



APRIL 2009

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**Extension**  
Cooperative Extension



Dear General Leaders:

April 19 – 25 is *National Volunteer Week*. We can't tell you how much we appreciate all you do for the Dodge County 4-H program. Much success in our 4-H program comes because we have so many volunteers that give freely of their time.

***BLESSED is the Volunteer Leader Who...***

BLESSED is the volunteer leader who has not sought the high places but who has been drafted because of ability and willingness to serve.

BLESSED is the volunteer leader who knows where he is going, why he is going and how to get there.

BLESSED is the volunteer leader who knows no discouragement, who presents no alibi.

BLESSED is the volunteer leader who seeks for the best for those he serves

BLESSED is the volunteer leader who leads for the good of the most concerned, and not for the personal gratification of his own ideas.

BLESSED is the volunteer leader who develops leaders while leading

BLESSED is the volunteer leader who matches with the group, interprets correctly the signs on the pathway that lead to success.

BLESSED is the volunteer leader who has his head in the clouds, but his feet on the ground.

BLESSED is the volunteer leader who considers leadership an opportunity to serve.

*From MOMENTS FOR REFLECTING published by the Michigan 4-H Youth Program.*

Yours in 4-H,

Sally Schoenike  
Youth Development Agent

Deb Wiebelhaus  
4-H Program Assistant



## LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Administration Bldg. AUDITORIUM, Juneau

**APRIL 28 at 7:00 pm**

Fair Packets Available

(NOTE: Change in Time)

## EXECUTIVE BOARD

Administration Bldg. Room 1C, Juneau

**MAY 20, 7 pm**

## 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](mailto:Sally). Sally's email address is [sschoenike@co.dodge.wi.us](mailto: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.

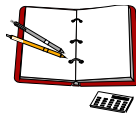
**YOU ARE responsible** for letting the 4-H office know if you change your email address.

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 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.** Be sure to get secretary information to us by this date. The newsletter goes to printing on the 15<sup>th</sup>. You may email the secretary minutes to Deb at [dwiebelhaus@co.dodge.wi.us](mailto: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.

## 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.

## FAIR STAND SCHEDULE

The fair schedule is in the newsletter. 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. On [Fair Page of Dodge County 4-H website](#).

## COUNTY-WIDE KNITTING WORKSHOP

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

## 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.

## 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](http://www.noahsarkwaterpark.com)

## 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 3, 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.



## 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.

## 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.

## 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.

## DODGE COUNTY DAIRY BRUNCH

**Sunday, June 28, 9 am–12:30 pm**

Brossard Dairy Farm  
N9069 Basswood Rd, Beaver Dam

This event will have live broadcasts, music, and displays, in addition to “all you can eat” pancakes, scrambled eggs w/ham, cheese, sundaes, orange juice and milk.

Help is needed from 4-H families!

Shifts include: 8:30 – 10:30 am 10:30 am – 1 pm

Help is also needed on Saturday, June 27! **Complete the clip-out in the 4-H newsletter by May 15 if you/your family can help.** The Dairy Promotion Committee provides much support of 4-H activities.  
(All youth who volunteer can purchase breakfast for half-price.)

## 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.

## FLOWER PLANTER FOR FARM TECHNOLOGY DAYS

- \* Each 4-H Club, FFA Chapter, HCE Club and Master Gardner can design and plant a planter. If you have a planter from exhibiting at the fair, use that planter. If you do not have a planter please provide your own. The size is about 17” in diameter & 15” tall.
- \* Planters will be judged at Farm Technology Days and ribbons awarded.
- \* Planters must contain at least 50% live plants.
- \* The *planter should* be brought to *Marianne Zastrow's home, 773 E Center St, Juneau on Sunday, July 19 and picked up on Thursday, July 23 after 6pm.* Her telephone number is 920 386-4465. Group name needs to be displayed in the planter.
- \* Master Gardner's will water the planters two times a day.
- \* You can enter this same flower planter for your fair entry.

Application and more information is attached.



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Tips for planters:

- \* remember **NOT** to fill completely with soil or it will be heavy (some ideas are packaging peanuts that are not dissolvable in water, styrofoam or lava stones)
- \* keep extras to a minimum
- \* plant the planters full so there is no soil showing from any side
- \* plant similar color schemes
- \* if you have planted all annuals, don’t stick in just one perennial
- \* cut any dead flowers or brown plant material out or replant it
- \* try to have some height differences among the plants
- \* Clubs and FFA Chapters are encouraged to enter their planter in the Dodge County Jr. Fair.
- \* Master Gardner & HCE Clubs are encouraged to bring their planter to display at the Fair.
- \* More information to follow on displaying at the Fair!

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes our group will do a planter for Farm Technology Days.

Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return to Marianne Zastrow, 773 E Center St, Juneau WI 53039 by **June 5, 2009.***