

Clover Leaves



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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.

Hello fine 4-H folks,

Thank you to everyone who made Winter Camp a success. We had pretty miserable weather, but the evaluations came back positive about crafting, bonding, and learning winter survival skills. People either really liked the snowshoeing or didn't. I especially appreciate those extra people who stepped in to help make camp run as I was incapacitated by influenza, especially Luisa Gerasimo, Dunn County's 4-H Program Coordinator who took on extra responsibility since I couldn't be there.

Now, it's time to start thinking about summer camp! Please contact me if you would like to help plan for summer.

The rest of January, I will be spending a bunch of time with colleagues, finishing up my "new cohort training," increasing knowledge on building an effective Leaders Association, and taking a class on how to more effectively work with volunteers. I look forward to utilizing my new skills with you all.

Don't forget to sign up for the Performing Arts Festival (pg 17) and the Foods Revue workshop (page 8). The Performing Arts Festival encourages solo or group participants to perform dramatic or musical numbers. Please consider participating either as a contestant or a volunteer. The Foods Revue helps build skills around menu planning and dinner presentation. The Foods Revue workshop will provide you with information to help you perform better at the Foods Revue or to just learn about food and nutrition. Please join us!

Rachel

January 2020

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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.

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Calendar

January

14-- Leaders Association Meeting

16— State 4-H town Hall (watch for an e-mail zoom connection or come to the Extension Office for a watch party)

February

3-Older Youth Council

11— Foods Revue workshop, 6:30pm

23-Sarah Nelson Pancake Breakfast

29– Tri-County Performing Arts Festival, Cadott High

March

7—State 4-H Livestock Quiz & Skillathon contest

8– Foods Revue at Extension office

May

17—Clothing Revue at Extension office



Leaders Association

**Next Meeting:
Tuesday,
January 14**

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

Note time change!

Agenda items:

Summer Camp planning

**Tri-County Performing Arts
Festival**

Budget approval

State 4-H town hall

Winter Camp

We had 14 young people, 4 counselors, and 3 adults attend winter camp. I, unfortunately was unable to attend due to influenza, but the reports were positive despite the rainy and un-wintery weather.

Thanks to those who were counselors and helped out in any way!

Tri County Performing Arts Festival Volunteers Needed

Tri-County Performing Arts Festival Volunteers Needed (Contact Rachel or Andy to sign up)

1. Emcee - two older youth
 - announce plays (title, county, club, and participant's names,
 - tell jokes or short stories ,
 - make sure the next club is ready)
- Ushers/Door Handlers- (3-4 older youth/adults)
- Ensure doors stay closed during performances
- Escort play participants and judge to the judge's comments room
- Monitor noise and door use

Expectations:

1. Arrive by 12:30 to help prepare area and makes sure you know where everything is located.
2. Follow 4-H Rules
3. Help others follow 4-H rules
4. Find 4-H staff (Rachel, Heidi, or Luisa) if there is a behavioral situation that you are uncomfortable dealing with.

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/>



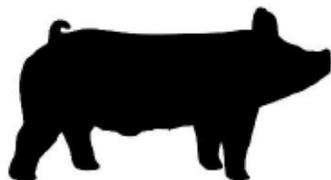
You will be asked a few questions before opening. They want to know who will be using the curriculum. Are you a parent, leader, volunteer, how will you be using it, etc.

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!



Livestock Project Meeting
 February 4th @ 7pm
 Fall Creek High School

Swine tag distribution and education will be done at this meeting. If you are a swine exhibitor, you must attend to receive your tags.



4-H On the Air Schedule

Month	Club	Contact	Phone	email
January	Little Red Cardinals	Penny Helwig	(715) 839-9180	jphelwig@neetzero.net
February	Eau Claire Clovers	Francine Clark	(715) 830-5277	fmcskc@gmail.com
March	Rodell Busy Bees	Amanda Robinson	(715) 563-2984	amanda62@yahoo.com
5th Sat in March				
April	Russell Corner Badgers	Jill Welke	(715) 586-8048	jillwelke2@gmail.com
May	Maple Drive Boosters	Lisa Roetger	(715) 875-4409	mightymom135@gmail.com
June	Pleasant Hill Go Getters	Jodi Thesing-Ritter	(715) 828-7221	thesinjm@uwec.edu
July	Pleasant Valley Clovers	Wendy Duerkop	(715) 878-9527	wduerkop74@gmail.com
August	Country Cousins	Yvonne Addie	(715) 829-0934	yvonneaddie@gmail.com
September	Sugarbush	Lillian Hadorn	(715) 286-2619	
October	Pleasant Hill Go Getters	Jodi Thesing-Ritter	(715) 828-7221	thesinjm@uwec.edu
November	Beef River Pacesetters	Renee Marino	(715) 577-1134	rjmarino5@gmail.com
December	Pleasant Valley	Heather Iverson	(715) 514-7979	heathermarie_7@hotmail.com

National Congress Report by Josie Syverson

This November I was able to travel with 35 youth and 4 Adult chaperones as the Wisconsin Delegation to Atlanta, Georgia. This was by far my favorite Experience that I have been able to go on. It puts you out of your comfort zone a little bit by choosing the seminars for you and having only a few from each delegation in each seminar. We had a bunch of really good speakers, my personal favorites being Manny Ohonme. Manny, the founder of “Samaritan’s Feet”, told us his story of getting his first pair of shoes given to him by someone from WI, which made his story that much more interesting to me since his story started with someone from WI. “Samaritan’s Feet” is a company that donates shoes to communities in high poverty areas, he started his mission in 2003 and has donated about 8,000,000 shoes since then. I am so glad I was able to have this experience, and be able to meet so many new people and learn so much about how other states run their 4-H, like Georgia. My community service was going to one of the elementary school and help kids with their 4-H projects. In Georgia they don’t have fairs like we do which was very interesting to me. They do one project, a 5-10 minute



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University of Wisconsin Small Ruminant Webinar Series starts January 15, 2020

(Madison) The University of Wisconsin Animal Sciences Department and the Division of Extension will be hosting a small ruminant webinar series beginning on January 15, 2020. The program will start at 7:30 p.m. and end by 9 p.m. These meetings can be taken from your home using a computer, a phone, or at your local extension office using Zoom technology. Check with your extension office if they plan to host. Zoom meetings allow for more natural interaction between the presenters and participants and provide an opportunity to ask questions and have a discussion with other online users.

“We are excited to bring back this type of remote education for sheep producers across Wisconsin,” said Todd Taylor, UW Madison Shepherd. These webinars are a new spin from the long-standing and widespread sheep ETN meetings that retired Dr. Dave Thomas, sheep specialist, hosted during his tenure at the University of Wisconsin.

Dr. Daniel Morrical will speak on late gestation ewe nutrition during the January webinar. Dan Morrical joined the Iowa State University staff in 1984 as Extension Sheep Specialist after completing his doctorate at New Mexico State University. He held the rank of Full Professor as of July 1, 1995, and retired from full-time teaching in 2017. While at Iowa State University, Dr. Dan Morrical was responsible for educational programs in all areas of sheep production, ranging from nutrition, genetics, marketing, and management. Research areas focused on applied projects in the areas of nutrition, forage utilization, genetics, out-of-season breeding, and lamb survival. Dr. Morrical now serves as Premier’s on-staff small ruminant nutritionist and sheep production advisor. Most recently, he’s introduced a line of [“GOLD FORMULA” mineral premixes](#) under *The Shepherd’s Choice®* brand, aimed to maximize hoof health and immunity.

How to connect to the webinar:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://uwextension.zoom.us/j/960334027>

Meeting ID: 960 334 027

One tap mobile

+16465588656,,960334027# US (New York)

Dial by your location

+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

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News Release
Indianhead Sheep and Goat Breeders Association

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26th Annual Indianhead Sheep and Goat Breeders Association Small Ruminant Clinic set for Saturday, February 1, 2020

The Indianhead Sheep and Goat Breeders Association is excited to be celebrating the 26th Anniversary of our Small Ruminant Clinic on Saturday, February 1, 2020. The Annual Small Ruminant Clinic continues to be one of the largest educational events of the winter for sheep and goat producers and 4-H and FFA youth in the Upper Midwest. The clinic will begin with registration at 8:00 am at the Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College (WITC) Conference Center, 1900 College Drive, Rice Lake, WI 54868.

The 2020 Clinic will feature keynote speaker Chris Duemler DVM. Chris Duemler DVM, a graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia, has been a practitioner for 42 years as a food animal veterinarian, as well as an owner at the Brodhead Veterinary Medical Center in Brodhead, Wisconsin. As member of AVMA he has served on the Clinical Practitioners Advisory Committee (CPAC) to Council of Biologic and Therapeutic Agents (COBTA) and was Chairman of Animal Agriculture Liaison Committee (AALC). He authored Herd Health Procedures and Prevention for The Dairy Goat Production Handbook Langston University American Institute for Goat Research. Dr. Duemler will be addressing herd health in his keynote and will also address udder health in a breakout session.

Other sessions will include barn surveillance cameras and facility design. Marketing will be addressed during a panel including producers and buyers. There will also be a producer panel for sheep producers and one for goat producers discussing "What we wish we would have known when we started." Other guest speakers will address the topics of rotational grazing.

Youth will have the opportunity to work with Dr. Justin Luther, Animal Science Professor at UW-River Falls, during the day. A Skillathon will test what the youth have learned throughout the day, with awards for different age groups. The youth clinic will qualify for any educational requirements that your counties may require to show.

A registration form can be found online by visiting www.indianheadsheepandgoat.org or the ISGBA Facebook page. Registration for the Small Ruminant Clinic is \$40 per person for ISGBA members and \$50 per person for non-members. 4-H and FFA and other youth pay only \$15 per person for the clinic. The registration fee covers the program costs and the noon meal. Preregistration deadline is January 24, 2020. Late registrations is an additional \$10 for adults and \$5 for youth.

Registration can be mailed to Barron County UW-Extension, 335 Monroe Ave. Room 2206, Barron, WI 54812.

For questions contact clinic co-chair Duane Klindworth at 715-471-0403 or Katie Mattison at 715-418-0975 or kmattison@wfbf.com.

Small ruminant webinar, cont.

Of note: A phone connection will allow you to hear the speaker while a computer or mobile app connection will allow you to hear and see the speaker, other participants, and presentation slides.

Review this video ahead of the meeting on how to join a meeting.
<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-How-Do-I-Join-A-Meeting->

For more information, please contact Megan Nelson, Livestock Outreach Program Manager, UW Division of Extension at (608) 282-5572, megan.nelson@wisc.edu.

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.*



Foods Revue Workshop

Getting Ready for Foods Revue

Special Workshop, Tuesday, February 11, 2020 6:30-7:30 p.m.



To help people understand what Foods Revue is all about, the Home and Family Committee, with the help of Pamela Warren Armstrong, Nutrition Educator UW-Extension Eau Claire County, is hosting a Foods Revue Workshop, on Tuesday, February, 11, 2020, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Topics covered will include “My Plate”, the current standard for portion size and healthy eating, as well as appropriate table settings, and

general ideas for presenting your food item well.

Please sign up by Thursday, February 6, 2020, by calling or emailing the Extension Office.

Foods Revue is an annual premium Event included in the Fair Book, but will be judged in March. It is open to anyone who is enrolled in the Foods Project or related projects. It is a “hands-on” event where participants bring in a dish they have prepared, set up the table appropriately (presentation), and be able to discuss how their food item fits nutritionally with the rest of the meal, and/or their daily food plan. The judge will speak with each participant, judging the entry based on the participant’s knowledge of the nutrition aspects, appearance and taste of the food, and the appearance of the place setting. The Foods Revue for 2020 will take place on Sunday, March 8, with registration starting at 1:30 p.m.

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/onlinpro/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.



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.



Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H Wisconsin 4-H Forestry

Email: washingtonco4hshootingssports@gmail.com
Website: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/whepwi4h/>



“TRACKS” – December 2019

Participation in Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H & Wisconsin 4-H Forestry activities are open to all Wisconsin 4-H club members interested in wildlife and forestry. You can be enrolled in any 4-H project and participate in the activities.

Wildlife WHEP & Forestry 4-H Friends,

When there is snow on the ground, tracks are one of the most obvious ways to identify creatures. However, there are more ways to discover what has been lurking!
Scratch marks on trees, logs and rocks: Measure the distance between claw marks to get an idea of the size of the animal; for example, raccoon scratch marks are about 2 1/2" wide.
Tree holes: a tree hole with fresh light-colored wood around the opening is probably being used by a mammal. It must gnaw around the opening to keep the tree from healing.
Eyeshine: Many animals have a mirror-like layer inside the backs of their eyes. This reflective layer bounces the light around their eyes and allows them to see better in the dark. Different animals have different colors of eyeshine.

White - fish, spider, Yellow – raccoon, Red - porcupine, owl, Orange - opossum

Greenish white – deer, Pink/Red – rabbit, Green – frog, Green or Gold - fox

Sheds: Skins, antlers, feathers, hairs and more.

Bones: Most mammal bones are rounded. They are hollow with a thick outer wall. Bird bones have sharper edges. They are hollow with a thin outer wall. Fish bones are usually thin and flat.

What's up in the winter sky?

Around December 14-15 you may catch a glimpse of the Geminids meteor shower, considered to be one of the most spectacular showers of the year. The Geminids are not associated with a comet but an asteroid. The asteroid takes about 1.4 years to orbit the sun.

Sources: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
<https://www.timeanddate.com/astronomy/meteor-shower/>

Anyone interested in Wildlife & Forestry Art? Consider participating in the Wildlife/Forestry Art Contest next spring. It is open to all enrolled Wisconsin 4-H members. Attached is a copy of the registration form. There are eighteen categories in three different age divisions, so you will only compete against youth of your own age. Are you too far away and can't make it to the contest? Just follow the instructions on page 2 of the form. Start taking those pictures.

It is time to set up your wildlife and forestry classes for 2020. We have the topics/ information for you, so just ask and we'll help you. Wildlife/Forestry Activities - Anytime or Anywhere, along with Wildlife WHEP Class Topics and Forestry Class Topics are available. There are topics for every interest and age group in the listings.

Check out <http://fyi.uwex.edu/whepwi4h/> and whep.org to see additional curriculum.

Check out <http://4hforestryinvitational.org/> to see forestry curriculum and www.internationalpaper.com for additional interesting topics. Older youth can qualify for National 4-H Competition by participating in the contests. **Wisconsin placed 6th in the 30th Annual National 4-H WHEP Contest** from Sunday, July 14, through Wednesday, July 17, 2019. The Wisconsin 4-H Team was represented by Caeley Champeau, Taylor Champeau, Phillip Mayer, and Micah Stege. Coaches were Allen Gross and Robin Champeau. Taylor Champeau of the Jackson Explorers received the 3rd high-point individual award. Fourth place high individual award was given to Micah Stege of the St Lawrence Eager Beavers.

We'll train your youth/adult leaders while doing age specific hands-on wildlife & forestry activities in your county.

Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H & Wisconsin 4-H Forestry committee members and youth leaders are available. We have a wide range of activities to choose from. Typical sessions are 1 to 2 hours long. Others last about half a day or even more. Contact us anytime and reserve your dates.

Kerri, "TRACKS" Editor

Special Thanks are extended to the following for making the "Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H" & "Wisconsin 4-H Forestry" programs possible: Wisconsin Chapter of National Wild Turkey Federation; Mad City Gobblers; Safari Club International (SCI) Wisconsin Chapter, Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H & Wisconsin 4-H Forestry Friends; Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H & Forestry – Washington County; Washington County (Hartford Chapter) Whitetails Unlimited; Northern Kettle Moraine Chapter of Whitetails Unlimited; Ebel Sales, Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H & Wisconsin 4-H Forestry State Committee Members. Advisor: Kevin Palmer



DATES TO REMEMBER

April 17 & 18, 2020
ART CONTEST
Wildlife WHEP WI
4-H & Wisconsin 4-H
Forestry
West Bend, WI

April 17 & 18, 2020
Wildlife WHEP WI
4-H Contest (NQE)
West Bend, WI

April 17 & 18, 2020
Wisconsin 4-H
Forestry Contest
(NQE)
West Bend, WI

April 17 & 18, 2020
4-H Wildlife Contest
and Tri-County 4-H
Archery & Air Rifle
Tournament
West Bend, WI

2020 Wildlife & Forestry Art Contest Registration

(Wildlife & Forestry contests are on a separate registration forms.)

Friday, April 17, 2020 and Saturday, April 18, 2020

Washington County Fair Park, 3000 Hwy. PV, West Bend, WI (Hwy 45 S. of West Bend)



This 4-H activity open to all Wisconsin 4-H Club members. You may be enrolled in any 4-H project to participate in Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H & Wisconsin 4-H Forestry activities. See additional guidelines and wildlife/forestry art contest rules for all classes.

"Brief Description" – All items must have a 3" X 5" card attached explaining your wildlife item and its wildlife connection on one side and your name, club, and county on the other side. See examples in guidelines on page two. Items must be made in the current 4-H project year and after September 1st of the previous year. No face to face judging. Judges will give SIX awards in each class and in each division. TAKE UP TO FOUR ITEMS.

	Junior (8yr-11 yr)	Intermediate (12 yr-14 yr)	Senior (15yr-19 yr)
Nesting Structure, Bird, Bee, Butterfly, or Bat House, etc. or Feeders – The structure meets specific requirements for the selected bird, waterfowl, bee, butterfly, bat, etc. - overall size, shape, and hole diameter or opening, etc. Also, include a picture or drawing of the critter along with description of the critter. (Ornamental bird houses, etc. must be entered in crafts.)	_____	_____	_____
Craft – Craft item related to wildlife or forestry that has wildlife habitat connection. Examples: leather craft, stitchery, clothing, sculpture, wildlife folk art, plaster tracks, quiver, etc. Include a brief description of your item. Craft items must be made by exhibitor during the current 4-H year. (Do not use "put together craft kits" or similar items.)	_____	_____	_____
Drawing – Drawing can be any size, and does not need to be mounted that has a wildlife, forestry, or wildlife habitat connection. Drawing can be pencil, ink, charcoal, chalk, pastel, colored pencil or similar on any surface. Drawing will be judged on "story telling ability", neatness, and your brief description.	_____	_____	_____
Invasive Plant or Weed – Poster, display, or dried example of an invasive plant or weed (immature and mature if possible). Include item name, your brief description, and control measures. Also, include date & location where found for each item. This entry may include items from the <u>entire preceding calendar year</u> . Examples: purple loosestrife, ragweed, etc.	_____	_____	_____
Orienteering – Poster or display on Compass, GPS, or Topographic Map Use. Items will be judged on their relationship to wildlife or forestry applications, "story telling ability", neatness, and your brief description.	_____	_____	_____
Photo Black & White – Your black & white photo or silhouette photo (one photo only) can be any size, and does not need to be mounted that has a wildlife or forestry connection. Photo will be judged on "story telling ability", neatness, and your brief description.	_____	_____	_____
Photo Color – Your color photo (one only), any size, and does not need to be mounted that has a wildlife or forestry connection. Photo will be judged on "story telling ability", neatness, and your brief description.	_____	_____	_____
Painting – Your painting can be any size, and does not need to be mounted that has a wildlife or forestry connection. Painting can be acrylic, water color, oil, or similar on any surface. Painting will be judged on "story telling ability", neatness and brief your description.	_____	_____	_____
Recycle – Any item related to wildlife, forestry, or for wildlife use. Example – bird nesting material. Item will be judged on "story telling ability", practical usefulness, neatness, and your brief description.	_____	_____	_____
Taxidermy – Item or display made 4-H member during the current 4-H year. Include date, location and county where critter was obtained. Also, include a brief description of the critter and of your taxidermy work.	_____	_____	_____
Trail Camera Photo – Large / Small Mammal – Photo from a trail camera can be any size, and does not need to be mounted. Include animal name, date, location (county), and brief description of the picture. Also include the relationship of the camera's owner. Picture must have been taken with your immediate family or grandparents trail camera <u>after September 1st of the previous year</u> . Photos will be judged on "story telling ability", neatness, and your brief description.	_____	_____	_____
Trail Camera Photo – Upland Bird, Backyard Bird, Waterfowl, or Raptor – Photo from a trail camera can be any size, and does not need to be mounted. Include animal name, date, location (county), and brief description of the picture. Also include the relationship of the camera's owner. Picture must have been taken with your immediate family or grandparents trail camera <u>after September 1st of the previous year</u> . Photos will be judged on "story telling ability", neatness, and your brief description.	_____	_____	_____
Tree or Shrub – Item , poster or display of a tree or shrub, parts, measurements, related insects or diseases, etc. Include the tree/shrub name and brief description. Also, can be with an animal, insect, bird, or critter that makes their home in, on, or near a particular tree or shrub species. This entry may include items from the <u>entire preceding calendar year</u> .	_____	_____	_____
WHEP or Forestry Concept – Item, diorama, poster, or display of a WHEP or forestry Concept (or part of a concept) from the current national manuals. Include the concept name and a brief description. Examples: habitat requirements, stages, food chain, etc.	_____	_____	_____
WHEP Foods – Item, diorama, poster, or display of a WHEP foods (or part of a food group) from the current national WHEP manual. Include the food group name and a brief description. Examples: aquatic plants, grains, soft mast, hard mast, etc.	_____	_____	_____
WHEP or Forestry Management Practice – Item, diorama, poster, or display of a WHEP Management Practice (or part of a management practice) from the current national WHEP Manual. Include management practice name and your brief description. Examples: planting trees, fish or wildlife survey, create snags, wildlife damage management, recreational uses, products, etc.	_____	_____	_____
Wildflower – Dried or pressed wildflowers, poster or display of wildflowers or parts of a wildflower. Include name, date, location (county) where found and your brief description. This entry may include items from the <u>entire preceding calendar year</u> .	_____	_____	_____
Wildlife/Forestry Game – Individual or group game or learning activity related to wildlife or forestry. Include name of game, supplies, rules, and ages for participation. Also, briefly describe what will be learned by the participants. Include a picture of the game being used. <u>Your item can be a 4-H youth leader activity from the entire preceding year.</u>	_____	_____	_____

WILDLIFE & FORESTRY ART CONTEST ENTRY FEES:

Youth entered in art contest only (Includes t-shirt) \$7.00 first item ___ \$2.00 second item ___ \$2.00 third item ___ \$2.00 fourth item ___

Youth entered in Tri County Tournament and Art Contest: \$2.00 First item ___ \$2.00 second item ___ \$2.00 third item ___ \$2.00 fourth item ___

Can't Attend the Wildlife & Forestry Art Contest. Please make arrangements with a friend to bring your item and take it along home after the event. If that is not possible, please mail/ship your entry in an "acceptable, returnable, and reusable packaging". Your item will be return shipped after the contest. We are not responsible for lost or damaged shipments. Please include the proper applicable shipping cost for the return shipment (nearest dollar value) with your registration fee. See your local Post Office or UPS Store for applicable shipping rates. Your General Club Leader or Extension Youth Development Educator or Project Leader must acknowledge that your entry is your work and that it was made during the current 4-H project year. Contact us with questions.

Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H Art Contest Rules:

- Only North American wildlife (including migratory critters), plants, etc., especially those in found in Wisconsin can be used.
- Items must be made in the current 4-H project year and after September 1st of the previous year. (See listed exceptions.)
- All 4-H wildlife artwork must be done by the participant and not previously exhibited at a Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H Wildlife Art Contest.
- Mountings or frames on photos, drawings, and paintings are not required. Items will be judged on their "story telling ability", neatness, and your brief description.
- Diorama, displays, pictures, and posters can be any reasonable size as long as it is easy to handle and display.
- **"Brief Description counts 20% toward an award"**
- **- All items must have a 3" X 5" card attached with your name, club, & county on one side and topic description which includes proper name, or habitat requirements (diet, water & cover), etc. See examples below.**
- **Brief example for "Photo, Drawing, or Painting":** (Your picture of deer) so your description is as follows:
"White-tailed Deer - This is a large mammal. Habitat: forest & prairie areas, Foods sources: grass, acorns, browse"
- **Brief example for "Wildlife WHEP Concept" poster:** (Your concept is a food web) so your description is as follows:
"Food Web - A food web is a network of interconnected food chains. A food chain starts with primary producer (example), and next is primary consumer (example). Next is secondary consumer (example) and tertiary consumer (example) follows next".
- **Youth are limited to one entry in a class for your age and four entries total.**
- **Your division is determined by your birthday as the first day of the event.**
- Make sure your project will withstand being handled. Projects will be on display for others to view and to examine.
- **No face to face judging. Judges will give SIX awards in each class and in each division and honorable mention certificates when applicable.**
- Any entry not meeting all contest rules will not be eligible for an award.
- Items are entered on Friday evening or Saturday morning. **Items must be registered and on display by 10:00 A.M. Saturday. Late items will not be judged. Items are on display until 1:00 P.M. Please make arrangements for pick-up of your entries if you leave early.**
- +++ An incomplete registration form will not be accepted. +++

I acknowledge that this youth is currently enrolled in 4-H and is entered in the correct classes.

General Club Leader or Extension Youth Development Educator or Adult 4-H Project Leader (project _____) acknowledgment.

Signature _____ Ph# _____ Project Leader for _____

Tri-County **Wildlife Competition:** Friday 4:00-8:00PM and Saturday 7:00AM-1:00PM. Separate age classes: 8-9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17-19. Different tests various age divisions. There are 40 multiple choice questions. No fee required and you are automatically entered. See the wildlife team entry form for details. (This contest is not the Wildlife WHEP & Forestry Statewide Competition. See the separate registration form.)

I'm entered on a tournament wildlife team.

Team Name: _____

See the Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H web site for more details on wildlife contest topics: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/whepwi4h/>

See the 4-H web site for more details on wildlife contest topics: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingssports/>

Each PARTICIPANT receives only one Tournament T-Shirt. Adult sizes: Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ X Large ___ XXL ___

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Postmarked Saturday, March 28, 2020.

Name _____ Birth Date _____ Age _____ Phone _____
Address _____ City, State, Zip _____
4-H Club _____ County _____ E-mail _____

Program support is provided by Wisconsin Wild Turkey Federation Chapters, Northern Kettle Moraine Whitetails Unlimited, Friends of Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H, and Friends of Wisconsin 4-H Forestry. THANK YOU.

Permission Statement: I grant permission for my child to participate in the Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H Wildlife & Wisconsin 4-H Forestry Art Contest and related activities. I release the hosting facility, their employees, UW Extension employees, volunteers, and donors from any financial responsibility while participating or in attendance. I agree to pay all expenses not covered by insurance. I authorize the use of photographs of our family at this event for educational or media purposes. I have read and understand the contest rules regarding participation.

Signature: Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____ Participant's Signature: _____

Total fees: _____ Check Number _____ Make checks payable to: Washington County 4-H Shooting Sports

Mail to: Barb/Norb Yogerst, 2401 Western Avenue, Jackson, WI 53037 PH: 262-677-2379

EM: washingtonco4hshootingssports@gmail.com

Please return this form with payment. Keep a copy for your records. Copy as needed. WWW4Hart/2020/0902 Page 2 of 2

Club Minutes

Pleasant Hill Go-Getters

December 2019 Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 9, 2019

The Meeting was called to order by Grace at 6:13pm. A picture was then taken of all members with the toy donations. Mason donated the toys to Beacon House. 39 club members attended total. Dues were collected and payments were made for pizza and play cards for after the meeting. Grace reviewed Bell ringing at Festival Foods on Clairemont. There are still slots open so if you are interested please contact Grace or Jodi.

There is a sledding party at Jolene Sarauer's house on January 4, 1-4pm. Sledding over Christmas break was voted on, only 5 voted on going. 3 families have signed up to lead a valentine craft at our January meeting, the Hendrickson family, the Buske family, and the Schwartz family. These families will bring 20-30 valentines crafts for the club to make at the January club meeting. Ideas for the March project meeting were discussed including painting, clay, fairy gardens, snap circuits, and maple syrup making/ tapping. The leadership team will discuss and decide on an activity. The April project meeting will be basket making.

Cullen then led heads-up-7-up for an icebreaker. The meeting was motioned by Grayson and second by Alex. The meeting was adjourned at 6:27pm and followed by two hours playing and pizza at Action City.

Truax Eagles Secretary Report December 17, 2019

Before Meeting: 5:30pm Club sang Christmas carols to residents at Dove and handed out cards.

Meeting Called To Order: at 6:07pm by Isaiah, and Pledges were lead by Joel. Roll call was taken by saying your name and your favorite Christmas Tradition. Secretary report was given by Samantha, and Annaka said the Treasurer report.

Old Business: Ben and Abi talked about our service project for this month which was helping at the Christmas Hope Gospel dinner.

New Business: We talked about our club dues, which are \$10 per member and \$25 per family.

Mrs. Steinke gave us a leaders report, Drama Fest and Speaking and Demo Contest is Feb 29th 2020, and Shooting Sports starts Jan 7th 2020. Both things are in cloverleaves for more info.

Abi talked about Drama Fest, She picked out a play and is sending out a email with more info for anyone who is interested.

Our Dec activity is at Irvine Park to see Christmas lights, This activity is on Dec 19th at 6:00pm

Isaiah Talked about the Fair Safety Tent and needs someone to take it over for him by January. Contact him for more info if you or your family want to take it over.

Meeting was adjourned, The birthday song was sung to Mrs. Vlcek.

Guessing Jar was won by Samantha, and Christmas exchange/Game were played, And also had Root Beer Floats.

Respectfully Submitted,

Samantha L. Michaels

Club Minutes

December 2019 Meeting Minutes

Eau Claire Clovers 4-H Club

The Eau Claire Covers December meeting was held at Good Shepherd Church, on December 15, 2019 at 4pm. The energizer was a candy exchange led by the Risler family. After the energizer Hannah did a demonstration on how to make Christmas ornaments. Josie called the meeting to order and pledges were led by Hannah and Ben. A Parliamentary procedure review was led by Beth. Attendance was taken, and we welcomed some new members. The secretary's report from October's meeting was read. The secretary's report was motioned by Marshall and seconded by Kendall. The Spirit Cup was given to Brooke and Hayden. The treasurer's report was read by Patrica and motioned by Hannah and seconded by Ben. We went over old business which was motioned by Maddie and seconded by Kendall.

In new business, the Eau Claire Marathon is on May 3 and a leader for the water station is needed. T-Shirts are in for people who have ordered them. There is a bell ringing on December 20th, at Festival Foods on Mall Drive from 5-9pm. Butter braid sales will start on February 18th. Farm tech day photo contest was discussed. For more information check in the Clover Leaves. Anna talked about a recycling project for her school and asked our club to please donate all plastic items they have to her at the next meeting. A reminder was given to start making record books for this year. The Cloverbud leaders, Anna, Ben, Patrica, and Hannah introduced themselves and explained that they would start meeting with our younger 4-Hers, starting soon. Dee Halverson will be working on the club directory. Everyone was asked to provide information to her, once she requests it, as it's a great, handy tool for contacting 4-H members. We discussed volunteering at Feed My People on February 18 and April 24 5-7pm. We were reminded that there is a mandatory Shooting Sports meeting on January 7, and all interested in that project should attend. Josie brought up the idea of having a mentor family program so returning members can help new members with signing up for projects, making record books, etc. A sign up was passed around. February 4-H On the Air was explained, and anyone interested was asked to contact Francine. Beth reminded people to register for trips. The Geyen and Halverson family will update the club on the details of the January meeting, which will be held at the Paint Shack. The club voted on going to the trampoline park in February and a sign up sheet was passed around for those interested. The new business was motioned by Hannah and seconded by Marshall.

In the leader's report Francine mentioned that it was important that families that have been in charge of meetings/activities, need to make a page for the historian book and emphasized the need for starting individual record books as soon as possible. A record book meeting will be organized in March. Francine also mentioned that families should take a look at the sign ups for community service, monthly meetings and demonstrations, as there are a few spots that still need to be filled.

The meeting was motioned for adjournment by Anna and seconded by Ben. After the meeting, members partook in a hot chocolate bar. This month's community service was Random Acts of Christmas Kindness where members will RACK people with candy canes. Members were also given a list of acts we can do to spread happiness and kindness.



Club Minutes

Pleasant Valley's Secretary Report, December 2019

Pleasant Valley 4-H Club had its monthly meeting on Thursday, the 19th of December at the Pleasant Valley Community Center. The meeting was called to order by President Anna Iverson at 6:38 P.M. Then the pledges were lead by Treasurer Brooke in the absence of Sergeant at Arms Hailey. We celebrated December birthdays; happy birthday to Teegan and Zach. The secretary report was sent out in an email before the meeting and the treasurer's report was read by our clubs treasurer Brooke. They were both approved by the club and Charlie made a motion, seconded by Kaelyn.

We recapped old business. Last month we tied tie blankets as a club that are going to be donated to Oakwood Villa (a nursing home). We recapped 4-H on the air and our Cookie Walk, Old business was approved; Garret made a motion, seconded by Olivia, to pass old business.

We moved on to new business. Bell ringing for the Salvation Army is Saturday December 21st; 4-H Winter Camp is December 28-29. Our next club meeting is Thursday, January 16th, at 6:30p.

Our meeting was adjourned at 7:01 P.M.; motion made by Grace, seconded by Allisa . Our after meeting activity was to wrap the presents we purchased for our adopted family and a gift exchange.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sydney Iverson



Pleasant Valley Clovers December 2019 Meeting Minutes

Before the meeting, there was a potluck and card making. The meeting was called to order by Sam, pledges were said, and roll call was taken. We sang happy birthday to Katelynn, Hailey, and Gunner. The secretary's report was read, and a motion was made by Hannah and seconded by June to accept the report. The treasurer's report was also read.

For old business, members gave activity reports on Bell Ringing, Adopt-a-Family, and Oak Gardens Place. Club T-Shirt orders were turned in to Tricia Friederichs. The next meeting is on January 20th at the Paint Shack and Cherry Berry. People doing regular canvas paintings should arrive between 5 and 5:30 to start and can finish after the meeting, if needed. People doing paint pour should come for the demonstration at 6:00 and pick out your 3 colors. You will do your paint pour after the meeting. The meeting will be at 6:30 and members should wear appropriate clothing for painting. A motion was made by Katelynn, seconded by Duane to have the club pay ten dollars for each member to do one painting or pour. The Tri-County Performing Arts Festival Entries are due February 10th and sign up was passed around. There was no other old business.

For new business, in February there will be Parent's Night. We will also have a winter fun activity of ice skating at Hobbs on a Wednesday or Sunday night. We will be deciding the date at the next meeting. There was a motion by Lindsay, seconded by Connor for the club to pay for members to skate. There was no other new business.

For youth leader's report. OYC had a pizza party, games, frosted cookies, and discussed a fundraiser. For leader's report, summer camp help is needed as well as project leaders. See the Clover Leaves.

A motion was made by Katelynn, seconded by Emma to adjourn the meeting for a gift exchange.

Submitted by Allison Duerkop

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 discipline.</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.

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- (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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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 # _____