

"4-H is a community of young people across America learning leadership, citizenship and life skills."



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**NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK**  
**April 19-25**  
**"Celebrating People in Action"**

Rock County 4-H continues to be successful because of its volunteers. A special thanks to all who give of their time to provide leadership in clubs and projects, teach trainings, help with special programs, events, activities and groups that help youth recognize their potential.

Members, take a few minutes out of your day to call or send a note to your leaders and tell them how much you appreciate what they have done for you. A thank you goes a long way.

**Important Notice to members & leaders**

Phone, email or address changes

We are making numerous changes in the UWEX Office with our new 4-H Plus Software. It is very important that you let us know if you have any changes in your phone, email and/or home addresses.

Many of you have requested email notification of the posting of the Cloverpatch at our website. Last month we received many of the emails back as undeliverable. Please help us out and send us the current email address to update your file. Please send that information to [13Hcarolj@co.rock.wi.us](mailto:13Hcarolj@co.rock.wi.us) so we can continue our efforts to "Go Green."

Thanks for your help!

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## ★ *Leadership* ★

### Junior Council Meeting

Attention all 4-H members grade 7 and up! Challenge yourself, get involved in what's happening in 4-H on the county level. Plan to attend the April 27<sup>th</sup> Jr. Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse. Hope to see you there.

### Senior Council Meeting

All club chairs, co-chairs and any interested leaders are invited and encouraged to attend Senior Council meetings. The next meeting will be Monday, April 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse. Please be sure your club is represented at EVERY Senior Council meeting!

### Spotlight on

#### Rock County 4-H Ambassador Team

The Ambassadors have been actively promoting 4-H and presenting programs these past months. On February 18 and 19 they partnered with Edison 4-H After School Program and had a 4-H booth at Janesville's Edison Middle School. Briana Bader, Audrey Hurley, Ellen Check, Katie Demrow, Abbey Millard and Roxanne Reisem did a great job meeting people and promoting 4-H at these new sites. On March 2, at Johnstown 4-H Club's monthly meeting, 4-H Ambassadors Autumn Quinn, Roxanne Reisem, Anne George, Katie Demrow, Ellen Check, Audrey Hurley gave a parliamentary procedure presentation. They talked about the importance of parliamentary procedure, the correct order of a business meeting, and how to make a motion by making trail mix. By the end of the meeting, Johnstown 4-Hers were very comfortable making motions and amending them. Lloyd Hoyt Jr., Chairman of Johnstown 4-H Club, was very pleased with the presentation. The club wants the ambassadors back again. If your club would like the ambassador team to do a presentation at your club meeting about parliamentary procedure, record books, Junior Council activities, award process, 4-H promotion, or team building contact Donna or Sally at the UWEX Office 757-5690.

## ★ *Special Projects And Activities* ★

2009

### **4-H Jr. & Sr. Basketball Tournament April 19 & 26, Edgerton High School**

Jr. Council is looking forward to hosting the annual 4-H Basketball Tournament at Edgerton High School. The Jr. Tournament will be held on April 19 and the Sr. Tournament will be held on April 26. Teams should report between 11:30 and 12 noon, with the first game starting at 12:30 a.m. (note this is later than in previous years). We hope to see you there.

### 4-H Softball Information

Attention, sports fans! 4-H Softball rosters and fees are due to the UWEX Office by 5:00 pm on Monday, April 20 - no exceptions! The softball season will begin Wednesday, May 6 and run through Wednesday, July 1, with no games on June 17 due to Pork Fest. Roster changes can be made until 5:00 pm on the day prior to the 3<sup>rd</sup> regular season game.

The 4-H Softball Tournament will be Saturday, July 11 (Juniors) and Sunday, July 12 (Seniors) at the Parkview High School diamonds in Orfordville. Schedule will be mailed to softball coaches and will be on the Rock County 4-H website later this spring.

### State 4-H Showcase Singers Selected

Congratulations to Rhiannon Decker, Grant Francis, David Hanus, Brandon Phillips, Tyler Schimke and Tim Wells for being selected as members of the 2009 State 4-H Showcase Singers! The group is under the direction of Rock County 4-H alumnus Chris Blakeney. In addition, Chelsea Huebner and Katie Hanus were selected as alternates. Congratulations to all!

## **Community Service Grants Awarded**

Congratulations to LaPrairie 4-H for receiving a Community Service grant from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation! LaPrairie is receiving the funds for their "Garden for the Janesville Community" community service project. The grants are funded by We Energies.

## **Cloverbuds!**

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>! The Junior Council Cloverbud Camp Committee is planning a fun, filled day for you at Rotary Gardens in Janesville. More information will be in future newsletters.

## **4-H After-School**

Currently there are 4-H After-school programs at five sites in Rock County. Wright, Hackett, Todd, and McLenegan Elementary Schools are in Beloit, and Edison Middle School is in Janesville. The students are involved in different project areas such as foods, dance, crafts, naturespace, cloverbuds, rocketry, crocheting to name a few. Like members in traditional 4-H clubs the After School 4-Hers are learning life skills. This year three students from the Roy Chapman Academy in Beloit have worked with Sally Reisem in developing leadership skills and have lead project meetings at McLenegan Elementary. One of these high school students has become a 4-H member. A big thank you goes to Ronna, Erica, and Ciera Ballmer of La Prairie 4-H and Judy Goiffen of Newark Beloit 4-H who volunteered at Todd Elementary this year. There is always a need for more youth and adult volunteers in the 4-H After-school Program. At many schools students are put on waiting lists to join because there are not enough volunteers to lead projects. If you would like more information about volunteering please contact Sally Reisem at the UWEX Office 757-5690.

## **Jr. Council Ski Trip a Success**

The Jr. Council Ski Trip Committee would like to thank the chaperones and adults that assisted with their annual Ski Trip. The trip was a huge success. A special thanks to Ruth Grayless and Lorilea Reible for overall coordination on the day of the event.

## **Jr. Council Volleyball Tournament Results**

The Jr. Council would like to congratulate the 4-H clubs that participated in the Jr. & Sr. Volleyball Tournaments held at Craig High School. A special thanks to Mark Burdick, Milton 4-H and Matt Hookham, for coordinating the events. Thanks also go out to leaders that served as coaches and referees.

Referees and leaders noted that teams were enjoying the competition and were being very good sports throughout both events. Keep up that team spirit!

Jr. Tournament results:

1st Place:	Consolidated
2nd Place:	Bradford B
3rd Place:	Newark Pioneers
4th Place:	Plymouth
Sportsmanship:	Badger

Sr. Tournament results:

1st Place:	Fulton A
2nd Place:	Plymouth A
3rd Place:	Plymouth B
4th Place:	Janes.Trailblaz./Rock Valley
Sportsmanship:	Evansville

We look forward to seeing your clubs at the 2010 Tournament.

## **Creating an Online Presence**

In addition to the Web Site Basics class that Mike Farrey offered in March, Wisconsin 4-H has a webpage on the Wisconsin 4-H Community Club Central: Creating an Online Presence. The webpage includes a number of links to assist you in the creating a 4-H club web page or Blog, or in using other electronic communication options to share 4-H information.

The webpage is located on the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development website under 4-H Community Club Central, Promotions:

<http://4h.uwex.edu/clubs/online.cfm>. You will find information about creating accessible communications, links to images, copyright information, design tips, information about electronic safety practices, and more. Check it out if your club is interested.

## ★ *Communication and Cultural Arts* ★

### 4-H Communication Arts Festival Results

Congratulations to over 70 participants in the Communication Arts Festival held on February 23 prior to the Jr. and Sr. Council monthly meetings at the courthouse. Special thanks to the teens that assisted with the program and the teachers from the Milton School system that served as judges.

Participants were:

**Badger 4-H** - Carly Falk, Julia Kasprzak, Alexandria Farrey, Benjamin Perdue, Kieonna Scanlon, Hayley Dorn, Stephanie Farrey, Annie Perdue, Maggie Gavert, Marie Kasprzak, Railynn Wauchop, Elizabeth Farrey, Megan Perdue and Leah Kasprzak.

**Bradford 4-H** - Jordan DeLong,

**Consolidated 4-H** - Courtney Pennycook, Justin Pennycook, Rachel Schambow and Kelsey Braukhoff.

**Harmony 4-H** - Ezra Ochs, Cole Kudrna, Michael Maloney, Abigail Suiter, Kopen Luebke, Nicholas Petersen, Kaitlyn Fisher, Darby Schabacker, Devyn Miller, Kaitlyn Darr, Grace Suiter, Matthew Landherr, Sarah Landherr and Michael Petersen.

**LaPrairie 4-H** - Joshua Gerbitz, Kenny Ballmer, Ciera Ballmer, Rachel Gerbitz, Erica Ballmer and Abbey Millard.

**Magnolia 4-H** - Jared Quinn, McKenzie Carlson, Brooke Trustem, Zachery Wells, Felicia Moy, Autumn Quinn, April Pomplun, Mary Andrew, Kelli Viele, Audrey Hurley and Roxanne Reiser.

**Milton 4-H** - Noah Borneman, Jaida Hoppe, Benjamin Kronberg, Alexander Borneman, Samantha Emery and Ellen Check.

**Newark Beloit 4-H** - Nellie Conover-Crockett, Dominic Johnson, Skyler Hutter, Marquel Johnson, Jon Goiffon, Mariah Wohlrab, Keysha Hansen, Shane Hutter and Cassie Reed.

**Newark Pioneers 4-H** - Grant Francis

**Plymouth 4-H** - Nathan Wallisch, Holly Groell, Andrew Monk, Tanner Zimmerman and Olivia Isenberger,

**Turtle 4-H** - Clay Ward, Tony Ward and Frankie Ward.

## ★ *Home and Family* ★

### Beginning Sewing Members Workshop Planned

Home Community Educators (HCE) will be offering a sewing clinic for beginners on May 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 p.m., at the Craig Center at the Rock County Fair Grounds. This is an opportunity for beginners to learn tips to having a successful sewing year.

The coordinators are looking for older members to bring examples of projects they have completed and explain what they learned and why they enjoy being in the sewing project. If you are an older member or a leader and would like to help with this event contact Jeanette Beard at 868-4240. Additional information and registration forms will be sent sewing project members at a later date.

## ★ *State Fair Information* ★

### State Fair

#### Market Animal Identification Correction

(Note that barrows will be identified on April 18 and lambs will be identified on May 2, not as stated in the March Cloverpatch)

Rock County will host State Fair lamb and barrow identification for the 2009 WI State Fair. Animals will be identified in the Sales Arena at the Rock County Fairgrounds.

Barrows will be identified April 18 from 9-11 a.m. Lambs will be identified May 2 from 9-11 a.m. Check the WSF website for further information, <http://www.wistatefair.com>

#### Additional Weigh In Sites Include:

April 18<sup>th</sup> Weigh-in Site:

9:00 a.m.- noon, Stoughton Fairgrounds, Stoughton - Contact person - Richard Bussian, 920-623-2348

### April 25<sup>th</sup> Weigh-in Site:

9:00 a.m.- noon, Arlington Agricultural Research Station, Arlington - Contact person - Dan Goehring, 920-927-3432

The Swine Identification Guidelines are available at [www.wistatefair.com](http://www.wistatefair.com), click on Fair Information and then click on competitions. Be sure to read them to be up to date on any changes in State Fair requirements.

### **State Fair Market Lamb Identification**

All exhibitors interested in participating in the 2009 Wisconsin State Fair Market Lamb and Performance Classes must identify their lambs at one of the official sites. Rock County will serve as an official site on Saturday, May 2, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Sale Arena.

Market Lamb Check-In Guidelines are available at [www.wistatefair.com](http://www.wistatefair.com), click on Fair Information and then click on competitions. Be sure to read them to be up to date on any changes in State Fair requirements.

## ★ *Animal Science* ★

### 4-H Dairy Judging

The first meeting for the 2009 4-H Dairy Judging teams was held on March 24<sup>th</sup>. If you were unable to attend but are interested in being notified of the practice schedule, contact Randy Thompson at 757-5699 or [randy.thompson@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:randy.thompson@ces.uwex.edu). Practices will start in late April.



### Rock County Beef Preview Show

The Rock County Beef Producers are sponsoring an Open Steer and Heifer Show on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at the Rock County 4-H Fairgrounds, Janesville. This is an opportunity to show your project animals in advance of the County Fair. There will be Showmanship and Fitting Clinics in conjunction with the show. Prize money will be awarded in each class.

For entry and additional information, contact show chair Rob McConnell at 608-676-4624. This is an excellent opportunity for younger beef project members or those who don't have a chance to show at other shows besides the County Fair.

Schedule:

Check In Dates: May 15 - 6:00 - 8:00 pm & May 16 - 6:00 - 9:00 am

May 16:

- 9-11:30 a.m. - Educational Programming
- Noon - Beef Preview Show
- Following the show - Showmanship

### Attention Livestock Project Members

**(Beef, sheep, swine, goats)**

**COOL for Youth Exhibitors**

The final rule of Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) came out on Jan. 16, 2009 slated to take effect March 16, 2009. This USDA rule provides consumers the knowledge and information of where their food originated. There has been much discussion on this topic since the 2002 farm bill, and it is now going into effect. This rule affects beef, lamb pork, and goats as well as other commodities like fish, nuts and ginseng.

How does this rule affect youth exhibitors? COOL does not directly regulate livestock producers, however producers have first-hand knowledge concerning the origin of their animals. Therefore, youth who purchase and or raise their animals need to know the origin of their animals, especially if sold to large-scale processors (Tyson, etc.), buying stations (Equity, etc.) or to local meat processors who sell to major retailers. Youth exhibitors may not know the final destination of their project at the time it is sold, therefore, all exhibitors should complete an

affidavit of Country of Origin of their animal to be passed to the buyer of their project animal. If you purchase your project animal, it is also suggested to obtain a Country of Origin affidavit from the seller. Retain this affidavit for your own records. This provides additional evidence of the validity of the Country of Origin affidavit that the exhibitor passes to the buyer of their project animal, if it is required. There is an example form on the Extension Youth Livestock website that has all of the required information. Go to the Extension Youth Livestock Website at <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/animalscience/youthlivestock/index.cfm> and click on COOL.

### **WLBA Spring Preview Show June 5-7**

#### **Jefferson County Fairgrounds**

Information for this show is available at [www.wisconsinlivestockbreeders.com](http://www.wisconsinlivestockbreeders.com). Entry deadline is June 1.

### **Rock County 4-H Fair Swine Carcass Contest Weigh-In Schedule**

Individuals interested in participating in the 2009 Swine Carcass Contest held in conjunction with the Rock County 4-H Fair must participate in the initial carcass barrow weigh-in on Saturday, April 18th. Each exhibitor may identify and weigh up to 3 barrows for the carcass contest. The weigh-in will be held in the Sale Arena from 1:00-2:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 18th. The maximum weight limit will be 90 lbs. Contact Randy Thompson at 608-757-5699 if you have questions.

Individuals identifying barrows for the Wisconsin State Fair may weigh County Carcass Barrows during the morning State Fair Weigh In. Individuals strictly weighing barrows for the County Carcass Contest are asked to wait until 1:00 p.m. on April 18.

### **Badger 500 Swine Show Scheduled**

The third annual Badger 500 Swine Show is scheduled for Sunday, May 24 at the Rock county Fairgrounds. Arrival and weigh-in is from 8-11:00 a.m. with showmanship beginning at noon and the show at 1:00 p.m.

The show offers barrow and gilt classes for each breed represented with cash prizes. It is open to youth ages 5-21 and is a Wisconsin Show Pig sanctioned show (WSPA). Entry fee is \$15 per head and registration papers are required for animals showing in purebred classes. For additional information go to [www.watsonfamilyfarms.com](http://www.watsonfamilyfarms.com) and click on Badger 500 or call Jeff Morris at 815-262-8018 or Curt Watson at 608-201-1859

### **Rock County 4-H**

#### **Fair Market Animal ID Program**

The Rock County 4-H Fair is once again requiring Market Lambs and Barrows to be pre-identified in order to be eligible for exhibit at the 2009 4-H Fair. We are asking that project leaders and Vo Ag Instructors assist with the identification as in past years. Youth exhibitors are encouraged to contact project leaders to make arrangements for the identification of market animals.

#### **Market Lamb: ID Guidelines**

Each exhibitor may identify up to 8 lambs (wether and ewe lambs)

Lambs must be pre-registered in the name of the exhibitor or immediate family name.

Market Lambs must be identified using official ear tags provided through the Extension Office.

Deadline for identification of lambs is May 4.

Lambs identified for the Wisconsin State Fair do not need to be retagged for the County Fair.

#### **Barrow: ID Guidelines**

Each exhibitor may identify up to 8 barrows.

Barrows must be pre-registered in the name of the exhibitor or immediate family member's name.

Deadline for barrow identification is May 4.

Barrows must be identified using official county ear tags and each barrow must be ear notched. Barrows pre-identified for the Wisconsin State Fair are not required to be retagged for the County Fair. State Fair Identification will be used for both programs.

### **Badger Dairy Camp June 14-16**

#### **UW Madison Campus**

This camp is open to youth between the ages of 12-18 and offers award winning judging, fitting and showing strategies in hands-on Dairy Science workshops.

Registration information is available at [www.uwex.edu/ces/dairyouth/index.html](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/dairyouth/index.html)

### **ATTENTION: Horse & Pony Project Members - Important Rule!**

All 1st and 2nd year Horse and Pony Project members must participate in two (2) Rock County 4-H Horse and Pony Project approved educational events, at least one of which must be with your horse or pony, in order to participate in the Rock County 4-H Fair Horse Show or Pony Show. Members in their 3rd year and up must participate in one such event, with or without your horse or pony.

The Horse and Pony Project Steering Committee would like to bring the attention of each and every one of you the availability and importance of our upcoming county level meetings and activities. All members, parents and leaders in these projects are invited to attend ALL EVENTS. Please make note of the rule stated above and don't wait until the last event...start attending NOW!

### **Attention, PARENTS of Horse & Pony Project Members!**

The 4-H Horse and Pony Project Committee is concerned that members may be dropped off at county events with their animals and left there unsupervised. THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE! It is the responsibility of the parents/guardians of these members to remain at these events to provide

supervision and assistance to the members and animals. This guideline applies to ALL county 4-H Horse and Pony project events!

### **Horse Judging Clinic**

There will be a Horse Judging Clinic/Contest on Saturday, April 4 at the fairgrounds. The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Multipurpose Barn and Stock Pavilion. There will be a food stand on the grounds. This is a GREAT educational opportunity, so don't miss it! All Horse, Pony and Horseless Horse members, leaders and parents are invited and encouraged to attend!

### **Open Arena Practice and Coggins Testing**

Open Arena Practices are held in the Multipurpose Barn at the fairgrounds and include instruction for those members who would like it. Mark your calendars for these practices:

Saturday, April 4 - instruction offered in Western and Hunt Pleasure

Sunday, April 26 - instruction offered in Trail and Driving

All Open Arenas will be held from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Requirements for participation:

Current Coggins test results (original and one copy)  
SEI approved safety helmet and boots with heels.

### **Foodstand Volunteers**

#### **Needed May 2 and 3!**

Join other Rock County 4-H Horse, Pony, Horseless Horse members and their parents by volunteering at the Wisconsin POA Show's Food Stand on Saturday, May 2 and Sunday, May 3. This is your chance to help us raise money for the Project. Not only will you have the opportunity to help us raise money, but you can watch others show their horses and ponies, develop friendships with other project members, and earn Horse Bucks, too! The place to be is at the Bound's Show Time Arena, in Deerfield. Our foodstand will be open from 6:30 am to 6:30 pm on Saturday, and 6:30 am until the end of the show on Sunday. If you would like to volunteer, share a ride, get more information,

or would like to donate food, please contact Brenda Uhe at 608-876-6780, Shirley Henn at 262-473-5707, Jennifer Lesh at 262-408-9027 or Linda Brethauer at 897-4166.

### **Horseless Horse Project Members - Meetings Just For YOU!**

Plan on attending the Horseless Horse project meeting at the following event:

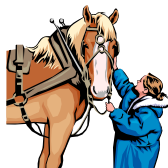
Horse Judging Clinic/Contest on April 4 at 9:00 a.m. - fairgrounds. Learn about judging horses and participate in the contest if you want! Description sheets and Horseless Horse contracts will also be discussed. Please join us!

### **Horse & Pony Description Sheets and Coggins Results**

All description sheets and Coggins test results are due to the UW Extension Office at the Courthouse by April 15. You must staple a copy of your animal's Coggins test results to the description sheet, which can be found in the Informational Packet. You still have to bring the original test results to the clinics and shows. Failure to meet the April 15th deadline will result in placing penalties at the Fair Horse Show or Pony Show. Don't miss this deadline! Please contact the UWEX Office at 757-5690 if you need an Informational Packet.

### **Horse and Pony Project Committee**

The Horse and Pony Project Committee meets the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the courthouse. The next meetings are Thursday, April 2 and Thursday, May 7. All Horse & Pony project and Horseless Horse project leaders and parents are invited to attend all Project Committee meetings.



### **Rock County 4-H Goat Project & WIS-IL Goat Assn.**

#### **Spring Preview Show**

**May 23, Rock County Fairgrounds**

This is an opportunity to show your goats and is open to all 4-H & FFA members, any county, any state. Ribbons and trophies will be awarded and clipping is optional. Goats need not be registered. Health papers are required.

Plan to attend to learn by talking with and watching other showman. There will also be an official ADGA Goat Show going on at the same time (separate show). This is a chance to see some top quality goats and to talk with breeders from all around the Midwest.

For more information and entry forms contact Randy Adamson, 8707 E. Townline Road, Milton. Phone, 608-868-7177 or email [marran@centurytel.net](mailto:marran@centurytel.net). Entry forms are also available at [www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/rock/4h/projects.html](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/rock/4h/projects.html).

### **Poultry Project Meetings**

Plan to attend the June 27<sup>th</sup> poultry project meeting at 10:00 a.m. in the Sales Arena at the fairgrounds. Discussion topics will be Pullorum testing and State forms that you must have for the fair. We will also discuss fair week and preparing poultry for the fair. **MARK THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDER.**

Also on July 18 at 8:00 a.m., the Poultry Superintendents will be setting up cages in the barn for the fair. Plan to be there to help out and put up your club decorations too.

### **Rabbit Project Meeting**

Mark your calendar for June 25 as the next rabbit project meeting. If you have project questions contact Donna Jones at 883-2837.

### **Rabbit Fun Day**

Be sure to check out the article in last months Cloverpatch about the June 13<sup>th</sup> Rabbit Fun Day. If you have questions contact Lynn Galbraith-Wilson at 608-758-0866.

### 4-H Cat Project Meeting

April 21 - 7:00 p.m.

**Craig Center, Fairgrounds**

Plan to attend and learn more about your cat's needs and final information about the County Fair Show.

### Important Cat Project Deadline

Your cat's shots must be current by April 3 if you plan to show your cat in the Rock County Fair Cat Show on April 25.

### Rock County 4-H Fair Cat Show

**April 25, Craig Center, Fairgrounds**

The Rock County 4-H Fair Cat Show will be held in the Craig Center at the fairgrounds. Check-in time is 8-9:30 a.m. and the show starts at 10:00 a.m. To enter, complete the entry form at the end of the newsletter (also available in your county cat project packet or at the Rock County UWEX website, [www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/rock/4h/projects.html](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/rock/4h/projects.html) and return it to Rock County UWEX Office Attn: Cat Project with a copy of your cat's shot record by April 10.

If you have questions contact Judy Karstaedt, 365-2441, Sondra Austin, 754-0134 or Bonnie Wehrle, 365-2938.

### Volunteers Needed For Fair Cat Show!

Volunteers are needed Friday, April 24 at 6:00 p.m. at the Craig Center on the fairgrounds to help set-up for the 4-H Fair Cat Show. All those who help will also be able to decorate their cages at this time. In addition, members can earn BONUS Cat Cash by helping with set-up or clean up on April 25.

We are also looking for volunteers to manage the food stand and youth to help with serving in 1-2 hour shifts. If you are interested contact Sondra Austin at 754-0134. The profits made in the food stand are used to pay for ribbons, supplies and judges for the Pre-Fair Cat show.

### Cavy Project Meeting

There will be an informational meeting and help with fair sign-up for members in the Cavy Project on Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in the Craig Center at the fairgrounds. Plan to attend.

If you have questions about your project animal contact Mike or Sue Schimke at 676-4044.

## ★ *Environmental* *Education* ★

### 4-H Shooting Sports/Gun Safety Leaders Meeting

ALL Rock County 4-H Leaders in ANY Gun Safety discipline, mark your calendars for Tuesday, April 21 at 7:00 p.m. There will be a planning meeting at the courthouse to discuss the county 4-H shooting sports/gun competition and the state 4-H shooting sports event. We need all leaders to attend this meeting and volunteer to help at these events so we can continue our high quality 4-H shooting sports program going! If you have questions, please contact Lee Peich at 676-5692.

### 4-H Shooting Sports Certification Workshops - NEW THIS YEAR FOR NEW LEADERS!!!

NEW 4-H Shooting Sports leaders in any discipline (archery, air pistol, air rifle, .22 rifle, shotgun, muzzleloading, hunting) must now participate in 12 hours of training in order to teach 4-H youth. They must obtain that training at an approved 4-H Shooting Sports Certification Workshop. They must also complete the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Protection Program (see article in the "Leadership" section of this newsletter.) The upcoming 4-H Shooting Sports Certification Workshop is:  
April 17-18 in Washington County (West Bend)

Registration forms and other information can be found at

[www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/shooting/index.cfm](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/shooting/index.cfm).

NOTE: This new certification process is ONLY for shooting sports leaders who are new to 4-H in 2009 or those who have not been active for over 3 years.

## ★ *Mechanical Science* ★

### **Practice Rocket Launch**

A practice launch will be held on Saturday, May 9 at 8:00 a.m. at Thresheree Park, north of Janesville on Highway 51 and Cox Road. Launch safety and use of launch equipment will be highlighted. All Rocketry project members, parents and leaders are encouraged to attend. Please use the entrance on Cox Road.

### **Attention Rocketry Project Members!**

This year's Spot Landing Contest rocket is the Wizard. Wizard rockets and A8-3 engines are for sale at the UWEX Office in the courthouse.

One Wizard rocket and 3 engines will cost \$9.00...what a deal! So bring your money and get your rockets and engines while they last!

## ★ *Fair Facts* ★

### **ROYALTY INFORMATION**

#### **APRIL 10, 2009**

Club/Chapter King and Queen candidate information due to the Rock County 4-H Fair Office.

#### **APRIL 24, 2009**

King and Queen Candidate application due to the Rock County 4-H Fair Office.

#### **MAY 16, 2009**

King and Queen Candidate Interviews at the Rock County 4-H Fair Office.

### **Float Parade**

The Parade will be held Sunday, July 5, 2009 at 1:00 pm at the fairgrounds. The Floats will be judged and awards given at the completion of the parade on July 5th.

### **Planter Decorating Contest**

The Rock County 4-H Fair Board will be sponsoring the Floral Planter Decorating Contest. Each club/chapter that participates will receive a donation of \$20.00 from the fair board. Please watch for more information in the May Cloverpatch.

### **Daytime Entertainment Area Needs A Name**

The pavilion area just south of the Fair Office and the FFA/4-H Dressing Rooms is in need of a name. Several daytime events are scheduled for that area during the 2009 fair and the Fair Board would like that area named. So if you would like to enter this contest and create the winning name please send your entry in soon. A prize will be awarded to the winner. You may mail, fax, or email your entry form to the Fair Office, P.O. Box 170, Janesville, 53547. The fax number is 755-0227, and email is [rcfair@tds.net](mailto:rcfair@tds.net). Please call Mary at the Fair Office with any questions.





## APRIL 2009 CALENDAR

1	DEADLINE: Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board Scholarships due
2	Horse & Pony Project Committee meeting, Courthouse - 7:00 p.m.
4	Horse & Pony Judging Clinic & Contest, Fairgrounds - 9:00 a.m. Horseless Horse project meeting, Fairgrounds - 9:00 a.m. Horse & Pony Project Open Arena Practice, Fairgrounds - 1:00-4:00 p.m. 4-H Fair Foods Revue, Craig Center, Fairgrounds
10	DEADLINE: 4-H Fair Cat Show Entries DEADLINE: Club/Chapter King & Queen Candidate Information due to Rock Co. 4-H Fair Office
15	DEADLINE: Horse & Pony Description Sheets & Coggins due to UWEX Office
17	Cavy Project Meeting, Craig Center, Fairgrounds - 7:00 p.m.
17-18	4-H Shooting Sports Certification Workshop, West Bend
18	Youth Service Day State Fair Market Barrow Identification, 9-11 a.m., Rock Co. Fairgrounds Swine Carcass Contest Weigh In, 1:00-2:30 p.m., Sale Arena, Fairgrounds
19	Jr. Basketball Tournament, Edgerton High School
20	DEADLINE: 4-H Softball rosters and fees due to UWEX Office by 5:00 p.m. 4-H Softball Committee meeting, Courthouse - 7:00 p.m. Jr. & Sr. Council Executive Board Meetings, Courthouse - 7:00 p.m.
21	Cat Project Meeting, Craig Center, Fairgrounds - 7:00 p.m. Shooting Sports/Gun Safety Leaders meeting, Courthouse - 7:00 p.m.
24	4-H Fair Cat Show Set up, Craig Center, Fairgrounds DEADLINE: King & Queen Candidate Applications due to Rock County 4-H Fair Office
25	4-H Fair Cat Show, Craig Center, Fairgrounds
26	Horse & Pony Project Open Arena Practice, Fairgrounds - 1:00-4:00 p.m. Sr. Basketball Tournament, Edgerton High School
27	4-H Ambassador Team meeting, Courthouse - 6:00 p.m. Junior & Senior Council Meetings, Courthouse - 7:00 p.m.
28	4-H Camp Staff Training, Craig Center - 6:30 p.m.



## MAY 2009 CALENDAR

2	State Fair Market Lamb Identification, 9-11 a.m., Rock Co. Fairgrounds
4	DEADLINE: Market Lamb & Barrow ID due to UWEX Office
6	Softball Season begins
7	Horse & Pony Project Committee meeting, Courthouse - 7:00 p.m.
9	Rocketry Practice Launch, Thresheree Park, Edgerton - 8:00 a.m. Horse & Pony Participation Clinic and Mini-Show, Fairgrounds - 9:00 a.m. Horseless Horse project meeting, Fairgrounds - 9:00 a.m.
11	Jr. & Sr. Council Executive Board Meetings, Courthouse - 7:00 p.m.
16	Rock Co. Beef Preview Show, Rock Co. Fairgrounds 4-H Music and Drama Festival, UW Rock County Campus, Janesville King and Queen Candidate Interviews at the Rock Co. 4-H Fair Office
18	4-H Ambassador Team meeting, Courthouse - 6:00 p.m. Junior & Senior Council Meetings, Courthouse - 7:00 p.m.
19	Shooting Sports/Gun Safety Leaders meeting, Courthouse - 7:00 p.m. Beginning Sewing Workshop, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Craig Center, Fairgrounds
23	Rock Co. 4-H Goat Project & WIS-IL Goat Assn Spring Preview Show, Rock Co. Fairgrounds
24	Badger 500 Swine Show, Rock County Fairgrounds

25	UWEX Office Closed - Holiday
26	4-H Camp Staff Training, Craig Center - 6:30 p.m.

**ROCK COUNTY 4-H FAIR CAT SHOW**  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009**  
**CRAIG CENTER, ROCK COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

Vet-In: 8:00-9:30 AM

Show Starts at 10:00 AM

*Showmanship written test before show starts*

Exhibitor's name \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibitor's grade \_\_\_\_\_

*(as of Jan. 1, current year)*

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibitor's Number \_\_\_\_\_

Cat Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cat's Age \_\_\_\_\_ Lot Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please check ALL correct information. \_\_\_\_\_ Showmanship

Female       Male       Spayed       Neuter

Long-hair       Short-hair

White       Black       Blue (Gray)       Red (Orange)  
 Tabby (Tiger)       Bi-Color       Calico       Tortoiseshell  
 Tortoiseshell w/White       Siamese       Other \_\_\_\_\_

Shots required for Fair Cat Show must be completed by April 3, 2009.

**Include a copy of your cat's shot record with your entry.**

If you have questions contact Judy Karstaedt, 365-2441, Sondra Austin, 754-0134 or  
Bonnie Wehrle, 365-2938.

**All entries and fees are due by April 10, 2009 to:**

Rock County UWEX

Attn: Cat Project

51 S. Main

Janesville, WI 53545

**ONE ENTRY PER FORM**  
*(Please feel free to copy this form)*



## Rock County 4-H Camp Program 2009 Information



**Camp dates:** Saturday, August 15 – Tuesday, August 18

**Camp site:** Upham Woods 4-H Outdoor Learning Center near Wisconsin Dells

**Camp staff:** Rock County 4-H adults, older youth and 4-H staff



### 4-H Cabin Camp...

a camp experience for youth 8-12 years of age (as of 01-01-09.) Campers stay in cabins with older youth counselors. Cabin camp includes a wide variety of activities including crafts, nature study, archery, games, campfires and more!

### 4-H Outpost Camp...

an advanced camping experience that is optional for 12-year old campers and mandatory for ALL 13-year old campers (ages as of 01-01-09.) Campers sleep in tents, cook their meals over a campfire and spend their days canoeing and learning other camping skills.



**Cost:** \$90.00 per camper. Includes transportation, meals and snacks, lodging and other program costs.  
**COST REDUCED!**

**Deadline:** June 1, 2009. Registrations received after that date will be placed on a waiting list.

**Refund policy:** Cancel by July 10 – receive full refund.  
Cancel after July 10 – receive \$40.00 refund.  
Refund requests **MUST** be made in writing.

**Register by completing the form on the back of this flyer and returning it, with payment (checks payable to Rock County 4-H Leaders Council) to the address on the form.**

**ONE FORM PER CAMPER, PLEASE!**

UW-Extension provides equal opportunity in programming, including Title IX and ADA requirements. 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 make such requests as early as possible by contacting the Rock County UW-Extension Office at 757-5690 so proper arrangements can be made.

**Rock County 4-H Camp Program**  
Camper Registration Form - **Deadline: June 1, 2009**

**ONE FORM PER CAMPER, PLEASE!**

Feel free to copy this form, or additional copies are available at the UWEX Office.

This camper will be attending (please check one):

- 4-H Cabin Camp: ages 8-12 years as of 01-01-09
- 4-H Outpost Camp: 12 years of age as of 01-01-09 (optional)  
13 years of age as of 01-01-09 (**mandatory**)

Camper's name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Camper's age as of 01-01-09: \_\_\_\_\_ Camper's gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Campers will be assigned to cabins according to gender and age. Please be aware that it is not possible for us to honor requests for specific cabinmates.

**PARENTS/GUARDIANS:** The 4-H Camp Program includes a variety of physical activities, including swimming, canoeing or boating, hiking, archery, and active games such as kickball and tag. All activities are carefully supervised and safety procedures are strictly followed.

Does your child require a special accommodation to participate in any of the activities mentioned above? Please check one:

Yes  No

If you checked yes, please describe the accommodation needed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list any special dietary needs or other concerns: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose a check for **\$90.00**, payable to **Rock County 4-H Leaders Council**. On the "memo" portion, please write **"4-H Camp" and the first name of the camper**. Return this form and full payment to: 4-H Camp Program, Rock County UW-Extension Office, 51 S. Main Street, Janesville, WI 53545 by **June 1, 2009**.