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Eau Claire County's 4-H Newsletter



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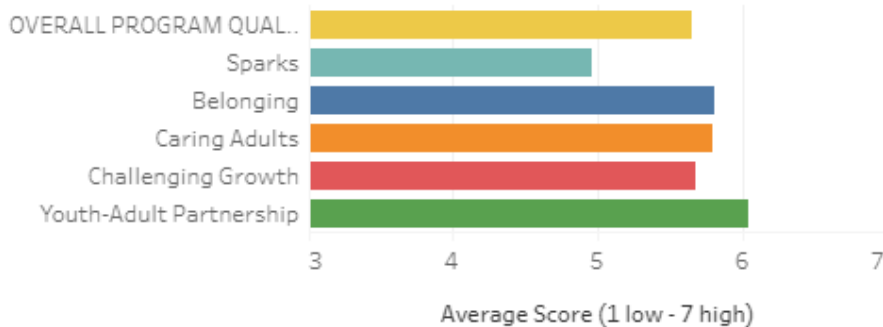
Hello 4-H Families,

I hope you had a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving Holiday and were able to gather with your families. I know I enjoyed spending time with a small number of family and eating yummy food.

I want to thank all of the young people who took the 4-H Thriving survey. We got over our 20% participation goal. Woohoo! I know there were 31 of you in Eau Claire County. I will be drawing names for 2 baskets of 4-H swag/goodies once I know the names to include.

I am currently learning how to use the data to tell the 4-H story and improve our local 4-H program. We have data from every county in Wisconsin and specific data for Eau Claire. The numbers for Eau Claire County show that the "overall program quality" is high. (Look at the yellow bar.) Anything above a 5 is considered high. We can do better in providing opportunities for young people to do things they are passionate about. (That is the "sparks" score and was the lowest score across the state.) I am pretty proud of the Youth-Adult partnership score. We could do better, but over 6 is a great score.

Program Quality (Developmental Context)



Eau Claire County Thriving Survey data 2021— Program Quality

I have another survey opportunity for you... It's short. I promise. Please help give feedback on the "new" record book forms. If someone in your family or club completed a record book this year, please fill out the survey! (If you didn't complete one, you can fill it out, too. Just choose "other" when it asks your role.) I would love for BOTH the young person and the adult to fill out the survey, <https://forms.gle/92sRkWDsfc3sGe6N6>
Click the link or scan the QR code.

Have a wonderful Holiday Season!

All the best,



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December 2021

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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

Nov 30-Dec 21 (Tues): Cultural Baking

Dec 9– April 12 (Thurs): Cloverbud Camp

Dec 15: VIP Training, 6:30PM (zoom)

Dec 16: VIP Training, 6:30PM (in person)

January 31: Annual Leader Training

March 5: Performing Arts Festival



Leaders

Eau Claire County 4-H Leaders Association

Jan 11, 2021

6:30 PM

At the Cleghorn Community Center
(as the 1st part)

Agenda Items:

- Leaders Food Stand at the Fair
- Fundraising
- Plarn Mat Activity
- Thriving Survey Results?

**Executive Board meeting at
6:00PM**

Volunteer in Preparation Training

Who should take Volunteer in Preparation Training?—Anyone who is planning on being a volunteer with 4-H! If you're going to be planning events for young people with a 4-H hat on, you need to take VIP as part of the process to become a certified volunteer.

Sign up Here: <https://forms.gle/GtgVCizFmyPxrK7B8>

December 15 at 6:30PM (virtual)

December at 6:30 PM (in person at the Extension Office)

Future dates TBD

4-H On the Air Schedule



4-H On the Air 2022 1st Saturday Of The Month		
Month	Club	Contact
January	EC Adventurers	Amy Hahn
5th Sat in January		Rachel Hart-Brinson

Club and Project Leaders!

Sign up now for the 2022 4-H On the Air! Eau Claire County 4-H is on the first Saturday of the month and the fifth Saturday in January. You can sign up by going to this [Google Doc](#) or by calling Andy at the Extension office or email him at Andy.Heren@co.eau-claire.wi.us He will need to know your club name, contact person, their phone number and email.

Dog Project

Do you have a dog and want to explore new activities with them? Consider joining the 4-H dog project. We would love to have you join us and explore teaching your dog new tricks as well as basic obedience and even a touch of agility. You can contact us at ecdogproject@gmail.com or look for us on Facebook at Eau Claire 4-H Dog Project. You can also call Stephanie Sorensen at 715-829-2514 for more information.



4HOnline Enrollment & Re-enrollment Open!



Enrollment and re-enrollment is open at 4HOnline! Returning 4-Hers have until November 1 to enroll for the 2021-2022 4-H Year. Go to [Sign In \(4honline.com\)](https://4honline.com) to do so. You can also sign up for new projects and drop any in which you do not wish to participate this year. (You have until May 1 to do so.)

Enroll now so you will continue to get all newsletters and other 4-H Information!

If you don't remember your password, scroll down a bit on the front page and click on "Reset password?"

This is also the time for new 4-H members to sign up, so tell your friends!

If you have any problems with this process, call Andy at the Extension office. 715-839-4712.

ATTENTION EAU CLAIRE 4-H YOUTH

You can now apply for scholarships and funding in January!!

The Leaders Association wanted to provide more opportunities for youth, especially when there is uncertainty of available experiences.

The nomination form and guidelines have been updated with the new information!

<https://eauclaire.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-forms-documents/>

The nomination form can be turned in by the third Tuesday in January, the second Tuesday in September, and on an as needed basis.



Please reach out to the Leaders Association with any questions about educational experiences and/or opportunities.

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Kicks off Art Contest

Written by [Justin Lieck](#) Posted on November 12, 2021

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation has kicked off a contest that challenges all 4-H members to explore their creativity.

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Celebrates the Arts Art Contest is open to any current Wisconsin 4-H member, with cash prizes totaling nearly \$1,000. The contest will be held virtually, with photos of all entries submitted electronically. Entries are being accepted now through December 31, 2021.

The contest is broken into eight categories:

- Drawing Using Any Medium
- Painting (acrylic, watercolor or oil)
- Pottery, Ceramics or Clay
- Photography
- Paper
- Fabric, Yarn or Fiber
- Wood
- Any Other Media (ex: digital, metalcraft, jewelry, leatherwork, wax, eggshells, taxidermy, etc.)

A winner will be chosen in each category with a Best of Show award given to one entry chosen by the judging committee. Category winners will receive a \$100 cash award. The Best of Show entry will receive an additional \$150 cash award. Other art may be recognized but will not receive a cash award. Winners will be notified by email by February 1. A complete winner's list, as well as photos of the winning entries, will be on the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Website by February 15, 2022.

To be eligible for the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Art Contest, youth must be a 4-H member enrolled in 4H Online for the 2021-2022 4-H Program Year. Entrants do not need to be enrolled in any specific project to participate.

Entry Information

Entries will be accepted from Friday, October 1, 2021, until midnight on Friday, December 31, 2021.

A photo of the entry and the completed entry form must be submitted through the contest website: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/arts-communication/celebrate-the-arts/>

A tip sheet for entrants is available. Please review this information to learn how best to present and share your art.

Each artist may submit one entry in one or more category but may submit only one entry in any one category. Example: Fred can submit a photo, a chalk drawing and a ceramic dish, but he cannot enter two photos.

For official contest rules and requirements and how to submit photos of artwork, please visit: [Wis4HFoundation.org/events/celebrate-the-arts/](https://www.wis4h.org/events/celebrate-the-arts/)

Winning entries become the property of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation. The Foundation will sell the art in an art auction to be held in the spring of 2022. Proceeds from the Celebrate the Arts auction will be split with half invested in the Talen Endowment for 4-H Arts Programming for future program needs and half used for arts programming in the next 4-H program year.

Since 1914, Wisconsin 4-H has helped young people develop the skills they need to meet the demands of our complex and changing world. Growing out of a rich history of agricultural clubs that helped the University of Wisconsin Extension connect families to research-based advancements in farming technology and techniques, today's 4-H has expanded to include science (STEM), leadership, healthy living and communications programming that will help Wisconsin youth build a healthier and more prosperous future.

4-H is one of the largest and oldest statewide youth organizations in Wisconsin, offering a wide variety of programs in both urban and rural settings. From the 4-H activities in the city of Milwaukee to the 4-H clubs in rural areas of Bayfield County, 4-H is making a positive impact on young people throughout the state. Nearly 150,000 youth participate in the Wisconsin 4-H program each year, and more than 22,000 volunteers support the program.

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, based in Madison, provides essential funding for 4-H programs throughout Wisconsin. By partnering with individuals, corporations and foundations, the Foundation supports 4-H leadership, youth development and community-building activities throughout the state. Learn more about the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation by visiting [www.Wis4HFoundation.org](https://www.wis4h.org).

Fundraising Idea

The Eau Claire Clovers are currently doing a fundraiser with Savers. They thought other clubs may be interested. Visit this website for more information. <https://fundrive.savers.com/Home/Faq>

If your club decides to do this, mention that the EC Clovers referred you and they get a bonus.



Have you re-enrolled at 4HOnline for the
2021-2022 4-H Year?

If not, please do so today at

[Sign In \(4honline.com\)](https://4honline.com)

It takes only a few minutes to re-enroll!

Medication Safety

My Human Development and Relationships Colleague, Yia, is partnering on a project with the County Health Department around medication safety in the home. They are distributing kits this fall and winter that include one large or small medication lockbox, 2-3 deactivation bags, along with some informational flyers. If you or a family member has interest in receiving these kits, you can contact me or connect with Yia, directly at yia.lor@wisc.edu.

17th Annual **Pleasant Valley 4-H** **Cookie Walk and Craft Sale**

Cookies by the pound!
Local vendors!

Where: Pleasant Valley Community Center

When: Saturday, December 11, 2021 10:00 am - Noon



Performing Arts Festival 2022

The Performing Arts Festival will be happening in 2022! It will be held Saturday, March 5 at the Cadott High School. Please mark your calendars.

The Performing Arts Festival will incorporate music performances (solo, ensemble and small group), drama performances (skits, short plays, one acts, readers theater and more) and then the speaking contest (interpretive reading, original speech, dynamic duos, demonstrations etc.).

The day will start with music performances in the morning, speaking throughout the day and drama in the afternoon. The Area 6 Educators are currently exploring food options to provide for families during the day.

We are looking forward to seeing your youth's, club's or group's creativity come out at the 2022 Performing Arts Festival.



PLWG
PROGRAM LEADERS
WORKING GROUP



We want to hear from youth like you!

JOIN THE CONVERSATION & SHARE YOUR IDEAS

Please join the **Access, Equity and Belonging Committee (AEBC)** for a listening session with youth and provide new and exciting ideas to help us establish a Youth Advisory Group.

Focus Group Goals

- Provide a youth perspective and partner with AEBC in the decision-making process of building a youth advisory group
- Establish youth advisory group purpose
- Determine what makes a youth advisory group successful
- Identify barriers to youth advisory group participation

Open to youth and young adults ages 15-20.

Youth with diverse backgrounds and experiences are welcomed and encouraged to participate.

Interested? Simply click and register via one of the four Zoom focus group links below:

**Tuesday
September 14, 2021**

7:00 pm (EST) /
4:00 pm (PST)

**Saturday
October 12, 2021**

8:00 pm (EST) /
5:00 pm (PST)

**Tuesday
November 9, 2021**

9:00 pm (EST) /
6:00 pm (PST)

**Tuesday
December 14, 2021**

10:00 pm (EST) /
7:00 pm (PST)

For more information, please contact, **Phillip Ealy** at ple13@psu.edu

The Access, Equity and Belonging Committee provides resources and professional development to 4-H professionals and 4-H volunteers to strengthen their capacity to engage and sustain the participation of diverse youth in 4-H, who will have equitable access and opportunity to fully engage and feel a sense of belonging in 4-H.

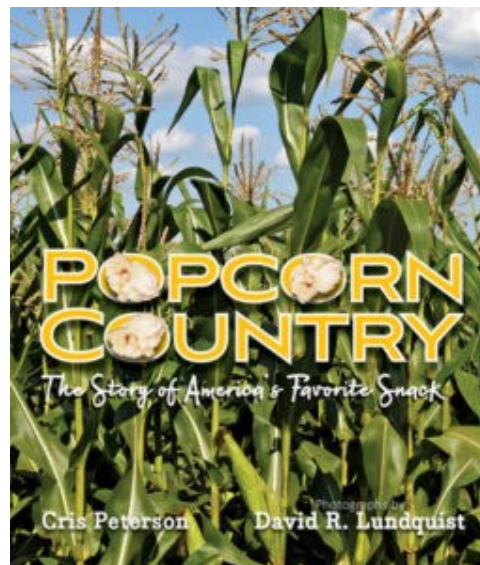
Ag in the Classroom Essay Contest

2021-2022 Essay Contest Information

Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom offers an annual essay contest for fourth and fifth-grade students. Each year the topic has specific lesson plans, activities and other resources that teachers, volunteers and homeschool parents can use to teach about Wisconsin agriculture. The topic is selected after the Book of the Year is picked. The 2022 Book of the Year is "Popcorn Country" by Wisconsin author and dairy farmer, Cris Peterson. You can order the book [here](#).

This year's essay contest topic is, *'What's Popping in Wisconsin? The value of corn to our economy!'*

Essay submissions must be 100- to 300-words in length and will be judged on content, grammar, spelling and neatness. This year students must make three references to Wisconsin agriculture and a new essay grading rubric was developed. The essay contest rules, lesson plans and sample classroom activities are located below. **Essays are due April 1, 2022.**



The contest is sponsored by We Energies, Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board, Wisconsin Corn and the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation.

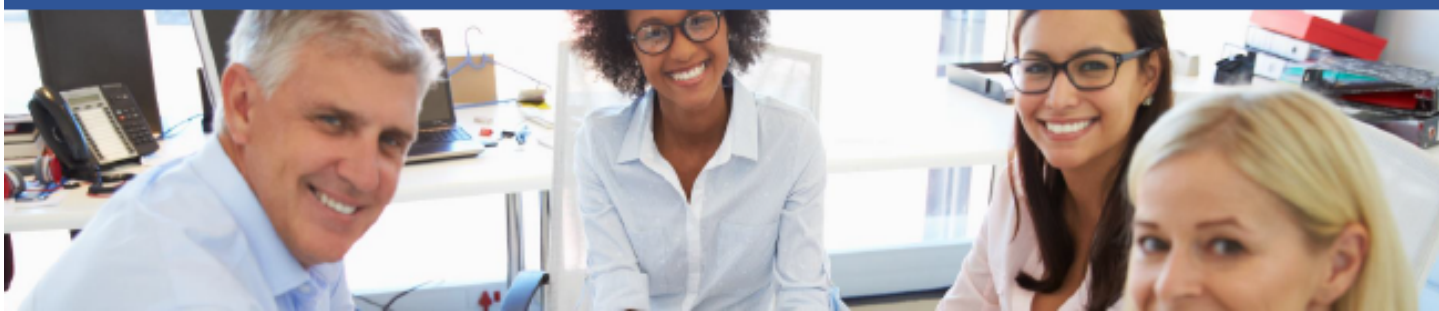
Nine district winners will be selected with one being chosen as the state winner in May. Each district winner will receive a classroom presentation for his or her class. Last year, more than 1,400 students participated in the contest.

Questions about the book or essay contest can be directed to Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom Coordinator Darlene Arneson at darneson@wfbf.com.

Go to [Essay Contest | Wisconsin Ag In The Classroom \(wisagclassroom.org\)](https://www.wisagclassroom.org) for the 2022 Essay Contest Flyer Packet

Club Leaders, Cindi Syverson would be glad to come to your club's meeting to present this to your 4-Hers! Contact her at csyverson@charter.net

WHY YOU SHOULD CONSIDER BEING A MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AIDER



On average

123

people die by suicide each day

1 in 5

people live with
a mental health condition



Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders. This training gives you the skills you need to reach out and provide initial support to someone who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem and help connect them to the appropriate care.

**Sign up for a FREE Adult Mental Health First Aid Training
at <https://wirose.wisc.edu/community-programming/>**

Virtual Adult Mental Health First Aid

First Aiders will complete a 2-hour, self-paced online class, and then participate in a 6-hour, Instructor-led Zoom Meeting.

Upcoming Trainings

All trainings start at 9am and end at 3:30pm

- [Oct 25, 2021](#)
- [Nov 5, 2021](#)
- [Nov 11, 2021](#)
- [Dec 10, 2021](#)



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WHY YOU SHOULD CONSIDER BEING A YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AIDER

59.4%

of Wisconsin Youth

have experienced depression, anxiety,
self-harm or suicidal ideation in the past
12 months

1 in 5

Youth live with
a mental health condition



Youth Mental Health First Aid is designed to teach parents, family members, caregivers, teachers, school staff, peers, neighbors, health and human services workers, and other caring citizens how to help an adolescent (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge or is in crisis. Youth Mental Health First Aid is primarily designed for adults who regularly interact with young people.

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Upcoming Trainings

All trainings start at 9:00am and end at 3:00 pm

- [Oct 29, 2021](#)
- [Nov 30, 2021](#)
- [Dec 3, 2021](#)
- [Dec 17, 2021](#)

Who should be trained?

- Teachers
- School staff
- Coaches
- Camp counselors
- Youth group leaders
- Parents
- People who work with youth



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Positive Youth Development Media Collection

Borrow Resources from the PYD Media Collection

The Positive Youth Development (PYD) Media Collection is a library of educational tools that can be borrowed from anywhere in the state. The collection has a new home and a new checkout system.

Visit the PYD Media Collection [website](#) to see what is available. You will find displays, skillathons, learning lab kits, interactive CD ROMs, DVDs, and more. Project materials currently include horse, dairy, livestock, small animal, and some arts. We have kept the most used and current materials. Most outdated materials have been removed.

There is no cost to order materials for Extension-sponsored programs. Non-Extension user groups must pay for outbound and return postage plus a \$10 handling fee.

To learn more about the PYD Media Collection, see lists of materials by project area, and find out how to request materials, visit the [website](#). Contact Monica Lobenstein, Learning Resources Specialist, monica.lobenstein@wisc.edu or 715-896-0377, with questions.





4-H Club Meetings

Almost every 4-H club holds **regular** club meetings. Even within the same club, no two club meetings are the same. Ideally, every meeting should have three parts—**recreation (fun), business, and learning**. Youth leadership plays a huge role in the success of a club.

Most clubs have youth officers (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and other selected roles) who are responsible for running each meeting. Youth leaders not only gain excellent life skills, they help to keep the meeting relevant and fun for members of all ages. All youth have a responsibility to contribute to their clubs through their voice and their actions!

What is **my role** as an adult?

Adults help create a safe, positive atmosphere for all 4-H members when they empower and encourage youth. While at a meeting, it's important to be a positive role model for everyone in attendance. Caring adults play an important role in the mental health of youth, and 4-H can help connect youth with positive adults.



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Credit: Lisa Ostrenga

Make this a **positive experience**.

1. Actively listen to all 4-H members.
2. Let youth run the meeting. It's their club!
3. Attend as many meetings as possible.
4. Ask your club leader how you can help.
5. If you have a hobby or skill, consider offering to be a guest speaker!

Should I **stay** or should I **go**?

It's strongly recommended that parents/guardians attend the 4-H meeting with your child. Club meetings provide great opportunities to learn with other club members, but the learning doesn't stop there. By attending the meeting, you can reflect on the meeting together and continue the education outside the club.

Parliamentary Procedure Answer Key (see Member Edition):

1. Motion | 2. Second | 3. Discuss | 4. Re-state the motion | 5. Vote



Have a minute? Please provide feedback by filling out this [5-question survey](#)





Get to Know Your Club

All 4-H clubs have adult leaders and youth decision makers. Most clubs have youth officers, like a president or a treasurer. Fill in the name and role of your club leaders, and then ask them a question. Try to meet a new club member that you don't know yet, too!

Role	Name	Question	Answer
Adult Leader		How long have you been the club leader?	
Youth President/Leader		What's the best part of being a club officer?	
		How many years have you been in 4-H?	
		What's your favorite hobby outside of 4-H?	
		What's your favorite part of 4-H?	

How is the meeting run?

Most 4-H clubs use **parliamentary procedure** to make club decisions. See if you can put the five steps of this procedure in order. Each step is written in **bold**. The answers are found at the bottom of the adult edition.

Re-state the Motion—The president restates the motion before the group votes.

1. _____

Discussion—The motion is discussed by all members. Members might want to bring up good or bad things about the motion, or maybe find some ways that it needs to be changed.

2. _____

Motion—A motion is a request that something can be done. Only one motion should be placed before the group at one time. A motion can be discussed and changed.

3. _____

Vote—The group votes to decide if they will pass or deny the motion. Voting usually happens by voice. Members say "aye" if they agree, and "nay" if they disagree. Voting sometimes happens in other ways (secret ballot, show of hands).

4. _____

Second—If someone agrees with the motion, they can "second the motion," which means it can be discussed by all members.

5. _____

Adapted from Quick and Easy Guide to Parliamentary Procedure, Wisconsin 4-H Southern District Leadership Team, 2001.

How are you a part of parliamentary procedure as a club member?

Exploring 4-H for New Families is developed by Heidi Vanderloop Benson, Chippewa County 4-H Program Educator and Ben Hoppe, Brown County 4-H Program Educator, UW-Madison Division of Extension.

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Experience Upham Woods!

If you or your club enjoys being outside and wants an experience a little further from Eau Claire, you could consider traveling to Upham Woods.

Check out some of the things other clubs and groups have been doing in the August 2021 newsletter: <http://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/uphamwoods/woods-writings-newsletters/>

There are links for registration for other experience days. Let Rachel Hart-Brinson know if you have questions or want more information before you register.



Day Visits from 4-H Groups

We were so happy to see a few of our regular summer 4-H visitors out this month for day visits onsite; camp is always better when it's filled with the sounds of youth learning, exploring, and having fun!

- **Walworth Co. 4-H** was a great group to go canoeing with, tackle some Peanut Butter Mountain team building, and hike around Blackhawk Island. It was great to see the group bonding and they even got to close out with a campfire.
- **Upham Neighborhood Camp (includes Columbia, Sauk, Juneau, Monroe, Richland)**: Although this group was only here for a day, they managed to have a ton of activities. They had archery, arts and crafts, Scales, Scutes, and Skins, canoeing, and even a Blackhawk Island hike.
- **Jefferson County 4-H**: This group participated in an outdoor survival program where they discovered the necessities for survival and built shelters. In the afternoon the group embarked on a canoe trip around Beaver Island and enjoyed the hot summer day on water!

Special thanks to these groups for making the effort to bring some Upham-style summer camp to their 4-Hers!



Older Youth Council's Meeting Minutes

Older Youth Council Secretary's Report December, 2021

OYC held its monthly meeting on Monday, the 6th of December at Curvue Tree Farm. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Isabelle Topper at 6:09 P.M. The pledges were led by Sydney. The Secretary's Report was read by Brooke. Grayson made a motion to pass the Secretary's report and seconded by Lillian. There were no additions made to the Treasurer's Report.

We then recapped old business. Sydney said the banquet was different but bingo was fun and the prizes were cool. Lily said she got to see the facility while dropping off our donation amount of \$650. Our holiday celebration will be on December 17th at the Pleasant Valley Community Center from 6-9 pm. Bring your ugly sweater for awkward family photos and an ugly sweater contest. There will also be cookie decorating and a movie night so bring a blanket or something to be comfy in. Old business was passed by Rachel and seconded by Aida.

We moved on to new business. The pancake breakfast will be on February 27th. More information to come. The Civil Rights Pilgrimage and Interstate Exchange are unsure if they will be going on in person yet but there are new nomination forms for trips to apply in the Clover Leaves if you haven't applied for a trip and want to. Lillian made a motion to donate \$200 to the Sports Warehouse to families, seconded by Grayson. We are unsure of where our January Activity and Meeting will be. For our February meeting we will be going to the Pleasant Valley Community Center on February 7th to learn about Cake Decorating. New business was passed by Lily and seconded by Grayson.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34. After the meeting we made Porch Pots at Curvue Tree Farm and learned more about Christmas trees.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brooke Berg



Doesn't this sound like fun? All 4-Hers in grades 7-12 are welcome to be part of the Older Youth Council.

Club Minutes

Pleasant Valley November Secretary Report

The Pleasant Valley 4-H club held its November meeting on Thursday, November 18, at the Pleasant Valley Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by President Garret Richardson. We began with pledges led by Alex, then the secretary's and treasurer's reports were approved by Brayden and Nicky. We then celebrated our club members' November birthdays. For roll call each club member shared their name and favorite Thanksgiving food. Then old business was discussed, the club was reminded to pay the club dues (\$10 per person) and enroll on 4-H Online. We then reflected on the 4-H county banquet. Thank you to everyone who came! Old business was passed by Jude and seconded by Mariah. We then discussed new business, club level awards were handed out to all achieving club members. Our club agreed to buy presents for a family in need, the shopping date is December 5 at 2:00 pm with a budget of \$450. We discussed possible future club activities such as having meetings at the Paint Shack and Indoor Sports Center; a date has not been set yet. Our club has agreed to volunteer for Salvation Army Bell Ringing and a signup can be accessed via email. We also discussed having a gift exchange at our December meeting, the club agreed to having a gift exchange with a \$5 limit on the gifts. To prepare for the annual club cookie walk there will be cookie decorating on November 24 at the Community center at 10:00 am. Frosting will be provided, but feel free to bring roll out cookies or festive sprinkles. Cookie walk set up and cookie drop off will be on December 10 from 6:00pm to 7:30 pm and on December 11 from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. The cookie walk will be on Saturday December 11 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, and cleanup will be from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. Please come to either support our club or help volunteer! Old business was passed by Rachel and seconded by Izzy. Important upcoming dates are November 24 for cookie decorating. November 30 is annual leader training and December 15 is VIP training for club adult volunteers. This is a wonderful opportunity for 4-H parents to become a certified adult supervisor to help or club participate in more activities for youth. Email Heather, Anne, or Sheila if interested. December 11 will be our club's cookie walk and December 18 our club will volunteer for the Salvation Army bell ringing at Festival. Our meeting was adjourned at 7:20 for a club activity of making tie blankets which will be donated to Altoona Oakwood Villa. Our next meeting will be at the Pleasant Valley Community Center on Thursday December 16 at 6:30 pm. Don't forget to bring a \$5 gift to share.

Respectfully Submitted
Ava Wozney, Club Secretary



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The meeting was called to order at 6:41 p.m. by Lily. Pledges were led by Jillian and Abby. We had 3 birthdays this month, Ingrid, who will be 7 on the 18th, Lorelei who will be 11 on the 30th, and Tyler, who will be 12 on the 19th. The sign in sheet was then passed around. The secretary's report was read by Grayson. It was motioned by Evan, seconded by Jillian, and passed. The treasurer's report was read by McCabe. We have \$247.47 in savings, and \$11,297.43 in checking. We got \$10,000 from the Haunted Barn Fundraiser, which is really good as the normal is \$2,000-\$2,500. We donated \$1,000 to Feed My People Food Bank, and spent \$1,793 on the Haunted Barn. Club dues are \$15 per member with a \$40 max cap. It was motioned by Abby, seconded by Rya, and was passed. In Old business we talked about Feed My People Food Bank, and the Haunted Barn. We discussed having a follow-up meeting for the Haunted Barn. Old business was motioned by Evan, seconded by Jillian, and passed.

In New business we talked about the Porch Pots Project, which will be on Nov. 15th, from 6-8. We will be split into 2 groups, one will make porch pots while the other goes on a tour, wagon ride, smores, hot chocolate, and family fun. We talked about our Dec. Meeting, which will be the 13th from 6-9 at Action City. We must have 50 people for Action City to open for us. The club will pay for members and parents, and if you bring friends, it will be \$26 for pizza and play. We also are doing Toys-for-Tot, so make sure you bring a toy. The County Banquet is going to be on Saturday, Nov. 13th, at 1:30. We decided that in Feb. we are going to make a Talent Show Video that we can send to the senior citizen home. We are also going to be doing 2 separate workshops, one with crocheting, and one with sewing. We voted that our Feb. meeting project would be a valentine white elephant exchange, you should make something under \$5. Lily brought up the idea that we could do the drama/music festival. We would brainstorm after the meeting if anyone was interested. Grayson then talked about the Salvation Army Bell Ringing Service Project. The dates and times are: the 18th, 1-2, 2-3, 3-4, and 4-5. On the 20th, 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, the times available are 4-5, 5-6, 6-7, and 7-8. We are not going to do the Nov. Social this month, though we will try to do it a different month. We also talked about the Gingerbread House Contest through CVM. We decided we wanted to do it and set the date for building on Nov. 22nd, at 6:00. New business was motioned by Abby, seconded by Lizzy, and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20. We had one demo where Lily showed us how to make a cloud.

For our project this month we made gratitude dice led by the Johnson family. They were a lot of fun to make, and you can use them to help pass the time during Thanksgiving.

Respectfully Submitted,
Grayson Schwartz
PHGG Secretary



Eau Claire Clovers

The regular meeting of the Eau Claire Clovers 4-H Club occurred on November 14, 2021, at 4pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. The meeting was called to order by Patricia, and pledges were said. Attendance was taken, and Birthdays were recognized. The Secretary's Report, which was sent out prior to the meeting, was motioned by Maddie and Julia. The Spirit Cup was given to Maddie for helping at the county banquet. The Treasurer's Report was given by Kendall and motioned by Maddie and Julia.

In Old Business, Beth and Jennifer talked about the County Awards Banquet, which was November 13th at the Cleghorn Community Center. Kayla reminded us that the drop-off for the Saver's fundraiser will be on December 3rd at 4pm. The 4-H Cloverbuds mini-camp will occur over Zoom on the 2nd Thursdays of December through April. Entries for the Eau Claire County theme contest are due on November 15th. Beth talked about Haunted Barn, which occurred the last two weekends in October. The Haunted Barn raised \$650 for Feed My People, as well as collecting 1902 lbs of food. Kendall talked about her experience attending Fall Forum, and Old Business was motioned by Maddie and layah.

In New Business, we discussed our options for a spring fundraiser, and voted to do a Butter Braid fundraiser. VIP training will be December 15 at 6:30pm. Contact Rachel Hart-Brinson for more information. Our club is planning to participate in 4-H on the Air in January. The Friends of the Fair meeting will occur on November 30 at 6:30pm. The deadline to register for the Cultural Holiday Baking Camp was November 10th. The Pleasant Valley 4-H Cookie Walk and Craft Sale will be December 11th from 10am to noon at the Cleghorn Community Center. There is a Shooting Sports Registration meeting on January 4th. See the Clover Leaves for more details. If your dues have not been paid this year, they should be turned in to Kendall. Dues are \$15 per person with a maximum of \$40 per family. New Business was motioned by Maddie and Julia. Francine gave the Leader's Report, and the meeting was adjourned by layah and Maddie. Our community service this month is Feed My People



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The meeting was called to order by Allison and pledges were said. Hannah and Kylee had birthdays in November. Members attending said what they were grateful for. Installation of officers was held and Camy and Rose accepted their new roles. The motion to accept the secretary's report was made by Emma and seconded by CC. Hannah read the treasurer's report.

For old business, those who attended the Haunted Barn talked about their favorite and least favorite parts. We also talked about who attended the County Banquet. A spreadsheet was passed out to sign up as a volunteer to lead an activity for future months. . Reminder that county/state dues of \$10 are due and checks should be made to Pleasant Valley Clovers. Emma showed a possible new design for club T-shirts and anyone who has other entries can present their ideas next month. Kylee is waiting to get a response about Culver's night. There was no other old business.

For new business, we discussed the check that our club received from Cleghorn Lions Club. A Thank You letter was sent around for all of the members to sign. Duane made a motion for the club to pay for pizza and drinks for a bowling party at Bowlwinkles Sunday, Dec. 12th at noon. Hannah volunteered for emergency education. The Recks' volunteered to set up snowshoeing at Beaver Creek for January. There was no other new business.

For youth leaders' reports Lillian and Ada said they went to The Paint Shack and made shattered glass art. For the adult leaders report, Wendy said that there is going to be a prize drawing if goals are made by next meeting. Members for Adult Leaders fundraising Committee members are needed.

The motion to adjourn the meeting to write letters to our future self was made by Emma and seconded by CC.

Respectfully submitted by Camy Kortbein



Can't find your club's minutes? Encourage y our club secretary or leader to send them in!

Email them to Andy at Andy.Heren@co.eau-claire.wi.us by the end of the month to have them included in the *Clover Leaves*!



Eau Claire County Fair Superintendent Application

Department: Sheep

Name:

Phone Number:

What are your qualifications?

Why are you interested in this position?

What is your past involvement in the Eau Claire (or other) County Fair?

Would you be interested in this position in future years?

The Fair is open to having co-superintendents. Are you interested in this option?

If so, please provide the name of someone you might have in mind to work with.

SHEEP SUPERINTENDENT:

- Assist with initial weigh in and fair weigh in
- Stalling for the Sheep exhibitors
- Collect COOL Papers at weigh in and at the fair.
- Turn paperwork into Adult Secretary after weigh in
- Check in animals at the fair with health papers
- Set up show order for the show
- Organize animals according to sale order
- Assist with load out.

Please submit application lp@johnsonlitho.com by November 15, 2021.



Eau Claire County Fair Superintendent Application

The Eau Claire County Fair Committee is looking for Superintendents in the following departments: Plant & Soil Science, Video/Computers, Foods & Nutrition, Senior Citizen Class/Open Class.

Name:

Phone Number:

What are your qualifications?

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