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

September**2009**

Dear 4-H Friends & Families:

Wow, time sure does fly, especially with all the 4-H fun we have had this past year. Well, it is time once again to embark on another 4-H journey. As we do so, take a moment and think about the 4-H Pledge...

4-H Pledge

I pledge....

my **Head** to clearer thinking,my **Heart** to greater loyalty,my **Hands** to larger service,my **Health** to better living.

For my Club, my Community, my Country, and my World.


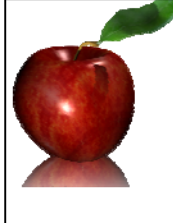




Within the 4-H pledge it discusses the four values – HEAD, HEART, HANDS, HEALTH – that members work on throughout the year. It also talks about the importance of being involved in your club, your community, your country and your world. Together you'll have made an impact on the future.

So as we begin the next 4-H journey, we encourage you to get actively involved in club meetings/activities, introduce others to what 4-H is all about, become a leader by helping out where you can, learn about citizenship by getting involved in your community and before you know it the journey will be coming to an end. However, along the way you will have made new friends, new memories, developed relationships and made a difference in the lives of others. Not only that, but you will have learned life skills that will have made you more confident and mature giving you a better ability to be ready for success in today's world.

MAY YOU HAVE A WONDERFUL 4-H JOURNEY!Bob Matysik
4-H & Youth Agent
UW-Extension, La Crosse CountyJenny Holm
4-H & Youth Assistant
UW-Extension, La Crosse County

September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Record Books due to Extension office by 5:00 p.m.	2	3 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"> Record Book Check / 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. UW-Extension Office </div>	4 Trap Shoot sign-up due	5
	6	7 County Offices Closed	8	9 Record Book check until 9:00 p.m.	10	11 Pancake Breakfast help sign-up due
13 State 4-H Gymkhana, Milwaukee	14 Last day for any changes on Fair checks Dairy Committee Meeting, 8:00 p.m., Hamilton Town Hall Trap Shoot Program, 6:00 p.m. Holmen	15 Executive Committee Meeting, 6:45 p.m., Extension Office Record Book check until 9:00 p.m. Dog Project Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Onalaska Library	16 	17 State 4-H Horse Expo, Milwaukee/ West Allis	18 State 4-H Horse Expo, Milwaukee/ West Allis	19 State 4-H Horse Expo, Milwaukee/ West Allis
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20 State 4-H Horse Expo, Milwaukee/ West Allis	21 Junior Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Fairgrounds Trap Shoot Program, 6:00 p.m. Holmen	22  Autumn Begins	23	24	25	26
				<div style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 10px;"> National 4-H Week October 4th - 10th </div>		
27 Youth Leader Meeting	28 Trap Shoot Program, 6:00 p.m. Holmen	29	30			

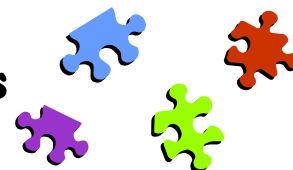
Are you Interested?



If you would like more information on these items, please contact the Extension Office at 785-9593 or by email at:

- **Wisconsin Make it with Wool**, September 6th, Jefferson WI
- **Badger Production Sale**, September 19th, More information: www.badgerproductionsale.com

Bits 'n' Pieces



We need your Help!!!

Record Book Evaluation

Parents and Leaders are invited to help with record book evaluation from **September 3rd - September 18th** from 8:30-5:00 p.m. (County Offices closed on September 7th). Two evenings have been set: **Wednesday-September 9th** and **Tuesday-September 15th** until 9:00 p.m. at the Extension Office, La Crosse County Administrative Center, 400 4th Street North, Room 3140. We are asking all clubs to send at least one representative to come and check books.

Leadership



4-H Honor Leader Nominations

The nominations for **La Crosse County 2009 4-H Honor Leaders** are due **October 16th**. Honor awards will be selected from nominations received from 4-H members, leaders, and parents. One third of the Leaders nominated will be selected, up to a total of five. Awards will be given at the December Leaders' Christmas Party. Send in the following information:

1. Nominee's name, club, address and phone number.
2. List years of leadership in leaders project or activity. Must have been a leader for at least five years.
3. How has this 4-H leader contributed to your club? Explain involvement.
4. How has this 4-H leader contributed to the County 4-H program? Explain involvement.
5. Leader must have been certified and received county training.
6. Recommending leader, member or parent name.

Executive Committee Meeting

Open to all!!! The 4-H Executive Committee will meet **Tuesday, September 15th at 6:45 p.m.**, La Crosse County Administrative Center, Room 3200. All Executive Committee meetings start with an "open forum" open to anyone wishing to address the committee.

Achievement Night Slide Show

Before we know it, Achievement Night will be here again. So, we need your help with the photos. Keep in mind when you are at events this summer that we always welcome your photos. Please send them in to the Extension office; we will scan and return them to you. Digital files are also welcome and can be emailed to:

lacrossecounty4h@co.la-crosse.wi.us

Thanks for your help.

You Are Invited

4-H Achievement Night



(Tentatively)

Thursday, October 29th
7:00 p.m.

Place to be announced



Special Awards
Slide Show



Socializing & Refreshments

Special Thank you!

The La Crosse Ag Society would like to thank all the groups who helped with the fair beautification project for the 2009 fair. Thank for your beautiful flower pots and help with the grounds.

Bangor Fun Daze

4-H Softball Tournament Results

Youth Division

- 1st Bangor Township/Country Lanes/
Lower Big Creek
- 2nd Rockland-Fish Creek/Striped Strivers
Sportsmanship Bangor Township/Country Lanes/
Lower Big Creek,
Rockland-Fish Creek/Striped Strivers
and St. Joe's Ridge Runners

Junior Division

- 1st Bangor Township/Country Lanes/
Lower Big Creek
- 2nd Rockland-Fish Creek/Striped Strivers
Sportsmanship Rockland-Fish Creek/Striped Strivers

Senior Division

- 1st Rockland-Fish Creek/Striped Strivers
Sportsmanship Rockland-Fish Creek/Striped Strivers

Thank you to all the 4-H Softball tournament food stand helpers and cookie/bar donations. Without your assistance we would not be able to manage the food stand for the tournament. Also, thank you to Linda Saley for all the help with the prep and the 4-H clubs that provided workers.

Marla Stello

4-H Leaders Softball Food Stand Chair

Fair Checks are IN!

Fair checks are in and some club leaders may already have them for their club members. If you do not have your check, please check with your club leader or call the Extension office to see if your check has been picked up. If there are any questions or concerns about your check, please call the Extension office. These issues need to be addressed by **September 14th**. We will need your **exhibitor number, department, class, item number, description and reason for the issue**.



Oktoberfest Races Food Stand

The Oktoberfest Races Food Stand is a joint effort, working of the shifts and sharing of the profits, between the 4-H Leaders and the Ag Society. It will be held **October 8th-10th** at the 4-H food stand on the fairgrounds

We are looking for workers on **Thursday, October 8th** from **2:00-6:00 p.m.** or, if available, for setup anytime after 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. We are looking for 3 or 4 people for this Thursday shift.

All shifts will be 4 hours.

Friday - We will be doing a French toast breakfast and need workers for the following shifts:

6 workers

7:00-11:00 a.m.

4 workers each shift

6:00-10:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

12:00-4:00 p.m.

1:00-5:00 p.m.

Saturday - We will be doing a scrambled egg breakfast and need workers for the following shifts:

6-8 workers

6:00-10:00 a.m.

6 workers per shift

7:00-11:00 a.m.

4 workers per shift

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

12:00-4:00 p.m.

Please contact the Extension office if you can work any of those hours.

4-H Pancake Breakfast

The Adult Leaders Association is sponsoring a pancake and sausage breakfast to be held on **Sunday, October 11th** at the fairgrounds. The serving time will be 8:00-11:30 a.m. The price is **\$5** per person, **\$2.50** per person 10 years and under. There will be no pre-sale of tickets. All tickets are sold at the breakfast site. The Mindoro Lions Club will again supply their grill and labor in preparation of the Pancake Breakfast. Chairpersons are Richard Hanson, Kris Terpstra and Kelly Wilde.

Adult and Youth volunteers are needed from each club for set-up, serving and clean up. A sign up which is in the back of this newsletter is **due September 11th**. Shifts will be 7:30-10:00 a.m. and 9:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Congratulations

Ben Schmidt, Striped Strivers took first place at the State Tractor Driving Contest and will represent Wisconsin at the National Tractor Driving Contest in October at Purdue University.

WAY TO GO BEN!

Afterschool Volunteers Needed

Volunteers (youth or adult leaders) are needed to work with the afterschool programs. We have instructors that will be teaching lessons in nutrition, but they are looking for people that can offer an extra set of hands. This is a great opportunity for high school youth to earn some community service hours. For more information, contact Jenny.

Items to pick up

If you have not picked up your **Pump House, State Fair exhibits or Food Stand prizes** at the Extension Office please do so as soon as possible. Thank you!

Thanks to:

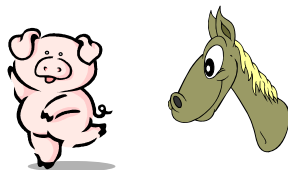
Dean Bloch for serving as chaperone for the 4-H International Trip to Finland.

Toni Paisley & Jackie Thingvold
for their help at Day Camp

Brian Adams, Elizabeth Janvrin,
Jeff Janvrin, Peg Jerome, Sarah Lee,
Linda Merten, and Kayla Wegner for their
help at 4-H Summer Camp!

Next Year's Camp Dates June 27th-30th

Animal Sciences



Dairy Committee Meeting

The La Crosse County Youth Dairy Committee will meet **Monday, September 14th at 8:00 p.m.** at the Hamilton Town Hall. Some agenda items include:

Educational Area - Officer Elections
Overall Fair - Dairy Baskets

Jr. Livestock Committee Meeting

Monday, September 21st
7:30 p.m. Farm Progress Building
See you there!

State Dairy Judging Contest Results

Friday, July 31st-Polk County Fairgrounds

Junior Dairy Judging Team --- 6th place

Alyssa Nuttleman (Bangor Township); Aaron Berg (Barre Badgers); Cole Hoyer (Brookside); Jeremiah Steege (Country Lanes)

Senior Dairy Judging Team --- 7th Place

Reed Holthaus, Ranae Holthaus, Cassie Muenzenberger (Country Lanes), Kirstie Langrehr (Pleasant Valley)

Junior Dairy Overall Individual (top 10)

Aaron Berg (Barre Badgers), 3rd Place

Beef Educational Workshop

Monday, October 12th from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at Mike & Holly Smith's, N6623 Johnson Coulee Rd, Holmen (2 miles east of Holmen off Highway W, 3rd house on the right).

Topics for the evening are:

- ✓ Choosing a fair steer/heifer
- ✓ Demonstration on proper vaccination procedures and proper restraint while administering those vaccination.

Hotdogs, chips and soda will be provided. Any question contact the Extension Office or Mike Smith, (608)769-0373.

Holstein Calf Loans

The La Crosse County Holstein Breeders are sponsoring Holstein calf loans. Applicants must be a member of the La Crosse County Jr. Holstein Association. Loans will be \$750 interest-free, two year loans. Applications can be obtained from the Extension office and are due **October 15th**. Please send completed applications to: Jody Hoyer, N4931 Moos Road, West Salem, WI 54669.

Horse Project News

Help is Needed -

Please call Nancy Wakefield to volunteer at 608.787.5628

September 5th & 6th POA Show - Fairgrounds
Proceeds from these lunch stands help pay for:

- ✓ Fair Judges/trophies/ribbons
- ✓ Overnight camp
- ✓ Educational materials and trips
- ✓ and more!

Goat Project News

Celebrations! **THURSDAY**, September 10th. 5:30 p.m.-?? Pot Luck Dinner to celebrate our accomplishments and plan the next year. We will meet at Rainbow Ridge Farms in Onalaska. Please bring a dish to pass and the entire family is welcome! Call 783-8181 if you have any questions.

Dog Project Meeting

Come join us! We will be wrapping up our 2008-2009 dog project year and starting to plan for next year. So, your input is important.

- Who:** 4-H members, leaders or parents interested in "Making the Best Better"
- When:** September 15th @ 7:00 p.m.
- Where:** Onalaska Library-Conference Room

Trap Shooting Program Due September 4th

Name _____
 Daytime Phone _____
 Parent Name(s) _____
 Club _____ Grade _____
 Address _____
 City _____ ST ____ Zip _____
 Have you shot trap before? ____ Yes ____ No
 Do you need to use
 a gun from La Crosse 4-H? ____ Yes ____ No
 If you have a gun what gauge is it? ____
 _____ \$15.00 (4-H member)
 _____ \$20.00 (community member)

Checks payable to: La Crosse County 4-H

Return to: UW-Extension La Crosse County
 400 4th Street North, Room 3140
 La Crosse, WI 54601

4-H Pancake Breakfast

Due in the office September 11th by 5:00 p.m.

Name(s) _____
 Club _____ Phone _____
 Please circle time: 7:30 am - 10:00 a.m.
 9:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Return to: UW-Extension, La Crosse County, 400 4th
 Street North, Room 3140, La Crosse, WI 54601
 You can also e-mail or fax to the Extension Office by
 the due date.

Environmental Education



Trap Shooting Program

Want to learn how to trap shoot in a safe and fun environment? La Crosse County 4-H is offering a trap shooting program for youth ages 12 and up. The program starts on **Monday, September 14th through Monday, October 12th** evenings at 6:00 p.m. at Gunslick Gun Club located on Briggs Road in Holmen. **Participants must be 12 years if age and have a Hunter's Safety Certificate.** Youth do not need to be in 4-H to compete in this program. Some sessions include and the fee includes:

- Safety Session
- Insurance
- Ear protection
- Use of shotguns
- Clay pigeons
- All ammunition
- Use of facility

For the cost of \$15 (\$20 non 4-H friend) which includes if needed, ear protection, all ammunition, clay pigeons and the facility. Youth will also be eligible for additional tournament in the summer. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the NRA and La Crosse County UW-Extension Office. Registrations are due **September 4th** and will be taken on a first-come first-served basis.

Open House - U.S. Geological Survey - Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center

Want to have fun and also enjoy an educational time with the family? The U.S. Geological Survey, Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center is having a 50th anniversary Open House on Saturday, **September 12th** from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Center is located at 2630 Fanta Reed Road near the Colgan Air Services by the La Crosse airport on French Island.

Displays and activities are planned for the whole family to celebrate the UMESC 50th year of science and service on the Great Lakes, Upper Mississippi River and in the Midwest. Children can enjoy coloring walls, a trout fishing pond, having their photos taken as a "Young Scientist", and seeing live fish, mussels, snakes, and other "critters" from the river. Hands-on displays and research equipment can be viewed by the whole family. Kids and adults can learn how to "radiotrack" wildlife, and observe invasive species like sea lamprey, zebra mussels and the "jumping" silver carp.

Come and Enjoy the Celebration!

State Fair Results

Congratulations to all of the participants who represented our county at State Fair this year!
Special congratulations to those receiving Special Awards as noted below.

BEEF

Brittany Rhyme, Brookside (Blue)

DAIRY

Scott Christopherson, Pleasant Valley (Blue)

Ranae Holthaus, Country Lanes (Blue)

Champion Brown Swiss Female

4th Place Showmanship

Reed Holthaus, Country Lanes (Blue)

7th Place Showmanship

Kirstie Langrehr, Pleasant Valley (2 Blues)

Champion Guernsey Bred and Owned

Reserve Champion Guernsey Female

Cassie Muenzenberger, Country Lanes (Blue)

Robin Muenzenberger, Country Lanes (Blue)

Alyssa Nuttleman, Bangor Township (Blue)

Cassie Terpstra (Blue)

GOAT

1st Place Large County Herdsmanship

2nd Place Educational Display

Zoe Fay, Lucky Lakers (2 Blues)

1st Place Showmanship

Josie Knauber, Lucky Lakers

Grand Champion Nubian

2nd Place Showmanship

3rd Place Premier Exhibitor

Hannah Munger

5th Place Showmanship

Allison Nuttleman, Pleasant Valley (2 Blues)

4th Place Showmanship

SHEEP

Alec Baumer (9 Blues)

Breed Reserve Champion Ewe

Alyssa Baumer (8 Blues)

Breed Champion Ewe

Breed Reserve Champion Ram

Kally Bockenbauer (4 Blues)

4th Place Showmanship

William Bockenbauer, Brown's Valley (2 Blues)

6th Place Showmanship

Megan Collins, Striped Strivers (2 Blues)

Clifton McClintock, Salem Seekers (Blue)

Josilynn Pfaff, Lower Big Creek (3 Blues)

3rd Place Showmanship

Kirstin Torgerson, 5th Place Showmanship

SWINE

Brittany Rhyme, Brookside (Blue)

Devin Rhyme, Brookside (Blue)

Alyssa Nuttleman, Bangor Township (Blue)

Chelsey Nuttleman, Bangor Township (Blue)

PROJECT EXHIBITS

Eddie Burgess, Lucky Lakers

Kassandra Freismuth, Rockland-Fish Creek (Merit)

Madison Gade, Striped Strivers

Tess Jerome, Lucky Lakers

Jeff Merten, Lucky Lakers

Ericka Mueller, Mississippi Mud

Toni Paisley, Home Runners (3 items) (1 Merit)

Mariam Sellers, Mormon Coulee (Merit)

Benjamin Strittmater, Barre Badgers

Avery VanGaard, Mormon Coulee

MINI-DRAMAS

Home Runners-"A Peach"

Home Runners-"Alice's Adventures in Wonderland"

MUSICAL

Union Mills-"America's 4-H has Talent"

**We apologize for anyone who was
mistakenly left out of this listing.**

THANK YOU!!!

Thanks to Scott & Shari Bockenbauer, Sharon Hoffman, Linda & Randy Holthaus, Shawn Knauber, Don Langrehr, Linda Leake, Jim & Deb McClintock, Barb Muenzenberger, Alma Noll, Karl & Julie Nuttleman, Steve Nuttleman, Nancy Ruiz, Anita Torgerson for chaperoning at State Fair.

County Fair Additions Sorry we missed you!

Horse

Jessica Pittman, Union Mills

Champion Horse Trail

Tess Jerome, Lucky Lakers

Reserve Champion Horse Trail

Goat

Laura Munger - 1st Place Junior Showmanship

Josie Knauber, Lucky Lakers

1st Place Intermediate Showmanship

Zoe Fay - 1st Place Senior Showmanship

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The deadline for all submissions is the 15th of each month.

EVENT CANCELLATION

Unsure if an event is still running as scheduled? Call the UW-Extension activity line to hear a recording of any cancelled events: **608.785.6418**



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