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Dear General Leaders:

Thanks so much for your attendance at the Club Re-chartering Training. We had 100% of returning clubs in attendance. That's great!! We appreciate your commitment to helping us meet club and county requirements. Please be sure to get your club plans in (if you have not done so) along with the rest of the forms we discussed. If you have any questions, please call.

During the session, we talked about Community Club Central on the Wisconsin 4-H Website. There is helpful information on this website to help you in your role as general leader. All the re-chartering forms are also on this website.

The majority of clubs did stay to have representation at the Dodge County 4-H Leader's Association Meeting. If your club has not been represented at these important meetings, it would be a good idea to have someone from your club in attendance. There are only five each year. This does not mean you, as the general leader, has to be the one. You could take turns with parents and leaders in your club. Let's try to have 100% attendance of ALL Dodge County 4-H Clubs at the April Dodge County 4-H Leader's Association Meeting. Please note the change in time – these meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. rather than 7:30 p.m. If we meet this goal, we will have a special treat at the June meeting. The Dodge County 4-H Leader's Executive Board appreciates your cooperation in meeting attendance.

Thanks again for all each of you do to help our 4-H Program be the strong program that it is and thanks for your commitment to our youth to have a positive 4-H experience.

Yours in 4-H,

Sally Schoenike
Youth Development Agent

Deb Wiebelhaus
4-H Program Assistant

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Administration Bldg. Room 1C, Juneau

MARCH 17, 7 pm

LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Administration Bldg. AUDITORIUM, Juneau

APRIL 28 at 7:00 pm

Fair Packets Available

(NOTE: Change in Time)

4-H NEWSLETTER –

ELECTRONIC OR US MAIL 

Several 4-H families have expressed interest in receiving the 4-H Newsletter electronically rather than US Mail. If you would like to be notified when the 4-H newsletter is on the website, please email Sally. Sally's email address is sschoenike@co.dodge.wi.us

In the email state, Yes I would like to be notified when the 4-H newsletter is on the Dodge County 4-H website rather than receiving the newsletter via US mail.

Then give us your name and the email address that you wish to receive notification. Please do this as soon as possible and we will start this with either the November or January newsletter.

YOU ARE responsible for letting the 4-H office know if you change your email address .

If you prefer to continue receiving the 4-H newsletter via US mail, you need NOT do anything.

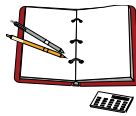
Thanks.

CLUB YEARLY PLAN

When your club officers & leaders complete your yearly club plan, **be sure to send a copy to the 4-H office.**

4-H NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

need to be into the office by the 10th of each month. Be sure to get secretary information to us by this date. The newsletter goes to printing on the 15th. You may email the secretary minutes to Deb at dwiebelhaus@co.dodge.wi.us



CLUB MEETING SPEAKER

If your club has had good speakers, or programs, please write them down and give to Deb or Sally. We will write them up for the Leader Logue so others can use them also.

USE OF CLOVER

All clubs received the guidelines for the use of the clover. If you need another copy, let Sally know.

If you are having anything printed (Club t-shirts, mugs, etc.) your design must be approved. Submit your design to Sally BEFORE you have your items made.

CLOVERBUD & EXPLORING WORKSHOPS

Janet Zander continues conducting county workshops for Cloverbuds and Explorers. ENCOURAGE members to attend. See the newsletter for more details. A calendar is on the Dodge County 4-H website under the calendar page. Starting in March there will be a \$1.00 per youth participating in each workshop.

COUNTY-WIDE KNITTING WORKSHOP

Georgia Henken continues with our county-wide knitting workshops. They are successful.

NEW FAMILIES

Let's try to make new families feel welcome to your club and please take extra time with them so they know what is going on.

DEMONSTRATION CONTEST

This County Contest is coming up **March 25**. Encourage your members to participate as most clubs have this as a club requirement. All participants in the County Contest receive a premium as this is a "Fair Event."

CLUB MUSIC & DRAMA FESTIVAL

Sunday, April, 19, Beaver Dam High School

This will be BOTH Music and Drama. Your club can decide to do one or both! **Deadline is March 20.**

Alert your club members to what this event is, when and where it will be held this year. (Evaluation form was in Feb Leader Logue)

FAIR STAND SCHEDULE

We will try to have the schedule out in the April newsletter as we have had people call in for time slots already. The schedule doesn't change much from year to year. Keep in mind each club is expected to take SEVERAL shifts.

DODGE CO 4-H ENDOWMENT FUND GRANTS

The Dodge County 4-H Endowment Fund Committee will be taking applications for Grants from Dodge County 4-H Clubs or 4-H County Committees or Groups. The interest from Dodge County 4-H Endowment Fund will be used for these grants. The application deadline is June 30. For more information contact Anne Oelke at 920.326.3875. The current application is on the website.

CLUB DONATIONS NEEDED

As you plan your year, keep in mind that the 4-H Leader's Association needs your help with donations for the following:

Silent Auction Item for the Dodge County Fair – All clubs are encouraged to donate an item for this fund-raiser. The Silent Auction has gone over well the past years, and plans are to continue it. When you know what your club will be doing, let Karen Schmidt 920-928-2234 know. We already have a donations for auction items. Thanks to the Silent Auction Committee for their work with this successful endeavor.

Bingo Prizes for the Family Picnic and Leader Recognition – This will be held in July. All clubs are encouraged to donate three bingo prizes (value of around \$1.00 or so). These can be





brought to the office anytime.

Fish Pond – Our successful fish pond fund-raiser will continue at the 2009 Dodge County Fair. Clubs are asked to donate “larger items” for special prizes. The value of these items can be \$3 - \$5. Some clubs have donated lots of small “fish” instead. Whatever your club wants to do is fine. We have already received “fish” and some larger prizes from clubs and individuals. Items can be dropped off anytime at the UW-Extension Office or by Iris Steffen (474-4051). Questions on the Fish Pond can go to Iris or to Janet Zander at 623-9013. Thanks to Janet and Iris for all their work with the Fish Pond.

NOAH'S ARK 2009 YOUTH DAYS

\$17.50 includes admission and lunch.

May 23-25, May 27-29, June 3-5, June 10-12, and June 17-19

Advanced reservations required: call 800.222.6624

www.noahsarkwaterpark.com Information is enclosed.

RACE FOOD STAND

The Dodge County 4-H Leaders' Association does a Food Stand at the races at the Dodge County Fairgrounds. The date are: April 18, April 25, July 13, Sept 4, and Sept 19.

The hours are from 4 to 9 or 10 pm. Please call Laurie Hron if your club is willing to work. Her telephone number is 920.382-0185. Help needed is two adults and two younger children under 12 or three teenagers.

Remember that this is a fund-raiser for the Dodge County 4-H Leaders' Association and they provide many opportunities for all 4-H Youth.



SILICA SALE - HELP AND BARS NEEDED

The 4-H Leader's have been asked to do a food stand at the Silica Sale at the Fairgrounds on April 17, 18 and 19. We need people to work ... the hours are Friday from 3 p.m. – 9 p.m. and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Sunday hours to be determined. Donations of bars are also needed. Please let the 4-H Office know if you or someone from your club can work or your club can donate bars. Wouldn't it be great if all clubs would donate two pans of bars? Think about it. We sold out of bars last year. This sale draws several hundred people each day. If your club will donate bars, please call Bev, at 920.386.3792. A 9x13 pan should be cut into 12 pieces and individually wrapped. Place name of bar and if it has nuts inside. Laurie Hron is coordinating the food stand.

SUMMER DAY CAMPS

We will again be offering the Wild Wacky Weekday Camp and Safety Day Camp. Information is in the newsletter. This is for 4-H members and non-4-H members. Encourage your younger members to attend.

SUMMER CAMP

Summer Camp information is in the newsletter... This is a great opportunity for 4-H youth in grades 3-7. Encourage members in your club to participate in this special opportunity. This year 4-Hers can bring one non-4-H friend.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

If your club is having an Ice Cream Social or other summer event that you would like to have mentioned in the 4-H newsletter, give Sally those dates and what the event is a few months before the event date. This way we can publicize these events to other clubs and members.

4-H SOUTHERN DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM (SDLT)

Open to Youth currently in Grades 8-11

For the past four years, the Southern District Leadership Team (SDLT) planning committee organized and held the Southern District 4-H Fall Youth Leadership Conferences in Wisconsin Dells. These conferences were a huge success! The committee's “job” is to plan almost all aspects of the older youth leadership conference; conference theme, T-shirt design, registration brochure, promoting the conference, planning the opening and closing sessions and facilitating the workings of the conference. The ultimate goal of the committee is to create energy and excitement in older youth from across the state that attend the Fall Older Youth Leadership Conference. If you are chosen to be part of the planning committee, there is a \$40 fee. In 2009 the conference is again open to youth across the state with members of the southern district planning the conference.

- ◆ Face to Face meeting, location TBA, Sunday May 3, 2-4 PM
- ◆ Fall Planning Face to Face meeting, TBA
- ◆ Fall Older Leadership Conference, Saturday November 14, 2009, WI Dells

Planning committee members stay overnight on Friday, November 13 to prepare for the conference

Applications are due by April 3. Contact Sally with questions, for an application or check the Dodge County 4-H Website, on the [newsletter web page](#).

MESSAGE FROM DRUMMOND EXPLORERS 4-H CLUB

A message from the Drummond Explorers 4-H Club, Bayfield County, Wisconsin is attached. They hope that each club will respond to their request. Please take the time to read this carefully. It would be a great idea to have a youth in charge of this. This club greatly appreciates your cooperation.



Club Music and Drama Festival Registration

Sunday, April 21, 2009
Beaver Dam High School

My club is doing _____ MUSIC and/or _____ DRAMA

CLUB: _____

TITLE: _____

Director(s) _____

Approximate Time of Performance: _____ *Minutes*

LIST MEMBERS:

Registration form due to 4-H Office by MARCH 20!
Mail to: 4-H Office, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, WI 53039