

February 2004

The Clover for 2004

Dear 4-H Families and Friends,

The 2004 4-H club monthly meetings are in full swing and clubs have had a great deal of items on their agendas that needed to be decided on by the membership.

4-H members need to remember that they have several responsibilities as a part of a 4-H club. Using the following checklist are you fulfilling your responsibilities to your local club?

Doing Now	Will Do	
?	?	Attend regular monthly meetings
?	?	Be prepared when you are a part of the agenda
?	?	Support and work for club's events and activities
?	?	Support other members when you have an activity or event
?	?	Be a dependable committee member for club programs
?	?	Be proud to be a 4-H member

Always remember—a 4-H club is only as strong as the 4-H members who contribute to the decision-making process and are committed to working together.

Yours in 4-H,

Karen S. Sipple
4-H Youth Development Agent



Youth Information



2004 WISCONSIN 4-H FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS NOW AVAILABLE

4-H Natural Resources and Environmental Education Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship

Sponsor: *Whitetails Unlimited, Inc.*

4-H Family, Home, and Health Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship

Sponsor: *Elizabeth Salter-Eby 4-H Scholarship Fund*

4-H Leadership Scholarship

Two \$500 scholarships

Sponsor: *Borg Foundation, Inc.*

4-H Animal Sciences Scholarship

Two \$750 scholarships

Sponsor: *Oscar G. & Mary M. Woelfel 4-H Scholarship Fund*

4-H Community Service Scholarship

Two \$1,000 scholarships

Sponsor: *Francis & Phyllis Conrad 4-H Scholarship Fund*

4-H Leadership Achievement Scholarship

One \$1,000 scholarship

Sponsor: *Russell D. Robinson Scholarship Fund*

Betty Krueger Memorial 4-H Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship

Sponsor: *Betty Krueger Memorial Scholarship Fund*

Please contact the UW-Extension Office (743-5121) to request an application form.

Applications are due by **MARCH 12**. Each scholarship has specific requirements which are listed on the application form.

FOREMOST FARMS SCHOLARSHIP

Up to nine \$1,000 scholarships will be granted this year. Applications are available through Foremost Farms (507-931-1682) or by calling the UW-Extension Office (743-5121).

Applications must be postmarked by **February 26**.

CLARK COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIP NOW AVAILABLE

Three \$250 scholarships will be awarded this year. This scholarship is open to all youth and adult leaders either entering a post-secondary school or currently enrolled as a full-time student in a college, university, technical school or Farm Short Course program.

Please contact the UW-Extension Office (743-5121) to request an application form. Applications are due by **MARCH 15**.

D.H.I. (AGSOURCE) SCHOLARSHIP

The Clark County D.H.I. (AgSource) will be providing scholarships to graduating seniors and post-high school graduates residing in Clark County. These individuals must be entering a college or university, technical school, or Ag Short Course program in an ag-related course of study. An application and essay must be completed for the scholarship process.

Application forms are available from local high school guidance counselors or from the Clark County UW-Extension Office.

Applications must be returned before **MARCH 15**.

LIVESTOCK SALE SCHOLARSHIP

Three \$200 scholarships will be awarded this year for the Clark County Livestock Sale Scholarship. Requirements include:

- Participated in the livestock sale for at least two years
- Senior in high school or college freshman
- Two recommendations (not a family member)

Applications are available at the UW-Extension Office (743-5121) and are due by **MARCH 15**.

February 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Eid at Adha Registrations due for: State 4-H Adult & Youth Volunteer Conference	2	3	4	5 Sheep Management Wisline 7:30	6	7 Beef/Dairy Beef Weigh-In Curtiss Sale Barn 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Dairy Quiz Bowl Competition Portage High School
8	9 Coop Yes Youth Leadership Conf., Wisconsin Rapids February 9-10 Registrations due for: Ice Fishing Day	10	11	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13	14 Valentine's Day 4-H on the Air (WAXX 104.5) BC/JW State Fair Beef Pre-ID Check In Registrations/Essays due for: Calf Contest 4-H Project Day
15 Applications due for: Art Team Press Team Drama Team/Company Showcase Singers County Chaperones	16 President's Day	17	18 New Leader/Volunteer Certification Course Greenwood HS Library 7:30 p.m.	19	20 Registrations due for: Drama Festival	21 First of Muharram
22 Washington's Birthday Older Youth Group meeting Greenwood HS Library 7:30 p.m. Ice Fishing Day Rock Dam	23 Coaches meeting Greenwood HS Library 7:30 p.m.	24 Flag Day (M)	25 Ash Wednesday	26 Applications due for: Foremost Farms scholarship	27 4-H Winter Camping Leadership Workshop, Taylor County February 27-29	28 Applications due for: Camp Counselors 4-H Project Day Greenwood HS Cafeteria 12:30—4:30 p.m.
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March 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Ashura Dog Obedience Class Colby Town Hall 6:30 p.m. / 7:30 p.m.	2	3	4	5 Registrations due for Rabbit Workshop	6 Drama and Photography Festival Thorpe High School 9:00 a.m. Cultural Arts/Photography Thorpe High School
7	8 Dog Obedience Class Colby Town Hall 6:30 p.m. / 7:30 p.m.	9	10	11	12 Happy Birthday Karen!	13 4-H on the Air (WAXX 104.5) Atwood Aces 4-H Rabbit Workshop Clark County Fairgrounds 1:00 p.m.
14 Older Youth Group Bowling Loyal Bowling Alley 1:00 p.m.	15 Applications due for: 4-H Scholarship (county) DHI Scholarship Livestock Sale Scholarship State 4-H Youth Leader Council Dog Obedience Class Colby Town Hall	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 State 4-H Adult & Youth Volunteer Conference Oshkosh	20 Spring Begins! Talent Explosion Boyceville
21 Benito Juarez' Birthday (M) Mothering Day (UK)	22 Dog Obedience Class Colby Town Hall 6:30 p.m. / 7:30 p.m.	23 Coaches Meeting Greenwood HS Library 7:30 p.m.	24	25	26	27 Spring Small Animal Swap Clark County Fairgrounds 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. 4-H/FFA Horse KickOff Clark County Fairgrounds 1:30 p.m.
28	29 Dog Obedience Class Colby Town Hall 6:30 p.m. / 7:30 p.m. Happy Birthday Lori!	30	31			



Youth Information



PICTURES YOURSELF ON A 2004 ADVENTURE TRIP!

Who can participate? Any current Wisconsin 4H member between the ages of 13 and 18 (at the time of the trip).

Where do the trips start and end? All adventure trips start and end at Upham Woods 4-H Environmental Center in WI Dells.

Devil's Lake Rock Climbing Camp June 9-12 and August 15-18

Cost \$220 per person
Ages 13—18 at time of trip

Sylvania Wilderness Canoe Trip June 17—22

Cost \$275 per person
Ages 13—17 at time of trip

Porcupine Mountain Backpacking Trip July 18—21

Cost \$275 per person
Ages 13—17 at time of trip

Isle Royale Backpacking Trip August 1—7

Cost \$400 per person
Ages 14—18 at time of trip

Ice Age Trail Backpacking Trip August 8—11

Cost \$250 per person
Ages 13—17 at time of trip

For more information on any of these trips please contact the UW-Extension Office for a brochure and registration form.

Registration deadlines:

June trips May 1st
July and August trips June 1st

Visit the Upham Woods website and view pictures from last year's trips and read more about the programming at Upham Woods: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/uphamwoods/programsadved.html>

CAMP COUNSELOR APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

If you are interested in being a 4-H Camp Counselor applications are now available.

You must be 14 years of age to be a counselor. It is not a requirement that you attended camp previously.

Please contact the UW-Extension Office (743-5121) to request an application form. All applications are due by **February 28th**.

AWARD WINNING PHOTOS!

Do you have a state or county fair award-winning photo from 1999—2004? Submit it to National 4H Council's annual 4-H photo contest by **March 1st**.

Thirteen photos will be selected for the 2006 4-H calendar. Winning photos will be displayed at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD and on www.4hmall.org from September—December 2004.

Submissions will only be considered if they include the following:

1. Full name and age of person submitting photograph.
2. Affiliation with 4-H.
3. Complete return address (for both UPS delivery and USPS First Class Mail.)
4. Telephone number with area code.
5. List of county, state, 4-H, or other awards that submitted photograph(s) have received.
6. A 25-word or less description of the photo from the photographer.
7. Photo submissions should be 8" x 10", in color, and in a horizontal format. Vertical shots will be accepted only if they can be cropped to fit the horizontal format of the calendar.
8. Do not submit digital photos printed on a home printer, color photocopies, or low resolution digital prints. The submitted print must have been printed or developed at a photo processing store.

Please submit photos to: 2006 4-H Calendar
National 4-H Supply Service
7100 Connecticut Ave.
Chevy Chase, MD 20815



Youth Information



KIDS CHALLENGE 2004

Nancy's Notions, Beaver Dam, WI, is sponsoring a sewing contest for youth ages 15 and under as part of Sewing Weekend Expo on:

SATURDAY, MAY 1

Nancy's Notions, Beaver Dam
12:00 noon

Participants must sew a complete outfit (i.e. a one or two piece dress; or a skirt, pants, or shorts **and** a coordinating shirt, vest or top.) They may use any pattern(s) and any combination of fabrics or trims to sew or serge their garment.

Completed garments must be mailed or delivered to Nancy's Notions by **April 9**. Participants are expected to model their garments in a style show at Sewing Weekend Expo in Beaver Dam on Saturday, May 3.

Please contact the UW-Extension (743-5121) for a complete list of rules and regulations and a registration form or you can call Pat Hahn (920-887-0391) or e-mail Pat at hahn@nancysnotions.com.

Contest is limited to the first 50 participants to return the entry form—so you better hurry!

STATE PHOTOGRAPHY SPECIALIST IN CLARK COUNTY

Wayne Brabender, State 4-H Photography Specialist, will be presenting two sessions during the Drama Festival/Cultural Arts/Photography Day on **Saturday, March 6**.

The sessions will include information on taking your best shot (photo), deciding which is the best picture, and mounting your photograph.

He will also look at photos you bring in to give you some helpful hints.

Sessions will be at 1:00 p.m and 2:00 p.m. There will be no charge for these sessions.

STATE 4-H YOUTH LEADER COUNCIL

Council Purpose

To strengthen 4-H Youth Development program by addressing youth issues, promoting 4-H , providing leadership at State Youth Conference, and communicating needs between local and state levels.

Qualities

- Leadership in club and county
- Good communication skills
- Good public relation skills
- Responsibility
- Positive role model
- Positive attitude

Council Eligibility

1. Youth should have completed 8th—10th grade to enable their completion of the two year term while in high school.
2. Two youth will be elected each year for a two year term from each of the 6 Extension districts.
3. New terms will start at the end of June State Youth Conference. Council candidates will need to attend the conference either as a regular or special county delegate.

For more information or to request an application form please contact the UW-Extension Office at 743-5121.

Applications are due to the State 4-H Office by **March 15**.

OLDER YOUTH GROUP MEETING

The next Older Youth Group meeting is scheduled for:

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22
Greenwood High School Library
7:30 p.m.

Hope to see you there!



Youth Information



INVITATION TO BOWL

The Older Youth Group of Clark County would like to invite 4H youth 6th grade and up, who are interested in joining the Older Youth Group, to a bowling social to be held:

March 14
Loyal Bowling Alley
1:00 p.m.

Snacks will be provided. Other beverages and food will also be available for purchase. Your cost to bowl will be \$1.50 per game. The Older Youth Group will pick-up the additional costs per game fee.

An information letter about our group will be sent to your leaders in the near future . . . Be sure to check us out!

Any questions please contact Karen Sipple (743-5121).

SUITCASES FOR KIDS PROJECT

The Clark County Older Youth Group (formerly the Ambassadors) is sponsoring a project called "Suitcases for Kids." Many times when children are removed from their homes for whatever reason they only have plastic bags to hold their personal belongings. We would like to change this.

Our group will be collecting suitcases, duffel bags, and backpacks that are in reasonably good condition (or new!) during the Drama Festival on **March 6** in Thorp and also at the volleyball tournament on **April 3-4** in Neillsville. You can also drop off these items at the Extension Office between the dates of **February 1 and April 4**.

All items collected will be given to Clark County Social Services on behalf all Clark County 4-H clubs.

Check your closets and basements—start your spring cleaning early!

WISCONSIN 4-H ARTS PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES

ART TEAM—State Art Team creates artwork around a theme for Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference. They design and organize the WI 4H and Youth Conference Art Exhibit, reception, and provide guided exhibit tours. They also teach seminars and train to be a peer leader for county and regional events. **(applications due by February 15)**

PRESS TEAM - The Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference Press Team is comprised of 4-6 youth photographers who take digital photos of Conference events, and prepare a PowerPoint presentation to show to delegates. **(applications due by February 15)**

DRAMA TEAM/COMPANY—An exciting opportunity for high school youth to serve as theatre ambassadors. At Wisconsin 4H and Youth Conference, youth will share their skills through a performance and teaching seminars. **(applications due by February 15)**

SHOWCASE SINGERS—Since 1987 the Wisconsin 4-H Showcase Singers have been dazzling audiences at the Wisconsin State Fair. The group is comprised of 4-H members, high school age and older who perform "show choir" material. **(applications due by February 15)**

ARTS CAMP—A camp for middle school 4-H youth taught by older youth. Sessions are taught in photography, music, drama, communications, art, and a specialty. **(applications due by May 1—counselors; September 10—campers)**

ARTS LEADERSHIP LAB—An exciting weekend of leadership training for high school youth and adults. Sessions are taught in communication, music, photography, theatre arts, video, and visual arts. **(applications due by November 15)**

For more information on these opportunities please contact the UW-Extension Office (743-5121).





Youth Information



CULTURAL ARTS AND PHOTOGRAPHY

4-H youth are encouraged to bring their arts, crafts, and photographs to Drama Festival on **Saturday, March 6** at the Thorp High School. Youth will have their items on display for everyone to look at.

These items will **not** be judged/evaluated, but youth who are interested in having their items evaluated at the District Talent Explosion **must** identify their items (see registration form) and **must take** their items to Boyceville.

All entries must be on display by 11:00 a.m. Be sure and attach a registration form for each item. Items will then be selected to go to Talent Explosion based on registration information. There will be no limit on the number of participants or items that can go to Talent Explosion.

All youth who bring items to Drama Festival will receive a participant certificate. Two art items will be selected for display at the State 4-H Art Exhibit at the Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference.

Below are definitions of the items:

Art Any original work completed by the exhibitor.

Craft Items from a kit, made by following a pattern or directions, using a mold, commercial mold, picture or example.

Photography Original photographic work. No size limitations on photos. Exhibits may be matted, but must not be framed.



CULTURAL ARTS AND PHOTOGRAPHY REGISTRATION FORM

(one form per item)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone Number _____

Club _____

Age _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Please check one:

Art—medium used _____

Craft

Photography

Title of Item _____

Would you be willing to take your item to Talent Explosion?

Yes

No



Youth Information



TALENT EXPLOSION— ARTS, CRAFTS AND PHOTOGRAPHY

SATURDAY, MARCH 20
Boyceville

This year the Arts, Crafts, and Photography program at Talent Explosion will consist of two main areas— **Evaluation**, which will provide 4-H members the opportunity to have their art, craft and/or photography items evaluated and displayed, and **Workshops**, which provides the opportunity for any interested 4-H member, parent, volunteer, or Talent Explosion attendee to participate in educational sessions in the arts.

A very important change beginning in 2004 is the requirement that 4H members who wish to have their art, craft, or photography item(s) evaluated and displayed at Talent Explosion **must** be present at the event.

There will no longer be county displays. Instead, items will be displayed in a "Talent Explosion Art Gallery" and a "Talent Explosion Photography Show." Articles will be accepted for display beginning at 10:00 a.m. and may be displayed until 2:00 p.m. While 4-H members have the choice of having their item displayed or keeping it with them before and/or after their face-to-face evaluation, they are strongly encouraged to place their item on display in order to receive recognition and to promote the 4-H visual arts.

Evaluation of art, craft, and photography items will take place in a face-to-face conference with a judge. Judging will begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue until 2:00 p.m. Participants may bring their items anytime within this period that fits their schedule. Pre-registration for a judging time is not required.

Workshops offered this year include:

Photography	11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
Clowning	10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.
Wood Carving	10:30 a.m.
Creative Writing	11:00 a.m.
Fibre Art	12:30 p.m.
Stamping/Embossing	1:00 p.m.

Each workshop is will be one hour in length.

4-H PROJECT DAY HOME AND FAMILY PROJECTS

(you do not need to be enrolled in these projects to attend!)

Saturday, February 28
Greenwood High School Cafetorium
12:30—4:00 p.m.

- Who** Open to all 4-H members
- What** Home and Family projects that members can use for fair entries. Youth will be able to make 4 projects using a variety of materials.
- Cost** \$12 for all 4 projects. These projects are all original items—no kits

Projects include:

- Quilted Birdhouse Centerpiece
- Easter Bunny Windsock (for out-of-doors)
- No Sew Fleece Tied Stocking Hat
- Wooden Americana Flag (for out-of-doors)

Class size is limited to 24 participants. Registration deadline is **February 14th**.

4-H PROJECT DAY

Name Age

Address

City

Phone

Cost is \$12.00 for all 4 projects. Please send payment (made payable to 4-H Leaders Federation) to:

UW-Extension Office
4-H Project Day
517 Court Street, Room 104
Neillsville, WI 54456

Registrations and payment are due by
February 14



Club News



LOYAL LADS & LASSIES

(January minutes) Pledges led by Ethan Genteman. Decided on Bruce Mound trip on February 8. Will go with Beaver Center/Jolly Workers club. Passed out fund raiser sheets. Discussed community project. Welcomed two new members. Fair theme ideas and Hoard's Dairyman contest discussed.

Submitted by
Michele Weyer, Secretary

3 GAITS

(December minutes) Mara Trampush talked about the Officer Training Lock-In. Discussed food drives and sponsoring a needy family. Community project tabled until next meeting. Discussed having a riding clinic at the fairgrounds or in Arpin. Carolyn suggested e-mailing people before meetings to remind them or enforcing the reminder to call if you cannot attend meeting. Stressed starting on time.

Submitted by
Katie Breu, Secretary

TOWN AND COUNTRY PARTNERS

(January minutes) Pledges led by Hannah Quicker and Katie Schmidt. Demonstrations done by Jennifer Galen, Ben Kind, and Sydney Colwell. Discussed new business which included going to Bruce Mound on February 21. Brooke Brekke, Cara Christie, and Randy Bryan provided treats for the meeting.

Submitted by
Jennifer Quicker, Secretary

LUCKY CLOVERS

(January minutes) Judy Conner, Sue Stiemann, & Mary Schott gave first aid demonstrations. Roll call was favorite baby name. We received a thank you letter from Memorial Medical Center for our donation of stuffed animals. The wreath sale profit was \$1416.00, \$360.00 less than last year. We will go curling Jan 24, at the Marshfield Fairgrounds from 12-6 pm with a potluck meal at noon. Will go tubing at Bruce Mound on Feb. 20. Next meeting will be Valentine's party. Next meeting is Feb. 5, 7:00 pm.

Submitted by
Secretary, Tim Nielsen

TOWN AND COUNTRY STARS

(January minutes) Flag pledges led by Hallie and Stephanie. Discussed working at the Humane Society and decided to donate proceeds from the next brat sale to them. Also decided to make valentine cards for the soldiers and Angelus Center. Members should bring supplies to make cards with. Discussion about our club trip to see the Harlem Globetrotters. Collected sucker money. Stephanie showed how to prepare and show a rabbit for the fair. Next meeting is February 1.

Submitted by
Katie Mills, Reporter

PLEASANT RIDGE

(January minutes) Pledges led by Cody Kallian and John Richmond. Roll call was your favorite Christmas present. Old movie night is January 21. Drama parts were handed out. The monthly sign up sheets for talks was also handed out. Cassie Ring talked about a cat and its life. Audriana Painter talked about a bird feeder she made for the fair. Door prize went to James Oldham.

Submitted by
Club Secretary (no signature)

GREENWOOD SATELLITES

(January minutes) Pledges led by Cyrus Nigon and Brittani Morrow. The club thanked Jane Herr and Judy Hinker for helping put the Christmas tree sale together. Club decorated city park and received 1st place. Club will go to Bruce Mound for a winter trip on February 22. Volleyball sign-up sheet was passed around. Members planning on playing volleyball must have the first part of their recordbook completed.

Submitted by
Nikki Karlen, Secretary

CHILI

(January minutes) Club received thank you card from the Martin family for the card and flowers. A trip to Bruce Mound was planned for January 12. Light lunch was served following the meeting.

Submitted by
Dylan Stichert, Secretary



Club News



WOODGROVE WORKERS

(January minutes) We had short business meeting and a "talent show." By performing in the talent show members fulfilled their demonstration requirement for the year. Discussed where we will be going for winter trip. Volleyball practice will start on January 9 (Fridays, 6:00—8:00 p.m.) through April. Also discussed drama festival and a sheet was passed around for sign-up.

Submitted by
Katrina Pogodzinski, President

PARKS HAPPY 13

(January minutes) Pledges led by Heather and Nicole. Roll call was your favorite Christmas gift you received. We discussed the Tupperware sales and camp counselors. Karen and Bob Bakke donated \$200 to our club to use for buying our club shirts. New officers were installed. We are going to have our pizza party next month and play games. Also Nicole, Paige, and Ryan will do their demonstrations.

Submitted by
Nicole Peterson, Secretary

CHRISTIE MOUNDERS

(January minutes) Roll call was "If you were an ice cube what would make you melt?" Pledges led by Drew Anding and Lacey Murphy. Discussed possible club trip to Six Flags. Will have a contest at next meeting for the home-made valentines. A trip to Bruce Mound was discussed and we will go Feb. 6th. Fundraisers—club will sell Tom Watt now and wait to sell pizzas and candy bars. Next meeting February 15.

Submitted by
Jessica DuBois, Secretary

ATWOOD ACES

(January minutes) Pledges led by Angie Untiedt and Jodi Milz. We will be going to Rainbow Falls on July 16. Received a letter from Karen Sipple regarding Officer Training and it included a list of fund-raising and fun activities. Club will be doing on the air March 13. Discussed winter trip and we will be going bowling (February 29) and have a sleigh ride (February 15). There will be no February meeting! Farm Technology Days is July 12—14 and they would like anyone 17 and older who is available to work in the foodstand. Club will again be doing Valentine care boxes. Every family was assigned an item to bring to put in the boxes for the shut-ins. Jeanie will make decoration for the boxes.

Submitted by
Chelsea Wehrman, Secretary

THORP PINE VALLEY

(January minutes) Pledges led by Karen Zakrzewicz and Robert Orzechowski. Amanda Kulesa talked about our Christmas party. It will be a swimming party on February 7 from 1:00—4:00 p.m. at Stanley-Boyd. Also discussed sledding party—we will have it when we get more snow!. Handed out the Hoards Dairy Cow Judging forms. Snacks were served.

Submitted by
Ashley Kodl, Reporter

HAPPY HOLLOW

(January minutes) Pledges led by Elizabeth and Steven Greeler. Club will go to to Bruce Mound on January 31. New committee for the Angelus Committee project was formed. There will be a work night for the Valentine's project on February 2 at Marilyn's. Plastic folders were given to each member to keep their record book information organized. Wendy Spencer talked on the tropical rain forests.

Submitted by
Desirae Anding, Secretary



Leaders Information



4-H ON THE AIR

Below is the schedule for February, March, and April. Air time is approximately 6:00 a.m.



February 14 Beaver Center/Jolly Workers

March 13 Atwood Aces

April 10 Woodgrove Workers

Once you have been contacted by Bob Bosold please call the UW-Extension Office (743-5121) and let us know the date so we can reserve the meeting room for you.

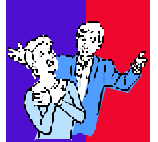
Just a Reminder!
Any 4-H member who wants
to add a project must do
so by **APRIL 1st.**

2004 DRAMA FESTIVAL

The Clark County Drama Festival is scheduled for:

SATURDAY, MARCH 6

Thorp High School
9:00 a.m.



Judges will select one presentation from regular drama and two presentations from the mini drama/skits to represent Clark County at the District Talent Explosion that will be held on **SATURDAY, MARCH 20.**

MINI DRAMA/SKIT RULES:

1. Selections are to be no more than 15 minutes in length (includes set-up and presentation time.)
2. Mini dramas and skits are to be of the type that can be performed in any room, i.e. skits, puppetry and creative dramatics.
3. Two or more actors/actresses must participate in each performance.
4. Mini drama may use props and costumes. Skits use **minimal** props and costumes (**less is better!** - more use of imagination.)

REGULAR DRAMA RULES:

1. Each group is limited to no more than 30 minutes of stage time (includes set up and performance time.)
2. Two or more actors/actresses must be in the performance.
3. Each drama group will furnish their own emcee.

GENERAL RULES:

All actors and actresses must be 4-H members. The director(s) may be a 4-H member and/or adult.

Basic props such as tables and chairs will be available to participating clubs. Clubs are asked to bring any special props with them that they wish to use.

PLEASE NOTE: No hay or straw bales, candles or real fire may be used.

Registration deadline is **FEBRUARY 20.**



Leader Information



4-H DRAMA FESTIVAL REGISTRATION FORM

Club Name _____

Category (check one): ___ **Regular Drama** ___ **Mini Drama** ___ **Skit**

Name of Play _____

Drama Leader(s), Addresses, and Phone Numbers:

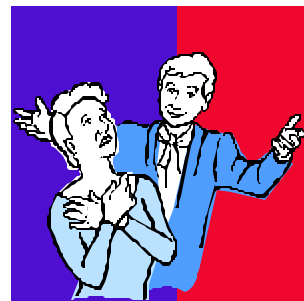
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List of Participants:

_____	_____	_____
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Please return to: UW-Extension
Drama Festival
517 Court St., Rm 104
Neillsville, WI 54456

Registration deadline is **FEBRUARY 20.**





Leader Information



WISCONSIN 4-H CHAPERONE OPPORTUNITIES

Love working with youth? Interested in dairy? Aerospace? Citizenship? Leadership? International travel? Then **Wisconsin 4-H Wants You!**

What opportunities exist?

- Citizenship Washington Focus bus trips to Washington, D.C. (June-July)
- National 4-H Congress, Atlanta, GA (late November)
- National 4-H Dairy Conference, Madison, WI (late September)
- US Space Camp bus trips, Huntsville, AL (late April/early May)
- International trips to Australia, Finland, Japan, Korea, or Mexico (summer)

Who can apply?

- Applicants must be at least 21 years old and be certified Wisconsin 4-H leaders
- Applicants must be in good health (sleep deficit, some lifting, and much walking are common!)

Requirements

- Completed applications must be submitted by **March 1st** (January or February 1 for international trips)
- 4-H Youth Development Agent reference required (others may be required also)
- International chaperones will need passports and physicians' reports

Cost

- Registration and travel expenses are covered; some meals may be at the chaperones expense

How do I apply?

- Contact UW-Extension Office (743-5121) or 4-H Outreach (608-262-1557) for an application.

State 4-H Adult & Youth Volunteer Conference

March 19–21

University of WI—Oshkosh

For more information and registration form please contact the UW-Extension Office (743-5121). Registrations are due by **FEBRUARY 1st**.

Plan now to feel the energy!

COACHES MEETING

A meeting has been scheduled for all volleyball and softball coaches on:

Monday, February 23
Greenwood High School Library
7:30 p.m.

If your club is planning on participating in either event please have a coach for each area attend this information meeting.

COUNTY TRIP CHAPERONE OPPORTUNITIES

If you are over the age of 21 and have your 4-H Youth Protection Certification you are eligible to serve as a chaperone for:

- Intrastate and Interstate exchange trips
- State 4-H Youth Conference

We are seeking chaperones for these trips for our Clark County 4-H members. Applications are available at the UW-Extension Office.

Applications are due by **February 15th**.



Leader Information



NEW LEADER/VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION COURSE

A new leader/volunteers course has been developed for new adult leaders who will be serving as leaders/volunteers with the 4-H Youth Development Program.

The purpose of the program is to protect children through a two-part approach of orienting volunteers on the basics of the 4-H program and how it operates from a youth centered focus. It will also include information on the incidence of child abuse and how caring adults can help in the prevention of child abuse.

All new leaders and parents who have not completed the certification training and who wish to work with youth in the 4-H program this year and in the future are required to attend a certification class. **Independent courses are not available at this time.**

This means if you would like to:

- chaperone an event such as an overnight trip
- coach volleyball or softball
- serve as a project or activity leader in your club

You are required to have this certification course!

The training consists of a 2 hour session and will be held on:

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18
Greenwood High School Library
7:30 p.m.

Please call 743-5121 to pre-register.

THANK YOU . . .

Shooting sports instructors for conducting archery classes:

- Dennis Fleischmann
- Alan Alleshaski
- Diane Ring

Congratulations to Sandy Schmidt and Wayne Fleischman who completed the Shooting Sports Certification training.

Sewing youth and adult instructors for planning and conducting the sewing event on January 24th:

- Debbie & Moriah Zarling
- Dawn & Justin Hasz
- Londa & Liana Kuehn
- Chihiro Ara

4-H VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

The Clark County 4H Volleyball Tournament will take place on:

Saturday April 3
Sunday, April 4
Neillsville High School

More details will be sent out after the coaches meeting on **February 23rd.**





Family Information



LET'S GO ICE FISHING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

ROCK DAM

sponsored by:
Thorp Sportsman's Club
Rock Dam Rod and Gun Club

Beginners (or those of you with just a little bit of ice fishing knowledge) - this ice fishing day is for you! 4-H and non 4-H members are invited to attend but you must be at least 8 years old. Participants under age 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

- Wear warm clothes
- Wear warm boots
- Bring your own pole*
- Baits will be supplied
- Holes will be drilled
- Lunch will be provided

Prizes will be awarded for the longest fish!

Pre-registration is requested by **FEBRUARY 9**; registrations will be accepted at the door. Cost is \$3.00 per person which includes lunch, T-shirt and hand-outs, and door prizes!

Program will start at 12:00 p.m. at the Rock Dam Rod and Gun Club (across from Hay Creek Inn)—no informational letter will be sent!

**If you don't have a pole we will have some available.*



LET'S GO ICE FISHING

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone Number _____

Age _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Please return completed registration form and fee of \$3.00 per person to:

UW-Extension
Let's Go Fishing
517 Court St., Rm 104
Neillsville, WI 54456

Make checks payable to the 4-H Leaders Federation. Registrations are due by **FEBRUARY 9**.

CANCELLATIONS!

Any meeting or activity that has to be cancelled will be announced on the following radio stations.

WAXX 104.5

WCCN 107.5



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MUSIC FESTIVAL RESULTS

The Clark County 4H Music Festival was held on Saturday, January 10th at the Greenwood High School. Over 150 people enjoyed the musical performances of 50 plus youth from three local 4-H clubs and independent families. The results of the Music Festival were:

Woodgrove Workers

Blue and Talent Explosion

Members included: Mallory & Max Kroeplin, Asa Fields, Bryce, Valerie, & Isabel Niemi, Krysara Mueller, Anna Nosko, Rachel Tieman, Alyssa Gordon, Brittany O'Neil, Kate Eloranta, Will, Sam, Jeff & Kristin Maki, Trista Shoemaker, Tanya Todd, Jade Pinter, Tess Peacock, Johannah, Aleyna, & Albert Goerlitz, Alex Peacock, Molly Baumann, and Moriah Zaring. They were directed by Peggy Goerlitz, Ellen Niemi, and Sue Eloranta.

Lucky Clovers

Blue and State Fair

2nd Alternate for Talent Explosion

Members included: Marta, Aaron & Sam Knodle, Rachel & Shannon Conner, Nikki & Danae Fitzmaurice, Tim Nielson, Samantha, Katie & Nick Thoma, Matthew Stiemann, Michelle Mitte, Amanda Cariveau, and Tasha Gelande. They were directed by Clare Knodle, Judy and Jody Conner.

Singing B's (independent family)

Blue & 1st Alternate for Talent Explosion

Members included: Cami, Sheena, Kala, Myriah, Liza, Hilary, and Leslie Briski. They were directed by Sheila Briski.

Thank you to the Greenwood High School for hosting this event and to our judges Kyli Brown, Lynn Karbowski, and Donna Olson.

SPEAKING AND DEMONSTRATION CONTEST RESULTS

The 2004 Clark County 4-H Speaking and Demonstration contest was held on Saturday, January 10 at the Greenwood High School. Thirteen youth competed in eight different divisions and seven of these youth will represent Clark County at Talent Explosion on March 20th.

Speaking results:

Junior Division:

Anna Nosko, Woodgrove Workers
Blue and Talent Explosion

Intermediate Division:

Matthew Stiemann, Lucky Clovers
Blue and Talent Explosion

Senior Division:

Tim Nielsen, Lucky Clovers
Red

Interpretive Reading results:

Novice Division:

Katrina Peterson, Greenwood Satellites
Blue and Talent Explosion
Tess Peacock, Woodgrove Workers
Red

Junior Division:

Katrina Pogodzinski, Woodgrove Workers
Red

Intermediate Division:

Samantha Thoma, Lucky Clovers
Blue and Talent Explosion
Alexandra Peacock, Woodgrove Workers
Red

Senior Division:

Steven Turnquist, Greenwood Satellites
Blue and Talent Explosion
Zachariah Williams, Greenwood Satellites
Blue and Talent Explosion
Lindsey Thoma, Lucky Clovers
Blue and Talent Explosion
Amanda Sternitzky, Christie Mounders
White

Demonstration results:

Intermediate Division

Asa Fields, Woodgrove Workers
Blue and Talent Explosion

Thank you to Greenwood High School for hosting this event and our judges Kyli Brown, Lynn Karbowski, Bryan Anderson, and Susan Nelson.



Family Information



4-H INTERNATIONAL HOSTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2004

Open your door to a young person from Japan, Korea, or Eurasia and draw the world a little closer!

Applications are presently being accepted for hosting international youth for 3-4 weeks this summer or for the 2004-05 school year.

12—18 year old Japanese and Korean youth will visit Wisconsin 4-H families between (approximately) July 24—August 22. Year-long high school students from Japan, Korea, and Eurasia arrive about August 1 and depart in early/mid June 2005.

Knowledge of a foreign language is not required, just an interest in other cultures and teens!

For more information visit <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/international.html> or call 608-262-2491 / 608-262-1557.

FLY A KITE FOR FREEDOM 2004

Pull your clubs or family together for The High-ground's 2nd Annual Kite Flying Contest on **April 17**. Contestants and volunteers can join together for a day of celebrating our freedom and liberties while having a great time.

Kites are to be homemade using the theme of "Fly a Kite for Freedom." They will be judged on use of theme, flying ability, and creativity. No part of an American flag can be used in the construction of your kite and no weapons can be depicted on your design. Flying times will begin at 1:30 p.m. at The Highground.

For more information please contact The High-ground at 715-743-4224 or www.thehighground.org.

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH

Certification Workshops

February 14

Northeast District Shooting Sports Certification Workshop (pellet rifle)

March 6

SE District Archery Certification Workshop (4-H and NAA archery)

Competitive Shoots

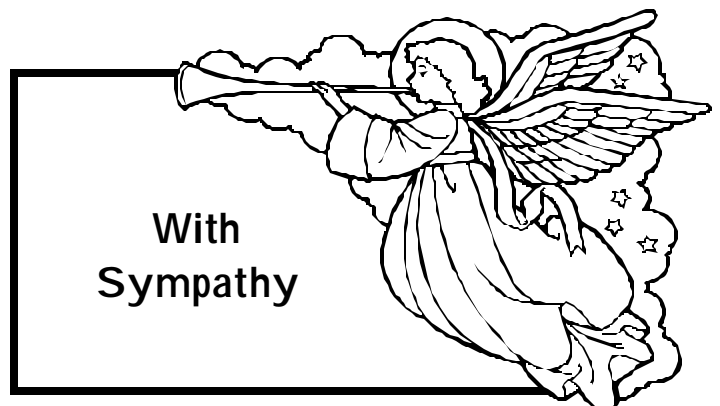
March 20

Central District 4-H Statewide Invitational Air rifle & .22 rifle shoot

March 27

Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports State Junior Olympics Statewide Invitational Shoot .22 rifle postal shoot

For more information on the above events and other shooting sports events go to the shooting sports web page: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/shooting.html>



Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family of Richard "Dick" Eibergen. Dick was a 4-H leader for 36 years and served on the Clark County Livestock Committee.



Animal Information



JACKSON COUNTY HORSE PROJECT TACK SALE

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28
9:00 A.M.**

**AMERICAN LEGION BUILDING
421 HIGHWAY 54 WEST
BLACK RIVER FALLS**

Please call 715-284-4115
for additional information

SPRING SMALL ANIMAL SWAP

**Saturday, March 27
8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
Clark County Fairgrounds—Neillsville**



CHIPPEWA COUNTY HOLDING RABBIT PROJECT TRAINING!

What: Rabbit Seminar
When: **Saturday, February 7**
9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Where: Wheaton Town Hall*
Who: All interested 4-H youth and
adult leaders

For more information please contact:

Pam Celesnik 874-5959
Mary Steinmetz 288-6084

15TH ANNUAL PUREBRED & HOUSEHOLD PET SPRING CAT SHOW

The Central Wisconsin Cat Club is proud to announce it's upcoming 15th Annual Purebred and Household Pet Spring Cat Show on:

March 20 and 21
St. Matthew's Middle School Gym
(225 S. 28th Ave, Wausau).

Admission is \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children. The show is open to the public from 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. both days.

For more information please contact the UW-Extension Office for an informational flyer and registration form. Entry deadline is **March 8**.



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2004 WISCONSIN STATE FAIR BEEF PRE-IDENTIFICATION CHECK-IN SITES

All 4H/FFA youth wishing to exhibit market steers during the 2004 Wisconsin State Fair (August 5-15) are required to identify their steers at one of the sites listed below*

January 31 Eau Claire Co. Fairgrounds
9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Brandon Boettcher
715-597-5004

February 21 Wood Co. Fairgrounds
9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Bruce Thorson
715-435-3181

Questions or concerns about weather cancellations should be made directly to the contact person listed.

**These are just local sites. For a more complete list please contact the UW-Extension Office (743-5121).*

2004 SHEEP MANAGEMENT WISLINE SERIES

February 5 7:30—8:50 p.m.
Factors Affecting the Palatability of Lamb Meat
Susan Duckett

March 4 7:30—8:50 p.m.
Use of Corn Processing By-Product Feeds in Sheep
Rations
Dan Morrill

If you wish to attend any of these please contact the UW-Extension Office (743-5121) to make room arrangements.

Program information, including handouts, are available at the website:

<http://uwex.edu/ces/animalscience/sheep/>

ATTENTION HORSE PROJECT MEMBERS!

The annual 4H/FFA Horse Kick-Off meeting will be held on:

March 27
Clark County Fairgrounds (dining hall)
1:30 p.m.

We strongly encourage all project members to attend, so you receive the information needed for the upcoming year. Handbooks will be distributed at this time.

We are also planning a Clothing & Tack sale. Bring your items (with identification), and the price you are asking, with you that day. Please have all items at the fairgrounds by 1:00 p.m. so that we may set them up prior to the kick-off.

We hope to make this an exciting and educational year for everyone. One of the items that will be addressed is the new classes for the fair. This meeting will tentatively conclude at 4:00 pm.

Any questions should be directed to Shelby Garbisch (238-7300) or Penny Holger (743-2351).

More information about the kick-off will be in next month's Cloverleaf.

CLARK COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW/
SALE BEEF/DAIRY BEEF
WEIGH-IN DATE

Saturday, February 7
Curtiss Sale Barn
10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Snow date is February 14th



Animal Information



DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES

All classes will be conducted by Marion Wehrman and will be held at the Colby Town Hall. There will be no classes held at Owen-Withee this year.

Pre-novice 6:30—7:15 p.m.
All others 7:30—8:15 p.m.

All classes in March, April and May will be held on Mondays.

Classes in June and July will be held on Wednesdays.

March	1st	8th	15th	22nd	29th
April	5th	12th	19th	26th	
May	3rd	10th	17th	27th	
	(no class on Memorial Day)				
June	2nd	9th	16th	23rd	30th
July	7th	14th	21st	28th	

The classes for the Chili area will be announced shortly.

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR 2004 JUNIOR STATE FAIR DAIRY THEMES

Nominations are being sought for 2004 Wisconsin Junior State Fair dairy themes. Please submit suggestions to Ted Habach, University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension Dairy Youth Specialist, by **March 1st**. Last year's dairy themes were "From Our Place to the Dairy Case" and "Celebrating Family Farms Past, Present, and Future."

Exhibitors ages 12—19 will use these themes as the focus of their exhibits that promote our state's agriculture and dairy products, county 4-H groups, as well as quality livestock. Last year 724 youth from 46 counties exhibited 1,038 head of dairy cattle at the fair!

Please e-mail nominations to Ted Halbach at tjhalbach@wisc.edu or fax them to 608-263-9412.

CLARK COUNTY RABBIT WORKSHOP

Don and Betty Horn, 4-H fair superintendents for the rabbit project, will be conducting a workshop for all youth interested in the rabbit project.

Youth will learn how to select a rabbit to purchase for the fair, rabbit breeds, care and handling of rabbits, and several other items related to raising rabbits. Rabbit tattooing will also be available.

The workshop will take place on:

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

Clark County Fairgrounds—dining hall
1:00 p.m.

If you are interested in attending please complete the registration form below and return by **March 5th**.

RABBIT WORKSHOP

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone _____

I will be bringing _____ rabbits.

Registrations are due by **March 5th**. Please send registration form to:

UW-Extension Office
Rabbit Workshop
517 Court Street, Room 104
Neillsville, WI 54456