

Sauk County 4-H Newsletter

Clover Comments

August-September 2018



MUSINGS FROM MEG:

Where, oh, where did our summer go? The County Fair seems like it was six months ago. ☺ It was another scorcher this year. However, the Fair is always an amazing exhibition of the knowledge and skills learned over the past year. Walking through the exhibit buildings and barns and watching our members show their livestock or share their exhibits with family members are fun “fly on the wall” experiences for me. Thank you to all of the members, Leader and 4-H families for continuing to Make the Best Better!

We spent the end of July and beginning of August getting the end of the year and awards information ready. We had an AMAZING Club Leader and Countywide Project Leader meeting on August 15. I appreciate everyone who attended and the great conversations that we had. Club Leader and Project Leader if you would like me to attend one of your upcoming meetings, please email me at margaret.sage@ces.uwex.edu.

We hope that EVERYONE is staying safe during all of the rain and flooding. If you are in need of resources, please refer to the Sauk County Emergency Management website: <https://www.co.sauk.wi.us/emergencymanagement> Extension has provided references on Health and Safety Tips.

AWARD APPLICATIONS, NOMINATIONS, TRIP APPLICATIONS, CHARTERS AND END OF THE YEAR PAPERWORK

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NEW 4-H YEAR BEGINS OCTOBER 1 – RE-ENROLL BY DECEMBER 1

October 1 brings the beginning of the NEW 2018-2019 4-H Year. 4-H Enrollment will open on September 12. Club Leaders will receive enrollment instructions and materials on September 25. All 4-H members (including leaders) must be enrolled and have their final projects selected by December 1, 2018. Check out information about enrollment on pages 5-7 of Clover Comments. Additional information will be in the next newsletter as well.

JUNIOR LEADER COUNCIL (JLC) MEETINGS

The Junior Leader Council is open to ALL 4-H members who are in 7th grade and up and enrolled in the Sauk County 4-H program. If you would like to get JLC emails, please contact Meg Sage at margaret.sage@ces.uwex.edu. The Junior Leader Council meetings are on the third Thursday of each month. (September 20, October 18, November 15, etc.) These meetings will all begin at 7PM, and be in B24 of the West Square Building. More information shared about themes for upcoming meetings, very soon. Officer nominations will take place at the September meeting. Come and join the group!

SENIOR LEADERS MEETING

The Senior Leaders are elected representatives who help shape the direction of the Sauk County 4-H program. The group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month. The next two meetings will be Tuesday, October 23 and Tuesday, November 27 at 6:30 in the UW-Extension Conference Room. 4-H members, Leaders and families are welcome to attend. The Senior Leaders September meeting is with the Annual Leader Meeting on Sept. 25.

FIND THE HIDDEN IMAGE


Congratulations Allison Ahrensmeyer who found the hidden image in the last newsletter. The symbol changes with each Clover Comments. The first 4-H member to find the image and email Meg with its' location at margaret.sage@ces.uwex.edu will win a 4-H prize from a box of choices in the Extension Office. This month's image is: 

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JUNE CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

June 1- Karrie Mathis, Reedsburg, \$20
June 2- Tim Lindloff, Reedsburg, \$50.00
June 3- Andrew Fry, New Lisbon, \$20
June 4- Ben Dvorak, LaValle, \$20
June 5- Don Russell, Madison, \$20
June 6- Rory & Bobbie Hinz, Hillpoint, \$20
June 7- Emily Shimpach, Prairie du Sac, \$20
June 8- Ann Meldahl, Lanesboro, MN, \$20
June 9- Orion Berna, Baraboo, \$20
June 10- Ruby Wiebusch, Lake City, MN, \$20
June 11- Corinne Strangfeld, Baraboo, \$20
June 12- Becky Blinston, LaValle, \$20
June 13- Lindy Larsen, Baraboo, \$20
June 14- Allen Kruse, Wis Dells, \$20
June 15- Tama Foust, Mauston, \$20
June 16- Ellie Lankey, Spring Green, \$20
June 17- Dennis Breunig, Prairie du Sac, \$100.00
June 18- Ron Bindl, Loganville, \$20
June 19- Jeni Krayner, Reedsburg, \$20
June 20- Chad & Anne Allen, Reedsburg, \$20
June 21- Jeff Koch, Poynette, \$50.00
June 22- Donald Brooks, Reedsburg, \$20
June 23- Sandra & Tim Petersen, Baraboo, \$20
June 24- Matt Cherney, LaValle, \$20
June 25- Julie Moliter, Reedsburg, \$20
June 26- Janis Klaetsch, Prairie du Sac, \$20
June 27- Lane Albers, Prairie du Sac, \$20
June 28- Robert Kissack, Rock Springs, \$20
June 29- Olive & Don Gross, Fort Atkinson, \$20
June 30- Bill Giese, Baraboo, WI \$20



GETTING THE MOST FROM CLOVER COMMENTS

Clover Comments is FILLED with information to expand your 4-H involvement in leadership, multi-level events, and project areas. We understand that this can be overwhelming. We recommend:

- When you receive your Clover Comments, take some time as a family to review it, maybe over dinner.
- Have a highlighter ready and highlight those things that interest you.
- Mark dates down on your family calendar.
- RSVP and/or fill out the forms for the events as soon as you receive the information. The longer you wait, the more likely you are to forget.
- For Leaders –Please announce events that you think will interest your club members at club meetings.
- If you misplace your Clover Comments, no worries...
 - Copies are available in the Extension Office.
 - Electronic copies are found at sauk.uwex.edu
 - Electronic copies can be found in 4-Honline on your family screen after you login.



JULY CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

July 1- Peggy Anderson, Reedsburg, \$20
July 2- Robert Kissack, Rock Springs, \$20
July 3- Bev Hinze, Baraboo, \$20
July 4- Blaine K. Maybee, Baraboo, \$100.00
July 5- Bob & Michele Kempfer, Prairie du Sac, \$20
July 6- Adam Kaukl, North Freedom, \$20
July 7- Jody Killan, Spring Green, \$50.00
July 8- Dennis Horkan Family, Reedsburg, \$20
July 9- Kolton Wehler, Prairie du Sac, \$20
July 10- Nick Bjornstad, Fond du Lac, \$20
July 11- Jennifer Johnson, Oregon, \$500.00
July 12- Dennis Reuter, Prairie du Sac, \$20
July 13- John & Rosie Tyler, Reedsburg, \$20
July 14- Sauk Co Ag Society, Baraboo, \$20
July 15- Carrie Heiking, LaValle, \$20
July 16- Andrew Fry, New Lisbon, \$20
July 17- Nick Hartley, Spring Green, \$20
July 18- Courtney Richards, Prairie du Sac, \$20
July 19- Paul Nurkala, Prairie du Sac, \$20
July 20- David Allen, Reedsburg, \$20
July 21- Joe Dorow, Lyndon Station, \$20
July 22- Michelle Dorow, Lyndon Station, \$20
July 23- Alechia Hoeltke, Prairie du Sac, \$20
July 24- Robert Kissack, Rock Springs, \$20
July 25- Christy Wehler, Prairie du Sac, \$20
July 26- Mike Walker, Reedsburg, \$20
July 27- Bill Richard, Prairie du Sac, \$20
July 28- Tiffany Kraemer, Prairie du Sac, \$20
July 29- Dale & Wendy Ryherd, Reedsburg, \$20
July 30- Ann Meldahl, Lanesboro, MN, \$20
July 31- Muriel Halweg, Merrimac, \$20




CALENDAR SALES

A HUGE round of applause and THANK YOU to all of our 4-H members, leaders and families for doing such an amazing job selling our 4-H Calendars. A few details...

- ✿ 105 unsold calendars were returned to the UWEX office by the end of June.
- ✿ There were only 8 unsold calendars missing – unsold and not returned
- ✿ 1009 out of 1200 calendars were sold
- ✿ 10 out of 15 clubs sold their allotment or MORE
- ✿ Those 10 Clubs will be receiving a total of \$1149
- ✿ The daily winners will be paid out a total of \$9560

As we are nearing the end of the 4-H year, all of the awards, trip scholarships, and a portion of awards banquet are paid for by the profits from Calendar sales. Give yourself a pat on the back if you sold a calendar, or 2, or 3!





YOUTH ADULT PARTNERSHIP TRAINING

All chartered 4-H clubs and project groups are required to have at least ONE Leader attend an annual Leader training. The next training on youth adult partnerships will be **Tuesday, September 18 from 6:30-8:30PM, at the West Square Building. Please email Meg margaret.sage@cces.uwex.edu by Monday, September 17 to register for this training.** There must be a minimum of six registered in order to hold this training.



SEEKING 4-H LEADER TO SERVE ON THE SENIOR LEADERS ASSOCIATION


The Sauk County 4-H Senior Leaders Association is seeking a 4-H volunteer to serve on the board. The purpose of the Senior Leaders Association is to:

- Assist the Sauk County UWEX planning the 4-H year.
- Discuss issues relating to 4-H programming, Clubs, leaders and members.
- Support the 4-H Youth Development Educator in the management and improvement of existing programs and the development of new programs.
- Cooperate with other youth agencies to provide leadership development in youth programming.
- Promote the 4-H program and Clubs in Sauk County.

The Board meets the 4th Tuesday of every month. It is important that interested candidates be available to attend. There are also some additional expectations such as; helping coordinate at least one event during the year, attending and helping at various events each year, and serving as an active member of at least one of the Board Committees.

The following officers and district positions will be elected at the Sauk County Annual Leaders Meeting that will be held on Tuesday, September 25 at the West Square Building in Baraboo.

- President-Elect
- Secretary
- At-Large - candidate must be a certified Leader or youth member in 7th grade and above within Sauk County.
- NW District - candidate must be a certified Leader or youth member in 7th grade from Baraboo Valley, LaValle Lucky Ducks, Jolly Beavers and Narrows Creek 4-H clubs.
- SW District - candidate must be a certified Leader or youth member in 7th grade from Endeavor, Happy Hustlers, Loganville-Friendship, Skillet Creek or South Lime Ridge 4-H clubs.

If you are interested in helping serve on the Senior Leaders board in any of these positions, please Meg Sage at margaret.sage@ces.uwex.edu as soon as possible or by September 18 at the latest. 



SAUK COUNTY 4-H ANNUAL LEADER MEETING

With the adoption of the new Constitution and Bylaws, in 2016, the Senior Leaders Association would like to invite club Leaders and youth 7th grade and above to attend the annual meeting, which **will be on Tuesday, September 25 at 6:30 PM at the West Square Building in Baraboo.** Some of the details of the meeting are listed below.

Membership:

- Youth membership in Sauk County 4-H Senior Leaders Association is open to all 4-H members enrolled in Sauk County 4-H for the current year and are in grades seven through one year past high school.
- Adult membership in Sauk County 4-H Senior Leaders Association is open to all 4-H adult Leaders who are enrolled with Sauk County 4-H for the current year and have completed the 4-H Youth Protection Program/VIP Training.

Agenda items may include:

- Financial reports
- Approval of a proposed budget, year round calendar, and minutes from last annual meeting
- Other reports as necessary
- Other matters that may come before the Senior Leaders
- Election of officers and representatives to the Executive Board

Voting Privileges: Voting at the annual meeting will be done in the following manner:

1. For the offices of President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer – done by one youth and one adult representative (as defined per Article II, Section 1 and Section 2) from each 4-H club in Sauk County. Exception may be made if club has no youth grade 7 or older enrolled. The club Leader(s) of these clubs will be able to designate a substitute of a youth under 7th grade or an additional adult to vote.
2. For the positions of four adult district representatives and at large representative – all youth and adult leaders (as defined per Article II, section 1 and 2) present at the annual meeting are eligible to vote.
3. The election will be a balloted election.

A quorum for annual meeting shall consist of a simple majority of representatives from at least 25% of affiliated clubs.

Each 4-H Club is requested to have at least one adult volunteer and one youth member (7th grade and above in attendance at this meeting. Please email your RSVP to Meg at margaret.sage@ces.uwex.edu by Tuesday, September 18.

4-H RECORD BOOKS

Everyone keeps records of one thing or another. As a 4-H member, you will need to keep track of what you have done and learned. **Completing a 4-H record book is the true completion of your project work since it tracks your year from setting goals to what you learned to plan for the next year.** Record books, scrapbooks, memory books, blogs or portfolios are just some tools for keeping 4-H records for you as a 4-H member. Those tools include the following information:

- ☘ Identify your leadership and project goals and set priorities.
- ☘ Establish good organizational and planning skills
- ☘ Develop responsibility in record keeping
- ☘ Learn if money is made or lost
- ☘ Explore careers and life goals
- ☘ Learn to compare and evaluate success or learn from your mistakes
- ☘ Experience personal satisfaction and growth through completion of worthwhile tasks
- ☘ Tell a complete story of the projects you took, leadership positions you held and activities you participated in

A typical record book contains the following sections:

1. **Title Page:** This is a place to share information about you and your club.
2. **Activity section:** This includes information that lists the activities you participated in and possibly pictures or news clippings that show your participation.
3. **Project record:** Include information for each project you enrolled in for the past year. This includes specific project goals, activities and events you participated in, a one-page project story – sharing about what you learned this year, and pictures or news clippings that show your participation for that particular project. You should record specifics about your project including the money you invested, the steps you took to reach your goals, and what you learned.

Sauk County Record Book pages are available on the Sauk County website at: <https://sauk.uwex.edu/4-h-trips/>

Check with your club Leader as to when project records are due for your club.

INFORMATION FOR CLOVER COMMENTS

To have information included in Clover Comments, please email your information by:

- **September 25 for October/November**
- **January 25 for the February/March**
- **March 25 for April/May**

Information should be 4-H related and emailed to margaret.sage@ces.uwex.edu.

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AWARD NOMINATIONS

As we reflect on the past year, there are many people within the 4-H program and outside of 4-H who have gone above & beyond to help the 4-H program be successful. Now is your opportunity to give them an extra special thank you. Nominate a 4-H youth, a 4-H adult leader or a local business for one of the following awards:

- Outstanding 4-H Youth Leader Award
- Outstanding 4-H Adult Volunteer Award
- Friend of 4-H Award

Forms are also available at the Extension Office, from your club Leader or on the Sauk County 4-H website at <https://sauk.uwex.edu/4-h-trips/> **Remember EVERYTHING is due in the UWEX office in Baraboo before 4:30PM Monday, October 1.**

CLOVER AWARDS

The Sauk County 4-H Clover awards celebrate YOUR participation in 4-H! Any 4-H member in grades 3-13 can earn an award. Clover award forms are available from your club leader, the Extension Office, on the Extension website at: <https://sauk.uwex.edu/4-h-trips/>

There are five different award levels:

- **Green**
- **Bronze**
- **Silver**
- **Gold**
- **Emerald**

The progression of achieving these different levels increases as participation in the 4-H program does. It may take more than one year to achieve a level and that is OK!

General leaders must sign the forms BEFORE they are turned into the UWEX office. **Remember EVERYTHING is due in the UWEX office in Baraboo before 4:30PM Monday, October 1.** If you have any questions in regards to the Clover award program, please contact the UWEX office at margaret.sage@ces.uwex.edu



GENERAL 4-H MEMBER AWARDS


There are opportunities for youth in all levels of their 4-H program to receive recognition. For the following awards, youth will complete one award application sheet. If they are interested in applying for more than one general award, they will complete an essay for each award. For example, if Dominic would like to apply for the Do-It-Yourself award and the Community Servant Awards, he will complete ONE award application, one essay for the Do-It-Yourself Award, and one essay for the Community Servant Award. The awards packet with all of the information about awards, the application, and essay topics are available from your club Leader, the Extension Office, or on the Extension website at: <https://sauk.uwex.edu/4-h-trips/>

- **ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD** - Must be a first year member (Two categories 3-6 grade and 7-13 grade, but could have been a previous Cloverbud) who did an outstanding job in ALL 4-H project work.
- **DO-IT-YOURSELF KID AWARD** - There will be two categories for this award. Grades 3-6th or 7-12th, and must be a member in good standing. This member was ready and willing to complete all activities on their own without prompting for the current year.
- **MAKE YOUR BEST BETTER AWARD - MOST IMPROVED 4-H MEMBER** - There will be two categories for this award. Grades 3-6th or 7-12th and applicant must be a member in good standing. Applicants for this award should have shown increase of participation and growth in all qualities of 4-H with their Club, community and at home.
- **COMMUNITY SERVANT AWARD YOUTH** - There will be two categories for this award. Grades 3-6th or 7-12th, and applicant must be a member in good standing. Applicants for this award should have demonstrated community service skills in 4-H with their Club, community and at home.

A complete award application for Rookie of the Year, Do-It-Yourself, Make the Best Better, and Community Servant Award should include the following items:

- One general 4-H award entry sheet
- One general award application
- An essay addressing the question that applies to each and every award you are applying for.
- Check 4-H awards packet to see if there is any additional information required.
- One folder to hold all of your general award application requirements.

Remember all application materials are due in the UWEX office in Baraboo before 4:30PM Monday, October 1.



4-H OFFICER AWARDS

Officers play a very important role in the 4-H Community Club. The following awards recognize the impact of these officers. The awards packet with all of the information about these awards, the application, and additional required application materials are available from your club Leader, the Extension Office, or on the Extension website at: <https://sauk.uwex.edu/4-h-trips/>
All application materials are due in the UWEX office in Baraboo before 4:30PM Monday, October 1.

- **PRESIDENT AWARD** - Each club and county council president interested in this award should complete and return a general officer application, which includes his/her accomplishments in office for the present year.
- **VICE-PRESIDENT AWARD** - Each club and county council vice-president interested in this award should complete and return a general officer application. Vice-presidents should be sure to include his/her accomplishments in office for the present year.
- **SECRETARY AWARD** - Each club and county council secretary interested in this award should complete and return a general officer application and submit their club secretary book. The club secretary book will be reviewed for completeness, neatness and context.
- **TREASURER AWARD** - Each club and county council treasurer interested in this award should complete and return a general officer application and submit their club treasurer book. The club treasurer book will be reviewed for completeness, accuracy and neatness.
- **REPORTER AWARD** - Each club and county council reporter that is interested in this award should complete and return a general officer application. They should also attach copies or clippings of reports that have been submitted and printed in the 4-H newsletter, or a local newspaper.
- **HISTORIAN AWARD** - Each club and county council historian who is interested in this award should complete and return a general officer application. They will also need to submit their club scrapbook for the current year. The scrapbook will be evaluated on completeness, neatness and creativity.
- **PHOTOGRAPHER AWARD** - Each club photographer that is interested in this award should complete and return a general officer application. Application should attach at least three pages of photos that they have taken for the club over the past year.
- **SONG AND GAME LEADER AWARD** - Each club song and game leader interested in this award should complete and return the general officer application.

4-H TRIP SCHOLARSHIPS

4-H offers amazing State or National 4-H trips. The Sauk County Senior Leaders supports youth attending these trips with scholarships. The application process includes a cover letter, resume and reference page along with completing the 4-H Trips and Key Award Interest Form. The cover letters, resumes and references will be reviewed. The final step in the process is for you to participate in a short interview with some Sauk County community members. Then you could be off to Georgia, our nation's capital, or Alabama.

Before 4:30PM on Monday, October 1, the following materials are due in the UWEX Office, West Square Building, 505 Broadway Street, Baraboo, WI 53913

- ❑ Sauk County 4-H Trips and Award Interest Form
- ❑ A cover letter
- ❑ A resume
- ❑ A references page with three references

Thursday, October 25 - Interviews will be at the West Square Building in Baraboo. An interview schedule will be sent after all applications are received.

The "Guide to Creating Your Application Materials for 4-H Trips and Key Awards" is available from your club leader, in the Extension Office, on the Extension website at: <https://sauk.uwex.edu/4-h-trips/>. **The "Guide..." includes information about each trip, the ages eligible, dates of the trip for 2019, and samples of cover letters, resumes and reference pages.**

2018 FALL FORUM

The 2018 Wisconsin Fall Forum will be November 2-4 at Green Lake Conference Center in Green Lake, WI. The Fall Forum is an opportunity for youth (in grades 7-13) and adult Leaders to attend the statewide training weekend. A team of youth and adults from Wisconsin Leader Council with the support of county and state staff plans the event.

The purpose of Fall Forum is to:

- Provide an educational opportunity for youth and adult volunteers
- Develop youth and adult partnerships
- Encourage diversity of thought, perspective, interests, and people
- Promote strategies for youth and adults to reach underserved and underrepresented groups.

The cost will be \$85 for youth and adults for Friday-Sunday registration. Lodging is also available at \$25 per night with 3-4 youth in a room, or \$50 for two adults. More information:

<https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hvolunteers/2018-fall-forum-2/>

Registration is through 4-H Online September 12-September 26. You must RE-ENROLL in 4-H BEFORE you can register for Fall Forum.

CONGRATULATION CLOVERS...

- ☘ Congratulations to those 4-H Clubs who created and displayed Saw Cows at the County Fair. The Sauk County Dairy Promoters would like to thank **Loganville-Friendship, Baraboo Valley and Prairie Busy Badgers** for participating. Congratulations go to **Circus City** for 2nd Place and **Narrow Creek** for 1st place.
- ☘ Congratulations to all of our animal exhibitors at the Fair. We are happy to announce the winners of contests coordinated by the Extension Office.
 - Beef/Dairy - 3rd – **Active Strivers**, 2nd – **Endeavor**, 1st – **Sauk Prairie FFA**
 - Sheep – 3rd **Sauk Prairie FFA**, 2nd **Loganville Friendship**, 1st **Prairie Busy Badgers**.
 - Exotics - 3rd **Prairie Busy Badgers**, 2nd **Narrows Creek**, 1st – **Webster's Prairie**
 - Goats - 3rd **Loganville Friendship**, 2nd **Jolly Beavers**, 1st – **South Lime Ridge**

STARTING A SUCCESSFUL NEW 4-H YEAR

The 2018-2019 4-H year begins on October 1. Below are some tips to help make it successful.

Making New Families Feel Welcome

The 4-H program can be confusing to new 4-H members and families. There are things your club can do to help everyone be successful.

- Have a 4-H member or two serve as greeters – welcoming EVERYONE into the meeting. Introducing themselves, helping people get signed in, supplies picked up, etc.
- Have a current family serve as a mentor to a new family. Current member/parent could sit by a new member/parent and explain what is going on in a meeting. Current member/parent can follow up with new member/parent after the meeting to see if there are any questions.
- Provide EVERYONE at a meeting with scratch paper. Encourage everyone to WRITE down his or her questions. Set aside some time before or after a club meeting for families to ask questions.

Officer Roles in the Club

If you are interested in being an officer, ask the person currently in that role what they do, and if they have any tips for you. Also, communicate with your 4-H club Leader to see if they have any suggestions about the responsibilities for that role. Check out: <https://sauk.uwex.edu/sauk-county-4-h/club-leadership-page/> for many helpful resources about being an officer.


More tips will be shared in the October/November Clover Comments.



ENROLLMENT OPENS SEPTEMBER 12

Enrollment for 2018-2019 4-H year open September 12 at: wi.4honline.com Your club Leader will be receiving the Sauk County 4-H Project Selection Guide soon. Hopefully in time for your October meeting, if not, then for your November meeting.

The following are instructions for RE-ENROLLMENT. If you did not enroll in 4-H last year, there are different directions for you, please contact Judy Gurgel at judy.gurgel@saukcountywi.gov

- To get started with the re-enrollment process, log into 4HOnline with your family email and password. If you forgot your password, use the "I forgot my password" option.
 - On the family home screen, click on the orange button labeled **Continue to Family**.
 - On your Member/Volunteer list, find the family member you wish to re-enroll and click on **Edit** next to their name.
 - At the bottom of the next screen, click on the button for **Enroll for 2016-2017**.
 - If the youth is over 17 years old, a box will appear asking if you wish to enroll as a youth or an adult. If the youth is graduating from 4-H and wants to continue as an adult leader, and then choose **Enroll as Adult**, otherwise select **Enroll as Youth**.
 - You will now see the Personal Information that you entered when you first enrolled. **Look over the information and make any corrections.** If the youth was in 12th grade last year, you must select the grade for this year either **Post High School Education** or **Not in School**. When you are done, click on **Continue**.
 - Next is the Additional Information screen where you will need to accept the agreements and answer the Photo Release and Accommodations questions. Click **Continue** when done.
 - The Health Form for members is optional at enrollment but you could be asked to complete it in the future if you attend any events that require one. Click **Continue** when done.
 - If you are an adult volunteer and see the Volunteer Screening page, then it has been 4 years since the last time a background check has been completed. You need to check over the answers to the questions and correct as needed. This page will only appear every 4 years. Click **Continue** when done.
 - On the Participation -> Club screen, confirm the correct club is listed. If you serve in a volunteer role (but not as a project leader), click on **Edit** and select the volunteer type. Click on **Update** to save the change. Click on **Continue** when done.
 - On the Participation -> Projects screen, confirm all the projects you are enrolled in are listed. Add any missing projects. If you are dropping a project, click on **Edit** for that project and then click on **Delete**. After making sure all your projects are listed correctly, click on **Submit Enrollment**.
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TROUBLESHOOTING 4HONLINE

If you are having troubles with 4HOnline, try changing your internet browser. 4HOnline and Internet Explorer don't seem to like each other very well. Our State 4-H Information Specialist recommends that you use either Google Chrome or Firefox as your internet browser anytime you are using 4HOnline.



CHOOSING 4-H PROJECTS NOW WHEN YOU ENROLL

All 4-H members and leaders are encouraged to enroll in their projects NOW and NOT wait until the enrollment deadline of December 1. As soon as all members in a club have enrolled in their projects, 4-H club Leaders and other Leaders in the club can start holding project meetings. The sooner project meetings can start, the more exploring and learning you will be able to do in your project area.

There are many projects to choose from. You should pick a project that interests you and will teach you something new. Use the Sauk County 4-H Project Selection Guide to help you understand what you can learn about in each project. Once you have selected a project, you can order project materials. The project materials to support each project are in the Sauk County 4-H Project Selection Guide. **You will use one project book for about 2-3 years to support you in your project learning.** The materials are easy-to-read books that explain your project and suggest ideas to do. You will spend many months working in your project area. Your parents, volunteer leaders and others will help you learn and have fun.




PROJECT VS EXHIBIT

Many people in 4-H tend to use the words project and exhibit interchangeably. However, they are two VERY different things.

- A 4-H **project** is an area that you want to learn more about during the year. There are projects on just about any topic you would like to explore, from art to woodworking, from computers to rabbits, from clothing to small engines, from aerospace to horses. If you are interested in learning more about something, there is probably a 4-H project to help you!
- An **exhibit** is an item that you have made during your 4-H project learning that you take to the County Fair. You will receive feedback from a judge on your exhibit.

When you are enrolling in 4-H you are enrolling in a project, NOT selecting your fair exhibit.



ENROLLMENT THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Cloverbuds should be enrolling in the Cloverbuds project only. Cloverbuds are not eligible to enroll in any other project areas.
- In the Sauk County 4-H Project Selection Guide you will see that most of the project areas are listed with three different levels. **Levels reflect the curriculum or project materials that are used to support learning in that project area. Youth in Sauk County will NOT enroll in Youth Leadership 1, or 2, or 3, they will just enroll in Youth Leadership.**
- The 4-H program is a skill development program. Youth enroll in a project area. They will spend 2-3 years working with that project book per project area or until youth have mastered the skills from that area, as is reflected from completion of the curriculum for each unit for that project. They then move onto using the next level of materials for the next 2-3 years.
- Again, the different levels listed in the Sauk County 4-H Project Selection Guide help youth understand what they will learn as they progress in the project.
- Start your Record Books NOW. They will help you plan for your project work and set goals for the 2018-2019 4-H Year. Record Book pages are found: <https://sauk.uwex.edu/4-h-trips/>

VOLUNTEER IN PREPARATION (VIP) TRAINING

All 4-H leaders (organizational, project, activity and resource leaders) are required to complete a one-time VIP session BEFORE working with youth. Anyone who enrolls online as a leader must complete VIP. **A VIP session will be Wednesday, October 3 from 6:30-9:00PM in the UWEX Conference Room of the West Square Building. Everyone must register by emailing Meg at margaret.sage@ces.uwex.edu by noon on Monday, October 1.** There must be at least five people registered in order for this training to happen. VIP is offered quarterly. **The next session will be at Super Saturday on January 19.** Volunteers are not approved to work with youth until they have completed the VIP training, a background check and online mandated reporter training.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK – OCTOBER 7-13

We hope that each & every 4-H member and club will do something to promote Sauk County 4-H, your club and/or 4-H in general during **October 7-13**. Some ideas to get you started: set up a 4-H booth at a grocery store or library; ask your teacher if you can talk about the 4-H program in class; participate in a National Youth Science Day Experiment (talk to your club Leader), share your 4-H story with the newspaper, radio station or other media. How are you making a lasting impact?

SAUK COUNTY 4-H POLICIES

ALL Sauk County 4-H policies in ONE document. The document reflects National, Wisconsin and Sauk County 4-H policies. The document is at: <https://sauk.uwex.edu/sauk-county-4-h/club-leadership-page/> Some of the policies are highlighted here:

- 6. Enrollment must be completed annually online by these deadlines:**
 - A. December 1 - Enrollment deadline for all re-enrolling members (see #7.)
 - B. March 1 - NEW members enrolling by this date may be a member in good standing. Therefore, they may be eligible to participate in countywide events and contests such as Performance Arts Festival, Judging Teams and County Fair, and may be eligible to represent Sauk County at Regional and State 4-H events or contests. **Member in good standing status is also dependent on club guidelines.**
 - C. After March 1 - New members may enroll but will NOT be a member in good standing. Therefore, they will NOT be eligible to participate in countywide events and contests such as Performance Arts Festival, Judging Teams and County Fair, and will NOT be eligible to represent Sauk County at Regional and State 4-H events or contests.
7. Requests for late re-enrollments and late member in good standing status must be made to the 4-H Senior Leaders Association in writing from the 4-H member and will be handled on a case-by-case basis.
9. All Sauk County 4-H members and a parent or guardian MUST agree to the Wisconsin 4-H Code of Conduct. Violations handled through the Sauk County 4-H Disciplinary Review Procedure.
10. Recommended for each club to have a Member in Good Standing Committee to review club members "In Good Standing" status.
11. No project changes allowed after the enrollment deadlines: December 1 for re-enrolling members and March 1 for new members to exhibit at county fair.
23. 4-H clubs in Sauk County will hold a minimum of 6 business meetings per year.
32. 4-H members in Sauk County are required to attend a minimum of 3 Club Business Meetings.
 - a. Exceptions will be made with communication with the club Leader for (but not limited to) severe illness, family emergencies, conflicts with college coursework, etc.
 - b. Documentation in addition to communication with the club Leader may be required.
 - c. Alternate requirements may be negotiated to accommodate for exceptions. For example – an additional community service project, leading a project, etc.



**CREATE AND NAME THE
4-H ICE CREAM FLAVOR CONTEST**

Cedar Crest Ice Cream and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation have teamed up once again to present a "Create and Name the 2019 4-H Ice Cream Featured Flavor" contest for Wisconsin 4-H. The winning group will receive a Cedar Crest Ice Cream Party and a \$300 cash prize. In addition, the winning flavor will be produced summer 2019. **Contest entries are due October 1.**

This is the 5th year of the partnership. A panel of judges will evaluate all entries. Cedar Crest currently manufactures over 80 flavors of ice cream at its Manitowoc facility, and distributes product in five states.

Use the official contest entry form found at www.Wis4HFoundation.org. The 4-H Featured Flavor will be promoted on Cedar Crest's and Wisconsin 4-H Foundation's Facebook pages. **Sauk County's own Baraboo Valley 4-H Club had the winning name and flavor just a few years ago.**



PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

4-H member are invited to this photography workshop at a discounted price of \$20/youth (adult price - \$35) **Saturday October 13 from 8:30am-1pm at Valley Springs Farm, E4681 County Rd S Reedsburg, WI 53959**

"You Own a DSLR, but your pictures are too light or too dark or fuzzy - Intro to DSLR Photography"

If your pictures are too light or too dark, out of focus, and fuzzy, this is the class for you. Are you shooting your DSLR shoot in Auto or P mode and want to do more with your camera? This is the class for you. We will explore the concepts of ISO, fstop (aperture) and shutter speed, which will provide you with the basics to create better images and to use more than just the Auto or P settings on your camera. Capture the baseball in the air, capture the family dog running, and capture a senior's eyes clearly.

This class will share basic 'recipes' to successfully take 1. Senior portraits, 2. Sporting events, 3. Family portraits, 4. Pet portraits, and 5. Macro photos (flowers). Participants will get handouts and a reference list of outstanding books to learn more.

Class will be led by Cindy Cseri. Cindy's passion lies with capturing landscape images that has taken her all over the United States. Her favorite spot is Fairbanks, Alaska to photograph the Northern Lights. She has also dabbled in commercial photography for local businesses. Register for this workshop by emailing: ckcseri@rucls.net Workshop filled on a first registered basis.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

NEW 4-H FAMILY WELCOME EVENT

This year, Sauk County 4-H will be hosting a **NEW 4-H Family Welcome Event on Saturday, December 1 from 9am-noon. The location is still to be determined.** This event will have hands-on project stations for youth and adults to visit. There will also be a short welcome session held for the parents. Please mark your calendars now, and look for more information soon.

**2019 SAUK COUNTY 4-H
FARM SAFETY CERTIFICATION**

Registration for the 2019 4-H Farm Safety course is open to anyone 12 years old and up, as of January 1, 2019. The classes will be Tuesday nights from 4:30PM to 8:30PM at St. Peters Lutheran Church in Loganville. **The classes will be held on February 5, February 12, February 19, February 26, March 5 and March 12.** There will be a driving test on March 16. Registration is \$20/person. **To register, please call 608-355-3250 by January 21 to ensure all materials and supplies needed for the course can be prepared.** Parents and guardians are encouraged to attend classes as well.



**SUPER SATURDAY CALL FOR
WORKSHOP SESSION PROPOSALS**

Super Saturday is a FUN, hands-on, project-learning day that is held each January. **The 2019 event will be held on Saturday, January 19 from 8:30AM-2PM.** We are looking for people interested in helping us with the educational sessions.

- We will be looking for some presenters who are interested in presenting their sessions twice. Especially for Cloverbuds - We would split the Cloverbuds into two rooms have a session being taught in each room and then flip the presenter to the other room.
- Sessions will be one hour in length.
- Youth and adults will be able to participate in four different sessions at Super Saturday.
- There will be a \$25 honorarium available for each workshop for the presenter to use to cover their supply costs for the workshop.

Session topics that were suggested on last year's evaluation form included: Horse, Dairy, Foods – Healthy Snacks, Photography, Entomology, Conservation, Photography, Meats, Small Engines, Theater Arts, Arts and Crafts, Poultry, Creative Writing, Livestock Judging and more...

If you are interested in presenting a fun, hands-on project focused session at Super Saturday, please use the form in the back of Clover Comments. All completed session proposals are due back to Meg by November 1.



ANIMAL PROJECT UPDATES

ANIMAL SCIENCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The 4-H Animal Science Committee is open to any youth or adults who are interested in helping develop, plan, and deliver animal science educational activities, events and meetings. The Animal Science Committee will normally meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

However, the next committee meeting will be Thursday, September 27. If you are planning on attending or are interested in attending future Animal Science Committee meetings please email

margaret.sage@ces.uwex.edu Upcoming meeting dates: **November 8, December 13, January 10, February 14, March 14, April 11 and May 9.** Meeting will be as needed, and information will follow in upcoming newsletters.

HORSE AND PONY PROJECT MEETINGS

The Sauk County 4-H Horse and Pony Project meetings **are the first Thursday of each month at 7PM in B24 of the West Square Building. Next meetings are September 6, October 4, and November 1.**

Question about the Horse Project – email saukhorse@gmail.com.

SAUK COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please check most current Clover Comments for updated schedules and events.

September

- 6 - Horse and Pony Project Meeting, 7PM, WSB B24
- 12 - Enrollment in 4-Honline is open
- 12-26 - Registration open for Fall Forum – complete in 4-Honline
- 18 - Email RSVP Meg for attendance at September 25 Annual Leader Meeting.
- 18 - Contact Meg for interest in serving on Senior Leaders
- 18 - Youth Adult Partnership Training, 6:30PM, UWEX Conference Room, register by 17
- 20 - Junior Leader Council, 7PM, WSB B24
- 25 - Items due to Meg for October/November Clover Comments
- 25 - Annual Leader Meeting, 6:30PM, WSB B24
- 25 - Senior Leader Meeting, following the Annual Leader Meeting, WSB B24
- 27 - Animal Science Committee Meeting, 7PM, UWEX Conference Room
- 30 - End of the 2017-2018 4-H Year

October

- 1 - New 4-H Year Begins
- 1 - All Award applications, Clover Awards, Trip Scholarships, Charter Applications and Nomination Forms due before 4:30 PM, UWEX Office
- 1 - Cedar Crest Ice Cream Contest entries due
- 3 - Volunteer In Preparation Training, 6:30PM-9:00PM, UWEX Conference Room, Register by October 1
- 4 - Horse and Pony Project Meeting, 7PM, WSB B24
- 7-13 - National 4-H Week
- 13 - Photography workshop, 8:30AM-1PM, Valley Springs Farm, Reedsburg
- 16 - 4-H Showcase for Sauk County Board of Supervisors
- 18 - Junior Leader Council Meeting, 6:00PM, WSB B24
- 23 - Senior Leader Meeting, 6:30 PM, WSB-UWEX Conf
- 25 - Items due to Meg for December/January newsletter
- 25 - Trip Scholarship Interview night, WSB
- 28 - Senior Leader Meeting, 6:30 PM, WSB UWEX

November

- 1 - Horse and Pony Project Meeting, 7PM, WSB B24
- 1 - Super Saturday workshop proposals due to UWEX
- 8 - Animal Science Committee, 7PM, UWEX Conf
- 15 - Junior Leader Council Meeting, 7PM, WSB B24
- 27 - Senior Leader Meeting, 6:30 PM, UWEX Conf Room

December

- 1 - Re-enrollment deadline, all 4-H members and leaders must be re-enrolled in 4-Honline, and ALL projects selected.
- 1 - New Family Event, 9AM-noon, presentation for Parents at 11AM
- 4 - Club Leader and Countywide Project Leader meeting, 6:30PM, WSB
- 6 - Horse and Pony Project Meeting, 7PM, WSB B24
- 18 - Senior Leader Meeting, 6:30 PM, UWEX Conf Room

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- Please advise us at least two weeks before a 4-H event if you desire special accommodations. Requests will be kept confidential.

2019 Super Saturday Presenter Form

Saturday, January 19 from 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM at Baraboo High School

Super Saturday is a day of fun hands-on education for 4-H members, families and volunteers. There will be multiple educational sessions, with each being an hour long and participants will have the opportunity to select 4 sessions total. The goal is of each sessions is to be fun, hands-on, educational, and tie to a 4-H project area, event, or activity.

Please fill out one form for EACH session that you would like to present.
Please complete so we can provide accurate information and description of your session.

PRESENTER INFORMATION

Your Name (First & Last)

Second Presenter (First & Last)

Address for main point of contact:

Cell Phone # for main point of contact:

E-mail for main point of contact:

SESSION INFORMATION

Session Title:

Session Description (15 words or less, which will appear as the program information):

The target audience for this session is (please mark one):

Clover Kids (K-2 grade) Youth Only Volunteers Only Everyone (Youth & Volunteers)

Maximum Number of participants:

Are you willing to teach this session twice:

We encourage the use of handouts or take homes for participants, providing information or resources available for them to duplicate the information learned during the session at home.

Room Set-up: All rooms have different room set-up and desks or chair and table combinations. We **MAY** have the liberty to rearrange the rooms for our event, with the expectation that they will be put back in the order we found them. **Please check any of the special accommodations you MUST have below.**

Access to a Sink Flat tables Near a restroom
 Near an outside door Other(please describe) _____

Each session is one hour in length.

Sessions can last two hours, if requested.

My session will be one hour

My session will be two hours in length

Each classroom will have the following items available for the presentation use: white board or chalk board
Please list any additional AV or computer equipment you need (availability limited): _____

Each presentation has the option of claiming a \$25 honorarium **per session** being taught to help cover material costs or travel. Would you like to receive this honorarium? YES NO

If checked yes above, who should the check be made payable to: _____

Checks will be mailed to presenters after the Super Saturday.

In addition each presenter will be offered lunch.

Will you be staying for lunch? YES How many if more than one presenter? NO

Please contact Meg Sage, 4-H Youth Development Educator, at 608-355-3255 or by email at margaret.sage@ces.uwex.edu with any questions. Please return this form by email to Meg or by mail to:

University of Wisconsin Extension - 4-H Super Saturday, 505 Broadway, Baraboo, WI 53913

THANK YOU for your time & support on making the Sauk County 4-H Super Saturday a success!

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