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Jackson County 4-H Newsletter

September 2019—December 2019

Dear 4-H Families and Friends:

It is with great sadness that I write to tell you all that I will be leaving my position within the University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension as the Jackson and Trempealeau County 4-H Program Coordinator.

It was a very hard decision to leave this position, as I love the 4-H program and the work that I have been doing. However, as many of you know, my husband and I have been living in different states for over the past year. Family is very important to me and played a large role in the decision to leave this position. This summer we purchased a home in Iowa and I will be moving there to live with my husband and our dogs this September. My last day in the office was on Friday, September 6, 2019. If you need anything 4-H related please be sure to call the Extension office and they will be able to help you, or find someone who can!

It truly has been a pleasure to meet and learn from all of the youth and volunteers here in both Jackson and Trempealeau Counties! I will truly miss being a part of these great programs and wish the 4-H programs in both counties the best successes in the future! hope all of you continue to strive for greatness, continue to be kind, continue to get involved, and continue to work with others and help others out! Continue to make the best better!

Thank you all again for a great experience in Jackson and Trempealeau County 4-H!

Wishing you all of the best in your future endeavors! Sarah Tanis

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CALENDAR



SEPTEMBER		
1	By 4:30 PM	Record Books Due to Extension Office
3	Anytime	Re-Enrollment in 4Honline begins, Log in to 4Honline and re-enroll to get set for this next 4-H year!
9	4:30 PM	Felting SPIN Club Registration Deadline, Register online
15	Anytime	National 4-H Conference Applications are available!
15	Midnight	Deadline for 4-H Award Forms (Club leader form, Key Award, Special Awards), Submitted online
19	TBD	Volunteer in Preparation (VIP) Training, Email the office if you are interested
23	6:00 PM	Trempealeau County Leaders' ANNUAL Association Meeting, Tremplo Room @ Trempealeau Coun- ty Courthouse
23	4:30 PM	Quilting SPIN Club Registration Deadline, Register Online
OCTOBER		
1	NA	Beginning of the new 4-H year!
1	By 4:30 PM	4-H Achievement Celebration Registration Deadline, Submitted Online
5	7 AM—8 PM	Apple Affair, Trempealeau County Fairgrounds, Galesville, WI
6-12	All Day	National 4-H Week
13	1 PM	4-H Achievement Celebration, Comfort Inn (W10170 WI-54 E, Black River Falls, WI)
15	By 4:30 PM	Club/Project Charters due to Extension Office
19	9 AM—2 PM	Clover College, Blair/Taylor School
20	2-5 PM	Trempealeau County 4-H Halloween Party, N29622 Quarne Rd, Blair, WI
28	6:00 PM	Trempealeau County Leaders' Association Meeting, Tremplo Room @ Trempealeau County Court- house
NOVEMBER		
1-3	All Day	Fall Forum, Upham Woods
1	By 4:30 PM	Re-Enrollment in 4Honline needs to be completed
1	By 4:30 PM	Deadline to Apply for Educational Opportunity Scholarships from the Parent & Leaders Board
1	Anytime	American Spirit East Registration Opens
1	Anytime	Space Camp Registration Opens
15	Anytime	Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) Registration Opens
DECEMBER		
1	4:30 PM	Registration Deadline for American Spirit East, Space Camp, and National 4-H Conference, Register through 4Honline
15	4:30 PM	Registration Deadline for Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF), Register through 4Honline

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 December 21st.

Email photos, news, and club minutes to Julie Peterson.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLUB AND PROJECT LEADERS: 4-H Club/Project Charters

4-H Charters are very important for a 4-H Club, or chartered project, to have completed. This process should not be taken lightly and should involve all members of the 4-H club—so be sure to start now! It is a great opportunity to go over your clubs goals and to work as a team.

Information and forms about charts can be found on the website here: <u>https://</u> <u>trempealeau.extension.wisc.edu/4hyd/forms-applications/</u> and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask the Extension Office

The deadline to return the completed Charter to the Extension Office is October 15th.

4-H Re-enrollment

Since September 1st is the beginning of the 4-H year it means that it is time to reenroll in 4-H! Everyone who is already a part of 4-H needs to login to 4hOnline (www.4honline.com) and update information.

Re-enrollment begins on Wednesday, September 4th at 3:30 PM.

If you have any questions about the process please reach out to Sarah Tanis. Also, if you had new families enroll on 4-H online (even within the past few weeks) they will need to re-enroll.

Tell us what YOU want the Jackson County 4-H Program to look like!

Take a few moments to fill out this 'Interest Survey' so we can see how we should best serve YOU in the 4-H program ! The survey will not take very long to complete and it will provide us with some great feedback! We thank you in advance!

Link to Survey HERE: https://forms.gle/KFCzVRyVGfcc3uS18

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 Extension office at 715-284-4257 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.



Cook Book Recipes STILL NEEDED!

As one of our fundraisers, 4-H Parents and Leaders Board will be creating and selling a cookbook! The cookbook will be a professionally printed soft cover/spiral bound book.

That's where you come in – current 4-H Members, alumni and their family will contribute all of the recipes! If every 4-H family can send us ONE recipe we will have a complete book!

WE NEED 25 MORE RECIPES TO HAVE A COMPLETE BOOK!



If there is something special you want included (Best of Show at Fair or Great Grandma's Banana Bread), please indicate that when you submit your recipes and we will do our best. Please submit recipes via email to JC4Hcookbook@gmail.com or drop them off at the extension off labeled "cookbook."

For more information about this fundraiser check out the website here: <u>https://</u>

h/4-h-youth -development-4-h-parentsand-leaders-association/fundraisers/

If you have any questions, feel free to contact <u>JC4Hcookbook@gmail.com</u> for more details.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

4-H Flyer

Wisconsin 4-H License Plates Available!

The 4-H Plate is here! The 4-H Plate is here!

We wanted you to know: The Wisconsin 4-H license plate is available through the Wisconsin DMV,



as of September 1, 2018. We will officially launch the plate later this Fall and will be providing every county with information about how proceeds from the sale of every plate will be shared with the county in which the plate was purchased. That means money coming to the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation and to county 4-H programs. A marketing tool kit will be distributed to every county to help in marketing the plate throughout 2019.

If you have preliminary questions, please ask your 4-H Program Coordinator. And stay tuned for more information. Please visit the Wisconsin DMV for pricing and more information: <u>https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/dmv/vehicles/titleplates/4hf.aspx</u>

Science Kits Available to Check Out

If you are looking for a STEM focused activity for your club meeting or group, there are Science kits available to check out at the Extension Office! 4-H works to connect young people from around the world in an exciting, interactive learning experience in the form of a science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) challenge.

The 2018 kit is called 'Code Your World' and the focus is on computer programming. If you've ever wondered how com-

puter programming works (at the basic level), this year's NYSD challenge is for you! There are four different activities and generally are geared more for teens, but the activities could be adjusted to work with a variety of ages. Only one of the four activities involves using a computer.

The 2019 kit is also focused on Computer Science, but through the lens of gaming! Our office also has two of the 2019 kits available!



4-H.org/NYSD

Contact the Extension Office if your group is interested in checking out kits—or if you would like to see a county event with this event!



4-H Youth Travel Opportunity Scholarships through the Parent & Leaders Association

Teens, please take a look at the trip opportunities that you can attend through 4-H. The trip descriptions are listed on our website with more information. Trips that are available are:

- Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference (grades 7-10)
- Space Camp (grades 6-8)
- National 4-H Congress
- Master Naturalist at Upham Woods
- Citizenship Washington Focus
- And many more found on our website here: <u>https://jackson.uwex.edu/4-h/for-members-and-parents/youth-travel-opportunities/</u>

The Jackson County Parent and Leaders Board has come up with the following process for trip scholarship selection in Jackson County. Please note that you do NOT need to receive a scholarship from the Parent and Leaders Association to attend a trip. These scholarships are offered as a way to provide financial support to youth for continued educational purposes in 4-H.

In order to receive a scholarship to go on a trip outside of the county you must complete THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION PROCESSES:

- 1. Complete the Scholarships for Trips Application found on the Forms & Applications page
- Review the 'Jackson County 4-H Application Guidelines for Scholarships and Trips' document on the Forms & Applications page
- 3. Complete a Record Book
- 4. Attend the Parent and Leaders Board interviews
- Submit application, resume, and cover letter by November 1st (postmarked by this date if mailing) to the Extension Office. No late applications will be accepted.

Personal interviews will be conducted in the middle, or end, of November. Date and time to be determined. If you are not able to attend the November interview time, arrangements can be made for an alternative interview time. All interviews must be completed prior to December.

If you receive a scholarship for a trip upon return from an awarded trip, the recipient will give a 5-10 minute presentation at a Parent and Leaders Association meeting and at any club meetings requested.





Clover College

This years Clover College will be held on Saturday, October 19, 2019 at the Blair/Taylor School. Registration is OPEN. The deadline to register is Thursday, October 3, 2019.

Clover College is THE perfect chance for you to meet awesome new people, make cool arts and crafts, learn something new, and see all the possibilities 4-H has to offer! The event is open to ALL youth, K-12! You can attend anywhere from 1-3 sessions during the day and learn about a whole bunch of really awesome (and useful) stuff! The event will last from 9 AM until 2 PM and include three sessions:

- Session One: 9-10:15am
- Session Two: 10:20am-11:35pm
- Lunch: 11:35-12:05pm
- Whole Group Activity 12:05-12:25pm
- Session Three: 12:30-1:45pm

Plan to attend one session or spend the day. Bring along a friend! Community members (non 4-H members) and parents are ABSOLUTELY welcome to attend! Most sessions are open to members, leaders, and parents but may be geared towards different ages based on the subject being taught. There will be a funding request listening session at lunch for 4-H families. Pizza will be served for lunch or you can bring a lunch with you. In the registration you will be able to denote any food allergies or concerns that we need to be aware of.

There is a registration fee for Clover College to help us cover costs of supplies and the lunch that is provided. **Registration fee is a flat fee of \$10. The fees must be paid by the registration deadline.**

Registration fees can be paid at, or mailed to, the Trempealeau County Extension Office (ATTN: 4-H,Trempealeau County Government Center, 36245 Main Street, PO Box 67, Whitehall, WI 54773-9449). If you are mailing your check please include the following information along with the check: How many youth you are paying for, Name of youth(s) you are paying for, Name of any extra session fees that you are paying for, and if the youth are 4-H members or non-4-H members. Please make checks payable to Trempealeau County 4-H.

WEBSITE TO SEE ALL THE 2019 SESSIONS: https://

trempealeau.extension.wisc.edu/4hyd/how-to-get-involved/4-h-county-programs/clovercollege/

LINK TO REGISTER FOR CLOVER COLLEGE: https://forms.gle/eHuViAhzazMVgMVU8



4-H Achievement Celebration

The 4-H Parent and Leaders Board is working with the Livestock Judging team to provide you with an evening of celebration! This evening is all about recognizing the work that our youth, volunteers, and families put into the Jackson County 4-H

Program. The evening is all about celebrating your achievement's and we would LOVE to have you there to celebrate with us!

RSVPs for this event are to be submitted by October 1st through the link here: https://forms.gle/ iJovQzb6aKQPUmME7

To figure out the awards for this celebration we gather information from club leaders and 4-Hers! If you are interested in nominating someone for an award be sure to check out our Forms and Applications page under 'Award Forms' and fill out the survey link. Club leaders are tasked with ensuring that all awards material is completed and submitted to the Jackson County Extension office by September 15th!

2019 Event Details:

- Location: Comfort Inn (W10170 WI-54 E, Black River Falls, WI 54615)
- Date: Sunday, October 13, 2019
- Time: 1 PM
- Food: This year we will be serving a full meal
- Cost: This year there will be a \$5 cost per plate (with a \$20 maximum cost for families). You will pay the cost at the event.
- RSVP online via the link above by October 1st

Contact the Parent & Leaders Board if you have any questions!



Festival of the Arts

The Festival of the Arts event will be back again this year! This event is a great opportunity for 4-Her's to explore their artistic, communicative, and dramatic skills. We offer a variety of different types of art that you can showcase—some individually, and some as a group. The Parent and Leaders Association will be planning the event and is currently in the process of looking to find a location and date for the event! Updates will come about through the newsletter, so keep your eyes peeled!

Registration for the event is OPEN (event though a location and date have not yet been set), so please feel free to register if you know you're interested in the event! For more information about what you can participate in at the event and the registration link check out the website here: https://jackson.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/how-to-get-involved/4-h-county-programs/festival-of-the-arts/

EVENTS

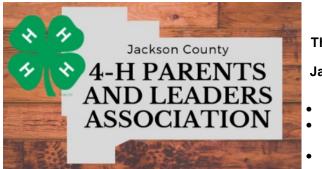


Mark Your Calendars for Fall Forum 2019!

Fall Forum is an opportunity for youth and adult leaders to attend the statewide training weekend with county and state staff. Planned by a team of youth and adult volunteers from the Wisconsin 4-H Leaders Council with the support of county and state staff; we hope you will promote to youth and adult leaders in your county!

Fall Forum takes place on November 1-3, 2019! We would LOVE to take a large delegation to the forum this year to help our youth gain valuable leadership skills!

Youth in grades 7-13 can attend as well as adult volunteer leaders! If you have any questions please reach out to the 4-H Program Coordinator or check out the website here: <u>https:// fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hvolunteers/2019-fall-forum/</u>



4-H Leaders Association

The next meeting is on <u>Monday, September 16, 2019</u> and will take place in the Jack Pine Conference Room (basement meeting room) at the Jackson County Extension Office at 5:30 PM. Please note the following dates of the upcoming Parent and Leaders Association meetings;

- October 21, 2019 at 5:30 PM in the Extension Office
- November 18, 2019 at 5:30 PM in the Extension Office—Note that this is the Annual Meeting where new officers are voted in
- No December Meeting

We have all of our meetings scheduled out INCLUDING the topics that we will be talking about at these meetings. They are advertised on our webpage. Everyone is welcome to attend any and all meetings, but we will have meetings with a focus for different individuals (i.e. 4-H youth and families, parents, club leaders, project leaders). We hope to see more of you at our meetings to get your feedback and input on the 4-H program!

For more information about the board please check out our webpage here: <u>https://jackson.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/about-4-h/4-h</u> _youth-development-4-h-parents-and-leaders-association/

Please note that the Parent and Leaders Board has a email address and you may receive emails from it. The address is jacksonleadersboard@gmail.com and you can use this to contact the board directly

Award Deadline (Club leader awards, Key Awards, and Special Awards

Recognition is important and we want to be sure that our youth, parents, and volunteers are being recognized and thanked for all of the amazing work that they do! In order to provide that recognition we host the annual 4-H Achievement Celebration at the middle to end of October, or beginning of November. To figure out the awards for the banquet, we gather information from club leaders and 4-Hers!

All award materials are found on the Extension website under <u>'Forms & Applications'</u>. Starting in 2019, we have moved the awards materials online. Club leaders are tasked with ensuring that all awards material is completed and submitted to the Jackson County Extension office by September 15th!

- Club Leaders complete a survey to determine: Cloverbud graduates, 4-H graduates, New members, and 4-H Adult Volunteers
- Youth, Parents, and Leaders please complete a survey in order to submit nominations for the following awards: Achievement Award, Friend of 4-H Award, Distinguished Service Award, and the Volunteer of the Year Award

4-H Key Award Application Process:

- Eligible youth must be in 9th 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
 - 3 A formal interview
- Interested youth should submit their resume and cover letter to the Extension Office by September 15th

GET CONNECTED

We want you to stay connected to the 4-H program and to know what is going on! Here is how you can do that:



JACKSON COUNTY EXTENSION ON FACEBOOK

We have a Facebook page were we post updates, upcoming events, deadline reminders, and also pictures! This is a great resource for you to utilize if you are already using social media!

Follow the Jackson County Extension office on Facebook at Extension Jackson County @extension.jacksoncounty

NEW 4-H FAMILIES WEBSITE

We are very excited to announce that we have a website for new 4-H families! This is a way we are hoping to help new 4-H families adjust to 4-H wording, events, and projects that we do! 4-H can be a lot to take in, so let us help you as best we can! If there is something that you think should be added to the new family website, please let us know and we'll be sure to include it!



The website can be found here: <u>https://jackson.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/about-</u> <u>4 -h/new-4-h-families/</u>



JACKSON COUNTY 4-H EVENTS CALENDAR

We now have a 4-H calendar up on our website that will also be home to all of the upcoming 4-H events and deadlines! Check out what we have going on and stay up-to-date! We will post all 4-H events and deadlines on here so you have a place to see live up-dates!

Link to the calendar: <u>https://</u> jackson.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/current-news/4-hevents-calendar/

REMIND TEXT MESSAGES

If you would like to receive text reminders about upcoming 4-H programs, activities, and deadlines the class we have available is called: JC4H – All (Class Code: jc4hall).



Make sure to check with your club, project or other group leader about whether they will be starting a "class." Or you might be more comfortable with the technology and could consider volunteering to take the lead.



4-H Club and Project Leaders

4-H Club and Project Leaders Please find the contact information for Trempealeau Counties 4-H Clubs and larger project leaders below.

BRF Trailblazers Amy Carriere, 715-896-6527

Country Crystals Karen Kling and Kathlene Zipfel 715-662-2600 and 715-299-7912

Hixton Lucky Clovers Karla Laufenberg and Molly Thorson 715-964-5552 and 715-299-2470

Irving Sticktights II Craig Kubaskie and Kara Wensel 715-896-2559 or 715-896-4032

Melrose Satellites Rachel Woyczik, 715-299-0693

Milk Duds Mary Giese and Alisa Johnson 715-896-1039

Mound View Happy Workers Todd Erickson and Linda Moseley 715-797-1622

Northfield Go-Getters Carolyn Mann and Stephen Smith 715-797-1517 and 715-984-2267

Osseo Wild Mustangs Cathy Franck and David Franck, Sr 715-586-0762

Rose Hill Ramblers June Johnson, 715-284-7427

Sharing Pioneers Deb Johnson, 715-284-7598

Whispering Hills Ellie Hurlburt and Maribeth Graham 715-284-4917 and 715-896-3040

Livestock Committee/Superintendent Heidi Anderson, 715-896-3533

Dog Project Mindy Wagner, mindywagner82@yahoo.com

Shooting Sports Tammie Peterson, jtp3sons@aol.com

Dairy Committee Holly Meimann, hjmeimann18@gmail.com

> Quilting SPIN Club Tanya Mathews, 715-896-0053

Felting SPIN Club Kelly Emerson, feefeefrank8@gmail.com

Small Animal Committee jacksonsmallanimal@gmail.com

Goat Committee Cathy Franck, davidfranck@centurytel.net

SEPT—DEC 4-H FLYER

Thank you for your involvement in the Jackson County 4-H Program! Please note that this newsletter gets emailed out quarterly and is a great reference guide for all things 4-H in Jackson County, at the state level, and sometimes at the national level!

Have a question? Contact the 4-H Program Coordinator for Jackson and Trempealeau Counties-or for the current time, contact the Extension Office!



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