

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 families,

It is starting to feel like fall. With that brings the start of school. While things don't look normal at school, I know my kids are certainly looking forward to going back. And, it's a reminder that nothing really looks like it used to, including 4-H. While that is hard, it's important to remember that we can still support Independence, Mastery, Generosity, and Belonging through virtual meetings, challenges, and other activities. If you need help coming up with ideas on what to do to engage your club, let me know and we can brainstorm.

What is happening this fall? I am working with my counterparts in Dunn and Chippewa Counties to develop "Discover 4-H" boxes with 6 projects geared toward K-5th graders. See the flyer on page 5 to learn more. There will be virtual celebrations plus meetings to make the items together and there might even be in-person options dependent upon virus trends. Contact me with any questions.

We are still collecting record books. Drop them off at the Extension Office by October 5. There should be a bin in the entry-way so that you don't have to make an appointment with Andy. Record books can be scrapbooks, PowerPoint presentations, or videos.

There are some state updates that affect everyone. Re-enrollment usually starts the first week after labor day. Not this year! The state is updating to a new version of 4Honline and it is not ready to go live quite yet. So, wait for enrollment announcements before trying to enroll. That said, I am VERY much looking forward to the new version. It is mobile friendly and much more intuitive. AND, the state is developing a new website. Look for that announcement and rollout, soon.

So, while this year is definitely one that has been full of "not normal," please know that 4-H is still happening. Learning is happening. Connections are happening. And, we're happy to have you as part of the 4-H family.

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**Does your club or project group
have a Facebook page?**

Let us know about it so Extension 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 Extension 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 the Extension Office 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

Zooms/At home activities:

October 4, 4:30PM Discover 4-H Welcome
October 8-November 12, Thursdays, 4:30PM
Discover 4-H Activities
November 15, 4:30PM Discover 4-H
Celebration

Important County Dates

September 1: Charter Financial documents due to do the Extension Office

October 5: Record books due to the Extension Office (both club and individual)

October 6-16: Record book review (TBD, check with Rachel and Awards Committee chaired by Heather Iverson)

October 15: Complete Charters turned into the Extension Office

Leaders Association

Eau Claire County 4-H Leaders Association

September 15, 2020

6:30 PM

Agenda Items:

- **Association Roles/Responsibilities**
- **Club leader check-in**
- **Fundraising**
- **Awards Banquet update**



Rabbits for Sale

I am currently looking for homes for my fair rabbits as this was my last year showing them. Available rabbits include 3 Mini Satins (1 buck, 2 does). All are purebred and tattooed. If you are interested or would like more information please reach out to Holly Groell at 715-586-0489 or hollygroell@gmail.com. Thank you!

4-H On the Air Schedule



1st Saturday Of The Month

Month	Club	Contact	Phone	email
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

Record Book Pages

The new Record Book pages can be found at our website <https://eauclaire.extension.wisc.edu/>

Or you can click [here](#) for a quick ride to the 4-H Forms/Registration page.

This year you may still use the old pages.

Record books are due to the Extension office October 5.

Options for Online Meetings

Options for Online meetings:

1. Zoom Basic - Free - Meetings for a limited number of participants for up to 40 minutes.
2. Zoom Pro - \$14.99 per month - Up to 100 participants per meeting. No time limit. (Zoom is available Free for educational use - <https://blog.zoom.us/wordpress/2020/03/13/how-to-use-zoom-for-online-learning/>)
3. Google Meet - Free - Restrictions vary based on whether they are using Google Suite or regular Gmail as a host account. <https://cloud.google.com/blog/products/g-suite/helping-businesses-and-schools-stay-connected-in-response-to-coronavirus>
4. Cisco WebEx - Free during the Pademic - <https://help.webex.com/en-us/n80v1rcb/Cisco-Webex-Available-Free-in-These-Countries-COVID-19-Response>
5. Microsoft Teams - Microsoft has tools within their MS Teams platform, both for paid and free users available as part of their response to the pandemic - <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-365/blog/2020/03/05/our-commitment-to-customers-during-covid-19/>

**FOCUSING
ON
GRADES
K - 5**



PRICE:

**\$15/TWO YOUTH
FAMILY.
ADDITIONAL
BOXES ARE
AVAILABLE**

Discover 4-H

**Six weeks of engaging activities
for your whole family to learn
more about 4-H and how to join in
on the learning and fun!**

Discover 4-H boxes will be delivered during the first week of October, which also doubles as National 4-H Week!

Every Thursday from October 8 through November 12, participants will be encouraged to join a weekly Zoom meeting to work through that week's lesson, interact with other future members, and meet various 4-H leaders from around the area. There will be special Zooms on Sunday, October 4 and November 15!

All Zooms will be held from 4:30-5:30 pm!

Deadline to Register: September 21

Choose 1 of 3 ways to learn more and to register:

**1) Scan the QR code with
your phone's camera:**



**2) Type this link into your
browser:** [https://uwmadison
.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/S
V_cMyObFybxU1108Z](https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cMyObFybxU1108Z)

**3) Call Eau Claire 4-H at
715-839-4712**



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Madison, WI [August 1, 2020] — [Cedar Crest Ice Cream](#), Cedarburg, Wisconsin, and the [Wisconsin 4-H Foundation](#) have teamed up again to present the “Cedar Crest Ice Cream 4-H Flavor Contest” for Wisconsin 4-H clubs. More than 1600 clubs are eligible to create and submit a flavor ‘recipe’ with the top clubs named as finalists, and the top flavor produced for summer 2021.

According to Brenda Scheider, Executive Director of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, the contest is a great opportunity for 4-H youth to work together to develop and name their flavor. “The most exciting part of the contest is the winning flavor will be available through Cedar Crest beginning next July.” The annual contest has already yielded popular flavors including Deep Woods, created by the Badger Boosters 4-H Club of West Bend and Wisconsin Campfire S’mores, created by the Springbrook 4-H Club of New Richmond. This year’s winning flavor was Road Trip Wisconsin, created by the Trail Blazers 4-H Club of Holmen in LaCrosse County.

A panel of ice cream experts chosen by Cedar Crest judges the entries. The company manufactures more than 80 flavors of ice cream, along with frozen custard, sherbet and sorbet at its Manitowoc, Wisconsin, plant, and distributes products in five states. Many of the flavors now produced by Cedar Crest, including Wisconsin Campfire S’mores and Big Muddy, are a result of the contest.

More information and the entry form are available at www.cedarcresticecream.com. Entries are due by November 13, 2020. The winner will be announced in December 2020.

Based in Madison, WI, the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation provides essential funding for 4-H programs throughout Wisconsin. By partnering with individuals, corporations and foundations, the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation supports more than 150,000 youth who take part in various 4-H leadership, development and community-building activities throughout the state. Learn more about the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation at www.Wis4HFoundation.org.



Winners of the 2020 Cedar Crest Ice Cream naming contest: Trail Blazers 4-H Club of Holmen, LaCrosse County

Older Youth Council News

President: Grace Richardson

Vice President: Beth Berger

Secretary: Rachel Anderson

Treasurer: Cullen Schlewitz

Sergeant at Arms: Patricia Clark

Youth Reps to Leaders Association: Brooke Berg & Izzy Topper

Next Meeting: September 13, 6:30PM



Rocket Build and Launch

We had a great rocket launch on August 27 after our Zoom build session. Thanks to all who participated. Here are some pictures of participating families for those who aren't on Facebook.



Awards Committee Updates

The Awards Committee has meet and has many updates for 4-H youth and families.

For youth who had an educational experience canceled in 2020: youth will need to reapply for the experience on 4Honline. **Previous scholarships from the Leaders Association will be honored** for the re-scheduled 2021 experience--youth will not need to reapply for a scholarship. Example: Fall 2019, youth was awarded a scholarship from the Leaders Association for the 2020 American Spirit Experience-East. This 2020 trip was canceled. If the youth would like to go on the same trip in 2021: Fall 2020, youth does not need to complete a nomination form to request funding for the 2021 American Spirit Experience-East; youth will still need reapply to 4Honline for the 2021 experience. If this youth also wanted to go on the 2021 CWF experience, the youth would need to apply for scholarship for this trip following the guidelines on the nomination form.

Remember there is a new Record Book format that you can use. Both formats are on the Extension Eau Claire County website: <https://eauclaire.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-forms-documents/>. The last page of the Record Book –**the Nomination Form (attached here) should be included in the front inside pocket of everyone's Record Book.** This Nomination Form lists the documents that are needed to apply for scholarship. **All Record Books for county level scholarships and awards are due to the Extension Office by Monday, 10/5.**

The Awards Committee would like to remind youth of the opportunity for county level scholarships. Youth can apply for a county level scholarship from the 4-H Leaders Association for any of the following educational experiences: 4-H State Youth Conference @ UW-Madison, American Spirit Experience-East, CWF - Citizen Washington Focus in Washington D.C., National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Ga., and National 4-H Conference in Washington D.C.

As a reminder, youth can request funding from the 4-H Leaders Association for: State Art Groups (4-H Drama Company, 4-H Art Team, 4-H Communications Team), Fall Forum, Space Camp, and Space Camp Counselor. This funding request is directly through the 4-H Leaders Association and is not part of the scholarship application process; a nomination form does not need to be completed for: State Art Groups (4-H Drama Company, 4-H Art Team, 4-H Communications Team), Fall Forum, Space Camp, and Space Camp Counselor.

Although it is uncertain what programs will be available for 2020-2021, we believe in the educational value of the scholarship application process. The Awards Committee is currently looking at ways to hold the interview process as safely as possible, including figuring out virtual options and access to internet if that is needed for your family.

The committee has agreed to waive the requirements needed to achieve in 4-H for the 2019-2020 4-H year. There is no minimum number of meetings required; you are not required to do a demonstration; you are not required to do a public exhibit. To apply for the scholarships, youth will need to complete a Record Book and the documents outlined on the Nomination Form.

To apply for scholarship or be nominated for a county level award, **youth need to include a youth leadership page in their record book. The youth leadership experience does not have to be something that you exhibited at the fair.** The youth leadership page will showcase at least one Youth Leadership experience you led/facilitated during the past 4-H year. Youth Leadership opportunities through 4-H are endless: leading a club activity, being a club officer, promoting 4-H, setting up a community service project, sharing with others about a 4-H project, educating, fundraising, etc. **If you were unable to carry out a youth leadership project you had planned because of changes with COVID, still use the 'youth leadership experience' record book page to share what you were hoping to do.**

4-H Club and Project Leaders can nominate youth who have completed at least 8th grade for: Achievement, Citizenship, or Leadership, Farm Bureau Outstanding Youth Awards (Agriculturally Related), and "I Dare You" Awards (Sponsored by OYC - Older Youth Council). **This portion of the Nomination Form needs to be completed by October 5th.**

The number of record books each club can submit to the county has changed from 15 to 10. **Clubs may submit 1 record book for every 10 members.** (1 book for 3-5 grade and 1 book for 6-8 grade for <10 members; 2 books for 3-5 grade and 2 book for 6-8 grade for 11-20 members; 3 books for 3-5 & 3 books for 6-8 for 21-30 members; etc.) Leaders are to complete the bottom portion of the Nomination Form and submit the record book by October 5th.

If you have any questions regarding the above information, contact Heather Iverson, Awards Committee Chair, or Rachel Hart-Brinson, 4-H Program Educator.





Nomination Form

Please place this form and required documents in the FRONT INSIDE POCKET of your Record Book.

This portion is completed by 4-H Member

Your Name: _____

Your Club Name: _____

LAST GRADE Completed: _____

If you are not requesting funds for an Educational Experience (s) (4-H Trip) STOP HERE

If you are applying for a scholarship for an Educational Experience(s) (4-H Trip), you must complete 1. and 2. AND include the following with this form:

1. What 4-H Educational Experience(s) are you requesting the scholarship for? _____
2. Would you like to be considered for the Wisconsin 4-H Key Award? YES ____ NO ____

☐ COVER LETTER

☐ PERSONAL RESUME

☐ RECOMMENDATION LETTER

☐ YOUTH LEADERSHIP PAGE IS INCLUDED IN YOUR RECORD BOOK

4-H Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

By signing above, I confirm that I have included all the requirements listed above for the scholarship and I am an ACHIEVING 4-H Member.

This portion is completed by a 4-H Club or Project Leader for youth who have completed at least 8th grade.

I would like to nominate this 4-H Member for a county level award in the area(s) of:

- ☐ Achievement, Citizenship, and Leadership (Certificates, Pins, or Both)
- ☐ Selection of Farm Bureau Outstanding Youth Awards (Agriculturally Related)
- ☐ Selection of "I Dare You" Awards (Sponsored by OYC - Older Youth Council)

4-H Leader Signature: _____ Date: _____

By signing above, I confirm that this member's RECORD BOOK has been REVIEWED by 4-H Member's General Club Leader and/or Committee, a Youth Leadership page is included in the member's Record Book, and my recommendation letter is included. (Please note, the recommendation letter the 4-H member submits does not have to be from the same 4-H Leader submitting the request for a county level award.)

This Record Book is being selected by your club for county recognition.

- ☐ 3rd through 5th Grade 4-H Record Book for County Recognition
- ☐ 6th through 8th Grade 4-H Record Book for County Recognition

4-H Club Leader Signature: _____ Date: _____

THE WISCONSIN 4-H MOVEMENT - 4-H WEEK

Challenge

HOW DO YOU LIVE
OUT THE 4-H MOVEMENT?

What?

4-H Youth Video/Photo Contest
"Living the Wisconsin 4-H Movement"

Criteria:

Share how you live out one or more aspects of the Wisconsin 4-H Movement through video (up to 1 minute), drawing, creative writing, or still photography.

Entry Deadline:

Submit video, drawings, creative writing and/or photos by midnight on October 31, 2020

Submission Information:

Submit entries at <http://bit.ly/wi4hmovement2020>


Feel free to tag #wi4hmovement on Facebook or Instagram

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WIN A 4-H SURPRISE

The Wisconsin 4-H Movement - Being Yourself: Find and share your authentic sparks and interests; **Belonging Together:** Recognize, understand, respect, and appreciate each other; **Building Connections:** Grow positive relationships with peers and adults; **Discovering Skills:** Develop skills through hands-on learning to help you succeed and thrive; **Exploring New Opportunities:** Open the door to new experiences, projects, and places; **Giving Back to Your Community:** Make meaningful contributions through community service and leadership.





Nancy Zieman 4-H Virtual Community Quilt – Join the Fun!

Do you like to sew, quilt, create?

All youth and adult quilters, sewists and fiber artists are invited to contribute to a virtual community quilt in celebration of the upcoming premiere of the PBS Wisconsin documentary, *Nancy Zieman: Extraordinary Grace*.

Nancy's career in sewing and fiber arts was inspired by her youth participation in Wisconsin 4-H. Nancy credited 4-H for many life skills including public speaking, problem solving, self-confidence, leadership and communication skills. 4-H project experiences allow youth a chance to explore their interests, creating pathways to both careers and lifelong hobbies.

Has Nancy inspired your lifelong hobby or career path? What life skills did you develop in 4-H? Or, what are you currently learning in your 4-H projects that is helping you think about your future career or lifelong hobbies? How has an adult helped and supported you like Nancy's 4-H volunteer leaders encouraged her?

Go to QuiltShow.com/communityprojects to upload an image of a 6-1/2-inch fiber art square or quilt block (no larger than 2 MB), along with a statement detailing how Nancy Zieman and/or 4-H directed your fiber arts journey or career path.



"I needed something to build confidence, something that would break my downward slide and affirm my words. That something came through 4-H membership and discovering my destiny in sewing."



Nancy Zieman, from her autobiography, *Seams Unlikely*

Note: Fiber arts square or quilt block must be 6-1/2-inches square, and may be stitched, pieced, appliquéd, painted, beaded, mixed or other.

Entries are due by Sept. 1.

The Great Wisconsin Quilt Show virtual community quilt(s) will be shared at QuiltShow.com/digitalquilt as part of the virtual experience, Sept. 10-12. You'll also be able to scroll through and read stories from participants across the country whose lives have been impacted by Nancy Zieman and/or 4-H.



New Virtual Experience!

Sept. 10-12, 2020
QuiltShow.com

 PBS Wisconsin **NANCY ZIEMAN**
Sew • Quilt • Create PRODUCTIONS



10K Conservation Challenge

Upham's 10K Conservation Challenge aims to put 10,000 hours of conservation projects into the land by the end of 2020. As of March 2020, we are at 2,134 hours. Join us remotely to continue this mission!



We want to measure your success!

Report any hours of conservation you do by calling Upham Woods 608-254-6461 or completing this survey:

https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cPepiSpnSDzhPSZ

Complete 10 hours or more on any conservation project or combination of projects and get an Upham Woods camp t-shirt!

Trash & Litter Clean-up

Trash and litter in the environment can cause harm to plants, animals, and the ecosystem. Cleaning up a roadside or natural area from trash and litter might not sound like the most exciting summer activity, but it can certainly improve the quality of the landscape.

While doing a summertime clean-up be on the lookout for wild parsnip, poison ivy, and harmful trash (syringes, needles, dead animals, leaking batteries, chemical containers, un-labeled open containers, or any environmentally unsafe trash) Also, remember to recycle when you can.

Tips for roadside clean-up:

- have a first aid kit and cell phone available
- wear bright clothes
- always work towards on-coming traffic
- place a sign on the side of the road at the beginning and end of your work site
- wear long sleeves, pants, and gloves
- have plenty of water available
- avoid working during bad weather or high traffic times

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Encountering poison ivy can cause a rash. Poison ivy is easily identifiable. It can grow as a bush but is most commonly seen as a vine. The leaves come in groups of 3 with one leaf at the end of the stem. The formation of the three leaves reminds me of an elephant with two ears and the trunk in the middle. The leaves are not serrated but may have small lobes. Poison ivy never has thorns. If someone comes in contact with poison ivy, wash the area with soap and water as soon as possible. Wash all clothing, shoes, and other items that had contact with the plant or with a person who touched the plant. Wear vinyl or cotton gloves when handling or washing items that have touched poison ivy.



Photo courtesy of Wisconsin DNR

Wild parsnip is a plant that grows commonly in open grassland and roadside. This plant can cause a chemical reaction on some one's skin when it is exposed to sunlight called phytophotodermatitis. This essentially causes a chemical burn on the skin resulting in blisters and possible scarring. Wild parsnip can be identified by its small yellow flowers on the end of tall stalks in the shape of an umbel. It looks very similar to Queen Anne's Lace and wild carrot. When someone comes into contact with wild parsnip immediately cover the area from the sun, then wash the area with soap and water. As with poison ivy, wash any clothing or equipment that may have come into contact with the plant.



Photos courtesy of Wisconsin DNR

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Participants should also avoid any environmentally un-safe trash including dead animals, needles syringes, leaking batteries, chemical containers, and unlabeled open containers. Bring trash bags specifically for items that can be recycled. Reaching out to parks departments or other agencies to find some different spots that need to be cleaned may provide you with a variety of projects available to you.

When doing a roadside clean-up, make sure you have a cell phone and first-aid kit available. Wearing bright clothes is a must. Avoid high traffic times in the day and bad weather. It is also a good idea to place a sign at the beginning and end of the site you intend to work at. Always work with the younger participants furthest from the road. Continue along the side of the road facing traffic. Coordinate your trash pickups with county or state road agencies if possible. They may be able to provide you with signs and possibly pick-up your trash bags.

If you spend time on your canoe or kayak, you may want to collect trash or litter on a riverway, lake, or pond.

Tips for a paddle clean-up

- make sure everyone is wearing a PFD or personal flotation device
- always maintain 3 points of contact while reaching into the body of water to pick up trash
- bring a fishing net to help extend your reach
- be aware of other boats near you and follow all boating laws

This could be part of your career!

There are many different career opportunities in natural resources including conservation warden, land steward, wildlife biologist, and much more.



Be part of Upham Woods Backyard BioBlitz with iNaturalist

How to participate in Upham Woods Backyard BioBlitz?

Download the iNaturalist app onto your device. Make an account and add observations to the Upham Woods Backyard BioBlitz project. Fill out this survey to count your explorations toward the 10k Conservation Challenge! To learn more about the challenge take a look at the Upham Woods website.

Survey: https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cPepiSpnSDzhPSZ

Upham Website: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/uphamwoods/programs/conservation-program/>

What is a BioBlitz?

A BioBlitz is the gathering of different species in one area. The goals of a BioBlitz are to gain a better understanding of the biodiversity of an area and to get people outside interacting with their local environment.

What is Biodiversity?

Biodiversity is variety of life in a particular ecosystem. A high biodiversity brings stability and helps maintain ecosystem services. Ecosystem services include clean water, clean air, and healthy soil.

How to use iNaturalist

Below are steps on how to use iNaturalist. Videos are also available on their website here: <https://www.inaturalist.org/pages/video+tutorials>

Before you add observations, join Upham Woods Backyard BioBlitz!

iPhone with iOS app:

1. Tap "More" on the bottom row, then tap Projects
2. Swipe down on the Projects page then search for Upham Woods
3. Select Upham Woods Backyard BioBlitz
4. Tap Join

Android app:

1. Tap on Projects in the side menu.
2. Tap on magnifying glass icon then search for Upham Woods
3. Select Upham Woods Backyard BioBlitz
4. Tap Join

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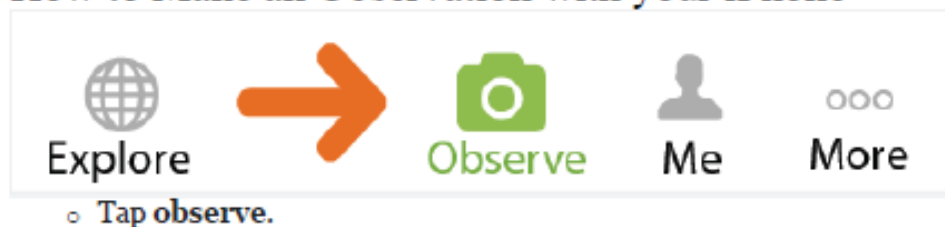
What Are Observations?

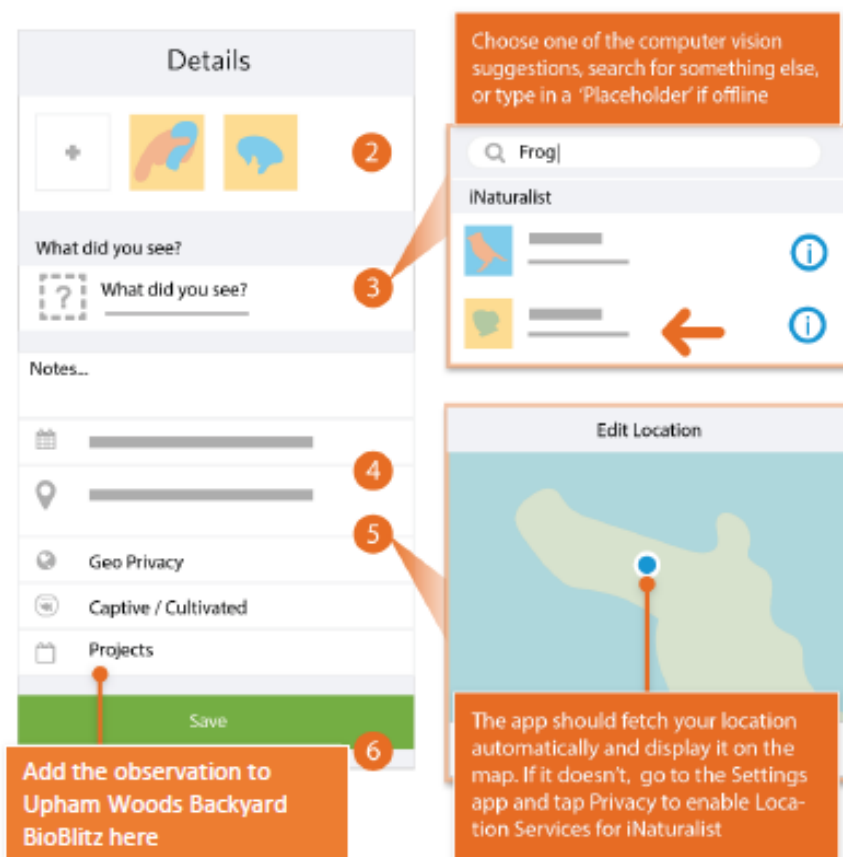
An observation records an encounter with an individual organism at a particular time and location. This includes encounters with signs of organisms like tracks, nests, or things that just died. When you make an observation, you'll record:



Your observations don't need to include all of these parts, but they do in order to become *research quality observations for science*. Remember, you should make separate observations for each separate organism you encounter. If you observed something that is not wild, like a garden plant or a lion in the zoo, make sure to mark it as captive/cultivated to prevent it from becoming research quality.

How to Make an Observation with your iPhone





- Add one or more photos as **evidence**.
- Choose **what** you saw.
- **When** you saw it should be added automatically.
- **Where** you saw it should be added automatically. If it doesn't, check Privacy in the Settings app.
- Click on projects and add the **Upham Woods Backyard BioBlitz**
- **Save** your observation.

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- **Upload** to share with the community. This should happen automatically. If it doesn't, tap the Upload button. You can turn off automatic upload from the app settings from the Me tab.

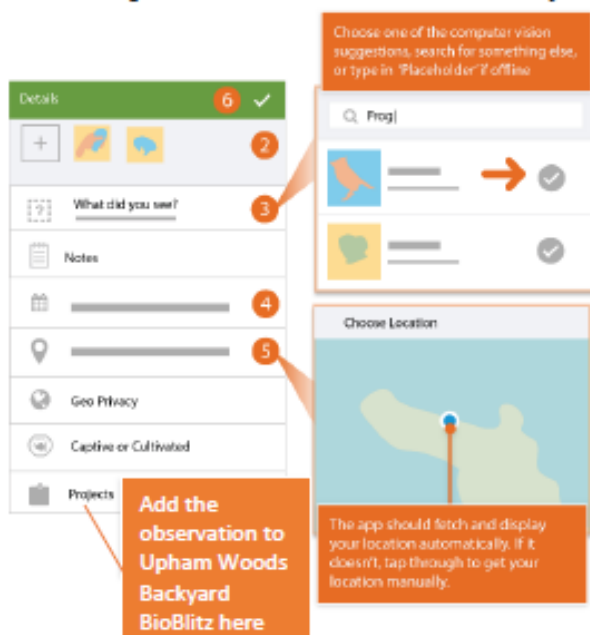


- Check back for **activity** on your observation from the community or be notified by email to the address in your account settings.

How to Make an Observation with your Android



- Tap the **observe** button from the My Observations tab.



- Add one or more photos as **evidence**.
- Choose **what** you saw.
- **When** you saw it should be added automatically.

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UW-MADISON EXTENSION



TO: Wisconsin Youth (9-12 Grades)
FROM: CWF-PI Program Development Team
DATE: June 16, 2020
RE: 2021 Citizenship Washington Focus Presidential Inauguration (CWF-PI) Program

Our nation is in the midst of an election year and **YOU** have the opportunity to engage and learn more about the election process, the Executive Branch and the Office of Presidency. Participating in CWF-PI will not only provide YOU with the unique and special opportunity to participate in the 2021 Inauguration, but it will also involve a comprehensive civic leadership experience in the months leading up to the Election and Inauguration.

If you are interested in further developing your leadership skills and becoming more civically engaged, take time to apply **TODAY** for the 2021 Citizenship Washington Focus Presidential Inauguration (CWF-PI) Program. CWF-PI is limited to 54 youth participants and participation will be based on the completed application and state-wide representation. ***This experience is not limited to 4-H Members. If you know of a young leader (grades 9-12 - 2020-2021 School Year) who would be interested in engaging in a civic leadership experience, please pass the registration information along and encourage them to apply.***

Registration is a two-step process, interested youth leaders must complete the Google Form Application, which includes creating a short 2-3 minute video on why they are interested in participating in CWF-PI and what skills and experiences they will bring to the experience. Two completed recommendation forms are required. One from a teacher, 4-H Leader, or other community member; and one Reference Form from their 4-H Educator or Community Youth Development Educator.

1. Apply for CWF-PI in the Google Form (<https://forms.gle/gznZv9En8kwe1mVYA>) Applications will be available today, **June 16, and are due on June 30.** Applications will be reviewed by Extension Staff, History Teachers/Community Volunteers and previous participants after June 30. Participants will be notified of the status of their application by August 1.
2. **National Code of Conduct and Media Release forms** will be mailed participants by August 1 with a confirmation letter. Selected applicants will need to return signed forms postmarked no later than Saturday, **August 15, 2020** to the State 4-H Youth Development Office. Your prompt response is required to ensure your participation.

Cost: The cost for CWF-PI will be *approximately* \$1,600 per person and will include costs of the program, transportation, meals and lodging (the total will be determined as soon as transportation costs are confirmed.) It is up to participants to work with their county Extension Office to determine just how much of this cost you will personally be responsible for paying. Statewide scholarship applications are available at: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hedopp/statewide-scholarships-new/>. Participants will be invoiced in August (deposit due August 30) and September (balance due Oct. 15).

CWF-PI Cancellation Policy: If written cancellation to justin.lieck@wisc.edu is received prior to 4 p.m. August 15, there will be no financial penalty. If participants cancel after 4 p.m. August 15, they will be responsible for the entire program cost for your reservation if a substitute delegate cannot be identified. Cancellation must be sent in writing (by e-mail or regular mail) to your County 4-H Office and the State 4-H Office.

We also want to acknowledge that we are in the midst of unprecedented times with COVID-19. We are moving ahead with plans and we recognize that the program may change and/or need to be adapted due to COVID-19 restrictions. Our staff will continue to monitor the situation and communicate with participants regarding any program changes, adaptations and/or cancellations.

Travel: Delegates will travel by commercial airline with 4-H Adult Advisors to Washington, D.C. Departure airports will be Milwaukee and Minneapolis. In some cases, participants may be able to carpool with other delegates to the departure/return airport; otherwise you will be responsible for your own transportation to your departure location.

For more information, visit <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hedopp/citizenship-washington-focus-presidential-inauguration/> or <https://4-h.org/parents/presidential-inauguration/>. If you have questions about CWF Presidential Inauguration 2021, please contact your county 4-H Educator or call the State 4-H Youth Development office at (608) 262-1557 or (608) 263-5971.

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2021 CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS (CWF) Presidential Inauguration Information & Registration



Wisconsin Youth (Grades 9-12 - 2020-2021 School Year), Parents & Staff, please review the attached program information and mark the following important reminders on your calendar.

Deadlines and Important Dates to Remember

June 16-30	Apply for Citizenship Washington Focus Presidential Inauguration (CWF-PI) online: https://forms.gle/mq8Bt8rKwiiDyngH7 Opens 4:00 p.m. June 16, closes 11:59 p.m. June 30
August 1	Watch for Acceptance Letter including Nat'l. Code of Conduct & Media Release Forms
August 15	Postmark Deadline for Required Forms and Program Cancellations; Registration is not complete until the State 4-H Office receives Forms.
September 15	Postmark Deadline for \$800 Deposit due to your State 4-H Office
September	Program Preparation - Team Connect #1 via Zoom - Required Participation
October	Program Preparation - Team Connect #2 via Zoom - Required Participation
October 15	Watch for a final letter including travel details, final invoice, and Health Update Form. (Bring completed form to airport to give to your Advisor.)
November	Program Preparation - Team Connect #3 via Zoom - Required Participation
December 1	Postmark Deadline for Balance of Fees due to State 4-H Office
December	Program Preparation - Team Connect #4 - Orientation - Required Participation
Jan 17-21, 2021	TENTATIVE CWF Presidential Inauguration Program (Includes Travel Dates)

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WI 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT 2021 Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) Presidential Inauguration Program



WHAT? Wisconsin youth are invited to participate in this life-changing citizenship experience from the comfort of their own homes and in Washington, DC. This educational opportunity is an all-encompassing opportunity with pre and post educational components in addition to an incredible out of state experience. Through virtual and hands-on workshops; speakers; field trips to national memorials, historical sites, and museums; and experiencing the Presidential Inauguration Day Events. Participants will learn the importance of social responsibility and a deeper understanding of the Democratic Process and especially the Executive Branch. Those selected to represent WI will have an opportunity to better understand the history of the Presidency, the election process, and the role of the press, participants will discover the intricacies of the Executive Branch and careers in politics, and practice their role in citizenship through service, civic education, and engagement.

WHEN? Tentative Departure will be on Sunday, Jan. 17, 2021 with return to Wisconsin on Thursday, Jan. 21, 2021. Required Pre and Post Program Educational Programming and Orientation; monthly leading up to experience and two weeks following the experience. Invoices, details, and a Participant Guide will be sent via email.

WHERE? Pre and Post Travel Experiences will take place via Zoom or at a Central Regional Location. The On-Site Educational Programming and Lodging will take place at the National 4-H Center, Chevy Chase, MD and nearby Washington D.C. Sites. Participants will fly round trip on commercial airlines between Milwaukee or Minneapolis and Washington, D.C. Return sites are the same. National 4-H Council will be responsible for transportation within the Washington D.C. Area.

WHO? There are fifty-four (54) spaces reserved for Wisconsin youth grades 9-12 (as of Jan. 1, 2021). There will be one adult advisor per ten youth. Adult Advisors will be involved in the pre travel educational experience and will accompany the youth from each airport and throughout the program.

HOW MUCH? Tentative registration fees are approximately \$1,600 including round trip flight between Minneapolis or Milwaukee and Washington D.C., educational programming, four nights lodging, most meals, transportation during the program. Final cost is dependent on airfare and will be announced in August. Please contact your county 4-H Youth Development office regarding possible financial assistance/scholarship support. The remaining amount is the responsibility of the delegate and his/her family. Those whose written cancellations received prior to 4:00 p.m., August 15 to justin.lieck@wisc.edu will have no financial penalty. For cancellations received after 4 p.m. August 15, full registration fees will be assessed. Medical emergencies will be considered for partial refund on a case by case basis. Same-gender substitutions might be possible. Invoices will be mailed to parents in August for \$800 due September 15 and in August for the balance which will be due December 1. Payments should be written payable to UW-Madison Division of Extension. Check with your local educator on your county's payment process, including scholarships.

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HOW: Registrations for Citizenship Washington Focus Presidential Inauguration 2021 will be accepted and reviewed by WI 4-H Staff, Volunteers and Community Members. Ideally there will be equal representation across regions of the state. Applications will go through Google Forms and will **open at 4:00 p.m. June 16, and close at 11:59 pm June 30.** Online registration procedures are included in this registration packet. All registered youth will be notified by August 1. **Youth will be asked to register and complete a Health Form in 4H Online after October 1.**

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: The purpose of the Citizenship Washington Focus Presidential Inauguration (CWF PI) Program is for 9-12 graders to gain leadership skills and learn about government processes through hands-on activities, workshops, large group discussions, tours, experiencing at the Presidential Inauguration, and youth networking time. The event is held at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, MD (<http://www.4hcenter.org/>) Participants depart home on a Sunday, are away for five days, returning Thursday. (Adult Advisors are active 4-H staff; the ratio of youth participants to adults is 10:1. Participants will spend most of their time under the direct supervision of college age trained Program Assistants and adult leaders. The health coordinator will be First Aid, CPR and Mental Health First Aid Certified. Conference Center lodging will be provided with multiple youth of same gender in rooms with bunk beds and use a dorm restroom with private showers. To the best of our ability, Adult Advisors will be assigned to rooms on the same floors as their assigned delegates. Participants will eat in public cafeterias, fast food or other restaurants. Meals are prepared in large industrial or restaurant kitchens so individual meal accommodations may not be possible. During the conference, adults and youth will participate in large group activities which may involve any of the following: discussion, writing, reading aloud; role plays or skits, running, dancing, climbing stairs, standing or sitting for long periods, or having personal contact with other participants; they will walk distances of several miles on sidewalks during off site excursions; they will ride motor coaches round trip from Wisconsin and to off-site locations several miles away from the conference center; and may do physical activities such as hiking short distances over steep terrain.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. If you need an interpreter, materials in alternate formats or other accommodations to access this program, activity or service, please contact Educational Program Specialist, Amber Rehberg at amber.rehberg@wisc.edu or 608.294.8131 as soon as possible preceding the scheduled event so that proper arrangements can be made in a timely fashion. Note that meals are prepared in institutional kitchens where cross contamination of nut, wheat, or other food product residue could occur, making it impossible to guarantee certain food-allergen-free meals. All requests are kept confidential.



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2020 National 4-H Congress

Registration Information



County Staff:

This year has been incredibly unique and challenging. As we look ahead and plan, we are sensitive to all the program modifications, cancellations and disappointments. We are doing our best to intentionally think through when registrations will be open and how we continue to plan for educational experiences. We apologize for the change in registration timeline. Please distribute this information to young people interested and eligible in participating in the 2020 National 4-H Congress. Note that the requirements for participation are that youth be in 10th-13th grade at time of participation, with a maximum age of 18 (did not pass 19th birthday) as of January 1, 2020.

Potential Delegates:

Save to your computer this copy of the 2020 National 4-H Congress Registration Packet and/or you can find the forms at <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hedopp/national-4-h-congress/>. Please type or print legibly; incomplete forms will be returned for completion.

June 16-30, 2020 **Register for National 4-H Congress at 4H Online**

July 20, 2020 **Postmark Deadline for Acceptance and Other Forms (will be sent after information is received by the State Office from National)**
Registration is not complete until the State 4-H Office receives Forms.

Nov. 1-7, 2020 **Need to Update Health Information in 4-H Online. Must be completed by November 7.**



TO: National 4-H Congress Delegates

FROM: WI 4-H Educational Programs

DATE: June 16, 2020

RE: 2020 National 4-H Congress

We are in the midst of very interesting and uncertain times and we want to recognize that there are many factors that impact travel, especially in the context of large groups. Although the future of the COVID-19 Pandemic is uncertain and there are many cultural, economic, and political factors in flux, the safety of our students is always our top priority. As always, our staff will consider all these influences when planning and communicate with participants regarding any program changes, adaptations, and/or cancellations.

National 4-H Congress is an incredible nationwide positive youth development experience that has been taking place for the last 100 years and we hope you will consider participating this year!! It is held in Atlanta, GA and provides young leaders with a quality educational and cross-cultural experience that exceeds what any state independently provides. It is designed to address the needs and issues of young leaders, while helping to develop capable, competent, and caring citizens. Approximately 900 members of 4-H Youth Development Programs from around the country and Puerto Rico gather to learn new skills in leadership, community service, goal setting, workforce preparation, and multi-cultural integration. It is currently scheduled to take place November 27-December 1, 2020.

Registration for National 4-H Congress is a two-step process, registering in 4H Online and mailing completed Acceptance and Other Forms.

1. Register for National 4-H Congress in your 4H Online between June 16 and June 30. See attached registration instructions.
2. Acceptance, Code of Conduct, and Leadership Applications will be mailed and emailed to you by August 1. You will need to return your completed Acceptance, Code of Conduct, and other forms postmarked by August 15 to the State 4-H Youth Development Office. Leadership positions at National Congress include Youth Leadership Team and Congress Teen Entertainer. Information is sent out after the State Office receives the forms from National 4-H.

Cost: The cost for National 4-H Congress will be *approximately* \$1,400 per person (the amount will be determined as soon as airfare costs are confirmed.) Counties will be invoiced in early October with payment due to the State 4-H Office by November 15.

Cancellation Policy: The last date/time to cancel without financial penalty is by 4:30 p.m. CT August 15, 2020. If you cancel between Aug. 15-Oct. 31, you will be responsible for airfare and program related fees equaling approximately \$400 - \$550. For cancellations after 4:30 p.m. CT Oct. 31, you will be responsible for the entire program costs. All cancellations must be sent in writing (by email, fax or regular mail) to the State 4-H Office and must be received by date and time listed above.

Travel: Delegates will be flying with qualified 4-H Adult Advisors to Atlanta from points as convenient as we can arrange for you. Departure points are anticipated to be Milwaukee or Minneapolis. In some cases, you may be able to carpool with other county delegates to the airport; otherwise, you will be responsible for your own transportation to that location. It may be possible to travel from and/or back to a different location, upon request -- please call our office at 608-263-5971 to discuss. Sorry, but Frequent Flyer Miles cannot be used for these group tickets. Please be advised that there may be additional charges to travel from a different or out-of-state airport.

For more information, visit <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hedopp/national-4-h-congress/>. If you have questions about National 4-H Congress, please contact your county 4-H Youth Development Educator or call the State 4-H Office at 608.294.8131.

Enc: Deadlines and Important Dates to Remember

4-H Online Registration Procedures (please register for 2020 National 4-H Congress between May 1, 2020 and June 1, 2020)

2020 National 4-H Congress Deadlines and Important Dates to Remember

June 16-30	Delegates Register on their 4HOnline Accounts
August 1	Confirmation Letter and Roster Sent to Participants & Educators
August 15	Postmark Due Date for all the Following Applications and Forms: Delegate Acceptance form UW General Waiver Form National 4-H Congress Code of Conduct Acceptance Form Youth Leadership Team Application & Video (optional) Congress Teen Entertainer Application & Video (optional)
Aug 15	Last Day to Withdraw Without Penalty
Late September	Letter to Participants Regarding Tour Reservation Information and Other National 4-H Congress Reminder
October 15	Tour Reservations MUST be RECEIVED by the State 4-H Office
Oct 8	Adult Advisor Orientation Zoom; 6-8:30 p.m.
Oct 29	Delegate & Parent Orientation Zoom: 7-9 p.m.
Oct 31	Last Day to Withdraw Without Paying Full Registration Fee
AFTER Nov 1	Send National Congress Health Form
Early Nov.	Letter Regarding Flight Information and Final Travel Information
Nov 27	Departure for Atlanta to participate in the 2020 National 4-H Congress!
Dec. 1	Return to Wisconsin
Dec. 11	Postmark Due Date for Youth Design Team Applications for 2021 National 4-H Congress.

NOTE: 4-H staff may be unavailable to sign your forms due to holiday vacations after Dec. 10, so please submit them early.

Postmark completed forms to
WI 4-H Educational Programs, 702 Langdon St., 130 Pyle Center, Madison WI 53706;
Or scanned and emailed to justin.lieck@wisc.edu or faxed to 608-265-6407.

Questions? Contact:
Amber Rehberg, (608) 294-8131, or amber.rehberg@wisc.edu



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- WHAT:** National 4-H Congress is the flagship event of the 4-H program. For over 100 years, youth from the United States and its territories have participated in this youth leadership development conference. The Congress provides youth with a quality educational and cross-cultural experience that exceeds what any state independently provides. It is designed to address the needs and issues of youth while helping to develop capable, competent, and caring citizens. Approximately 900 members of 4-H Youth Development Programs from around the country and Puerto Rico gather to learn new skills in leadership, community service, goal setting, workforce preparation, and multi-cultural integration.
- WHO:** Enrolled 4-H members in good standing in their counties who are in grades 10-12 at the time of registration may participate in this November/December event. Adult Advisors will be selected at a ratio of one per ten youth to accompany the groups from three different airports. (Interested adults should ask their county 4-H office staff for a State & National Adult Leader Application, due Feb. 15. Adult leaders must be at least 21 years of age and complete WI 4-H Youth Protection program. Mandatory Adult Advisor training workshop will be held via Zoom on Thursday, October 8 from 6-8:30 p.m.
- WHEN:** Departure will be on the day after Thanksgiving and return the following Tuesday (Nov. 27 to Dec. 1, 2020). A required Orientation Zoom will be held on Thursday, October 29 from 7-9 p.m. More details and a National Participant Guide can be found at <http://national4-hcongress.com/>.
- WHERE:** Delegates will be flying with qualified 4-H Adult Advisors to Atlanta from points as convenient as we can arrange for you. Departure points are anticipated to be Milwaukee or Minneapolis. In some cases, you may be able to carpool with other county delegates to the airport; otherwise you will be responsible for your own transportation to that location. It may be possible to travel from and/or back to a different location, upon request -- please call our office at 608-263-5971 to discuss. Sorry, but Frequent Flyer Miles cannot be used for these group tickets. Please be advised that there may be additional charges to travel from a different or out-of-state airport.
- COST:** The cost for National 4-H Congress will be approximately \$1,400 per person (the amount will be determined as soon as airfare costs are confirmed.) Counties will be invoiced in early October with their payment due to the State 4-H Office by November 15.
- The last date/time to cancel without financial penalty is by 4:30 p.m. CT Aug. 15. If you cancel between Aug. 15-Oct. 31, you will be responsible for airfare and program related fees equaling approximately \$400 - \$550. For cancellations after 4:30 p.m. CT Oct. 31, you will be responsible for the entire program cost. All cancellations must be sent in writing (by email, fax or regular mail) to the State 4-H Office and must be received by date and time listed above.
- HOW:** Please contact your county 4-H Youth Development Office regarding county selection for possible financial assistance, scholarship procedures, and deadlines. Youth can register for 2020 NCg through 4H Online between **June 16 and June 30**. Online registration procedures are included on the reverse side of this information sheet. **Be sure to complete your Congress Health Form after November 1 and mail it in. You will be mailed and emailed this form at a later date.**

Program Description: The purpose of the National 4-H Congress trip is for youth in 10th-12 grades to gain life skills and leadership experience through hands-on activities, workshops, large group seminars, and youth networking time. This experience begins with travel via airplane on Friday, November 29, 2020 and ends upon arrival back in Wisconsin on Tuesday, December 3, 2020. The event is held in Atlanta, GA with lodging in the Hyatt Regency. Health staff consists of volunteers who have first aid and/or nursing training. Youth will be under the direct supervision of older youth leaders and/or adults. The ratio of adults to youth participants is 1:10 or less. Adult Advisors are active 4-H volunteers that have completed Wisconsin 4-H Youth Protection. Adult Advisors assist by monitoring youth activities, conducting meetings and assisting with operational committee work. Participants will eat in a public cafeteria or dining room; share a hotel room with two queen beds and private bath with 2-3 roommates of the same gender. Adult Advisors are assigned to rooms on the same floors as their assigned delegates. During the conference, adults and youth will participate in large group activities which may involve any of the following: discussion, writing, reading aloud, arts and crafts; role plays or skits, running, dancing, climbing stairs, standing or sitting for long periods, or having personal contact with other participants; they will walk distances of up to approximately 1/2 mile on sidewalks, walk up stairs, and ride escalators and public trains to various activities; for community service activities or other events they may ride coach buses to off site locations up to 50 miles away and may do physical activities such as working with carpentry or garden tools.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. If you need an interpreter, materials in alternate formats or other accommodations to access this program, activity or service, please contact Amber Rehberg at (608) 262-1557 as soon as possible preceding the scheduled event so that proper arrangements can be made in a timely fashion. Note that meals are prepared in institutional kitchens where cross contamination of nut, wheat, or other food product residue could occur, making it impossible to guarantee certain food-allergen-free meals. All requests are kept confidential.

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National 4-H Congress (NCg) Registration

Attention...Don't Wait to Register!

4-H Online registration is OPEN June 16-30, 2020

Youth Registration Instructions

FIND THE EVENT

- Log into your family account at <https://wi.4honline.com> and look at your member list.
- Scroll to the bottom and find the section titled "Register a Member In An Event".
- Select the name of the member you want to register.
- Select the event. A series of boxes will appear at the bottom of the screen.
- Click on the "Register" button.

REGISTER FOR THE EVENT

- Read and/or complete any required certification or forms requested.
- Enter specific information related to the event. This may include program week preference, t-shirt size, bus boarding choices, etc. Any required fields are in bold.
- Click on the "Continue >>" button.
- If you missed any required fields, you will receive an error message and the missing fields will be highlighted.
- Verify your choices and click on the "Check Out >>" button.
- On the Payment screen, the only selection is County/Club 4H Check. Click on the "Select Payment Method" button.
- On the Confirm screen, check the box agreeing to the Pay By Computer Terms and Conditions. Click the "Confirm Order" button.
- On the Finish screen, you can print your entry.

PAY FOR THE EVENT

Please check with your county UW Extension 4-H/Youth Development Office regarding payment procedures.



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The Earth Stories Exchange is simple – write a story about something you did outside, share it with us, and we'll send you story back – like pen pals! It's simple to do; just follow the steps below.

1. **Get outside!** Remember to physically distance yourself from others.
2. **Notice, observe, question** everything around you! Don't worry, we have some tips.
3. Use the back of this flyer to create a story based on what you did and noticed outside!
4. **Share your story with us!** Choose one of these three options.
 - a) Complete Upham's online story exchange form:
<https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/uphamwoods/earth-stories-exchange>
 - b) Email your story to us at uphamwoods@extension.wisc.edu
 - c) Mail your story to us!

Upham Woods Naturalists
 N194 County Rd N
 Wisconsin Dells, WI 53562

Here's an example story from a group that visited Upham this winter. See how they based their story on something they did (building a fort) but then added a twist – a plane crash. They also included observations they made while they were outside like the species of the trees they used.

Your story doesn't need to look like this one, it can be whatever you want: a poem, song, comic strip, video – whatever! You can also create the story with anyone.

Scientific Story Outdoor Survival
Team Members: Beavers & Bears
Date: 1/5/2020
Location: Behind the Nature Center

Cub Scout
Packs 70 & 79



We used a thermal imager to look for cooler spots in our forts

How did you end up in a survival situation?

A plane crashed into some trees while we were on our way to Upham Woods. We used the pine brush from the crash to build a fort on an oak tree (we know it was oak tree because of the leaves and crackly bark). The Bears used a bench in their fort from the plane crash because we would be warmer sitting on the bench than on the ground. The Beavers used a lot of pine brush and had a Christmas tree because it is better at insulating us. After a few days, Isabelle found us and took us somewhere safe.

We had to fill different roles such as fort tester, pine brush and stick gatherer, scribe and data collector, stick stacker, firewood stacker. We got better at communicating as we continued to build the fort.

Recorded data from inside and outside of each patrol's fort:
 We noticed that the forts were very similar inside and were best at keeping out the wind. We took the data using a kestrel.

	Bears	Beavers	Outside
Wind	0.4 mph	0.3 mph	2.4 mph
Temp	39.8°F	39.4°F	39°F



For more information, contact Justin Hougham, or check out our website:
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Earth Stories Exchange



You can make a story out of anything!



Observe



1. Ask questions
2. Make guesses/hypothesize about what's happening around you.
3. Write it all down!

Observation is a part of the scientific process. When you include numbers it is *quantitative* data and when you describe it using words or pictures it's *qualitative* data.



Describe what you **did**, a **discovery** you made, or the results of a simple **experiment**, and include your **observations** and **data**.

If you're stuck here are some thoughts to get you started...

Go outside and hold your arms out in front of you and make a rectangle with your fingers.

What do you notice inside the rectangle?

What did you wonder about it?

What does it remind you of?

When you make observations at Upham Woods using your five senses, we like to call it using your original scientific toolkit! If you're not sure how or what you should be observing pick one of your five senses and focus on it for a while – that should get you somewhere.

Stories.

They have played a huge role on how we have shared science and knowledge throughout human history. Think of the stories about the stars! Without those observations and early hypotheses, where would we be now? So when you're writing your story, don't worry if it seems silly or if your guess was wrong – someone else will find it interesting and pick it back up when they start their scientific story.

Share your scientific story so we can know a little more about the Earth where you are!



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Reach out to Justin Hougham with any questions.

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What's your nature explorer name? _____

How old are you? _____

What is your location or what kind of ecosystem are you reporting from? (county/city - or forest/shoreline/prairie etc.) _____

What sort of data are you collecting for your story? Please circle

Quantitative
(measures quantity
expressed in numbers)

Qualitative
(data based on observations
using the senses)

Both

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Write your story! You can use the back of this page to draw.

How do you want us to send you a story? Please circle.

Email: _____ Or snail mail: please use the return address.

You can check out our Facebook page (Upham Woods) for more story prompts!

Do you have any questions for our naturalists or anything you want them to explore?

Circle your answers to the following questions

Do you think making observations about the natural world, writing them down and sharing them is part of science? YES NO

Did you think that before you participated in the Earth Stories Exchange? YES NO

Reach out to Justin Hougham with any questions.

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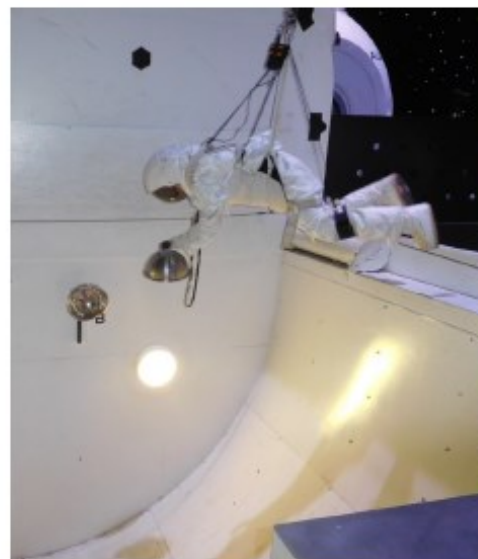
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2021 Advanced Space Academy

Advanced Space Academy explores college and career preparation through an immersive experience in science, technology, engineering and math. Trainees undergo a variety of astronaut training exercises, engineering challenges, and teambuilding activities, all culminating in an extended duration simulated space mission. Activities include: high/low ropes course, simulators, Russian language lessons, SCUBA diving, fighter jet simulators, advanced rocketry, and more! Youth who participate will earn one credit hour of freshman level general science from the University of Alabama in Huntsville in this college accredited program.



Grades: 10th—12th graders as of January 1, 2021

Dates: January 23-29, 2021

Location: US Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama

Cost: \$1,550.00 / youth (Deposit of \$775.00 is due by Oct. 1, 2020)

Lodging & Meals: Youth will stay in the Space Camp dormitory, with the exception of the first night lodging at a hotel in route to Space Camp. All meals are included.

Transportation: Airplane & Coach Bus

Registration: June 1—15, 2020 through 4-HOnline. Registration is first come first serve. There are only 32 spots available.

More Information: Contact Joshua Goede at 608-269-8722 or joshua.goede@wisc.edu or Heather Vierling at 715-531-1938 heather.vierling@wisc.edu

Dual Credit for High Schoolers from CVTC

Greetings from CVTC K12 Relations Team! We hope that this finds everyone in 4-H doing well, despite all the Covid-19 challenges!

CVTC would like to share that you can now access high-school-specific career information via social media! Ongoing postings to **Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter** are providing up-to-date information on such things as "High School Academies," and "Start College Now" courses at the college. We invite you all to simply log on to each and search on **"CVTC High School Options"** and click on our sites. Each week you will find information geared toward either of the above programs and how to find out more information.

Students participating in these programs can earn college credit while they are in high school which can be applied directly to CVTC programs. In addition, with high school approval, completion of courses, many students **often have their CVTC course funded by their high school.** Even if students are unsure of their career pathway, they provide great opportunities for students to simply explore careers as well.

We invite you to check us out on each of the above platforms as well as the college's website. If you like what you see, please "like, share" and "follow." High School programs can be reached by going to: <https://www.cvtc.edu/admissions/college-credit-opportunities-in-high-school>. Here you will find access to ALL of the high school options available to high school students.

Prefer to reach us by email? That works too! Feel free to drop us a line at any time to: www.hsacademies@cvtc.edu



Club Minutes

Pleasant Valley Clovers August 2020 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Sam and pledges were said. Roll call was taken by saying your favorite thing from this summer. We sang happy birthday to Beckett. The motion to accept the secretary's report was made by Lindsay and second by Duane. A thank you card was read from the Friends of the Fair for our Silent Auction Donation. The treasurer's report was also read.

For old business, members were reminded to send thank you notes if you received an award at the Showcase. The record book review night is on Wednesday, August 19th at 6:30pm at the Pleasant Valley Community Center. Two more adults are needed to help. There will be a drop box at the door for books. There was no other new business.

For new business, we congratulated Ashlyn on her 4-H career. Our September meeting will be on the normal third Monday at 6:30pm. Dana volunteered her family to organize the winter gear drive and the Cedar Crest Ice Cream 4-H Flavor Contest this year. Emma Wathke volunteered to make new letters for the Pleasant Valley Museum. Members put in the chat their ideas for activities this next year! There was no other new business.

For the youth leaders' report, at the last meeting, they had elections and talked about the county banquet and the haunted trail. The next meeting is August 31st.

For the leader's report, members were reminded to complete the Showcase survey, share ideas for the club charter that officers will put together, and check the Clover Leaves for virtual 4-H activities that members can take part in. The adult leaders meeting is Tuesday September 15th. Record books and club historian book are due to the extension office by October 5th if interest in the county awards and scholarships for educational experiences.

Next we did the Officer Elections: President-Allison Duerkop, Vice President- Teresa Miller-Wathke, Treasurer- Camy Kortbein, Secretary- Lindsay Duerkop, Historian- June Reck, and Song & Game Leader-Lillian Reck.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was by Hailey and seconded by June. After the meeting, demonstrations were given by Hannah on tie-dying and Lillian on her drawing dragons book. (Contact Dana if you would like to purchase Lillian's book.)

Submitted by Allison Duerkop

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Truax Eagles

Secretary Report August 11 2020

Zoom meeting started at 5:30pm

*Record books are due soon, you can decide if you would like to do the new style (Online) or old style (Scrapbook)

*4H waived the requirement for meeting the 4 meeting + demos for being an active member in our club this year.

*Mrs. Steinke and Ryder talked about Older Youth Council. They would love if you join, 7th grade and up

*Ryder talked a little about the fair and his projects. Sarah talked about her being in the dog show, Abi talked about

her slideshow from the fair and showed the video.

*Elections will be next month Sept 15 (On Zoom) Mrs. Steinke will send out an email of the all the open positions you can try for, so you can think of your speeches!

Respectfully Submitted,

Samantha L. Michaels

Pleasant Valley's Secretary Report, August 2020

Pleasant Valley 4-H Club held its monthly meeting on Thursday, the 20th of August, via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by President Anna Iverson at 6:34 P.M. Then the pledges were led by Garrett. Happy Birthday was wished to Taresa. Congratulations to our graduating seniors, Cole Myers and Nolan Dimmitt. The secretary's report was sent out in an email before the meeting and the treasurer's report was read during the meeting by Brooke. They were both approved by the club, Garrett made a motion that was seconded by Lindsay.

We recapped old business. Which included reading the thank you letters we received as a club from the fair. Congratulations to Grace (OYC President), Rachel (OYC Secretary), Brooke (OYC Youth Rep.), and Izzy (OYC Youth Rep.) for being elected OYC officers this year. Old business was approved; Paige made a motion to pass old business and it was seconded by Garrett.

We moved on to new business. Record books are due to the club on September 17th. Cedar Crest Ice Cream is having a contest for 4-H Flavor contest through WI 4-H foundation, this would be a good youth leadership opportunity if anyone is interested. Previously awarded 4-H trip scholarships from the Leaders Association for Summer 2020 will be honored for 2021. Whispering Pines Ceramics has an opportunity for 4-H youth to paint a bowl to donate to Feed My People, Price is \$12. It was approved for the club to pay the \$12 for each member that painted a bowl if they donated it to Feed My People, the motion was made by Lindsay and seconded by Garrett. 2020-2021 community service ideas and cookie walk ideas are up for discussion by the club. New business was approved by the club and the motion was made by Taresa and seconded by Teegan.

The ballot for club officers was closed and the voting occurred electronically. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 P.M.; with a motion made by Garrett, and seconded by Brooke. Our next 4-H meeting will be Thursday, September 17th. After the meeting, we had a scavenger hunt to find certain items throughout your house. Take care of yourself, enjoy the warm weather, and stay safe.

Respectfully Submitted,

Club Minutes

August 2020 Meeting Minutes Eau Claire Clovers 4-H Club

The Eau Claire Clovers 4-H Club was held on Zoom meetings, on August 16th at 4:00 P.M.

The Ice breaker for the meeting was decorating mini clay pots.

Josie then called the meeting to order and pledges were done. A picture of the Zoom call was taken for attendance. August birthdays were announced and the secretary's report from July's meeting was read. The secretary's report was motioned by Anna and seconded by Maddie.

The treasurer's report was read by Patrica and motioned by Katelyn and seconded by Hannah.

In old business, we discussed the Summer Showcase and Hannah and Maddie talked about their experience. The old business was motioned by Hanna and seconded by Maddie.

In the new business, Record books are due to Francine by the end of the first week of September. Officer elections will be held at the September meeting. The new business was motioned by Piper seconded by Anna.

Francine then gave the leaders' report where she reminded everyone of the following:

- She thanked everyone for their help with the showcase.
- We still aren't able to meet in person, which isn't ideal. A survey will be coming for families to complete to get ideas of how we can still do activities without actually meeting.
- There are still many virtual offerings from 4-H online, which Francine will continue to share from time to time on the Facebook site.
- There is VIP training on August 19th from 8 - 9:30, please check the Clover Leaves if interested.
- The awards committee has come up with guidelines for experiences from last year. All experiences that were cancelled for last year, will need to be registered again in the coming year, but if you received a scholarship from the Leader's Association for last year and go on the same trip this year, it will be honored. Details can be found in the August Clover Leaves.
- We will have officer elections in September. We still need nominations for Sunshine Leader and Sargent at Arms.

We thanked Cindi for her service to the club, as the meeting was her last meeting as the club leader. She received a gift card bouquet from the club. We also celebrated Joise's high school graduation and wished her luck in college.

Anna motioned the adjournment of the meeting and seconded by Maddie. Josie adjourned the meeting.

The fundraiser this month is \$50 to Red Cross to help with relief to the people in Lebanon.

