



The Clover Leaf

Hello 4-H Members, Families, Leaders & Friends,

It is hard to believe that it is November already! In this newsletter are numerous opportunities for members and leaders to participate in this winter; from dairy to art to leadership training—there is definitely an activity for everyone.

One event I would like to take a moment to highlight is Exploration Day which is being held Monday, December 28th at the Greenwood High School. Last year this day was filled with fun and learning as our younger members had the opportunity to explore numerous project areas.

Be sure to read the newsletter and check out the calendar for all of the upcoming events, activities and learning opportunities.

Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

Sara M Gronski
Sara Gronski
4-H Youth Development Agent
Clark County

Table of Contents	
Page 2	Club News
Page 3	Shake, Rattle, and Roll meetings Adult Volunteer Training Session
Page 4	Community Service Grants Meeting Notices
Page 5	Art Lab—East and West
Page 6	Get Re-Energized about 4-H Thorp Shooting Sports Classes
Page 7	Exploring 4-H Day ArtBeat—North and South
Page 8	Internet Safety
Page 9	COOL Forms (Livestock) State 4-H Groups
Page 10	Horse Leader Conference WPA Scholarships 4-H Horse Kick-Off Meeting
Page 11-12	November / December Calendars
Page 13	4-H Trivia



C L U B N E W S



Lucky Clover (October) / Rebecca Stiemann

- Roll call was “something you are scared of”
- Wreath sale order forms were handed out; they need to be returned by November 1
- Meeting nights will be moved to Mondays
- 4-H on the Air is scheduled for November 14
- Refreshments were served by the Knodle family
- Next meeting is November 9, Globe Church

Reseburg Ramblers (October) / Stephanie Welch

- Officer installation was held; new officers are: Nicole Schesel—president; Bryann Lewien—VP, Stephanie Welch—secretary; Brooke Noah—treasurer; Samantha Welch and Chelsea Neisius—historians; and Ashley Fazedin—reporter
- Committee reports given on the dance, music festival, demonstration list, and Halloween party
- Demonstrations given by Erika and Ashley (microwavable chocolate cake), and Ashley and Kelley (their guinea pig “Cutie”)

Woodgrove Workers (September) / Isabel Niemi

- Pledges led by Dylan Lampi and Jade Pinter.
- Reports given by: Brandi Arndt (foodstand); Anna Nosko (state music/clothing revues); Diane Kroeplin (Memory Walk in Colby)
- Brenda Pogodzinski is checking into a winter trip to Chanhassen to see Foot Loose
- Next meeting is October 17 at the Town of Hoard—we will be painting pumpkins at 6:00 p.m., food at 6:30 p.m. and meeting/hayride to follow at 7:00 p.m.
- Elections were held: Anna Goerlitz—president; Joerge Schmelzer—VP; Isabel Niemi—secretary; Jade Pinter—treasurer; Mallory Kroeplin—reporter; Brooklynne Bogseth, Anna Nosko, Julia Schmelzer—historians; Dylan Lampi—sunshine



SAD NEWS AND GOOD NEWS

Clark County 4-H will be losing a great 4-H club—Happy Clovers.

But . . . club members have chosen to join Town and County Stars!

To welcome them the Town and Country Stars voted to re-vamp their name to incorporate both clubs.

They will now be known as:

Town and Country Clovers



Welcome Town and Country Clovers!

We look forward to see your club members at 4-H events and activities.

Annual 4-H Volunteer Leader Training Year 2: 4-H Meetings That Shake, Rattle, and Roll

4-H youth and adult volunteer leaders will discover how to make 4-H meetings that **Shake, Rattle and Roll!**

4-H club meetings are one of the most valuable, educational, and fun experiences for 4-H members. This long term experience provides youth members with a safe learning environment where they gain belonging, mastery, independence, and generosity skills with the support and connection of caring adults.

Tuesday, November 3
Courthouse Auditorium—Neillsville
7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 4
ADS—Greenowod
7:00 p.m.

Every club is **required** to have at least one leader, volunteer or youth leader in attendance – extras are more than welcome. Please RSVP to Lori (743-5121 / lori.hendrickson@co.clark.wi.us) by **October 28** which date you will be attending.

If you have any questions please contact Sara Gronski (743-5121 / sara.gronski@ces.uwex.edu).

NEW LEADER / VOLUNTEER TRAINING SESSION

The purpose of this 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 training and who wish to work with youth in the 4-H program this year and in the future are required to attend a training class. This means if you would like to:

- Coach volleyball or softball
- Drama director / assistant
- Chaperone an event such as an overnight trip
- Serve as a project or activity leader in your club

You are required to have this training course!

Training will last approximately 2 hours and will be held on:

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9
UW-Extension Office
7:00 p.m.

Please call 743-5121 to pre-register.

You only have to attend **one** training session. Independent courses are not available.



CLUB COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANTS AVAILABLE

Does your 4-H club have a great idea for a community service project?

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation is now accepting Community Service Grant applications.

The 4-H Community Service Grant Program is looking to support 4-H club's community service projects that are:

- determined by and led by youth, with support from adults
- have a lasting and positive impact on the community
- and involve organizations and individuals outside of 4-H as partners

Funding that goes directly to another organization as a charitable contribution is not available.

Your club can ask for as little as \$50 and up to \$200 for your community service project, however, the grant cannot cover the entire cost of a project. A total of \$2,000 dollars is available for distribution.

You can request a copy of the Community Service Grant application from your county 4-H Youth Development staff or by downloading a copy from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation website at:

[www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/foundation/
grantscomm.cfm](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/foundation/grantscomm.cfm)

Applications are available in a word or adobe acrobat editable format and must be postmarked no

MEETING NOTICES

Livestock—Small Animal Auction

Tuesday, November 10
ADS—Greenwood
6:30 p.m.

Livestock—Species Committee Chairs

Monday, November 16
ADS—Greenwood
6:30 p.m.

4-H Horse Kick-Off Planning Meeting

Tuesday, November 17
Courthouse Auditorium—Neillsville
7:00 p.m.

4-H Finance and By-Law Committee

Thursday, November 19
ADS—Greenwood
7:00 p.m.
Finance (dining hall) / By-Laws (meeting rm)

4-H Leaders Meeting

Monday, December 7
ADS—Greenwood
7:00 p.m.

Please cash your faircheck as soon as you get it!



ART LAB—EAST AND WEST
Open to Adults and Teens (grades 9-12)
Sponsored by 4-H Arts and Communications

Art Lab East

December 5—6
10:00 a.m. (Saturday)—12:00 p.m. (Sunday)
Milwaukee County UW-Extension
Cost: \$35.00
Registration Deadline: November 6th

Art Lab West

January 16—17
10:00 a.m. (Saturday) - 12:00 p.m. (Sunday)
Beaver Creek Reserve, Fall Creek
Cost \$35.00
Registration Deadline: December 4th

After its brand new introduction last year, the results are in! Art Lab East and Art Lab West are back! More than 150 4-H members and leaders took part last year and we're hoping for more of the same this year! Both 4-H youth (grades 9—13) and adults are invited to participate in one or even **both** of the Labs.

The mission of the Art Labs is to provide an in-depth and focused experience in the “art track” of choice. Tracks are being expanded from the traditional communication, music, theatre arts, video, and photography to include other topics such as Culinary Arts, Basketry, Comic Book Art, Tae Kwon Do, Directing for the Theatre and more! Each participant will choose one track for the entire weekend.

4-H youth and adults will select one of a wide variety of educational tracks to go “in depth” and explore the art form that interests them the most! Participants will also work together in large groups for team building and sharing. Our Sunday brunch will even feature the creations of the Culinary Arts Track!

Why not get a group of youth and adults together from your county for a weekend of fabulous 4-H bonding and ART!

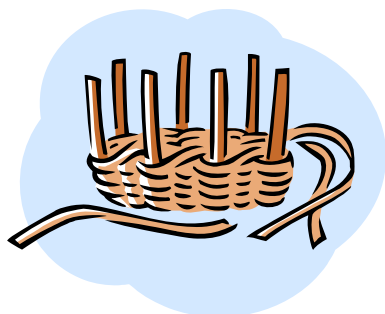
Auditions for the State 4-H Drama Company and the 4-H Showcase Singers will be conducted at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday of each weekend.

Additional information, a brochure and the registration form are on the 4-H website at:

www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/artsleadership.cfm

For more information please contact:

Tim Talen, 4-H Arts and Communication Specialist
920-946-0688 / timothy.talen@ces.uwex.edu



**NORDIC MOUNTAIN
4-H FAMILY SKI OUTING
MT. MORRIS, WI**

Sunday, January 10
1:00—4:30 p.m.



Special rates for all age groups

Contact the UW-Extension Office
for a registration form.

Reservations are due by
January 6.

This is not a UW-Extension event and transportation will not be supplied.

**GET RE-ENERGIZED
ABOUT 4-H!**

**5TH ANNUAL
FALL 4-H YOUTH LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
CHULA VISTA RESORT, WI DELLS**

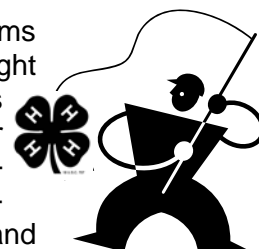
This fantastic event is for 4-H youth in 7th grade and older.



**Take the Plunge
Get Hooked on 4-H!**

This conference is open to 4-H youth, in 7th grade and older, from across the state and is sponsored by Southern District Leadership Team members (SDLT). There are many exciting leadership sessions you have to choose from and then enjoy the indoor water park with your new friends! The cost is only \$45 and your parent(s) may attend the conference for only \$15 per person (which covers lunch, but not a water park pass).

Make this a family outing—rooms at Chula Vista are \$129 per night for November 20 or 21. Rooms can be reserved until October 21. Contact Chula Vista at 800-388-4782 for additional information. Mark your calendars and save the date. Recruit your friends and join the fun.



An **updated flyer** and registration form are available at:

www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/rock/4h/documents/09flyer.pdf

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS CLASSES

The following dates have been set for the Thorp Shooting Sports Classes. All classes will be held on Monday nights at Eagle Eye Adventures in Thorp. Class times are 7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Pellet Gun Classes / \$10 per person

3rd grade (and at least 8 years old) through 12 years old

**January 4
January 11
January 18
January 25
February 1**

Archery Classes / \$15.00 per person

3rd grade (and at least 8 years old) through 18 years old

**February 8
February 15
February 22
March 1
March 8
March 15**

For more information on either of the classes or to register please contact: Dick Hughes
715-447-8702

EXPLORING 4-H DAY!

Mark your calendars for the annual "Exploring 4-H Day!" which is being held on:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28
Greenwood High School



There will be plenty of fun classes to choose from but remember to sign up early because some of the classes will have small class sizes.

This event is open to 4-H and non 4-H youth so don't forget to invite your friends to take part in this fun opportunity. We will have a snack in the cafeteria after classes are over. Class information will be available in the next newsletter.

NOTE: we are looking for older youth and parents/leaders who would be willing to teach a class or help out with general things at this event. Maybe you have a special skill that you would like to share with Clark County youth. Otherwise we have plenty of ideas on more classes that could be taught—no experience necessary—just a willingness to help out for 4-5 hours for the day. If you are interested please contact:

Alison Painter / 238-7285 / painter@tds.net

ART BEAT

North

March 19—20

Beaver Creek Reserve, Eau Claire County

Applications due: March 1

South

March 26—27

Upham Wood, WI Dells

Applications due: March 1

It's time to break out to the new beat!
The 4-H ArtBeat that is!
And now there's **TWO!** ArtBeat! North and ArtBeat! South!

Created for 4-H members in grades 3rd—5th and their parents and leaders, 4-H ArtBeat! is the introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H Arts and Communication! 4-H ArtBeat! North is scheduled for March 19 and 20 and will be held at the Beaver Creek Reserve, Fall Creek in Eau Claire County. ArtBeat! South will be held the following weekend, March 26 and 27 at our State 4-H Camp, Upham Woods in WI Dells. Both weekends will feature a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, arts and crafts, juggling and more! There will also be surprise performances created just for this year's ArtBeat!

4-H members will explore their own creativity while discovering the great variety of 4-H Arts & Communication experiences available to them now and in the near future. Session leaders will be 4-H older youth, adult leaders and 4-H staff members with a wealth of experience to share. Youth and adult participants will rotate through a variety of sessions which are hands-on and active and held at various sights throughout the camps, including outdoors. Both youth and adult participants stay in the cabins on cabin hill. Camp begins Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. and ends Saturday afternoon at 3:00 p.m.

Cost is \$40.00 per person and includes all materials and supplies, special snacks, overnight lodging, breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Why not get a whole carload of youth and adults together from your county for some genuine 4-H bonding time? Come join the excitement of this brand new opportunity available to some of our youngest (and often most enthusiastic!) 4-H members!

For more information and applications go to: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events4-HArtBeat.cfm>

INTERNET SAFETY

The internet offers a world of information and entertainment. From chatting with your friends, buying the latest fashions, listening to your favorite music, you couldn't imagine your life without the web. Although the internet is a great way to connect with the world around you, it can also be a risky place. Here are some tips from Get-NetWise.org about understanding the dangers that exist online and how to deal with them.

- Don't give out information about yourself like your last name, your phone number, where you live, or where you go to school - without asking your parents first.
- Never e-mail a picture of yourself to strangers.
- Don't ever give out your password, except to responsible adults in your family.
- Always follow your family's rules for the Internet - they're there to make sure you have fun and stay safe online.
- Don't ever do anything that could cost your family money unless your parents are there to help you do it.
- Remember - A million times before you've heard that honesty is the best policy. Most people don't believe that, though. So when you're out there in cyberspace, watch yourself. You never know when 5'6", blond and female could actually mean 6'3", hairy and male. Don't believe everything you see online.
- Be leery of those who want to know too much. There's no rule that says you have to tell them where you live, what your last name is, or anything else personal. Your business is your business. Let them stick to theirs. And trust your instincts. If someone makes you feel uncomfortable, leave.
- We all remember the "buddy system" from kindergarten. Sure, you're no longer in kindergarten, but the system still works. If you're planning on meeting up with somebody you met online, bring your friends or parents along with you and encourage your online acquaintance to bring theirs, too. It sounds silly, but it's definitely the smart idea. At the very least, make sure your parents and real friends know what you're doing.
- If you get suspicious e-mails, files, or pictures from someone you don't know and trust, trash them just like any other junk mail. You could have a lot to lose by trusting someone you've never even met. The same goes for clicking links or URLs that look suspicious - just don't do it.
- Avoid chat rooms or discussion areas that look sketchy or provocative, and don't let people online trick you into thinking of them as real-life friends if you've never met them in person. Just the same, don't let people goad you into online fights. If you go looking for trouble on the Internet, you'll find it, and things can get out of control really fast.

For more information about internet safety check out these websites:

www.getnetwise.org
www.safeteens.org
www.isafe.org
<http://www.nsteens.org>



COUNTRY OF ORIGIN LABELING (COOL)

Just a reminder that COOL forms are required by USDA for animals that enter into the market chain.

Exhibitors who are purchasing animals for their livestock sale project must get documentation from the seller that their animal was born in the United States.

The required forms are posted on our web page at:

yourcountyextensionoffice.org

(click on Clark County and then go to the 4-H section and click on Livestock Information)

Please contact our office if you have any questions (743-5121).

Mark your calendars!

2010 Badger Dairy Camp
June 13 - 15



More information will follow in upcoming newsletters.



**UW-MADISON
ANIMAL SCIENCES
HOST OPEN HOUSE**

STATE 4-H GROUPS

**ART TEAM
DRAMA COMPANY
SHOWCASE SINGERS
PHOTO TEAM**

Any 4-H youth (grade 9th—13th) that would like to be a part of any of the groups listed above should check out the following site to apply:

<http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/forms/team>

The new application process is done on-one and is along with audition materials on **January 16**. The April training for State 4-H Groups is April 19—20 at Upham Woods.

The UW-Madison Department of Animal Sciences invites high school students and transfer students interested in exploring an education in Animal Sciences to an Open House on **Tuesday, December 1** from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. with a 9:30 a.m. registration. Prospective students and their parents will gain a firsthand look at the department as they tour campus and facilities and learn of the exciting opportunities available to the major. Faculty and current students will be available for questions.

To RSVP or for more information please contact:

Bernie O'Rourke
608-263-4304
borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu

Please RSVP by **November 23** so a confirmation letter can be sent along with parking permits.



**ANNUAL HORSE LEADER CONFERENCE
UW-OSHKOSH
NOVEMBER 13—15**

4-H Organizational Leaders—please encourage your 4-H Horse project leaders and youth leaders to attend the annual Horse Leader Conference on November 13-15. This year it is being held at UW-Oshkosh. There will be many interesting topics offered again. Information, which includes the registration form, is available at: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/horseleadership.cfm>

For more information contact:

Melanie Miller
608-262-2050
melanie.miller@ces.uwex.edu

Liv Sandberg
608-263-4303
sandberg@ansci.wisc.edu

**4-H Horse Kick-Off
November 17
Courthouse Auditorium—Neillsville
7:00 p.m.**

All 4-H Horse project leaders and members are invited to attend this kick-off.

They will be discussing events and activities for the year.

If you have any questions please contact:

Cindy Hohlstein
238-7604

**WISCONSIN PORK ASSOCIATION
OFFERS SCHOLARSHIPS**

The WPA will be offering four different scholarships this year to high school seniors and college students. Students with a sincere interest in the swine industry are encouraged to apply. Detailed information each scholarship can be found at: <http://www.wppa.org/Youth/YouthScholarships/tabid/497/Default.aspx>

Wisconsin Pork Association Scholarship

Five finalists will be chosen
Winner will receive \$500; remaining finalists will receive \$100

Whitmore Memorial Scholarship

\$500 to winner; finalists will receive \$250 for participation

Gunderson Memorial Scholarship

\$500

Monson Memorial Scholarship


\$250





November 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 4-H Awards & Recognition Banquet Greenwood HS / 12:30 p.m. Daylight Savings ENDS— turn your clocks back!	2	3 Election Day Shake, Rattle & Roll Courthouse—Neillsville 7:00 p.m.	4 Shake, Rattle & Roll ADS—Greenwood 7:00 p.m.	5	6 Registrations due for: Art Lab East	7
8	9 Volunteer Training Session—UWEX 7:00 p.m.	10 Livestock (Small Animal Auction) committee mtg ADS—Greenwood 6:30 p.m.	11 Veteran's Day Courthouse closed to public Remembrance Day (C)	12 	13 Horse Leader Conf. UW-Oshkosh November 13—15	14 4-H on the Air (WAXX 104.5) Lucky Clovers
15 ALL 4-H ENROLLMENTS DUE	16 Livestock Committee mtg (Committee chairs) ADS—Greenwood 6:30 p.m.	17 4-H Horse Kick-Off mtg Courthouse—Neillsville 7:00 p.m.	18	19 By-Laws / Constitution Committee meeting ADS—Greenwood 7:00 p.m.	20 Revolution Anniversary (M)	21 4-H Youth Leadership Conference WI Dells
22	23 UW-Madison Animal Science Open House	24	25	26 Thanksgiving Courthouse closed	27 Courthouse closed National 4-H Congress Georgia	28 National 4-H Congress Georgia
29 National 4-H Congress Georgia	30 National 4-H Congress Georgia					



December 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 National 4-H Congress Georgia	2	3	4 Registrations due for: Art Lab West	5 Art Lab East Milwaukee County
6 St. Nick Day Art Lab East Milwaukee County	7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day 4-H Leaders meeting ADS—Greenwood 7:00 p.m.	8	9	10	11 Hanukkah begins at sundown	12 Hanukkah Virgin of Guadalupe (M) 4-H on the Air (WAXX 104.5) Pleasant Ridge
13	14	15	16	17	18 First of Muharram	19
20	21 Winter begins	22	23	24 Christmas Eve Day Courthouse closed	25 Christmas Day Courthouse closed	26 Boxing Day (C) Kwanza begins
27 Ashura	28 Exploring 4-H Day Greenwood HS	29	30	31 New Years Eve		

NOVEMBER 2009 4-H NEWSLETTER TRIVIA

Name _____

4-H Club _____

1. Where is the Annual 4-H Volunteer Leader Training (Shake, Rattle & Roll) being held on November 4th? _____
2. When is Art Lab West being held? _____
3. What is the name of the new 4-H club? _____
4. Where is Exploring 4-H Day being held? _____
5. Where is Art Lab West being held? _____
6. When are applications due for State 4-H groups? _____
7. When is ArtBeat North being held? _____
8. When is Exploring 4-H Day? _____
9. How much is the Gunderson Memorial Scholarship? _____
10. Who should you contact for more information about ArtBeat? _____
11. BONUS: How many 4-H Clovers are printed in this newsletter? _____

ENTRIES ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 15

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



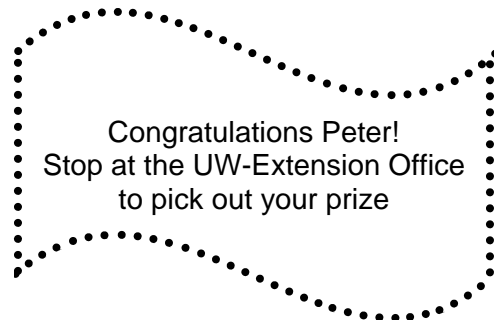
OCTOBER TRIVIA WINNER

We had five correct entries this month! The winner for October was

Peter Galen, Town and Country Stars

The correct answers were:

1. October 4—10, 2009
2. Biofuel
3. "I Can't Picture Life Without Honey Bees"
4. Sunday, October 25
5. January 30, 2010
6. October 15
7. Beaver Creek Reserve, Fall Creek
8. American Legion Hall—Loyal
9. FSA
10. Monday, October 12
11. BONUS: 21 clovers



Also submitting correct entries were: Tia and Dylan Tomczak, Alysja Otten, and Zena Thomas

Cooperative Extension Services
University Extension
Clark County Office
517 Court St., Room 104
Neillsville, WI 54456-1982

Phone 715-743-5121
Fax 715-743-5129

Nonprofit Organization
U.S. Postage Paid
Neillsville, WI 54456
Permit #90



ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

We're on the web—check us out! yourcountyextensionoffice.org

An EEO/AA employer, University of Wisconsin-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IX and ADA. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact the UW-Extension Office (715-743-5121). Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. Please do so as early as possible prior to the program or activity so that proper arrangements can be made. Requests are kept confidential.

4-H clover protected under 18 U.S.C. 707

“The mission of Clark County 4-H is to develop youth to become productive citizens and catalysts for positive change, and enable youth to become capable, responsible, and caring citizens.”

Clark County 4-H Mission Statement



Sara Gronski, 4-H Youth Development Agent
sara.gronski@ces.uwex.edu
Maria Bendixen, Dairy and Livestock Agent
maria.bendixen@ces.uwex.edu
Richard Halopka, Crops and Soils Agent
richard.halopka@ces.uwex.edu
Julie Simek-Hegebo, Family Living Agent
julie.simek@ces.uwex.edu
Brenda Herrell, WNEP Coordinator
brenda.herrell@ces.uwex.edu
Becky Gulcynski, WNEP Educator
becky.gulcynski@ces.uwex.edu
Lori Hendrickson, 4-H Secretary
lori.hendrickson@co.clark.wi.us
Theresa Hediger, Agricultural Secretary
theresa.hediger@co.clark.wi.us

Adults
Kathy Welsh 255-9585
Joan Buchholz 743-4528
Dan Dux 743-4765
Terri Schultz 223-6290
Barb Finkelson 229-4494
Alice Painter 238-7285
Judy Morrow 743-2885

Youth
Andrea Gries 255-7148
Theresa Rueth 223-3570
Jacob Welsh 255-9585
Daniella Painter 238-7285
Chandra Pecha 223-0305
Ben Kind 743-6940