



November-December 2009

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Cooperative Extension



Dear General Leaders:

The 2009-2010 4-H year is getting underway with election of club officers, planning for the coming year, and enrolling members. As your club is making plans for the new year, please make an over-all effort to include families in your program and have family activities.

As you make plans for Year 2009-2010, we hope you will find the following list helpful:

### THINGS SUCCESSFUL LEADERS DO

- Involve members in the planning of activities and meetings
- Plan challenging and new things that 4-H members may not even be aware of.
- See things the way that kids might see them – meetings and plans
- Keep activities short.
- Plan activities that allow kids to talk with each other and with you.
- Help family members be “shadow helpers” as they work with their 4-H’er.
- Encourage kids to seek advice and help from other people in their neighborhood or community.
- Help kids apply what they learn to everyday living.
- Plan ahead.

*From: “Getting Started in 4-H Leadership” Project Leader Guidebook.*

Good luck with club planning this year. We wish you and your family a nice Holiday Season!

**You really do make a difference!**

Have a great 4-H year!!

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Youth Development Agent

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4-H Program Assistant



## EXECUTIVE BOARD

Administration Bldg. AUDITORIUM, Juneau

**NOVEMBER 30, 7 PM**

**JANUARY 25, 7 PM**

## LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Administration Bldg. AUDITORIUM, Juneau

**FEBRUARY 22 at 7:00 PM**

## NEW FAMILY GATHERING

**Tuesday, 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.

## CLOVERBUD & EXPLORING WORKSHOPS

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

## FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS 4-H TEAMS

**Saturday, January 9, 2010**

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.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE LOCK IN

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

**Friday, January 15, 6:00 pm – 11pm**

**Dodgeland Schools**

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

- Pillow Cases for Clothes for Kids
- 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 50 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.

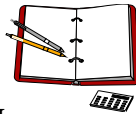
This event is sponsored by the Dodge County 4-H Leader's Association. Funding for the projects has been received from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, Operation Military Kids, Thrivent Financial, American Legion Posts, and friends of Dodge County 4-H.

## PLEASE!!!

Fair checks are run and will be distributed at Achievement. They're stamped "Void after 90 days." This is December 30, 2009. Announce to members so they CASH those checks!

## 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.

## 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 January 31. For more information contact Anne Oelke at 920.326.3875. The current application is on the 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 5** 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.