

# THE CLOVER VIEW



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## *Do You Sit On Your Hands Enough?*

*Some 4-H leaders I know sit on their hands. They are helpful, capable, enthusiastic, and love kids, but they sit on their hands. They tell me it's a habit that works very well.*

*One of the most difficult things a 4-H leader must do is allow other people to use and develop their abilities. Whether it's a nine-year-old future chef, a first year leader, the first meeting for the club president, or a committee planning the club booth; the 4-H leader is often tempted to help. Sometimes they should sit on their hands. We all know it's simpler and faster for the person who already knows how to do something to do it again. The muffins will be gently rounded instead of peaked, the meeting will be given by an experienced leader, the club business meeting will go smoother, and the club play will win at Communications Day. But what happens to people in the process? Johnny doesn't remember to stop stirring. Mrs. Smith still hasn't run a meeting alone. The club president decided Mr. Leader can do it better so why bother to try. The members of the club play still haven't had the experience of carrying out an idea as a group.*

*It's not easy to decide when help is needed and when help would stifle developing abilities in another person. Think about your last project meeting. Was there a time when you reached in to do something yourself, when a few directions to a member would have allowed them to do it for themselves? Did you hurry to clean up because the members took too long? Should Johnny try to do something he really wants but you think is too difficult?*

*There are no right answers, but ponder the question: Do you sit on your hands enough?*

*With the summer 4-H season almost complete and the fall season soon to begin.....think about how much more guiding and assisting will accomplish in the long run....not just doing it for them.*

*Congratulations on another wonderful 4-H summer! We look forward to another great 4-H year soon to begin.*

*~~Adapted from Steve Horvath & Kyli Brown, Wood County*

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

**Sara & Bonnie**  
4-H Youth Development  
Barron County

**Are you interested in becoming a Jr. Leader?**  
Jr. Leaders must be in 8th grade or older. If you would like to learn more about becoming a Jr. Leader, please come to the Jr. Leader meeting on September 15, 8pm, in 110 A& B at the Courthouse. You will learn more about being a Jr. Leader, have fun, play games and meet new people!

## 4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 1	Labor Day, Extension Office Closed
September 2	Fall Annual Adult Leaders Association Meeting, 7:30pm, Auditorium <b>Records are Due to County at this meeting!</b>
September 4	Project Record Book Judging, 7:30pm, Auditorium
September 6-7	State Horse Gymkhana
September 9	Junior Livestock Committee Meeting, 7pm, East Conference Room
September 10	Overall Record Book Judging, 4pm, 110 A & B
September 10	Ambassador Applications due to the Extension Office by 4:30pm
September 11-14	State Horse Expo, State Fair Park
September 15	Ambassador Interviews, 5-7pm, 110 A & B
September 15	Ambassador Meeting, 7 pm, 110 A & B
September 15	Junior Leaders Meeting, 8 pm, 110 A & B
September 16	Adult Leaders Council Meeting, 7:30 pm, East Conference Room
September 29	Horse Project Annual Meeting, 7 pm, Courthouse Auditorium
October 5	County Achievement Program, 2pm, Barron High School

**Record Book Judging**

is September 4, 7:30pm in the Auditorium. All clubs submitting books, must turn the books into the County on September 2 at the Annual Fall Adult Leaders association Meeting. Each club must send one adult leader for every ten books submitted to judge the books on September 4. Any questions, please call the Extension Office.

### NEW 2009 Enrollment Documents!!!

This year, all *re-enrolling* youth members and adult leaders will receive two enrollment document forms. The first form will look the same as last year and will be printed on white paper. This is your "Blue Ribbon" enrollment form. This form is **ONLY** for your reference! The second form will be printed on pink for youth and yellow for leaders. These are the "4-H Plus" forms. Not all information will be pre-printed on these forms. All youth and adults will need to check the information on the new (pink or yellow) form for accuracy, make any changes necessary, and complete all missing information. Please take the time to do this! It will help us make sure your records are accurate (you are enrolled in the correct projects and mailings go to the correct address). All information must be complete in order to re-enroll. This process of two forms will only happen this year due to the transition from Blue Ribbon enrollment software to 4-H Plus enrollment software. Please ONLY submit the pink forms for members and the yellow forms for leaders to the Extension Office. Leaders, please note that on the new yellow forms, the Behavior Agreement is part of the enrollment form, therefore you will not be getting a separate form as in the past. Members, please make sure to complete and submit the pink Behavior Agreement Form with your pink enrollment form (same as in the past). If you have any questions, please contact Sara in the Extension Office.

### 2008 State Fair Dairy Results

Exhibitors and their placings are as follows:

Congratulations to the State Fair Dairy Delegation for their top blue rating in herdsmanship, scoring 94.74 points out of a possible 100 points!

<u>Sam Olson</u> – Holstein, Spring Yearling Heifer – pink	<u>Isaac Solum</u> – Holstein, Fall Heifer Calf – pink
<u>Kayla Solum</u> – Holstein, Spring Yearling Heifer – pink	<u>Sierra Solum</u> – Holstein, Spring Heifer Calf – white
<u>Melissa Mertins</u> – Holstein, Winter Heifer Calf – 10 <sup>th</sup> red; Holstein, Summer Yearling Heifer – second red	<u>Megan Slayton</u> – Holstein, Spring Heifer Calf – 5 <sup>th</sup> red; Holstein Summer Yearling – 4 <sup>th</sup> red
<u>Jacob Pintens</u> – Holstein, Fall Heifer Calf – 9 <sup>th</sup> blue	<u>Molly Stafne</u> – Holstein, Spring Heifer Calf - 6 <sup>th</sup> red
<u>Dane Thompson</u> – Holstein, Spring Heifer Calf – 1 <sup>st</sup> blue; Holstein, Fall Heifer Calf - 5 <sup>th</sup> blue (bred and owned)	<u>Chantelle Neaman</u> – Milking Shorthorn, Spring Yearling Heifer – white
<u>Kyle Mathison</u> – Holstein, Spring Yearling Heifer – 4 <sup>th</sup> blue	<u>Bethany Wohlk</u> – Holstein, Winter Yearling Heifer – 8 <sup>th</sup> blue
<u>Kellee Scott</u> – Jersey, Spring Yearling Heifer – 1 <sup>st</sup> blue; Jersey, Winter Yearling Heifer – 1 <sup>st</sup> blue	<u>Katie Bischoff</u> – Jersey, Fall Heifer Calf – 2 <sup>nd</sup> blue; Jersey, Summer Yearling Heifer – 3 <sup>rd</sup> blue
<u>Tanner Gonske</u> – Brown Swiss, Fall Heifer Calf – pink.	<u>Sean Klatt</u> – Holstein, Summer Yearling Heifer – pink
<u>Nathan Kringle</u> – Guernsey, Summer Yearling Heifer – white (bred and owned); Guernsey, Spring Yearling Heifer – 2 <sup>nd</sup> red (bred and owned)	

Thank you to the Dairy chaperones: Steve Fronk, Laura Hasselquist, Mike Mertins, and Tony Pintens for making the State Fair trip possible for the dairy youth.

## ANIMAL SCIENCES



### Horse Project Meeting

- Monday, September 29, Auditorium, 7pm: Annual Meeting  
- Election of Officers and any by-law changes

*West Central Wisconsin Pigeon & Poultry Club Annual Fall Show* to be held on October 4, 2008 at the Dunn County Fairgrounds in Menomonie, WI. This is an open show for pigeons, doves, chickens, domestic waterfowl, turkeys, guinea fowl, and rabbits. There will be a separate show for fanciers under the age of 18. All entries are due by September 22. For more information and entry forms, please contact: Dan Paff, 6977 County Hwy N, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729; 715-723-2750.

*Dog Obedience & Showmanship Training Workshop*  
Outagamie County will be hosting a dog obedience and showmanship training workshop on November 8, 2008, 9:30am-4:00pm at the Winnegamie Dog Club in Appleton, WI. Cost is \$15 per person and includes lunch. Registration is due to the Outagamie County Extension Office by October 28. For more information and registration papers, please contact the Extension Office or visit: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/dogs.cfm>.

*Third Annual Kids & Cows Event:* to be hosted by Northern Wisconsin Beef Producers on September 20, 2008 at the Barron County Fair Grounds in Rice Lake, Wisconsin. The event ranges from the Novice who has never shown beef before to Youth Experienced Classes. At 9am there will be hands-on clipping, showing, and how to feed. Clinics will be conducted by Breeders and Youth Showman. Beef Animals will be provided for the Novice to gain experience. At 1pm there will be showmanship classes to learn more from the morning training sessions. Lunch will be available. For more information, contact Tracy Hurtgen, 715-263-4157.

The *Junior Livestock Committee* will meet on Tuesday, September 9, 7 pm, in the East Conference Room at the Barron County Courthouse. Anyone interested in serving on the Junior Livestock Committee should attend this meeting.

## POTPOURRI

*Youth as Partners in Civic Leadership Conference* to be held October 31-November 2 at the Green Lake Conference Center in Green Lake, WI. Team applications must be postmarked by October 18. Cost is \$85 per person. Teams must consist of both adults (over 21) and high school age youth. For more information, registration forms, and conference scholarships, please contact the Extension Office.

### 4th Annual State-Wide Fall Youth Leadership Conference— "Grab Life by the Tail, Get Wild About 4-H"

November 15, 2008 at Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells Youth must be in 7th grade or older. This event is made available to youth state-wide by the Southern District Leadership Team. The conference fee is \$35 per youth which includes conference participation, lunch, t-shirt, and one ticket to the indoor water park (the indoor water park *not* part of the conference and will not be supervised by the conference hosts). Some of the break-out sessions include topics such as: Camp Counselor 101, How Green is Your 4-H Club, R U Safe on the Internet?, Service Learning-Add it up!, and Media's Mind Games. Registration is due by October 17. For more information and a registration form, please contact the Extension Office.

### Wisconsin Honey Producers Association Poster Contest

"Honey Bee Products" is the theme of the poster contest. All posters should be 11"x14" on poster board. There will be four age divisions (2nd grade and under, 3rd-5th, 6th-8th, and 9th-12th) with prizes for each age division. All entries are due by October 25th. For more information call Sharon at 608-847-4407.

The *4-H Service-Learning Grant* program is looking to support 4-H clubs' service-learning projects that: Advance the environmental theme determined at the 2008 4-H and Youth Conference; Are determined and led by youth, with support from adults; Have a lasting, positive impact on the community; and, Ideally involve organizations and individuals outside of 4-H as partners. Any 4-H club or group can apply for a grant. All grant applications are due by November 1. 4-H Service-Learning Grants are sponsored by the Wisconsin Energy Foundation and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation. To learn more about the grant requirements, how to apply for the grants, and more information on service-learning, please contact the Extension Office.

### State 4-H Arts Camp

The statewide 4-H Arts Camp for 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders is scheduled for October 4-5, 2008 at Camp Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells.



Youth will rotate through the different Arts tracks each day, participate in a group Arts experience Saturday evening, and close with a ceremony for parents and families, celebrating the results of your group Arts Camp experiences. You'll also meet new friends, participate in camp games, and enjoy the great natural setting of Upham Woods, a 300-acre environmental education center on the Wisconsin River near Wisconsin Dells.

Camper cost is \$60. More information and camper applications are located at <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/artscamp/index.cfm>. Camper applications and payment must be received in Madison by September 10, 2008.

# Barron County 4-H Ambassador Application

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## **WHAT IS A 4-H AMBASSADOR?**

A 4-H Ambassador is a youth in grades 9-13 who has a sincere desire to promote the Barron County 4-H program. Ambassadors are highly respected youth leadership positions within 4-H. Many counties throughout the state of Wisconsin have 4-H Ambassadors; qualifications and tasks differ from county to county.

## **WHO CAN APPLY?**

An Ambassador must be in grades 9-13, who has been an active Barron County 4-H member. Youth must be responsible, accountable, and willing to learn and engage in active youth leadership.

## **WHAT DO 4-H AMBASSADORS DO?**

There are many things Ambassadors are involved in, but two examples are (1) 4-H Ambassadors fill hosting tasks at county events; they welcome, emcee, and present awards; and (2) the most important one – they promote Barron County 4-H programs and events at various functions and may be expected to speak before a club, leaders, school, etc.

## **WHAT ARE THE EXPECTATIONS OF A 4-H AMBASSADOR?**

The basic expectations are to follow all 4-H guidelines and show a positive, enthusiastic attitude toward everyone while promoting 4-H, as well as attend Ambassador meetings and scheduled activities.

## **HOW TO APPLY:**

Fill out the application found at the end of this newsletter and turn in 2 letters of recommendation– **DUE SEPTEMBER 10, 2008 by 4:30pm** to Sara at the Extension Office. Ask your general leader and one project or activity leader to send a letter of recommendation, supporting your application to be an Ambassador to the Extension Office by September 10, 2008. *All recommendations MUST be from individuals unrelated to you. If your general leader is related to you, then please choose a different individual, project or activity leader to complete a recommendation for you.*

Plan on participating in an interview scheduled for Monday, September 15, 2008 from 5pm-7pm in rooms 110 A & B and 111 at the Courthouse. You will be notified via phone call between September 10-12 with your more specific interview time.

Plan on participating in an Ambassador meeting on Monday, September 15 from 7pm -8pm (Jr. Leader meeting to begin at 8pm). All new and returning members will partake in this meeting. Please be prepared to get to know the other Ambassadors, have some fun and begin creating the yearly calendar. Please bring any ideas you may have with you to the meeting. Ambassador meetings are generally scheduled every third Monday of the month at 7pm in Room 110 A & B.

# Barron County 4-H Ambassador Application

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\*Applicants must be in grades 9-13 for the 2008-2009 school year.

\*A completed application consists of the following completed form and 2 letters of recommendation, one from your general leader and one from any other *unrelated* individual (preferably someone associated with 4-H). If your general leader is related to you, your recommendation letter must come from any other *unrelated* project or activity leader.

\*Applications and letters of recommendation are due to the Extension Office by **September 10, 2008, 4:30pm.**

*\*Only applications that are turned in on time will be considered.*

\*Applicants: It is your responsibility to make sure your letters of recommendation reach Sara at the Extension Office by September 10, 2008, 4:30pm.

\*Interviews will take place on September 15, 2008 between 5pm-7pm. Applicants will receive a phone call between September 10 and September 12 with their specific interview time.

\*An Ambassador meeting will take place on September 15 at 7pm for all new and returning Ambassadors. Bring ideas with you for the creation of the yearly calendar.

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Please complete the following information (please print clearly, fill in all blanks, and use an additional sheet if needed):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
                    Number                    Street                    City                    State                    Zip

Grade for 2008-2009 School Year: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents or Legal Guardian Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Current 4-H Projects: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

High School and Community Activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club and County Leadership (example: offices held, junior leader): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club and County Participation (activities): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Why are you interested in becoming a Barron County 4-H Ambassador? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What would you like to contribute to 4-H as an Ambassador? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Recommendations are coming from: \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

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## 4-H Adult Leaders Association Council

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Darlene Purinton, Vice President (357-3848)  
Jacque Schaffer, Treasurer (234-7368)  
Central Representative: Brian Holten (837-1216)  
Southwest Representative: Paul Hanson (357-6424)

Lloyd Mark, Past President (637-5091)  
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### Youth Representatives:

Brittany Crotteau (Rock Creek)  
Isaac Solum (Marquette Pacemakers)

Kayla Burke (Prairie Farm Pals)  
Rachel Hanson (Country Siders)  
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**BARRON COUNTY 4-H WEBSITE: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/barron/4h/index.html>**

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