



October 2008

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Dear General Leaders,

New 4-H Project leaders often ask what is expected of them. As you work with your project leaders the following list should be a helpful guide. (If you have been a project leader for a number of years, perhaps now is the time to review your goals, evaluate last years, and set priorities.)

Get started now.

Member's enthusiasm for a project is highest at the time of enrollment.

At one of the first meetings of the year, help members set their goals for the project.

All members should complete the records **AS THE YEAR GOES ALONG**.

Help members keep a record of what they did or made in the project during the year.

Review progress toward the year's goals at your final meeting of the year.

Organize and conduct at least 3 project meetings per year. An average leader holds six meetings.

Remember, project tours and individual sessions can be offered to members in addition to group meetings.

Encourage members to attend Family Learning Day Session (or other county learning activities) in related areas.

Involve youth leaders in meaningful ways.

They are capable of planning and teaching – not just being the helper of the cleaning crew!

Set an example by being prepared, organized, enthusiastic and flexible in working with youth.

Promote the project within your club.

Encourage members to share their learning experiences with other club members.

Keep your club leadership informed about the member's growth and progress throughout the year and communicate with the member's parents.

Good luck to each of you as you begin a new 4-H year. If you need assistance with additional resource materials, please let us know. We look forward to meeting and working with all of you!

Yours in 4-H,

Sally Schoenike  
Youth Development Agent

Deb Wiebelhaus  
4-H Program Assistant

## EXECUTIVE BOARD

Administration Bldg. AUDITORIUM, Juneau

**OCTOBER 15, 7 PM & DECEMBER 2, 7 PM**

## LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Administration Bldg. AUDITORIUM, Juneau

**OCTOBER 28 at 7:30 pm**

**Enrollments DUE**

## CLUB ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAMS

If you would like a members of the Leaders Association Executive Board or an UW-Extension Agent attend your local achievement program, Please let Sally know.

## 4-H FAMILY FUN DAY

November 9 - Dodge Entertainment Center,  
Horicon 1 pm—5 pm

Rock River Royals will be hosting the Family Fun Day and the Solo/Small Group Music Festival on Sunday, November 9 at the Dodge Entertainment Center in Horicon. The Family Fun day will feature bowling. Participants can bowl two games. Bowling begins at 1 pm. Concessions will be available for purchase. The cost of the bowling will be \$2 for the 2 games for members and \$5 for others (parents, younger brothers and sisters, friends, etc). **Checks should be made payable to Dodge County 4-H Leader's Association.** There will also be Bingo to play. The **DEADLINE** for registering for bowling is **October 14. NOTE: Change in deadline.** If you have any questions, please call Laurie Hron at 920.382.0185 (cell). Thanks to Rock River Royals for hosting this event.

Return the **clip-out in back of newsletter by Oct 24 WITH payment.**

## NEW FAMILY GATHERING

**Monday, December 29, 6 pm, Auditorium**

Information is in October Newsletter. Encourage new families and members to attend to find out more about the "Basics" of 4-H. This is a time to get their questions answered and head them in the right direction.

## FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS 4-H TEAMS

**Saturday, January 10, 2008**

This would be an excellent opportunity for your youth to learn interaction skills and activities for club meetings. Let Sally know if your club is interested and you will receive more information. Look in the newsletter for more information.

## 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.

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

**COMMUNITY BUILDERS BANQUET –**

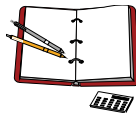
November 18<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM

## PLEASE!!!

Fair checks are run and will be distributed at Achievement. They're stamped "Void after 90 days." This is December 30, 2008. Announce to members so they CASH those checks!

## MEMBER ENROLLMENT

County enrollment fees are \$6 per member (\$1 of this is applied to insurance fees) Local Clubs may have fees in addition to this. Remember: **The Project Fee is \$3 per project AFTER the first 3 projects per member.**



## 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.

## CLOVERBUD & EXPLORING WORKSHOPS

Janet Zander continues conducting county workshops for Cloverbuds and Explorers. ENCOURAGE members to attend.

## CLUBS CHANGING LEADERSHIP

If you plan to have a change in the general leadership of your 4-H club **please** notify the 4-H Office as soon as possible! The sooner we know about the upcoming change, the more help we can offer to make the transition a smooth one and the sooner we get the new leader on our mailing list.

## 4-H ACHIEVEMENT

Dodge County 4-H Achievement Program will be  
**Sunday, October 26 at 1:00 pm,**  
**Administration Bldg auditorium.**

## 4-H NIGHT WITH THE MILWAUKEE BUCKS

November 1, 7:30 pm. Information is attached. Also on website.



## SHOP WITH THE COPS

Dodge County 4-H works with this program sponsored by the Dodge County Sheriff's department. 4-H members wrap gifts and do crafts with the participants. We need about 50-60 youth and adults to help with this program on December 8 at Bayside Supper Club, Beaver Dam. The exact times will be given to the clubs volunteering. It will be in the morning. If your club is interested, please let Sally know who would like to help and a contact person from your club. The club must have at least one responsible adult that stays with the members.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE LOCK IN

**Encourage** members, and leaders to join us for this special event!

**When:** Friday, November 21

**Time:** 6:00 pm.- midnight

**Where:** Dodgeland Schools

**Who:** 4-H members and adults (members 6th grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult)

Come and join in the fun making projects for others. Activities of the evening include:

- Pillow Cases for Shop with the Cops Participants
- No-Sew Blankets for Operation Military Kids and the VA Hospital
- Rubber-Stamped Cards for senior citizens
- Stencil-painted Items for Nursing Homes
- Other projects . . .

All materials and supplies will be provided. We need lots of people to help as there are lots of projects to work on. We would like to make at least 120 pillow cases, at least 75 no-sew blankets, at least 100 stencil painted items, and lots of cards, and more . . .

There will be time for recreation in the gym. Pizza and refreshments will be served.

This event is sponsored by the Dodge County 4-H Leader's Association, and Juneau Victorians 4-H Club. Funding for the projects has been received from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, Operation Military Kids, Thrivent Financial, American Legion Posts, and friends of Dodge County 4-H.

Please return the clip-out by **November 7**.



## 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.



### COMMUNITY SERVICE LOCK-IN

Friday, November 21

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Deadline: November 7** to 4-H Office, 127 E Oak, Juneau 53039



## FRIENDS Helping FRIENDS

### Dodge and Washington County 4-H

As children grow up and enter adolescence, peers play an increasingly important role of sources of information, support and influence. The impact peers have on one another is often seen as a negative force (*peer pressure*) responsible for experimentation and involvement in harmful behaviors. However, research studies have documented the value of peers as positive role models and sources of support for one another. The peer education model is the basis for "Friends Helping Friends", an educational program developed by the University of Wisconsin-Extension, 4-H & Youth Development, designed to train youth to teach younger peers how to make knowledgeable decisions about a variety of issues that confront them.

Friends Helping Friends is designed to develop leadership skills in youth. Youth learn teaching strategies, activities and resources they can use in making presentations at 4-H clubs. Youth teams are trained to lead activities and discussion which deal with:

\* Communication    \* Cooperation/Teamwork    \* Friendships    \* Self-esteem    \* Peer Pressure

A training session will be held **Saturday, January 10 at The Addison Town Hall, near West Bend on Hwy 33. from 8:30am-5pm** and provide teams with a "hands-on" activities notebook they can teach at your club meetings.

Three to four clubs will be selected to attend the training session. **A Club Team would be 2-4 members plus an adult leader.** We would like you to introduce this to your club members/officer team. *If your club is interested, please contact Sally by December 12, 2008.*

**Selection:** Youth should be in grades 4 through 10.  
*(If youth older or younger are interested, contact Sally.)*  
Clubs should consider having a team of males and females.  
Youth will need to complete a one-page application form.

**Cost:** \$20/participant includes meals, program supplies & a t-shirt.  
County Leader Association will provide funding for part of the workshop.

**Trainers:** Dodge & Washington County 4-H Youth Development Agents will conduct the training with assistance of two 4-H volunteer leaders from each county.

**Expectations:** Youth are responsible for sharing learning activities in an in-depth youth leadership and peer education training program that can be implemented in your club.

**\*\*\*See your General Leader for an application and additional details\*\*\*  
(General Leaders: ONE Application Form is attached--EACH participant fills one out!)**



# Friends Helping Friends Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

Explain why you would like to be part of a Friends Helping Friends team for 4-H:

List previous leadership roles you have fulfilled in your club, school or community organizations:

Explain why you feel that it is important to be a good friend to your fellow 4-H members:

What skills do you have that would help you as a Friends Helping Friends team member?

If selected, I agree to share what I have learned by presenting activities at 4-H and modeling what I learned.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (4-H Member)

I support this youth's application for Friends Helping Friends. I believe he/she exhibits the responsibility and leadership skills necessary to be a team member.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (4-H Leader)

I give my son/daughter permission to participate as a member of Friends Helping Friends team.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (Parent)