

# The CLOVER VIEW



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Barron County

*Dear 4-H Members, Families and Friends~*

*Looking at 4-H is much like "The Rubberband Theory" by Peter Senge.*

*The Rubberband Theory states that as you live in the current reality, you end up being pulled in two different directions: creative tension is pulling you towards a future vision and emotional tension pulls you towards the old paradigm. Applying this to 4-H means that many of us are in the middle of being pulled between the opportunities of the future (creative tension) which may lead to a new vision of 4-H and the traditions of the past (emotional tension). The pull on both ends can and often does create daily tension.*

*What can we do? We need to do our best with the tension to help propel our programs forward. It may be a 4-H activity, a club, or even the county 4-H program. We may be pulled back at times, but we must look at the overall progress. Over time, and yes it will take time, we will eventually reach our vision. But beware: once you've reached your goal, that now becomes the old paradigm and a new vision will emerge that you will once again start working towards. The tension is almost ever present.*

*Each day we are faced with this tension—where do we go, how do we get there, and what and who will help or hinder us along the way. All that tension may seem overwhelming. But it is up to us to take that "tension-energy" to help make us alive and to create an atmosphere in our programs that is full of hope and opportunity to preserve 4-H past while simultaneously paving a bright, new path into 4-H future.*

*~Adapted from Bethany Kitzrow, Kenosha County, Home Lite Newsletter*

*As always, please contact us if you have any questions.*

**Sara & Bonnie**

*4-H Youth Development  
Barron County*

**Barron County Fair Logo Contest Winner!**

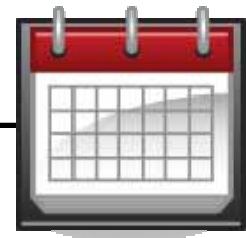
Congratulations to **Friendly Farmers** for their winning entry, "**EXPERIENCE IT**"! The new logo will be used to advertise the 2008 Barron County Fair. The Barron County Fair Board appreciates and thanks all who entered.



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*... to my club, my community,  
my country, and the world.*

## 4- H CALENDAR OF EVENTS



April 5	District Talent Explosion, Baldwin-Woodville High School, Baldwin, WI
April 5	Horse Expo, BACC, 9am-3pm
April 7	Tractor Safety, Kohel Implement, 8-9 pm
April 8	Hog Weigh-ins, Cumberland, 4-6 pm Barron & Rice Lake, 7-9 pm
April 9	1 <sup>st</sup> year Dog Project begins at Courthouse 7 pm
April 12	<i>Small Animal Workshops 9 am – 12 pm—RESCHEDULED TO APRIL 26</i>
April 12	<i>4-H Adventure Day, Courthouse Second Floor, 9am-12pm—RESCHEDULED TO APRIL 26</i>
April 12	Cloverbud Super Saturday, Courthouse, 1-4pm
April 15	Adult Leader Meeting, East Conference Room, 7:30pm
April 15	2 <sup>nd</sup> Chance Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA)
April 16	1 <sup>st</sup> Year Dog Project Courthouse, 7 pm
April 16	Camp Committee meeting, 6pm, East Conference Room
April 21	Horse Board Meeting, 110A&B, 7:00pm
April 21	State Fair Dairy Managerial Project Meeting, 7:45 pm, courthouse Auditorium
April 21	Ambassador meeting, 110A& B, 7pm
April 21	Jr. Leader Meeting, 110A&B, 8pm
April 22	Dog Project Training Begins, Cumberland Center, 6:30 pm
April 23	Dog Project Training begins, Arnold Center, 6:30 pm (beginners- 6 pm)
April 26	Tractor Driving Contest, Barron County Fairgrounds, 9am-2pm
April 28	Camp Committee meeting, 6pm, East Conference Room
April 29	Aerospace Workshop, Courthouse, 6:30-8 pm
May 7	Junior Livestock Show & Sale Committee Meeting, 7 pm
May 8	Lamb Weigh-ins, Barron & Rice Lake, 7-9 pm
May 19	Ambassador meeting, 110A& B, 7pm
May 19	Jr. Leader Meeting, 110A&B, 8pm
May 20	Adult Leaders Meeting, East Conference Room, 7:30pm
June 7	June Dairy Breakfast, David Bandli Farm
<b>June 13</b>	<b>Junior Fair Entries due to Fair Secretary, Catherine Walther</b>
June 13	Food Review, 1-3 pm, Courthouse
June 14	Interstate Show at Polk County Fairgrounds, St. Croix Falls <i>Entry deadline:</i> June 9 <sup>th</sup> ; Contact: Charlene Strabel, 715-349-5935
June 16	Ambassador meeting, 110A& B, 7pm
June 16	Jr. Leader Meeting, 110A&B, 8pm
June 17	Adult Leaders Meeting, East Conference Room, 7:30pm
June 18	Aqua Dairy Show, Barron County Fairgrounds
June 19	Collectible Judging 5 -6:30 pm Courthouse
June 20	State Fair Dairy Potluck planning meeting, Barron County Fairgrounds
June 20	Deadline for all State Fair Entries
June 21	4-H Horse Fun Show, Barron County Fairgrounds
June 22	4-H Horse Fun Show, Barron County Fairgrounds

Dairy Fitting & Showing  
Clinic date and place to be  
determined.

### 2008 Shooting Sports Program Dates (Tentative)

April 21	Start Shotgun/Trap, Almena – 5:30-7:00 pm <b>and</b> Start Shotgun/Trap, Rice Lake – 6:00-7:30 pm
April 28	Rifle Kick-off Meeting, Courthouse Auditorium – 7:30 pm
April 23	Start Shotgun/Trap, Brill – 5:00-7:00 pm
April 26	Start Rifle, Almena – 9:00-10:30 am <b>and</b> Start Rifle, Riewesthal Farm, Dallas – 9:30-10:30 am
May 7	Start Rifle, Brill – 7:00-darkness
June 21	Archery Fair Entry Competition – Outdoor shoot, Brill Area Sportsmen's Club
June 28	Rifle Fair Entry Shoot, Almena <b>and</b> Rifle Fair Entry Shoot, Riewestahl Farm, Dallas
June 30	Shotgun/Trap Fair Entry Shoot, Almena Sportsmen's Club
July 9	Rifle Fair Entry Shoot, Brill
July 14	Display Fair Entry Targets/Results for Air Pistol, Archery, Rifles, Muzzleloader, and Shotgun/Trap
Aug 8	Shooting Sports Banquet (Potluck), Youth Building, Fair Grounds
Aug 9	Barron County State Invitational, Rice Lake Rod and Gun Club

## ANIMAL SCIENCES



### Attention Dog Project Members

The 2008 Dog Project Handbooks have been mailed out. All necessary information is available in the Handbook. If you have not received the Handbook, call the Extension Office, 537-6250. All other questions should be directed to Arlene Poulter, 859-6412, Sherry Arnold, 537-3935, or Monica LaVeau, 645-0768.



Small Animal Workshop scheduled for **Saturday, April 12** at the Courthouse, lower level.

- Rabbit, Cat, and Poultry Workshops begin at 9 am
- Small Animals (Pocket Pets) begins at 10:30 am

**Rabbit:** Workshops will encompass breeds and breeding, care of animal, disease prevention and treatment. Learn about showing and showmanship techniques, how to answer questions the judges will be asking. Also, rabbit tattooing will take place. Rabbits must be tattooed for the fair.

**Cat:** Participants are encouraged to bring their cat with them to this workshop. Project members will have the opportunity to learn about the various breeds of cats, care, cat nutrition, and what keeps your cat healthy. Also, learn how to present your cat to the judge, and what judges are looking for in showmanship. They will learn proper grooming and handling. Recipes for cat treats will be shared, decoration of cages will be discussed and door prizes will be handed out.

**Poultry:** Are you ordering chicks? Do you know what to do to eliminate potential problems that might arise? Important matters such as feed, water, heat needs, space, and draft shields will be addressed. When should I order my chicks? How can I tell the difference between my male and female ducks? The combs are frozen on my hens and roosters. What can I do to prevent that? How do I eliminate lice on my birds? What is pullorum testing? These are some of the areas youth will learn about in the poultry workshop. Poultry judging and exhibiting will also be demonstrated.

### Indianhead Sheep Breeders Association Spring Sale

Indianhead Sheep Breeders Association will be holding its annual Spring Sale on Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at the UW-River Falls Mann Valley Farm. Please visit our website at [www.indianheadsheep.com](http://www.indianheadsheep.com) or contact Linda Mullendore at 715-268-9190 or [mully@amerytel.net](mailto:mully@amerytel.net) for details.

2008 Badger Bonanza Lamb Show hosted by UW-Madison Saddle & Sirloin. The Badger Bonanza gives youth the chance to get their lambs into the show ring earlier in the show season. For more information contact Jason Russell, at [jasonrussell@wisc.edu](mailto:jasonrussell@wisc.edu) or 608.577.1448, or visit the UW Saddle & Sirloin website at [www.uwsaddlesirloin.com](http://www.uwsaddlesirloin.com) for frequently updated information.

"Buy Wisconsin First" Swine Directory Available: The "2008 Buy Wisconsin First" Directory which features show pig producers and also has tips on showmanship, information on Pork Quality Assurance Plus, as well as some helpful hints in selecting a show pig. To obtain a directory please call the WPA office at 800-822-7675 or email us at [wppa@wppa.org](mailto:wppa@wppa.org).

### Attention Livestock Members

**Hog Weigh-ins: Beginning weigh-ins - Hogs will not weigh more than 70#;** final minimum weight, 230#

April 8: 7-9 pm Barron High School Ag Shop  
7-9 pm Rice Lake High School Ag Shop  
4-6 pm Cumberland High School Ag Shop

**Lamb Weigh-ins: Beginning weigh-ins - Lambs will not weigh more than 80#;** final minimum weight is 100#

May 8: 7-9 pm Barron High School Ag Shop  
7-9 pm Rice Lake High School Ag Shop

### LAST CHANCE MAQA TRAINING!

A second session of Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA) training is scheduled for April 15, 7 pm, **at the Barron High School Commons**. To be sale eligible, youth must be MAQA certified. This training is also required for dairy youth participating in the "Miss Q" portion of the sale.

### 4-H Dairy Judging Workouts Set to Begin

April 10 & 11 are the dates selected to begin Dairy Judging Workouts. Dairy project members and youth attending the first dairy judging meeting will be receiving information from Coach Steve Fronk. Questions may be directed to Steve at 357-6048.

Applications are available for 2008 Badger Dairy Camp: Camp fills quickly so register early! Applications and more information are available online at <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/dairyouth>. You can also contact Halbach directly at (608) 263-3305 or [tjhalbach@wisc.edu](mailto:tjhalbach@wisc.edu).

### Russell & Karen Rindsig 4-H Calf Project Program

Applications are due Friday, April 25, 2008.

- 1) Application are available at the Extension Office.
- 2) The 4-H'er should be between the ages of 12-18.
- 3) This should be the 4-H'ers first registered dairy animal.
- 4) Along with the application should be a letter from the youth explaining why they want a calf and how they will care for it.
- 5) It is the intent that the calf will be shown at the County and State Fair.
- 6) It is also Russell & Karen's hope that Steve Fronk will serve as a mentor to the recipient and answer ay questions that there might be on feeding, grooming, or showing.

The calf is being donated by Russell & Karen Rindsig of Rice Lake.

Wisconsin Quarter Horse Youth Association announces the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Open All-Breed Horse Show, AQHA All-Novice Show June 7 – 8, 2008, & AQHA Equestrians with Disabilities Competition Weekend Extravaganza. **For Show Information Please Contact:** Allie Kasten at: [allie\\_kasten@yahoo.com](mailto:allie_kasten@yahoo.com).

2008 Wisconsin State Fair Market Swine Identification Sites Announced: All junior and open show market hog exhibitors wishing to exhibit barrows during the 2008 Wisconsin State Fair, July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 10<sup>th</sup> are required to attend one of the regionally located identification sites. DNA identification will be conducted at these sites and will cost \$10.00 per animal.

**Swine identification Guidelines:**

- \* All junior and open Exhibitors interested in exhibiting market swine during the Wisconsin State Fair MUST identify their barrows at one of the identification sites listed below. Exhibitors may identify as many barrows as they chose.
- \* There are no minimum or maximum weight requirements for identification.
- \* Exhibitors entering in the performance barrow class must weigh their barrows at one of these sites. Barrows must weigh 60 pounds or less. The performance barrow class will be evaluated on a combination of lean gain and live placing.
- \* All swine must be castrated. No boars will be identified.
- \* All swine identified will receive an official WSF ear tag, must have readable ear notches, provide a DNA hair sample and complete a pre-registration form at one of the locations.
- \* Barrows need to be identified in the exhibitor’s name or immediate family member’s name only.
- \* Each exhibitor showing in the Junior show will only be allowed to bring two of the identified market barrows to the Junior Market Barrow Show at the Wisconsin State Fair.
- \* The exhibitor and or their parent/legal guardian must be in attendance to sign and verify the DNA sample.

**2008 Swine identification Sites:**

**Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am until 12:00 pm**

**LaCrosse County Fairgrounds - West Salem, WI**  
Contact person: Steve Nuttleman – 608.486.4573

**Polk County Fairgrounds – St. Croix Falls, WI**  
Contact person: Ryan Sterry – 715.485.8600

**Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am until 12:00 pm**

**Arlington Agriculture Research Station – Arlington, WI**  
Contact person: Dan Goehring – 920.927.3432

For more information, contact: Brian Bolan, Agriculture Department, 414.266.7050.

**POTPOURRI**

**2008 4-H Summer Camp**

**June 16-18, Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center, Wisconsin Dells, WI.**

We are still taking names for Campers, Camp Counselors, and Camp Chaperones. Please contact Sara immediately!

**Camp Counselor Applications** are on page 5 and 6 of this newsletter or can be picked up at the Extension Office and are **due** to Sara by **April 18, 2008**. Camp Counselors must be in at least 9th grade.



**NATURAL & MECHANICAL SCIENCES**

**Aerospace Workshop and Rocket Launch:**

Barron and Chippewa County are teaming together to offer a duo-county Rocket Launch on June 7, 2008; 9 am at the Bloomer Fairgrounds in Bloomer. The launch can be entered as a Barron County Fair entry. This will be a fun event for all.



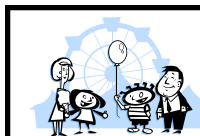
An **educational meeting** is scheduled for April 29, 6:30-8pm at the Barron County Courthouse, Room 110 A&B. Brian Weaver, our Aerospace Leader will lead the workshop. Brian has extensive background in this project area and presents an excellent and fun workshop for all. There will be a review of engine selection and sizing, flight profile and safety at the launch site and learn about principles of flight

**Attention Shooting Sports Members:**

Kathy and Larry Strong will conduct a rifle training center starting May 1. Individuals who would like to shoot at their range should contact Kathy and Larry to make an appointment; there will be no open attendance dates established. For more information contact Kathy or Larry at their Game Farm: 987 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Barronett, WI, 54813; 822-8071.



**FAIR BOARD UPDATES**



**Barron County Fair Outdoor Sign Contest**

Barron County Fair Board is sponsoring an outdoor sign contest advertising the Barron County Fair. The following are the rules for entering. Sign must be 4x8 feet, be up by July 2, 2008, & include the following information on the sign;

- location of the fairgrounds
- include fair theme- **“Experience It”**
- include dates of the fair
- locate on private land

Submit an 8 x 10 color photograph of the sign on the site. With the photograph, include name of club, contact person, address and telephone number. Mail to: **Barron County Extension Office, Sign Contest, Attention Bonnie, 330 East LaSalle Avenue, Room 2206, Barron, WI 54812.**

Be sure to locate the sign on private land - not on the road “right of way”. The landowner must be contacted to secure permission. Judging will be done by a selected panel of judges and based on creativity and advertisement value. Cash awards of \$150, \$100, \$75 will be awarded to the top three places. All clubs submitting a photo will receive \$25 for one sign. (must meet all contest criteria) Signs must be removed by July 31.

For future contests, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> place will be awarded to newly designed signs only; \*note - all organizations will receive \$25 for participation if contest criteria is followed.

# 4-H CAMP COUNSELOR APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in school \_\_\_\_\_ No. Years in 4-H \_\_\_\_\_

## LIST CAMPS (4-H AND NON 4-H) WHICH YOU HAVE ATTENDED:

Camp		Year		Camper	(check)	Counselor

Please rank the top five camp activities you would like to help with at camp. (Not all areas will be offered every year.)  
(1 = most preferred, 2 = next, etc.)

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|------------------------------------|---------------------|---|
| ___ Arts & Crafts                  | ___ Canoeing        | ___ Back packing  |
| ___ Leading campfires              | ___ Water Front     | ___ Games/recreation  |
| ___ Helping with nature activities | ___ Shooting Sports | ___ Camping skills  |
| ___ Flag raising and lowering      | ___ Fishing         | Please list other areas of interest that you could share at camp: _____<br>_____<br>_____ |
| ___ Leading drama activities       | ___ Leading songs   |   |
| ___ Organizing camp dance          | ___ Bicycling       |   |

Please list any training you have had in these activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Certified Life Guard? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No      Date Certified \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are you Certified in First Aid? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No      Date Certified \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are you Certified in CPR? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No      Date Certified \_\_\_\_\_

What age of children (campers) do you like to work with (include why you like to work with them): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Describe skills you possess that would be helpful to our camp:

Describe your leadership experiences with younger members in your 4-H club and community:

Explain why you want to be a camp counselor:

What do you want to learn from your experiences as a camp counselor?

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date Completed)

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**4-H APPLICANT:** You must submit two (2) letters of recommendation along with your application.

My two recommendations are:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Phone number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Phone number)

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**4-H APPLICANT:** *If your Club General Leader is your parent or someone else related to you, you are to use another leader of your choice.*

4-H General Leader: A member in your club is applying to be a 4-H Camp Counselor. Please indicate that this member is in good standing in the local 4-H Club and, if you wish, tell why this member deserves being considered for a position as 4-H Camp Counselor.

This member is in good standing in our 4-H Club: \_\_\_Yes\_\_\_No

Club General Leader Comments:

Club General Leader Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Cloverbud Super



## "Underwater Adventure"

Saturday, April 12th,  
1-4 pm at the Barron Co.  
Courthouse  
Cost: \$5



**Games, Crafts,  
and Lots of FUN!!!**

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### Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Other things we should know  
about \_\_\_\_\_

I give my child permission to participate in Cloverbud Super Saturday on  
April 12, 2008: \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURN FORM AND MONEY TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY APRIL 9th**

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# The Barron County 4-H Newsletter

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"UW-Extension 4-H Youth Development integrates research, education, and community-based partnerships, enabling youth to learn and practice skills to be productive citizens."

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## 4-H Adult Leaders Association Council

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"Volunteers supporting Barron County 4-H youth through positive programming and financial assistance."

**BARRON COUNTY 4-H WEBSITE: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/barron/4h/index.html>**

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