

4-H Flyer



Jackson County

Jackson County 4-H Newsletter

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With the New Year, Change Is Here!



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For about two and a half years now, we've been telling you that change is coming. At long last, we can now tell you that change is here. We'll tell you more, but first we want to talk about the wonderful things that will remain the same.

4-H will continue to be a thriving, well-supported organization in Jackson County. It will grow through its traditional community clubs and through new opportunities like Special Interest (SPIN) Clubs. 4-H will continue to be led by volunteers who are dedicated to supporting youth development. And youth will still have a wide variety of opportunities to learn about leadership, animal science, teamwork, communication, and themselves through camps, travel opportunities, clinics, and more.

So, what's changing? The biggest thing you'll notice is that staff will be changing over the next 6 months. UW-Extension will be hiring a 4-H Program Coordinator who will support the 4-H programs in both Jackson and Trempealeau Counties (half-time in each). As of January 1, Monica Lobenstein's job shifts to a Youth & Families Educator position, which will focus on community youth and family education beyond the 4-H program. Both Monica and Alex Galston will continue to provide limited support to 4-H until the new Program Coordinator is brought on board.

Other state-level changes continue to take place with the reorganization as well as the recent announcement that UW-Extension will be "moving" under the umbrella of land grant university, UW-Madison. That means, our Extension ties to the university system and its resources will be closer than ever, bringing you greater access.

For now, reach out to Monica (monica.lobenstein@ces.uwex.edu) or Alex (alex.galston@ces.uwex.edu) if you have questions. We'll do our best to help and will let you all know when a new 4-H Program Coordinator is starting.

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Yours in continued partnership,

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Club News



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The Milk Duds 4H Club met on Dec 10, 2017 for their annual Christmas party at the Garden Valley Town Hall. There the members played fun games and collected items to donate to the Jackson County Humane Society.

Upham Woods 2018 Summer Programs

Upham Woods provides a variety of camp programming in the summer that is open to participants state wide.

This year featured is two open enrollment sessions for summer camp: an outpost river trip and a new family camp.

To get more details:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/programs/>

REMINDER: 4-H Art Beat!

It's time to starting thinking about 4-H ArtBeat! Grades 3-5. their parents and leaders are invited to explore their own creativity while discovering the great variety of 4-H Arts & Communication experiences. Deadline to register is February 15, 2018. Go here for additional information:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/artbeat/>

Melrose Satellites November Meeting

The Melrose Satellite 4H club had a meeting on November 19, 2017. We weren't able to go to the corn maze in October because of the weather. At the November meeting we discussed the Christmas tea and our club voted for a theme. Our theme for 2017-2018 is "4H has the Seeds for Success." After that, we talked about the Christmas tea. Then we had a pizza party. That is what we did in the Melrose satellite 4H club in November. Next month we are going to have a Christmas party.

Send Us Your Club News

Club Reporters and others, please send us your photos and club news to share in each quarterly newsletter. The next newsletter deadline is March 20. Email photos and news to Alex at alex.galston@ces.uwex.edu

For more information:

<http://jacksoncounty4h.wordpress.com>

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News

Jackson County 4-H Treasurer Position

Jackson County 4-H is seeking a qualified individual to act as organizational Treasurer. The position is responsible for timely payment of bills, correspondence related to 4-H finances, regular communication with the Parents & Leaders Executive Board and 4-H Agent, and some tax filing, in accordance with 4-H financial policy.

A qualified candidate will be bondable with experience in accounting and be available for monthly meetings. Need not be a member of Jackson County 4-H to apply. Compensation will be negotiated following the application process.

Send cover letter and resume by Friday, January 26 to Monica Lobenstein, UWEX, 227 S. 11th Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615. Call 715-284-4257 with questions. EOE

Board Representatives Reminder

Representatives from each 4-H Club are needed at bi-monthly Parents & Leaders Association Executive Board meetings – January, March, May, July, and September. The Board meets on the 3rd Monday of these months at 5:30PM at the UW-Extension office. Representation is important to ensure that business can be taken care of and so information can travel back and forth between clubs and the Board. Youth and adult representatives welcome.



Fundraising Committee Members Needed

A Fundraising Committee is needed to grapple with fundraising challenges over the coming year. The Board has identified a need to conduct a raffle as well as discuss how best to conduct local donor requests in the future. 2018 is also the year for the next edition of the plat book, due to come out in summer; several decisions and editing support will be needed for that. The committee may break up into sub-committees, but no doubt, help is needed. Youth and adult volunteers welcome. Contact Monica at monica.lobenstein@ces.uwex.edu or 715-284-4257 if you will consider helping.

Jackson County 4-H Website Update

As part of the streamlined 4-H Communications Plan, we have updated the 4-H page on the Jackson County UW-Extension page and have removed the 4-H Wordpress site that has been in use for several years. Having one page where all of 4-H's information can be stored and found easily will help all of us to stay up-to-date and on schedule with resources and upcoming events. Check out the updated site at:

<https://jackson.uwex.edu/4-h/>

It's still a work in progress, and we want this site to be user friendly. So if you can't find what you're looking for, please reach out to Alex at alex.galston@ces.uwex.edu and we'll do our best to help.

Copies and Work Orders – New Procedure

Volunteers, if you have projects – copies or packets made up, etc. – that you need help with from the UW-Extension office, we have a new procedure. Please plan on providing a week's notice before the project must be completed. Fill out a work order form at <https://jackson.uwex.edu/4-h/for-members-and-parents/volunteer-resources/> or stop in at the office to fill one out. Turn in work orders (email or paper copy) to Monica in person or at monica.lobenstein@ces.uwex.edu. Copies are free for educational purposes with educator approval; for fundraisers, copy costs are now \$0.30/black and white copy and \$0.40/color copy.

Issues in 4-H & the Care to Share Form

Sometimes issues or concerns come up in Jackson County 4-H. That's why we have the Care to Share form.

Care to Share (located at <https://jacksoncounty4h.wordpress.com/leader-resources/fq/>) offers Jackson County 4-Hers to describe the issue, explain why it's a problem, suggest a solution and submit it for consideration. All completed forms must include a possible solution and a member, leader or parent signature. Forms are submitted to the Jackson County UW-Extension Office who then forwards it to the appropriate group or committee for consideration.

For more information:

<http://jacksoncounty4h.wordpress.com>

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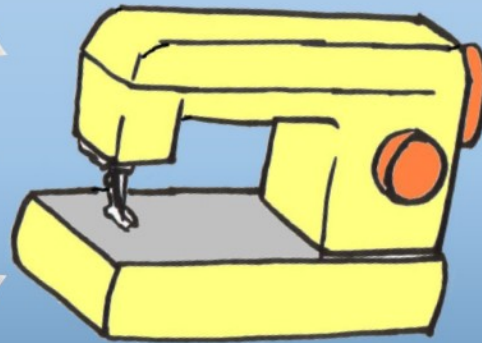
2018 Quilting SPIN Club

Learn about quilting and create a quilt for local youth in foster care that you can also enter in the 2018 fair.

All skill levels are welcome. You do not need your own sewing machine to participate.

Only 12 spots available, early enrollment available to 4-H members, open to non-4-H members December 1.

Signup deadline December 28.



Second Saturday of the Month January-June:

- January 13
- February 10
- March 10
- April 14
- May 12
- June 9

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM with a break for lunch

Open to 4-H and non- 4-H Youth grades 3-12




SPIN Clubs are special interest clubs open to 4-H and non-4-H members that focus on singular topic of interest. Spin Clubs can be about any variety of topics like quilting, nature, technology, or cooking. The list of things a SPIN Club can be about is nearly endless! SPIN Clubs are led by volunteers that have passion for the topic and want to share their knowledge with young people.

Call the Extension Office at 715-284-4257 or email alex.galston@ces.uwex.edu if your youth is interested in signing up or you have questions.

An EEO/AA employer, University of Wisconsin Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IV, Title IX and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact the Jackson County UW-Extension office at [715-284-4257](tel:715-284-4257) (711 – Wisconsin Relay).

La Universidad de Wisconsin-Extensión, un empleador con igualdad de oportunidades y acción afirmativa (EEO/AA), proporciona igualdad de oportunidades en empleo y programas, incluyendo los requisitos del Título IV (Title IV), del Título IX (Title IX) y de la Ley para Americanos con Discapacidades (ADA). Las personas con discapacidades, que requieran medios alternativos para la comunicación de la información del programa (Braille, materiales impresos con letra grande, grabación en cinta, etc.), deben ponerse en contacto con el Universidad de Wisconsin-Extensión – [715-284-4257](tel:715-284-4257) (711 – Wisconsin Relay).

2018 WISCONSIN 4-H COMMUNICATION ARTS PROGRAMS & STATE TEAM OPPORTUNITIES

 <p>4-H ART TEAM</p> <p>http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/4-h-art-team/</p>	 <p>4-H COMMUNICATIONS TEAM</p> <p>http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/4-h-communications-team/</p>	 <p>4-H DRAMA COMPANY</p> <p>http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/4-h-drama-company/</p>
<p>What is it? State Art Team creates artwork around a theme for WI 4-H & Youth Conference. They design and organize the WI 4-H & Youth Conference Art Exhibit, reception, and provide guided exhibit tours. They teach seminars and train to be peer leaders for county and regional events including the Wisconsin State Fair and WI 4-H Fall Forum.</p>	<p>What is it? The State 4-H Communications Team of 14-16 youth photographers and videographers take digital photos and video clips of WI 4-H & Conference events and groups, and prepare a conference mixed media presentation. They also help provide support for The Communications Team may also participate in the WI State Fair and Fall Forum</p>	<p>What is it? An exciting opportunity for high school youth to serve as theatre ambassadors. At WI 4-H & Youth Conference, youth will share their skills through a performance and teaching seminars. They also perform at the WI State Fair!</p>
<p>Application Requirements: Youth who are presently in high school are eligible to apply. Interested youth must complete the on-line application available here: http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/4-h-art-team/ Other requirements are listed in the Art Team Job Description available at the website indicated above.</p>	<p>Application Requirements: Youth who are presently in high school are eligible to apply. Interested youth must complete the on-line application available here: http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/4-h-communications-team/ Other requirements are listed in the Communications Team Job Description available at the website indicated above.</p>	<p>Application Requirements: Youth who are presently in high school are eligible to apply. Interested youth must complete the on-line application available here: http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/4-h-drama-company/ Other requirements are listed in the Drama Company Job Description available at the website indicated above.</p>
<p>Time Commitment/Location:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring State Teams Planning Weekend, April 6-8, 2018 at Upham Woods, WI Dells • June 21-24, 2018 UW-Madison just prior to WI 4-H & Youth Conference • WI 4-H & Youth Conference, UW-Madison, June 25-28, 2018 ▪ Wisconsin State Fair, TBD 	<p>Time Commitment/Location:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring State Teams Planning Weekend, April 6-8, 2018 at Upham Woods, WI Dells • June 22-24, 2018 UW-Madison just prior to WI 4-H & Youth Conference • WI 4-H & Youth Conference, UW-Madison, June 25-28, 2018 • Wisconsin State Fair, TBD 	<p>Time Commitment/Location:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring State Teams Planning Weekend, April 6-8, 2018 at Upham Woods, WI Dells • June 20-24, 2018 UW-Madison just prior to WI 4-H & Youth Conference • WI 4-H & Youth Conference, UW-Madison, June 25-28, 2018 • Wisconsin State Fair, TBD
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<p>For additional information contact: Amber Rehberg, 608.262.1557 amber.rehberg@ces.uwex.edu</p>	<p>For additional information contact: Amber Rehberg, 608.262.1557 amber.rehberg@ces.uwex.edu</p>	<p>For additional information contact: Amber Rehberg, 608.262.1557 amber.rehberg@ces.uwex.edu</p>

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 <p>Art Lab For High School age 4-Her's</p> <p>http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/art-lab/</p>	 <p>For 4-Her's in grades 3-5</p> <p>http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/artbeat/</p>	 <p>For Middle School 4-Her's</p> <p>http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/arts-camp/</p>
<p>PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO ART Lab in 2018 due to our 4-H Communication Arts Specialist Vacancy.</p>	<p>What is it? An "arts" camp experience for 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their parents and leaders. Sessions are taught in music, drama, visual arts, arts and crafts, juggling and more!</p>	<p>What is it? A camp for middle school 4-Her's in grades 6-8. Campers are supported and taught by older 4-H youth and rotate through each session. Sessions include photography, music, drama, communications, visual arts and juggling!</p>
<p>Application Requirements:</p>	<p>Application Requirements: Application information and instructions are available here: http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/artbeat/</p>	<p>Application Requirements: Application information and instructions are available here: http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/arts-camp/</p>
<p>Time Commitment/Location:</p>	<p>Time Commitment/Location: Friday evening and Saturday, March 16-17, 2018 Camp Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells</p>	<p>Time Commitment/Location: Saturday and Sunday, October 6-7, 2018 Counselors meet for two days (Tentative for 2018) August 18-19, 2018 and on Friday evening, October 5, prior to Arts Camp, October 6-7, 2018, which is held at Camp Upham Woods, near the Wisconsin Dells.</p>
<p>Application Deadline:</p>	<p>Application Deadline: February 15, 2018 Cost: \$60.00</p>	<p>Application Deadline: June 15 – Counselors Cost: Counselors - \$50 August 20 – Campers/Adult Advisors Cost: Camper - \$75 Adult - \$55</p>
<p>Adult Leader/Chaperone Needs:</p>	<p>Adult Leader/Chaperone Needs: Adults are needed to support the educational experience; providing leadership and assisting with creating a positive environment for development and growth during the camp. Adults participate in leader training and activities.</p>	<p>Adult Leader/Chaperone Needs: Adults are needed to support the educational experience; providing leadership and assisting with creating a positive environment for development and growth during the camp. Resource Leaders participate in leader training and support counselors in carrying out their roles and responsibilities.</p>
<p>For additional information contact:</p>	<p>For additional information contact: Amber Rehberg, 608.262.1557 amber.rehberg@ces.uwex.edu or Lynn Pfeiffer, 608.262-1222 Lynn.pfeiffer@ces.uwex.edu</p>	<p>For additional information contact: Amber Rehberg, 608.262.1557 amber.rehberg@ces.uwex.edu or Lynn Pfeiffer, 608.262-1222 Lynn.pfeiffer@ces.uwex.edu</p>



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Club News

Jackson County 4-H Scholarship Available

Jackson County 4-H awards a scholarship each year to deserving youth leaders. The scholarship amount is up to \$500 and is awarded to youth who are currently in 12th or 13th grades, who have demonstrated leadership in the county program and the community, and who plan to attend an institution of higher learning in the following year. Applications for the 4-H Scholarship are available at <http://jackson.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-applications/scholarships/>.

Applications must be submitted to the Jackson County UW-Extension Office by March 16, 2018. **Note: This date is earlier than it was in past years.**

Activity Scholarships Available to Youth

Money is tight all across the county. The Jackson County 4-H Parents & Leaders Association Executive Board wants 4-H families to know they don't want money to keep youth from participating in 4-H activities that they will enjoy and benefit from.

If your family needs help with a fee for an educational opportunity for youth, contact Monica Lobenstein to learn more about how the Parents & Leaders can help. Requests will be kept confidential.

Wisconsin 4-H Key Award Program

The Wisconsin 4-H Key Award Program recognizes a select group of 4-H members who have demonstrated consistent growth in their 4-H involvement, developed and applied their leadership skills and actively participated in the functions of their 4-H club and community.

Eligible candidates must be in 11th grade or higher, and must have completed at least 3 years of 4-H and 1 year of youth leadership. Jackson County Key Award recipient selection is based on 1) a resume of accomplishments within 4-H and in the community, 2) a cover letter explaining clearly why the youth feels they are a strong candidate for the Key Award, and 3) a formal interview. Interested youth should submit their resume and cover letter to the Jackson County UW-Extension office by May 1.



Becoming a 4-H Volunteer

4-H Volunteers are valued partners in working with our youth and help make 4-H possible. In order to volunteer, previous 4-H Youth Development experience is not necessary. The most important qualification is a desire to work with young people and help them grow through educational experiences and gain positive life skills. Please consider sharing your time and talents! Adult volunteers working together with youth make a difference in the lives of young people.

Volunteers work with UW-Extension professionals to develop the life skills of youth members, thus benefiting the state, employers, and the economy. Volunteers extend the resources of UW-Extension as they work with staff to deliver educational programs. Volunteering is a privilege. How does one become a volunteer? If you have not already done so, go to Wisconsin 4HOnline and create a family profile.

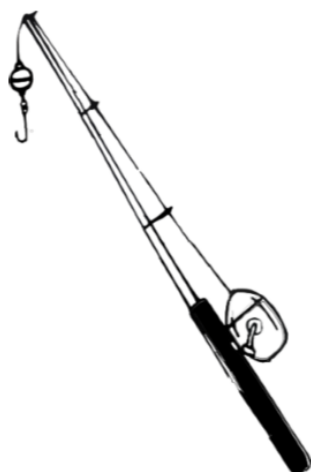
If your family is already in the system, do not create a new family profile, just make sure you are entered into your family account and check that you want to be a 4-H volunteer. Then sign-up to take the Online Mandated Reporter Training for 4-H Volunteers. After signing up for the Online Mandated Reporter Training call the Jackson County UW-Extension office at 715-284-4257 or email alex.galston@ces.uwex.edu to set a time for your Volunteer In Preparation (VIP) training. Once you've completed your Online Mandatory Reporter training and VIP training, a background check will be conducted on you by the state and you will be contacted by GIS through e-mail requesting additional information needed in order for the state to conduct the background check.

For more information:

<http://jacksoncounty4h.wordpress.com>
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OSSEO ROD AND GUN CLUB

Ice Fishing Clinic



Friday and Saturday, January 12th & 13th 2018

Safety and Instruction Friday 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

in the clubhouse

1.5 mi south of hwy. 10 in Osseo on hwy. 53

Fishing Saturday 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

at the club pond.

Big Fish Prizes!

Hole drilling and bait available

Refreshments served both days



Come join us and bring the family

Upcoming Events

Strengthening Families Program

Parents or caregivers and their youth ages 4-14 are invited to participate in a program that consists of 10 sessions for ages 4-10 and 7 sessions for ages 11-14. Each session includes a free meal before or during the session. These will be held one day a week, mainly Tuesdays with some Thursdays, Feb. 6– April 3, 2017. 5pm-7:30 pm. Black River United Methodist Church.

Please register ASAP to help coordinate meals and space. Benefits include:

- Meet other parents and children in community
- Help participants build on their strengths in showing love and setting limits
- Help youth develop skills in handling stress, peer pressure, and building a positive future
- Have fun with the family
- **Gift basket for each family, family portrait at end of program!!!**

There is no cost to attend the program and we have many family incentives for attending.

To register and for more information contact: Jackson County UW-Extension office, 715-284-4257 or email monicalobenstein@ces.uwex.edu

<https://jackson.uwex.edu/youth-families/parenting-resources/>



Taking Care of You: Stress Reduction for Adults

Taking Care of You: Body Mind Spirit is a research-based 4-week program that offers practical strategies and experiences to help people deal with the stress in their lives. Managing life's challenges in healthy ways allows participants to take better care of themselves and their overall health. Each week we will explore topics through small group discussion, self-reflection and activities.

Participants will consider ways to:

- Become more aware of the mind-body connection and how to use this awareness for better health
 - Develop habits that can lead to a healthier person: body*mind*spirit
 - Respond versus react to the stress in life
 - Discover opportunities in life's challenges
 - Find ways to bring more joy into life
 - Simplify life
- Live more in the moment

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

Choose from 2 sessions below. Each session last 4 weeks (1 day each week).

NO COST TO PARTICIPATE.

1. Tuesdays, March 13-April 3, 2018, 5:30pm-7:30pm at UW-Extension (227 S. 11th Street, Black River Falls, WI.)
2. Mondays, April 2-23, 2018, 5:30pm-7:30pm at Lunda Community Center in Black River Falls, WI.

Register by calling 715-284-4257 or emailing monica.lobenstein@ces.uwex.edu. You can also register by filling out the form at <https://tfjck.org/programs/taking-care-of-you/>. Provide your name, phone, email and which session you plan to attend.



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Animal Science

Western Wisconsin Beef Producers Scholarship Application

Graduating high school seniors attending or planning to attend a College, Vocational School, Technical School, Agriculture Short Course, or any other institution of higher learning. Applications due **April 1st**.

More information and the application available at
<https://jacksoncounty4h.wordpress.com/>

State Fair Dairy Promotion Board Scholarships Available

The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board is offering \$1,000 scholarships to be used during the second semester of the 2018-19 school year.

Third and fourth-year college students pursuing dairy-related or food science degrees at one of Wisconsin's four-year universities are eligible to apply. Additional scholarships will be available to high school seniors planning to pursue a dairy-related or food science degree at one of Wisconsin's four-year universities or students studying in a two-year, technical school program related to dairy or food science.

Applicants will be evaluated on involvement and leadership in dairy-related activities, scholastic achievement, and career objectives. Finalists will be interviewed in mid-April, with the recipients to be recognized at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair.

The application is available at <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/dairy-promo-board/>.

Application deadline is Friday, March 23.

For more information, contact Katy Katzman at 262-903-6727 or katzman@idcnet.com.

Save the Date – Badger Dairy Camp 2018

Badger Dairy Camp has been set for June 7-9, 2018! Registration information will be posted in early 2018 at <http://fyi.uwex.edu/dairyouth/>.

2018 Wisconsin State Fair DNA/Rfid Animal Identification

Youth interested in showing market beef, sheep, swine, OR breeding stock commercial heifers/crossbred gilts/wether type ewes at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair Junior Show will need to have their animal projects DNA and RFID identified by the State Fair eligibility deadlines listed below. This identification system allows animals which are DNA and RFID identified through the Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium (WLIC) County and State Fair program to meet State Fair Identification requirements if the process is completed (all forms returned and samples on file) by the Wisconsin State Fair identification deadline postmarks listed.

Market Beef, Sheep, and Swine DNA and RFID identification deadlines (postmark):

Beef: Tuesday - February 13, 2018

Sheep: Tuesday - May 8, 2018

Swine: Tuesday - May 8, 2018

*Breeding stock: commercial heifers/crossbred gilts/wether type ewes or any purebred animal being shown in the commercial, crossbred or wether type divisions DNA and RFID identification deadline (postmark):
Wednesday - June 6, 2018 (postmark)

*Breeding stock being shown in the commercial, crossbred, or wether type divisions MUST HAVE DNA submitted even if they are registered with a National Breed Organization (i.e. a registered Hereford gilt with registration papers being shown in the Crossbred Gilt division).

*Please Note: Breeding stock with National Breed Organization Registration Papers being shown in the breed divisions DO NOT need to be DNA/Rfid identified through WLIC. (ie. a registered Angus Heifer with registration papers being shown in the Angus Division does not need to be DNA/Rfid identified.)

For more information go to
<http://wistatefair.com/competitions/junior-livestock/>

Youth Pig Project Scholarships

WCA offers Youth Pig Project Scholarships. These scholarships are designed to assist 4-H and FFA members in establishing swine projects that can lead to development of life skills and career opportunities in the Wisconsin pork industry.

Applications are being accepted through February 1st. For an application and more information visit www.wppa.org/youth-pig-project-scholarships/

For more information:

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Animal Science & Calendar of Events

MAQA Is Now YQCA

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a new set of web-based modules being *required* for youth in the Beef, Goat, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, and Swine projects instead of the former MAQA.

This program will allow youth to learn about other species of animals; not just the species they show. This program allows for the consistency of information being taught to youth in all states and in all species of animals.

YQCA content and modules are age-appropriate and different each year (age as of January 1): Junior (8-11), Intermediate (12-14), Senior (15-18), and Young Adult (19-21). Each year, youth complete one new module in each the following categories:

- Animal Welfare (basic needs, proper animal handling, biosecurity, etc.),
- Food Safety (medications, medicated feeds, withdrawal times, avoiding residue, etc.)
- Character Education (ethics, goal setting, career exploration, etc.)

YQCA gives families more flexibility in gaining this required certification, which is more convenient to accommodate busy seasonal schedules. It's estimated that youth will spend roughly 60 minutes completing modules each year.

Youth must complete the YQCA module for their age by July 15, 2018 to be eligible to show Beef, Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, and Swine at the Fair. To complete the YQCA module or to get more information, go to <https://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/yqca/>.

Cost for YQCA is \$12 each year. Requests for an appointment for use of a computer/internet and scholarships are available by confidential request to Monica Lobenstein, monica.lobenstein@ces.uwex.edu or 715-284-4257.

Save the Date! Area Animal Science Day

Clark County
June 22, 2018
More information coming soon!



Beef Preview Show

The North Central WI Cattlemen's Association invites public and those raising beef or wanting to learn about beef production to the Beef Preview on Saturday, May 12, 2018, at Taylor County Fairgrounds, Medford, WI. The round-up will be held from 7:00am to 3:30 pm. For rules and entry forms go to taylor.uwex.edu

January	
1	UWEX office closed for New Year's Day
7	Archery at Shaftbusters 12:00-4:00pm
7	Club Officer Training at UWEX 6PM
9	Small Animal Meeting, 6pm @ UWEX, Poultry Workshop
10	Livestock Education Committee meeting, 7PM at UWEX
13	Quilting SPIN Club at UWEX 10AM
14	Archery at Shaftbusters 12:00-4:00pm
15	4-H Parents & Leaders Assoc – Full board, 5:30pm @ UWEX
16	Horse Project meeting 6:00pm @ UWEX
21	Archery at Shaftbusters, 12-4PM at UWEX
27	Beef Weigh-In, 9am-12pm at Equity Livestock, Sparta, WI
28	Archery at Shaftbusters 12:00-4:00pm
TBA	Cloverbud Project
TBA	Dog Project Committee meeting at UWEX
February	
3	Dairy Quiz Bowl & Dairy Management Contests, Sewell Hall, UW-Madison Campus
4	Archery at Shaftbusters 12:00-4:00pm
10	Quilting SPIN Club at UWEX 10AM
11	Archery at Shaftbusters 12:00-4:00pm
12	Dairy Project mtg, 7:30PM at UWEX
13	Small Animal Meeting 6pm @ UWEX
17	Pig/Sheep Nutrition Selection Workshop-10am pig 11am sheep at UWEX
19	4-H Parents & Leaders Assoc. Executive Team, 5:30 pm @ UWEX
20	Horse Project meeting 6:00pm @ UWEX
TBA	Cloverbud Project
March	
7	Livestock Committee, 7pm @ UWEX
10	Quilting SPIN Club at UWEX 10AM
13	Small Animal meeting 6pm @ UWEX- Auction discussion
14	4-H Scholarship deadline
16-17	Art Beat! Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells
19	4-H Parents & Leaders Assoc. Full Board, 5:30 pm @ UWEX
20	Horse Project Meeting, 6pm @ UWEX
TBA	State Livestock Quiz & Skillathon Contest 9:00am at UW-Madison Animal Science Bldg
TBA	Dog Project Committee meeting at UWEX
TBA	Cloverbud Project

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