

Clover Leaves



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Eau Claire County's 4-H Newsletter



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

Happy New Year to everyone!

While the 4-H Year is well underway, as the calendar rolls over into 2022, it is a time where I am certainly finishing up reporting on everything that happened this past year. And... it was a lot! Thank you for being part of and supporting Eau Claire County's 4-H program. We wouldn't be here without you.

One of the things that happened this past year was a state-wide effort to measure the impact that 4-H has on young people. All youth ages thirteen and up were invited to fill out the THRIVE survey. THANK YOU to those who did. I said that I would draw names of folks who filled out the survey for some 4-H goodies. Andy helped me out by drawing names out of a bucket. The lucky winners are **Garrett Richardson** and **Brooke Berg**. Watch for your goodie packages in the mail. (And, next time you are asked to fill out the THRIVE survey, please do! You might win some awesome prizes...)



Even though we are in the middle of a new wave of coronavirus cases, we are planning for state and national educational experiences. We know these are wonderful learning and growing opportunities. Madison Youth Conference is scheduled for June 20-23, American Spirit East registration has opened in 4-H Online, and Citizen Washington Focus is planning to go forward. If you received a scholarship award, but don't remember for what or for when, please contact me in the office or talk with the Awards Committee Chair, Heather Iverson. Registration for these Educational Experiences happen through 4-H Online. Please register as soon as you can to ensure your spot.

We have a lot coming up: The **Performing Arts Festival** is March 5 at Cadott High School. We are finalizing rules and regulations today and will post when they are available. Registration via google form will be available by the end of this week. Entries are due February 17.

Annual Leader Training (see page 5) is January 31. Please have your youth leaders attend as well as adults. You can come in person to the Pleasant Valley Community Center or register to attend virtually.

We are organizing a 2nd year of **Art U**—virtual art classes in partnership with UW-Stout. Registration opens soon in 4-H Online.

Please stay safe and be kind as we move forward in 2022.

January 2022

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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

January 31: Annual Leader Training

February 7: OYC Cake Decorating Demo

February 27: Sarah Nelson Memorial Pancake Breakfast

March 5: Performing Arts Festival

March 7-April 25: Art U

March 7: Camp Counselor Applications Due

March 19: Middle School Leadership Day



Leaders

Eau Claire County 4-H Leaders Association

Jan 11, 2021

6:30 PM

At the Cleghorn Community Center —
Please wear a mask

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/7UJuWEuZgy48s7oV9>

January 25 at 6:30PM (virtual)
Future dates TBD

4-H On the Air Schedule



4-H On the Air 2022 1st Saturday Of The Month		
Month	Club	Contact
January 29		Rachel Hart-Brinson
February 5	EC Clovers	Beth Berger
March 5		

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.

Annual Leader Training

Learn Together, Lead Together: Youth-Adult Partnerships



Join us for Part 2 of this 4-H year's annual leader training! Remember, at least one person from your club or project group needs to attend to maintain your club's status. There is both an in-person and virtual option.

All youth and adult leaders are invited to participate! Plan for interaction and engagement.

Sessions are designed to bring together youth and adult leaders, and provide easy-to-use strategies, activities and ideas during your 4-H experiences. Registration details below:

January 31, 2021

**Learn Together, Lead Together: Equal Voices, Roles and Participation
6:30-8:00pm**



For the **virtual option**, register here: <https://go.wisc.edu/vze9e3> When you register, you will receive the zoom connection information and access to

handouts and materials.

For **in-person**, register here: <https://forms.gle/Z2KigLkAduValvqk6> or call Andy Heren at 715-839-4712. (If there are fewer than 5 in person registrations, this option will be cancelled)

Attendance will be recorded in zoom and in person. WI 4-H Club annual chartering requires one adult leader from each club or group **MUST** attend one of the Annual Leader Training sessions.

Have questions? Reach out to your local educator!

#youthandadults

#learntogether

#leadtogether

Art U—Virtual 4-H Art Camp with UW-Stout & AIM

We are happy to enjoy Art U for the second year. (It was very popular last year.)

Join Area 6—Chippewa, Dunn, & Eau Claire Counties for virtual art camps starting March 7-April 25 (minus March 14).

UW-Stout Art Education majors lead the classes.

Spots are limited so sign up, now! (Registration will open, soon. Check back if you do not see it.)

Message from American Spirit Coordinator, Sarah Tarjeson:

Dear 4-H and Youth Development Colleagues:

Thank you so much for your patience and continued enthusiasm regarding the 4-H American Spirit Experience! Our dedicated group of volunteers and staff are excited to share with you some next steps and a timeline of the registration process for this experience. I am also sharing a flier/image that you can use to promote this experience locally after registration opens on January 3, 2022! I ask that you remain flexible as we learn and navigate the next steps in registration. I hope that some of your counties will still have an opportunity to provide some financial support to participants **and** can continue to work with our committee in processing payments as we have done in the past.

Here are the details regarding the overall experience that I have to share:

Dates: June 3-12, 10-19 or 17-26, 2022

Highlighted Location(s):

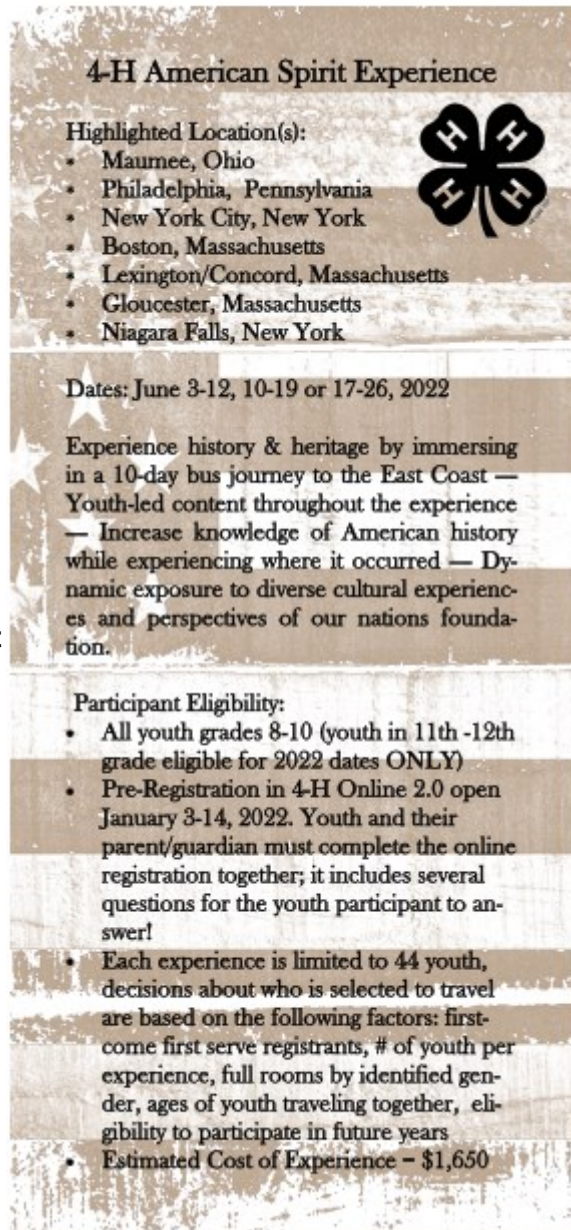
- * Maumee, Ohio
- * Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- * New York City, New York
- * Boston, Massachusetts
- * Lexington/Concord, Massachusetts
- * Gloucester, Massachusetts
- * Niagara Falls, New York

What is this Experience:

Experience history & heritage by immersing in a 10-day bus journey to the East Coast — Youth-led content throughout the experience — Increase knowledge of American history while experiencing where it occurred — Dynamic exposure to diverse cultural experiences and perspectives of the foundation of our nation.

Participant Eligibility:

- All youth grades 8-10 (Youth in 11th -12th grade eligible for 2022 dates ONLY)
- Pre-Registration in 4-H Online 2.0 open January 3-14, 2022. Youth and their parent/guardian must complete the online registration together; it includes several questions for the youth participant to answer!
- Each experience is limited to 44 youth, decisions about who is selected to travel are based on the following factors: first-come-first-serve registrants, # of youth per experience, full rooms by identified gender, ages of youth traveling together, eligibility to participate in future years
- Estimated Cost of Experience = \$1,650

A flier for the 4-H American Spirit Experience. It features a brown and white color scheme with a 4-H clover logo in the top right corner. The text is organized into sections with bold headings. The highlighted locations are listed in a bulleted format. The dates are clearly stated. The experience description is followed by participant eligibility details, including a bulleted list of requirements and the estimated cost.

4-H American Spirit Experience

Highlighted Location(s):

- Maumee, Ohio
- Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- New York City, New York
- Boston, Massachusetts
- Lexington/Concord, Massachusetts
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Here are the details regarding a timeline that I have to share:

December 20, 2021: Registration opens for 2019 & 2020 registrants

January 3, 2022: Registration open to ALL in 4-H Online

January 14, 2022: Registration for American Spirit Experience Closes in 4-H Online

January 28, 2022: Communication regarding Participants Selected/Able to Travel E-mailed

February 20, 2022: Payment Deadline from Participants (Eau Claire County will pay up front for Eau Claire County 4-H participants and you will be expected to reimburse the County.)

COVID Questions

UW Madison, Wisconsin 4-H and the American Spirit Planning Committee is committed to ensuring a solid educational program in a safe and healthy environment. As we move forward with planning and preparing for American Spirit in 2022, we will continue to utilize the latest research and information on how an educational travel experience, through several states, can happen safely; using information from the CDC, the hospitality community (PCMA, MPI, etc.) and the American Camping Association. All participants will be required to agree to and abide by COVID Safety Protocols.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions or need help with anything!

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WI State Fair 2022 Sesquicentennial and Century Farm or Home Applications

We have applications posted on our Extension website for the WI State Fair Century (100 years) and Sesquicentennial (150 years) Farm & Home. In 2021 111 property owners were honored. If your home or farm has been under continuous family ownership for 100 or 150 years, please visit our website for an application. Application deadline is March 1, 2022.

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.

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.



Who: Calling Middle Schoolers in Dunn or Eau Claire County 4-H... All are welcome--quiet, loud, high-energy, low-energy. We would love for you to join us.

What: Middle School Leadership Day: Join us for fun games and activities that will help you think about different kinds of leadership. Meet new friends from across Eau Claire and Dunn Counties. We will be using an engaging program developed by Iowa State Extension Educators called "Ricochet."

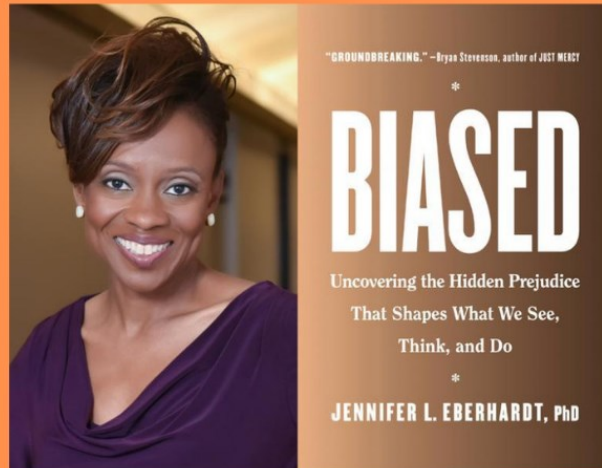
Where: Beaver Creek Reserve

When: March 19 from 9:30AM-3:00PM

Cost: \$10/participant

Details: Bring your own lunch. Dress in layers and bring outside and inside shoes. We will take a break to go outside (regardless of weather.)

Join Eau Claire County 4-H in Exploring Unconscious Bias



- Read the book & join the discussion group
- Visit the Smithsonian's The Bias Inside Us exhibit
- Attend a talk by bias researcher, Dr. Calvin Lai

Join Eau Claire County 4-H in a study of Unconscious Bias. This would be a great fit for the following projects: Youth Leadership, Writing, Healthy Living, Community Service, and others!

Any youth, 4-H parent, or 4-H Volunteer is invited to any or all parts of this experience:

- Read the book, “Biased: Uncovering the Hidden Prejudice that Shapes what we See, Think, and Do” by Jennifer L. Eberhardt and join a book discussion (Sign up here by Feb 1 to receive the book: <https://forms.gle/obqfd8woM5Xem5Yh8>)

How do we talk about bias? How do we address racial disparities and inequities? What role do our institutions play in creating, maintaining, and magnifying those inequities? What role do we play? With a perspective that is both scientific, investigative, and informed by personal experience, Dr. Jennifer Eberhardt offers us the language and courage we need to face one of the biggest and most troubling issues of our time. She exposes racial bias at all levels of society—in our neighborhoods, schools, workplaces, and criminal justice system. Yet she also offers us tools to address it. Eberhardt shows us how we can be vulnerable to bias but not doomed to live under its grip. Racial bias is a problem that we all have a role to play in solving.

- Visit the Smithsonian “The Bias Inside Us” Exhibit at the Pablo Center in Eau Claire on March 7 (or anytime between Feb 26 & March 27, 2022)

“The Bias Inside Us” (<https://biasinsideus.si.edu/>) is based on the current science of bias, the real consequences of implicit bias, and strategies to confront one’s own biases. Join Eau Claire County 4-H and OYC on March 7 at 6:30PM followed by a trip to Ramone’s or Olson’s. Sign up to join us here: <https://forms.gle/uwntMVhBa5bEeF988>. (If you plan to go “on your own” or with your club, please contact Jodi Thesing-Ritter at thesinjm@uwec.edu or (715)-828-7221 so that your club’s attendance can be tracked for grant purposes.)

- Attend the talk, “The Bias Inside Us” by Dr. Calvin Lai at the Jamf Theater at the Pablo Center, March 15 at 7:30PM (Ticket information pending)

Dr. Lai leads the Diversity Science Lab at Washington University at St. Louis. He and his graduate students study the disconnect between how we think and act (implicit bias), how to measure implicit bias, and how best to understand and then address implicit bias. Research includes work on training police officers on the science of hidden bias and assessing the long-term impact of these trainings on officers’ beliefs and behavior.

<https://sites.wustl.edu/calvinlai/> Washington University at St. Louis lab website

Lai is featured in a New York Times video series called “Who Me? Biased?”

<https://www.nytimes.com/video/us/100000004818663/peanut-butter-jelly-and-racism.html?smid=url-share> (Don’t have a NYT account? You can get one and make paywalls a thing of the past: <https://libguides.uwec.edu/nyt>)



4-H CAMP COUNSELORS WANTED

**Eau Claire-Dunn 4-H Camp
June 6-9th
Apply by March 7th**



Eau Claire-Dunn 4-H 2022 Summer Camp needs YOU!

Do you want to develop and practice your leadership skills? Do you want to have fun with other young people your age? Did you LOVE camp when you were younger? If you answered “yes,” and are in grades 9-13, please apply.

Camp will be June 6-9. Applications due by March 7.

Apply via google form here: <https://forms.gle/i2t3Bm5rTBdHU9>

Remember that applications include a letter of recommendation from someone other than a parent that describes how well you do (or could) work with children and other skills you bring.

Camp counselors MUST participate in camp counselor training. We will have a series of trainings via zoom and in person. Successful completion of training is required for participation as a counselor.



Pull a team together and test your shooting sports knowledge with other 4-H Shooting Sports members from across the country.

Competition runs from January 17 – 21, 2022

Study Resources are available now and registration opens January 1, 2022.

Follow this link to the National 4-H Shooting Sports web for details: <https://4-hshootingsports.org/events/>

FEBRUARY OYC MEETING

Cake
Decorating Demonstration



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7

6:00 p.m.

Pleasant Valley Community Center

Open to all 4-H youth in 7th grade and older
Each person will get to decorate their own cake!

Sarah Nelson Memorial
**Pancake
Breakfast**



Sunday, February 27
8:00 AM TO NOON

PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER
DINE IN OR DRIVE THROUGH

Adults \$8.00

Children \$5.00

Children 4 & Under Free



Proceeds to benefit Joshua's Camp and
Eau Claire County Older Youth Council service projects.

Eau Claire County Livestock Project

WISCONSIN YOUTH LIVESTOCK PROGRAM (WYLP) PRESENTS



EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING 2022

January 13 - Grand Challenge: Animal Health & Welfare

February 10 - Grand Challenge: Precision Agriculture

March 10 - Grand Challenge: Food/Meat Safety

April 14 - Grand Challenge: Land and Water

May 12 - Grand Challenge: Biomedical Advancements

Why are we concerned? What is the scientific problem?

What do we know?

What more do we need to learn?

How does this apply to my youth animal project?

What are the career opportunities?

All events are virtual and begin at 7 p.m.
Can meet county educational requirements.

**For more information & how to
register: <https://go.wisc.edu/tnq61h>**



Join us for the 2022 animal science educational program lineup. We have a great game plan for you to learn more about animal sciences and technology. These sessions will be virtual through Zoom; register by going to: <https://go.wisc.edu/tnq61h> Great for county educational credits!

DOUBLE HEADER WEEKEND



SAVE THE DATE

UW PLATTEVILLE PIONEER SHOWDOWN
BEEF SHOW

APRIL 22-23, 2022

@ GRANT COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS, LANCASTER WI

**Save
The
Date**

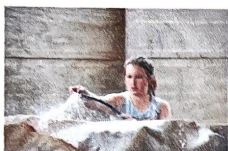


Black River Spring Thaw Beef Show

April 23-24, 2022

Jackson County Fairgrounds, Black River Falls, WI

MORE DETAILS TO COME ON BOTH EVENTS



Fitting and Showing Clinic

By:Katie Coyne—Mill Wheel Show Clinic

Date- 04-23-2022 8:45AM-around 3PM tentatively

Location- Pietrek Park

Joe Pietrek Junior County Park
Arcadia, WI 54612

**Contacted Trish Brown @ 715-695-3125 or
715-533-4402 if interested by February 5,2022**

Hosted By-Trempealeau County Holstein Breeders and Dairy Committee

Cost \$10 per youth-All youth are welcome if interested in showing dairy cattle
Trempealeau county and surrounding counties

Volunteers are welcome

Clinics will include fitting and showing. Can touch base on feeding if there is interest in that. The Goal is to get the youth more involved in showing, by teaching them the everyday care and show essentials.

~Youth should arrive with their calf and be ready by 9:00AM on 4-23-2021

~Lunch will be served

~If you have no calf, no worries, we can have some available to use if needed. Just let us know ahead of time. Youth may also share heifers.

~Youth will actually clip their calf as they advance to the next level of proficiency with their clipping. Youth **may** bring their own clipping supplies but not required.

~There will be a washing demonstration with an explanation of the best way to use Weaver products. The afternoon will focus on showmanship in small groups with other youth assisting with pointers and ideas

~The day will conclude with an actual showmanship contest and Weaver product give-away.

CLINICS ARE HANDS-ON SO PLEASE KEEP THAT IN MIND

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS
BOTH CONTESTS AT UW MADISON**



**4-H LIVESTOCK QUIZ BOWL
& SKILLATHON CONTEST
APRIL 9, 2022**

**4-H MEATS JUDGING
CONTEST
APRIL 30, 2022**



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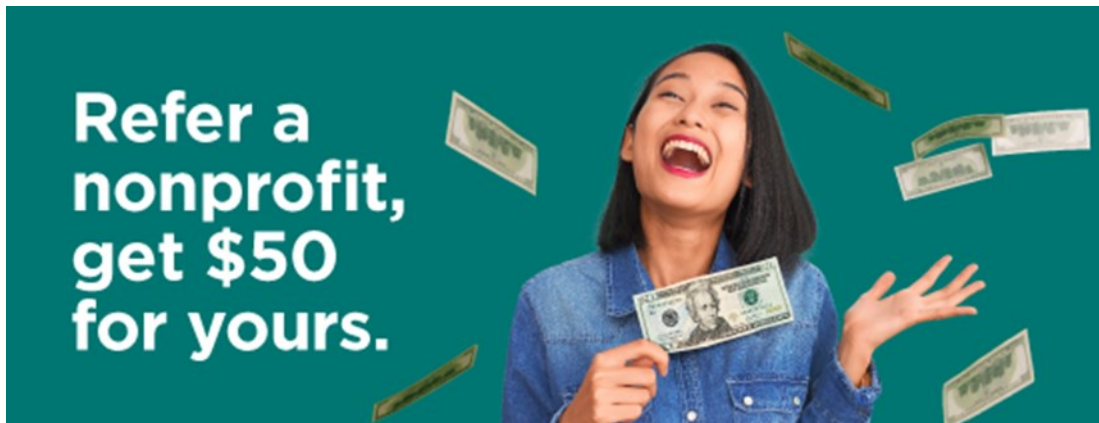


**Meat Science &
Animal Biologics Discovery**
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON



I PLEDGE
MY HEAD
to clearer *thinking*
MY HEART to greater
loyalty
 **MY HANDS** TO **LARGER SERVICE**
MY HEALTH
to better living
FOR MY CLUB *& my*
MY COMMUNITY *world.*
MY COUNTRY





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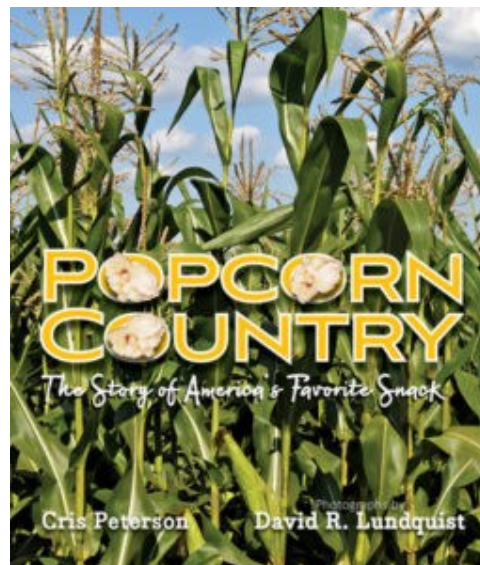
Ag in the Classroom Essay Contest

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

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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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?

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Older Youth Council Minutes

Older Youth Council Secretary's Report January, 2021

OYC held its monthly meeting on Monday, the 3rd of January at UW-Eau Claire. Before the meeting Katie Nelson came in to talk about a sensory trail as a future community service project. Katie asked the members to find or research ideas for a sensory trail if you have any questions email her at nelson.katem@gmail.com. The meeting was called to order by President Beth Berger at 6:30 P.M. Patricia made a motion to pass the Secretary's report, seconded by Skyler. There were no additions made to the Treasurer's Report.

We then recapped old business. Many members enjoyed the porch pot activity last month and were interested in going next year. The Holiday Celebration was on December 17th. Members wore ugly sweaters, had a movie night, and played games. The Civil Rights Pilgrimage, Interstate Exchange, and the American Spirit is open for registration and there is a link in the clover leaves. The Civil Rights Pilgrimage trip will be \$950 in total. Patricia made a motion to extend scholarships to the Civil Rights Pilgrimage with a limit to \$310 on scholarships. Trip funding requests will be sent out in an email soon to ask OYC for trip funding. Old business was passed by Rachel and seconded by Patricia.

We moved on to new business. The pancake breakfast will be on February 27th with 75% of the profits going to Joshua Camp and 25% going to another community service. Club members were asked to look for businesses to reach out and make donations to the pancake breakfast. The February meeting will be on the 7th at the Pleasant Valley Community Center. There will be a sign up genius sent out soon to know who will be there. Patricia made a motion to spend \$55 on an ad for the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast, seconded by Rachel. 4-6 volunteers will be needed to help at the pancake breakfast on February 13th from 8am-12pm. The volunteers will receive money toward trips, contact Tricia Friederichs at 715-834-2426 if you are interested. New business was passed by McCabe and seconded by Skyler.

McCabe made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Rachel. The next meeting will be February 7th at the Pleasant Valley Community Center.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brooke Berg



Club Minutes

Russel Corner Badgers December 9, 2021 Secretary's report



Called to order at 7:32 pm

Flag pledges

Attendance by Drew

Secretary Report by Elizabeth

Treasure report

- Motion made to approve secretary and treasurer report made by Bennett
-
- Seconded by Easton
-

Livestock meeting report by Audra

Old business

Saturday 18, at 11 am - Wreaths Across America (setting out the wreaths)

New business

Installation of Karmen and Drew Paulus as treasurer and attendance officer

Winter recreation

- Going to Bruce Mound on January 16 - 12-4 pm
-
- Motion made by Brian to go to Bruce Mound and pay for lift tickets
-
- Seconded by Heath
-
- Having a short meeting in Bruce Mound to cover the January Meeting
-

Livestock meeting - January 13 at OELC

Motion made by Drew to pay the church for rentals from September to December

- Going towards the Security System
-

4-H recording to be done in April with Jill. Going to be aired in May.

- Motion made by Bennett
-
- Seconded by Easton
-

VIP (Volunteer in Preparation) adult training for adult leaders

Leaders meeting January 11 at 6:30 pm

Arts and crafts contest due December 31

Meeting adjourned by Karmen

- Seconded by Heath
-

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Zimmerman (Club Secretary)

Maple Drive Boosters

We started our night off by making cocoa bombs with a local chocolatier. Once we finished making our cocoa bombs we started our meeting. Roll call started with the question of what everyone's favorite Christmas or winter activity is. Once we finished the roll call we moved onto the secretaries report. After the secretaries report was approved we moved onto the treasures report which was done by Kara. Then we moved onto where our general leader Lisa recognized everyone for making it to the meeting and making it to almost 100% attendance. Then Avery recognized Andie the chocolatier for coming to our meeting and helping us make cocoa bombs. Lucia then recognized everyone for making it through the first semester. After recognition we moved onto old business. In old business we discussed enrollment and made sure everyone was enrolled and discussed our future meeting ideas that we also discussed in November. We then started new business where we discussed our SMART goals and our club outing. For our club outing we will be attending STOMP at the Pablo Center in 2022. After new business was approved we moved onto our general leaders notes. Our meeting was then adjourned at 8:22pm

December Secretary Report

The Pleasant Valley 4-H club held their December meeting at the Pleasant Valley Community Center on December 16th. The meeting was called to order by President Garrett at 6:30 pm. The meeting began with pledges led by Vice President Sydney, then roll call was taken; each member shared their name and favorite holiday cookie. Club member's December birthdays were celebrated, happy birthday to Teegan! The Treasurer's Report and Secretary's report were shared and approved by Rachel and seconded by Amelia. Our club then participated in an opening activity, groups were challenged to stack cups using only string and a rubber band. Old business was recapped, club members shared about our Adopt-A-Family community service. Club members got together to buy christmas gifts for a small family in need using club funds. Garrett reminded any members to pay club dues, if you still need to pay club dues you can contact club treasurer Brooke Berg, dues are \$10 per member. Our club leaders recapped the cookie walk and Culver's Night fundraiser. Our club made around \$1,300 in profits from the cookie walk and \$400 from culvers. Thank you to all families who baked cookies and set up, and also to all the families who came to support our club! The Pleasant Valley 4-H club was highlighted this month on 4-H on Air, some members were interviewed and given an opportunity to share what our club does for the community. Lastly our president shared that our tie blankets we made last month will be donated to Grace Lutheran Nursing Home for the holidays. Old business was passed by Jude and seconded by Izzy.

New business was then discussed, a reminder to club members that online enrollment is open via 4-H online, links to access are included in the December Agenda. The club was reminded that we have Salvation Army Bell Ringing on Saturday December 18th at Festival Foods. Additionally if any club members are interested in receiving funding from the Leaders Association for educational experiences applications are now open until the 2nd Tuesday of September and the 3rd Monday of January. New business was approved by Lindsey and seconded by Brayden. Some important upcoming dates are December 31st, the last day to turn in any entries to the Foundation Art Contest; and sign up closes for the Performing Arts Festival. The festival will be on March 5th. Our next club meeting will be January 20th at the Pleasant Valley Community Center, our activity will be minute-win-it games so make sure to come! The meeting was adjourned by Jude and seconded by Izzy. Our club members wore their festive sweaters and participated in a christmas candy guessing game, followed by a \$5 gift exchange and everyone enjoyed some holiday cookies. Happy Holiday's to our 4-Her's!

Respectfully Submitted,
Ava Wozney Club Secretary

PHGG December Minutes

For our icebreaker we went around and everyone said their name and a holiday or winter tradition. It was interesting to hear everyone's favorite traditions.

The meeting was called to order at 6:15. We did a birthday clap for everyone who's birthday was in december. The Secretary's report was read by Grayson. It was motioned by Jillian, seconded by Abby, and passed. The Treasurer's report was read by Jodi. It was motioned by Jillian, seconded by Abby, and passed. In old business we talked about the porch pot project, the County Banquet, and the CVM Gingerbread Houses. Old business was motioned by Evan, seconded by Evelyn, and passed.

In New business we talked about The sewing workshop in January. We decided that we would do it Sunday the 23rd from 5-7, and Monday the 24th from 6-8. We are either going to do it at the Chippewa County Extension Office or borrow their machines and do it at the Town Hall. We also talked about the Music and Drama Festival. The dates have not been confirmed yet but there will be a weekly practice. The Salvation Army Bell Ringing still has 13 slots available. The Mozings, Hendricksons, and Ira volunteered to lead valentine projects for our January meeting. New business was motioned by Evan, seconded by everyone, and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30.

After the meeting, we ate pizza and got 2 hour play passes. It was very quiet in action city compared to normal.

Respectfully submitted,
Grayson Schwartz PHGG Secretary

December 2021 Meeting Minutes Pleasant Valley Clovers

The meeting was called to order by Allison and pledges were said. No one had a birthday in December. The motion to accept the secretary's report was made by Beckett, and seconded by Connor. Hannah read the treasurer's report.

For old business, the club T-shirt design contest has a google form with the different t-shirt choices. Kylee got an update on culver's night which will be on May 16th from 4-7 pm. There was no other old business.

For new business, Dana talked about the bell ringing for Salvation Army and how everyone who wants to participate should sign up online saying you are with 4-H. Kylee motioned to give \$125 to community table, and Lillian seconded. The dates were discussed after the meeting for those interested. For the January Cloverbud activity Emelia has a snowman craft at 6:00. Hannah is going to give Emergency education about what to say in an emergency to 911. We decided to go snowshoeing at Beaver's Creek on February 6th at noon. For February Parent's Night members should show 1 or 2 projects. Ice skating will happen in March. Cyndi will be in charge of drama for the Art's Festival on March 5th in Cadott. Kyle talked about the education on butchering livestock that will take place January 8th at 8:30. There was no other new business.

For the adult leaders report, members discussed their goals and Wendy gave out prizes from a random drawing of those who wrote out their goals. A reminder was made that adults need to complete VIP training.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Emma and seconded by CC.

Respectfully submitted by Camy Kortbein



Eau Claire Clovers

The regular meeting of the Eau Claire Clovers 4-H Club occurred on December 12, 2021, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Prior to the meeting, Patricia led a candy exchange. Patricia called the meeting to order, and Ben led the pledges. Attendance was taken. The secretary's report was sent out prior to the meeting, and was motioned by Hannah and Piper. The Treasurer's report was given by Kendall and motioned by layah and Julia. In old business, at our previous meeting we decided on Butter Braids for our spring fundraiser. We will be doing 4-H on the Air in February rather than January as previously discussed. The Friends of the Fair annual meeting was November 30 at 6:30 pm. The Pleasant Valley 4-H Cookie Walk and Craft Sale was December 11. Francine talked about our club's Saver's fundraiser, which raised \$198. Old Business was motioned by Hannah and layah. In New Business, VIP Training will be on December 15th and 16th. The Annual Leader Training will be January 31st. The Performing Arts Festival will be on March 5th. We decided on sledding as the activity for our winter outing. Francine discussed the possibility of having Cloverbud activities prior to our regular meetings. Patricia is organizing the dates for our club to participate in the Empty Bowls Project. There will be a shooting sports project meeting on Tuesday, January 4 at 6:30pm. New Business was motioned by layah and Julia. In the Leader's Report, Francine told us that Leader's association scholarships will be available in January this year. The meeting was adjourned by layah and Piper. Our community service this month was collecting donations for the Eau Claire County Humane Association.



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:

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