-23, 2020. Additional photos may be displayed if space is available.
- SHARP PHOTO and PORTRAIT is the official sponsor of the photo exhibit.
 - One (1) "People's Choice Award" will be granted based on the highest number of votes an individual photo receives on site during the 3-day Farm Technology Days event. The winner will receive a certificate for one (1) stretched canvas print (approximately 20" x 24") of a photo of their choice. Estimated value \$80.
 - Three (3) "Participation Awards" will be given based on a random drawing from all entries displayed. Each winner will receive a \$25 Sharp Photo and Portrait gift card.
- The Family Living Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any entry and will coordinate a pre-selection process to determine which submissions will be selected for display at the event.
- Following the 2020 Farm Technology Days show, selected donated photos may be displayed at other yet to be determined venues, locally or statewide or included on the organization's website.

Questions regarding submissions may be directed to: familyftd2020@gmail.com, (use "Photo Show" in the subject line).

2020 FARM TECHNOLOGY DAYS - PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT ENTRY FORM

Complete and securely attach form to the back of the submitted photo

Before completing this form, please refer to the Photography Exhibit - Invitation to Participate information sheet for additional important details, available at http://www.wifarmtechnologydays.com/eau_claire.

Check (v) your photo dispersal option:

☐ I voluntarily **donate** this photo to the Eau Claire County Farm Technology Days Committee (photo will not be returned to entrant). Photo may be displayed at other locations or venues at the discretion of the Farm Technology Days staff or discarded.

☐ I will **pick up** this photo between **July 27 - August 7, 2020** during business hours at the UW Extension Office, located at 227 1st Street, Altoona, WI 54720. (Note: photos also may be picked up after 3:00 p.m. on the last day of the show – July 23, 2020).

☐ I request **return** of the photo and have included a **self-addressed envelope with ADEQUATE postage affixed**.

NOTE: Unclaimed photos, those with no option checked above or with inadequate return postage will be discarded.

Photo Title (optional)

Year Photo Taken

Two to three sentence narrative about the photo (optional)

Entrant's Printed Name (will be included with the photo display)

Entrant's Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature:

REQUIRED for entrants under 18 years of age at time of submission and/or a minor's face is visible in the photograph.

Entrant's Mailing Address

Entrant's Phone Number

Entrant's Email Address

Official Use Only

Entry # _____