Well, 2014 has arrived and the beginning of another new year is upon us! If you notice in my title, I said WELCOME to the New Year. Did you know that creating a welcoming environment is one of the keys to success for a new 4-H Family to stay involved in the program? When new families contact the UW-Extension office about joining 4-H, we send information about the Green County 4-H program, which includes a list of the 18 4-H clubs we currently have along with the contact information of our club general leaders. I personally encourage and believe that new families need to “shop around” and find the club that is not only going to fit their time schedule, but also one that best blends their likes and 4-H interests. I often wonder which club they will choose and how they will make the decision. What kind of experience will the new family have when they visit a club meeting? Will it have a positive impression?

With many new families joining 4-H each year, we all need to look at how WELCOMING we are as an organization. Take a moment to consider the following:

- What was your experience like when your family first joined 4-H?
- What does it look like for a new member and his/her family when joining your club?
- Are new members introduced at the first club meeting they attend?
- Do some of your members make it a point to talk with the member and their family after the club meeting?
- Does anyone follow up after the first meeting and telephone the new family and answer any questions they may have before the next meeting?

Here are some suggestions to ensure that your club has a welcoming environment.

- Ask for experienced families to be “ambassadors” for your club. Their role would be to greet new families, make them feel welcome and answer any questions throughout the year.
- Have name tags available for the first few meetings each year to help families get to know each other better.
- Start a mentor program for new members and their families. A seasoned 4-H Family could volunteer to mentor a new family during their first year in 4-H. Understanding projects, 4-H club activities, county activities and the county fair can be a daunting task in the first year.

Spend some time at your next meeting discussing how your club can become more welcoming to new members, and remember that EVERYONE was a new member at one time! 

Make 2014 a great one in Green County 4-H!

Sincerely,

Alissa Grenawalt 4-H & Youth Agent UWEX Green County

Dear Green County 4-H Families:

Welcome to the New Year!

By: Alissa Grenawalt 4-H & Youth Agent UWEX Green County

Check out great resources!

Included in this issue is the 2014 4-H Calendar, also available on the web year-round, updated regularly. Check out the 4-H website for lots of other information, resources, forms and links - like to the newly updated 4-H family handbook!
Wisconsin 4-H Celebrates its 100 Year Anniversary

Throughout 2014, Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development and Green County will celebrate 100 years of growing Wisconsin leaders.

100 ways to celebrate the Wisconsin 4-H Centennial!

Looking for some ways your 4-H club or group can join in the 2014 Wisconsin 4-H Centennial Celebration? Take a look at the 100 Ways to Celebrate list! From alumni interviews to historical timelines to cake-decorating contests and more, there’s definitely an idea in there that will work for your group.


Support the 4-H Centennial with yard signs!

Displaying a yard sign is a great opportunity for 4-H leaders, members, parents and 4-H supporters to show their support of “100 Years of Growing Wisconsin Leaders”. For more information on ordering, please contact the UWEX office. Signs are $3.75 each plus shipping.

If you would like to help Green County 4-H plan Centennial Events this year, please contact Kristin Klossner, Committee Chairperson, at kristinklossner@gmail.com.

Congratulations!!!

• To all 4-H youth who work hard throughout the year!

• 2013 Key Award Recipients:
  Stacie Butson, Dougherty Creek 4-H
  Allison Crubaugh, Young Americans 4-H
  Cora Demler, York 4-H
  Lillian Horn, Jolly Mixers 4-H
  Lukas Wymer, Clarence Bridge Pioneers 4-H

• 2013 Award Winners that were missed: We apologize for the omission!
  - Lauren Long (Decatur 4-H) received her Gold Award!
  - The following names were omitted from the Winner’s List printed in the Nov/Dec Alphorn:
    - Jaena LeGault, Brittney Vine
  - Our apologies for misspelling the following names: Carly Arneson, Haley Arneson and Makaila Row.
  - Dayton Dairylanders Most Award Winners: Avery Lettman (Most Improved), Brenna Meier (Most Helpful), and Daniel Meier (Most Cooperative)

Thank You!!!

We Couldn’t Do It Without You!!!

• Todd Long & Crew for your hard work with the Junior Leaders Program.
• Our Green County 4-H Ambassadors, for all they do to promote Green County 4-H
• The Green County 4-H Executive Board for all their hard work in 2013.
• The Cloverbud & Exploring Project Committee for their successful planning and implementation in their fall workshops.
• Volunteer of the Year: Lisa Gellings, Young Americans 4-H
• Friend of 4-H Award Recipient: Badgerland Financial, Monroe
• Thank You to all of the Clubs, Individuals, & Businesses that donated items for the Military Care Packages. Your generosity allowed us to pack 51 care packages to be sent to our troops. From the Dayton Dairylanders 4-H Club!
• Thank you to all the Club, Leaders and Volunteers!!! WE COULDN’T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!!!

Alphorn 2014 Deadlines

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4-H Club Happenings - - - Submitted by Super Secretaries!

Club Secretaries & Reporters: Please send in your minutes and happenings to the UWEX office so we can let everyone know what you are up to. Share your good news! You can email to Amy at amy.krass@ces.uwex.edu or Alissa at alissa.grenawalt@ces.uwex.edu.

Cheese Country Clovers: Sept-Reports were given on the county fair, State Fair exhibits including projects and the club skit, club picnic, and the State Dog Quiz Bowl Competition. Formed a committee to plan the window display for National 4-H Week, elected officers, and talks/demonstrations were given. Oct-Held their Officer Installation Ceremony, club committee sign-ups were completed, Abby Bethke gave a report on the club’s major emphasis project which will involve working with the fair board, voted to donate their decorated pumpkins to the Aster Assisting Living home after their hayride in November, and gave Talks/Demonstrations.

Browntown Busy Beavers: Oct-The club will be filling Cheer Bags on December 1, planned the Christmas Party for December 1st and Maddie Yaun drew the picture of a beaver that the club voted to use as their t-shirt design.

Clarence Bridge Pioneers: Nov-Handed out club & county awards, reminded members that each family should bring a gift bag filled with $10-$15 of items to the next meeting that will be donated to nursing home residents

New Horizons: Nov-Collect food items for the Homebound Box Project, made plans for the club Christmas party & gift exchange in December. The club decided to collect items for the military care package project. Talks/Demonstrations were given.; Dec-The club will be ringing the Salvation Army bell on Dec 15, talks/demonstrations given, and the potluck, club awards, and Christmas Party followed the mtg.

Young Americans: Oct-Distributed Scrip Fundraiser Forms, went on a hayride, held a pumpkin contest and announced winners and scheduled the Club Officer Planning Mtg for October 20th; Nov-Collected Scrip Card orders, had a potluck dinner for Parents and Awards night.

Green County 4-H Ambassadors Speak Up...

Hi, everyone! My name is Jaena (pronounced J ayna) LeGault. I was selected as a Green County 4-H Ambassador at the Awards Program in November. I am very excited about being an Ambassador. I love being a 4-H member and like telling everyone I meet about all the opportunities that are offered to youth in grades K-13.

I am beginning my seventh year as a member of the New Horizons 4-H Club. I am currently president and have held other offices. I take several projects but my favorites are animals, photography, arts and crafts and leadership. Last year, I helped at some of the ambassador activities and attended their meetings to see if I would like being a part of the ambassador program. I filled out the M.E. form and went to an interview to be selected.

I am really looking forward to being involved as a 4-H Ambassador and working with Connor and everyone else. I encourage anyone who likes 4-H and wants to tell others all about it to become a part of promoting 4-H. Ask Connor or myself how to get involved!

Your Green County 4-H Ambassadors are available to speak at club meetings, 4-H programs, events and more. Don’t hesitate to invite them to attend your next meeting! Contact Alissa at the UW-Extension office, or call Connie Heimann (934-5377) or Valli Brauer (934-5678) to request for an Ambassador to speak at your next meeting or event.

New 4-H Volunteer Orientation

Any new adult leader and any adult interested in chaperoning MUST complete the New Volunteer Orientation program. The next Green County session will be held Tuesday, February 18th from 7-9 PM at Green County UWEX. Adults may also choose to attend Rock County sessions at the Rock County Courthouse if they cannot attend in February. Be sure to call Rock County at (608)757-5690 to register.

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General Leader’s Reminders

**Green County 4-H Family Handbook**
The 4-H Family Handbook is in process being updated and will be available on the Green County 4-H website in early 2014. Remember to check it out and update your 3-ring binder. The updated handbook will be available at [http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/](http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/) for you to print new and updated pages to complete your 2014 binder.

**New Enrollments are due February 3rd**
All new enrollments need to be in the Extension Office by Monday, February 3rd to still be eligible to exhibit at the 2014 Green County Fair. Youth are able to join 4-H at any time, but if they want to exhibit at the Green County Fair, February 3 is the cutoff date!

**ES237 Reminder**: If you have any project meetings, you need to fill out an ES237 Worksheet so we can complete the required reporting at the end of the year. Thank You!

Encourage your club secretary or reporter to send reports to the Extension Office so that we can include your latest club information in the Alphorn. They can be emailed to alissa.grenawalt@ces.uwex.edu.

The **2013-2014 4-H Calendar** is provided to give you pertinent dates of programs from the 2014 4-H year. Keep this calendar handy all year, and also be watching the Alphorn page for specific information and updates. Updates and reminders will be posted on the Chris Clover Green Facebook page. Please note that, on occasion, a program may need to be changed due to some unforeseen circumstances.

Please make sure to check your club mailbox located in the cupboard of the Justice Center WisLine Room.

**Green County 4-H Adult Leaders, Inc.** is for ALL certified adult leaders who are in 4-H. Meetings are the first Monday of the month in November, February, May, June, July, August/September at 7:30 pm. If you are a club General Leader, but cannot attend the meetings, please have another adult leader from your club attend in your place. Meetings cover general business and give up to date 4-H announcements that miss the Alphorn! It is also a time of sharing, learning and connecting with other leaders.

TIPS FOR BEING A GOOD LEADER...
- Be sure to involve youth in decisions...
- Be open to their ideas, wants, and expectations...
- Teach them to be helpful, giving, and community oriented...
- Provide leadership, citizenship & life skills and they will grow into responsible adults....

Animal Science

**2014 Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom Essay Contest**
The Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom essay contest is open to 4th and 5th grade students. The essay topic this year is “Wisconsin gardens provide many food choices for us”. The contest is designed to help students learn how Wisconsin agriculture provides products and commodities that offer healthy food choices. The Agriculture in the Classroom essay contest is sponsored by the Frontier Servco FS, We Energies and the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation. Essays must be between 100 to 300 words in length and must be postmarked by April 1, 2014. For more information, contact the UW-Extension office at 608-328-9441 or visit [http:// www.wisagclassroom.com](http://www.wisagclassroom.com).

**Livestock Premise ID**
Livestock Premise Registration Numbers must be obtained for the location(s) where your animals are housed. A **Livestock Premise ID number must be obtained for all animal projects with the exception of cats, dogs, & rabbits**. The livestock premise registration program is intended to protect animal health, as well as the security of the food chain. Any person who keeps one or more livestock animals at a location in Wisconsin is required to register that location. To “keep livestock” means to own, feed, house, confine or care for livestock, or to exercise legal or physical control over livestock. To register for a livestock premise ID number online, visit the website at [www.wiid.org](http://www.wiid.org). If you have any questions, please contact the UW-Extension Office at 608-328-9440.

**NOTE: NO FAIR ENTRY will be accepted at the fair office for showing without a premise ID number for all animal projects (excluding cats, dogs, & rabbits)!** If you have any questions, regarding this rule, please contact the UW-Extension Office at 608-328-9440.

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**2014 Livestock Quiz Bowl and Skillathon Competition ~ March 1 ~ UW-Madison 9 am**

The Wisconsin State 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl and Skillathon Contests will be held on Saturday, March 1, 2014 at UW Madison Animals Sciences Building, Madison, WI. Deadline for registration is Friday, February 21, 2014. The. Teams are encouraged to participate in both contests as they will be occurring at the same time. Senior teams will start with the Skillathon contest. Junior and Mixed teams will complete the Skillathon Contest as soon as their team is finished with Quiz Bowl and the Seniors have completed the Skillathon Contest.

**Livestock Bowl** is a quiz competition where all the questions are about beef, sheep, swine, and meat goat topics and students use a buzzer in order to answer the questions. Teams compete in a double elimination format by giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Each match has both an individual and toss-up question round. The winning 4-H senior team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl competition in Omaha, NE at the AKSARBEN Livestock Exhibition.

**Skillathon** contest is made up of a written quiz and learning stations such as breed identification, feed identification, equipment identification as well as some team activities such as demonstrating evaluation skills. The top Senior level 4-H team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Skillathon Contest, held each fall in Louisville.

This contest provides an educational program for all project members, including those who may not own a project animal, and provides a way to develop self-confidence. These programs are a great parallel to some similar programs that breed associations and other organizations conduct.

Teams are divided into three age divisions and teams can consist of 3 or 4 members. The junior division is made up of youth who are under 14 years of age as of Jan. 1, 2013. The senior division are youth who are all 14 years of age or older as of Jan. 1, 2013. A mixed team must contain at least one youth from each age division.

Please see upcoming workout schedule below and contact Alissa for more info or if you plan to join the fun!

**Green County 4-H Livestock Skillathon and Quizbowl Practices!**

All Green County 4-H members are invited to participate in upcoming Livestock Skillathon and Quiz bowl practices. They will be held on Sundays from 5-7pm and will include food and a short break during the workouts.

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**Badger Meats Judging Camp**

Mark your calendars for the Badger Meats Judging Camp to be held on Friday, Feb. 7 at the University of River Falls Meat Lab, River Falls, WI. This camp is for youth who have completed 3rd grade through one year past high school that are interested in building their knowledge on the evaluation principles associated with retail identification, carcass & retail evaluation. “This is the first time we have offered a meats judging clinic; we hope to increase knowledge in the meat science area for youth and adults”, according to Bernie O’Rourke, Extension Youth Livestock Specialist. There will be an additional activity in the afternoon at Sailor Meats for those that can attend. The cost of the camp is $5 per person which includes morning refreshments, materials and is limited to the first 100 people. FFA chapters are limited to 5 youth. **Pre-registration is required before Feb 3.**

This event is sponsored by UW Extension, Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, University of Wisconsin-Madison and River Falls Animal Sciences Departments. Go to the Youth Livestock Website for a registration form and additional information. [http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/badger-livestock-judging-camp/](http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/badger-livestock-judging-camp/)
Ag Truths not Tails Conference ~ January 24-25, 2014

Mark your calendar for this engaging youth conference on January 24-25, 2014 at Beaver Creek Reserve, Eau Claire. Friday night activities and stay are optional. This is for youth ages 13 to one year post high school in the project areas of Dairy, Beef, Sheep, Swine and Goats. This is a great opportunity to learn and practice skills to become the next generation of communicators for Wisconsin’s Livestock & Dairy Industry. Youth and parents will attend interactive, networking sessions that will focus on Animal Welfare from leaders in the Livestock & Dairy Industry. Enrollment closes January 16th. For more information visit the conference website at http://fyi.uwex.edu/agtruthsnottails/. Contact Bernie O’Rourke, Extension Youth Livestock Specialist with questions @ 608-263-4304, borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu.

Livestock Learning Webinar Series

UW-Extension is hosting a “Livestock Learning Webinar Series” this winter. This series is best suited for new families exhibiting livestock (Beef, Sheep, Swine & Meat Goats), however experienced families are encouraged and invited to attend as well. These webinars can be taken from your home using a computer and your phone. These sessions will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the following dates:

- **Jan. 16**: Explore the general rules and policies of livestock exhibition, learn about program, resource and event opportunities and gain insight on why belonging to livestock projects is a great educational experience. This is an important session to have under your belt before the species orientated webinars.

- **Feb. 20 – Beef, March 27 – Swine, April 17 – Sheep, May 15 – Meat Goats**: These seminars will focus more specifically of the general management of the species: nutrition, selection, well-being and much more. Some tips for getting ready for the fair, in addition a panel of experts to answer questions and provide insight.

Please register online at https://uwex.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_bIx33PC8T5gQzNX. An email address is required to receive materials and the connecting information. There are a limited number of lines available so please register early. Program information can be found at http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/livestock-learning-webinar-series/. If you have any questions about this series please contact Bernie O’Rourke, Extension Youth Livestock Specialist at borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu.

UW-Madison Farm & Industry Short Course Preview Days

The Short Course is a program of college courses oriented toward production agriculture, packed into a special 17-week time period from mid-November to mid-March when demand for farm labor is the lowest. A student can earn up to 15 credits toward a 4-year degree in Agriculture by attending the Short Course. Both a one- and two-year certificate is available, and students may test out of required math and English courses. FISC students can study in their choice of 6 different specialty areas during this 16-week program offered during the non-growing season.

Select a date to register for a Preview Day:
- February 14, 2014 – Register @ http://fisc.cals.wisc.edu/prospective-students/february14/
- February 28, 2014 – Register @ http://fisc.cals.wisc.edu/prospective-students/february28/

Crops and Soils Management
Dairy Farm Management
Farm Mechanics
Farm Service & Supply
Meat Animals
Pasture-Based Dairy/Livestock

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DAIRY

New Dairy Rules for 2014

• All Dairy Cattle will be required to be brought to the fairgrounds and can only be unloaded between 9 AM-3 PM on TUESDAY.
• Pop-up Tents will not be allowed around the dairy and livestock barns during fair week.
• Dairy exhibitors must be 16 years of age or older to receive and use an overnight pass at the fair.
• Spring Heifer Calves are no longer required to be at least 4 months of age to exhibit at the county fair.

The Junior Fair Dairy Showmanship and Club Herd Judging will be moved from Friday to Wednesday, July 16 starting in 2014! The Junior Dairy show will remain on Thursday of Fair.

2014 State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl ~ January 18th ~ Portage High School

The 2014 Wisconsin 4-H Dairy Bowl and Management contests will be held on Saturday January 18th at the Portage High School. Registration forms can be found at the back of the rules packet and must be sent in by January 6th. Junior participants must be aged 9-13 on January 1, 2012 and Senior participants must be aged 14-18 on January 1, 2012. In 2014 there will be a management contest for both the Junior and Senior divisions. Registrations are due on January 6, 2014. There is a $10.00 entry fee per team with payment due at the time of registration. In the dairy bowl, contestants will answer a variety of questions about dairy cattle. All questions will come from the sources listed in the official dairy bowl rules which can be found on the Wisconsin Dairy Youth website at http://fyi.uwex.edu/dairyyouth/. Please contact the Extension Office at 328-9440 if you have any questions.

Dairy Ownership & Managerial Requirements

Reminder for the 2014 Green County Fair, Ownership vs. Managerial requirements for the dairy project are the following. Please read below the definitions that take precedence for the 2014 Green County Fair.

• Ownership of animals is defined when the animal is registered in the name of the junior exhibitor ONLY! Co-ownership is allowed between immediate junior family members (i.e. brother, sister; no parents or farm name) and breed associations. All registration certificates must be in the possession of the exhibitor.

• Managerial: Classified as a registered animal carried continuously as a calf. Calves and yearlings can be shown managerial, and each exhibitor is allowed to show two managerial animals. Managerial projects animals need to be in possession of the junior exhibitor by May 1st of the exhibit year. Registration papers with parents as co-owners and/or farm names are considered managerial projects.

Contact the UW-Extension office for more information. 328-9440.

Dairy Youth Opportunity ~ 2014 James W. Crowley Scholarship

Attention Dairy Youth currently in Grades 10-12!!!

Green County needs to select ONE dairy youth who has been involved with the dairy project for a minimum of two years. Green County youth interested in applying for this scholarship must have their completed application turned into the UW-Extension Office by March 1st, 2014. The county award winner will then compete at the state level and from there the finalists selected will be recognized at the WI State Fair. Applications are available at the UW-Extension office or online at the UW-Extension web page at http://www.green.uwex.edu.

John Klossner Memorial Dairy Youth Fitting Contest Fundraiser

The Green County 4-H program is in the process of raising funds for the 1st annual John Klossner Memorial Dairy Youth Fitting Contest. Please save the date for Sunday, April 6 as the Green County 4-H program is tentatively planning to hold a Pizza Hut Fundraiser at Monroe Pizza Hut. More details to come.

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Reminders-Green County Fair Beef Exhibitors

1. The Vet Check-In System will continue in 2013. All beef breeding stock and steers will be required to be brought to the fairgrounds and checked in by both the Veterinarian and the Superintendents in the North end of Barn #7 between 2-5:00 pm on **TUESDAY**. Beef animals will not be allowed to unload on the Green County Fairgrounds prior to 2:00 pm on the Wednesday of the fair. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to use neck straps in addition to halters for securing their animals to their stalls.

2. All Green County Fair Beef Exhibitors will be charged a $5/head bedding fee for all beef animals exhibited at the 2014 Green County Fair. This fee is to help defray the cost of the bark bedding that is provided to all beef exhibitors by the Green County Beef Producers. The bedding fee will be collected by the Green County Beef Producers at the County Fair next summer.

3. Beef exhibitors who enter the Green County Fair Beef Carcass Contest are responsible for finding a buyer for their beef carcass and/or consuming the carcass themselves. All animals entered in the beef carcass show must be processed at the locker plant chosen by the Green County Beef Producers to host the carcass contest event. All exhibitors entering the Beef Carcass Class will be required to pay for the kill and processing fees for their carcass animal.

4. Dairy steers must weigh a minimum of 1,300 pounds and all beef market steers need to weigh and minimum of 1100 pounds to participate in the rate of gain contest, the carcass class and the Green County Fair Auction. The animals must also have gained a minimum of 2 pounds per day from the December weigh-in to fair. In addition, beef steers weighing more than 1500 pounds and dairy steers weighing more than 1,650 pounds can be sold, but payment will only be made up to these maximum weights.

5. **Steer Exhibitors wanting to retain show rights for WI state will be required to turn in a private agreement to the auction clerk prior to the conclusion of the auction. The agreement must be signed by both the exhibitor’s parents and the buyer. Retention of show rights will only be allowed for WI State Fair. If exhibitors want to show their steers at other county, state, regional, or jackpot shows, they cannot sell them through the Green County Fair auction.**

*NEW* GREEN COUNTY FAIR Beef Rules for 2014

- All Beef Cattle will be required to be brought to the fairgrounds and can only be unloaded between 2-5 PM on **TUESDAY**.
- Pop-up Tents will not be allowed around the dairy and livestock barns during fair week.

New Beef Pair and Group Classes for 2014: Sponsored by Green County Beef Producers

1. These classes are not be judged by the Danish system or receive ribbons. Awards will be sponsored by the Green County Beef Producers.
2. The group and pair classes will not parade around the ring. Exhibitors will setup and display as a group or pair in the ring to be judged.
3. Pre-entry for these classes on the fair entry forms is not required.
4. These classes will be conducted after the showmanship classes are completed.
5. Multiple entries per club or chapter will be allowed and both grade and registered animals can be used.

**Pair Classes:**

A. Pair of Steers by Club

B. Pair of Heifers by Club

**Group Classes:**

C. Small Club - Group of 3 animals

D. Large Club - Group of 5 animals

* Club size determined by number of animals entered by the club or chapter

6. The rule that prohibited the use of paints, adhesives and oils on steers has replaced with the following:

*To maintain a high degree of confidence and integrity in the livestock shows, Green County Fair Management reserves the right to disqualify any animal fitted in an unethical manner. Unethical fitting shall include any injection of gas, solid or liquid to alter the normal conformation or degree of firmness. It shall also include attempts to change the appearance of the animal by adding artificial tail heads, switches, polls, hair and heels.*
SWINE

MEAT ANIMAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CERTIFICATION FOR YOUTH

Again for the 2013-14 4-H Program year, ALL SWINE PROJECT YOUTH (4-H & FFA) must to be certified through the Meat Animal Quality Assurance Program (MAQA) in order to exhibit their swine project at the 2014 Green County Fair. Swine project youth ages 8-19 will have to attend this program on a yearly basis, however with the MAQA program there is a “test out” option for youth who meet the minimum requirements of certification. Youth that need certification in 2014 will receive notice by the March 29th swine weigh-in. Training dates will be scheduled for May 2014. Beef and Sheep exhibitors may also participate in this program, but currently are not required to. For more information about the Meat Animal Quality Assurance program, please contact Alissa Grenawalt at 328-9440.

2014 Meat Animal Quality Assurance ~ Train-the-Advisor Training

This training is for and required of Extension personnel, Veterinarians, Agricultural Education Instructors, swine project leaders, parents, and other interested volunteers whose certifications are expiring and want to assist with county Meat Animal Quality Assurance Training. Plan now to attend an MAQA “train-the-advisor” training session via WisLine Webinars to be held Feb 13, 7-9pm. WisLine Webinars will only be available via the county office location, therefore requiring attendance at the location. Green County will be hosting the train the trainer webinar on February 13. Certification expiration dates can be found at http://www.uwex.edu/ces/animalscience/youthlivestock/maqa/index.cfm, log in, click on edit my information, you will see at the bottom when your certification expires.

Green County Fair Swine Weigh-In

Swine Barrow Weigh-in is scheduled for Saturday, March 29th from 8am-11am at the Green County Fairgrounds. Each exhibitor can identify up to 5 animals. The maximum weight for pigs at the weigh-in is 75 pounds. There are no minimum weight requirements. Pigs must weigh a minimum of 225 pounds to show and 235 pounds to sell in the auction. The maximum weight paid out on pigs sold through the auction is 280 pounds.

2014 GREEN COUNTY FAIR SWINE RULE UPDATES

The 2014 Swine Show will start at 7 AM!

2014 Wisconsin Show Pig Association Symposium ~ Arlington, WI

Date & Times: To Be Announced

Get ready for the upcoming show season by attending the 2014 WSPA Show Pig Symposium. Learn everything from animal health to feeding to proper showmanship techniques. Get all of your questions answered by experts in the Swine Industry and from our very own Wisconsin producers! The symposium will be held at the Arlington Public Events Center in Arlington, WI. For more information including date (held in January), time and cost please contact Alissa at the Green County UWEX at 328-9440. When the official date and time becomes available, all swine project members & leaders will receive an email containing all symposium information.

SHEEP

Lamb Weigh-In for the 2014 Green County Fair ~ April 26th, 2014

The weigh-in for Green County will be held on April 26th from 10-Noon at the Green County Fair Grounds, Barn #7. Each exhibitor can identify a maximum of five market lambs. The maximum weight for all market lambs is 105 pounds at the pre-fair weigh-in on April 26, 2014. Market Lambs weighing more than 105 pounds at the pre-fair weigh-in will not be eligible to exhibit at the Green County Fair. There is no minimum weight for lambs at the weigh-in. There are no minimum or maximum weights at fair time to be able to exhibit market lambs at the Green County Fair. However, exhibitors are reminded that to be eligible to sell a lamb in the county fair auction they must weigh a minimum of 110 pounds. Exhibitors will get paid up to a maximum weight of 150 pounds for lambs that sold in the auction. If you would like assistance in determining the ideal weight range for lambs to bring to the pre-fair weigh-in please contact your 4-H sheep project leader or Vo-Ag Instructor.

2014 GREEN COUNTY FAIR SHEEP RULE UPDATES

**All Sheep will be required to check-in at fair between Noon and 5 PM on TUESDAY, JULY 15.**

http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/calendar-news
**HORSES**

**Annual Horse & Pony Project Kickoff Meeting**

Sunday, March 2nd at 1:15 PM  
Held at the Barnaby’s Monticello House, Monticello WI. New location!

Make plans to attend the countywide Horse & Pony Project Kick-Off Meeting. We also invite our Horseless Horse Project Youth to attend this meeting.

Horseless Horse youth **do not pay a project fee**, but this would be a great opportunity to see how you can take advantage of project offerings and learn more about the horse!

A letter will be sent out with more information in mid-January. Clinics and activities for the coming year will be discussed as well as paperwork changes and requirements.

10am-1pm = Tack Sale  
12-1pm = Horse & Rider Safety Clinic (please bring your saddle & head stall for inspection & cleaning)  
1:15pm = Horse Project Kick-Off Meeting

*Come out and support your Green County 4-H Horse Committee. There will be a food stand on location for a free will donation! Money raised goes toward the Green County Horse Bowl/Judging Teams.*

**4-H Horse Bowl Practices**

Horse Bowl Practices are scheduled as follows: January 3, 10, 17, 24; February 7, 14, 21, 28; March 7, 14, 21, 28; April 4, 11, 18, 25; and May 2. All practices start at 7:00 pm at the Justice Center Multi-Purpose Rooms. Any questions, please call Mary Barr, 608-214-5985.

**DOGS**

**2014 Dog Project Meetings**

Plan now to attend the Dog Project Kick-Off meeting to be held February 20th at 6:30 PM at the Justice Center. Health Forms, obedience training dates, and agility workshop dates will be discussed at this meeting. In addition, be sure to check the Dog Project webpage at [http://green.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/dogs/](http://green.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/dogs/). Contact Krista Bethke at dkbethke@gmail.com or Tonya & Jarrett Kelly at jtk9obedience@gmail.com if you have any questions.

**Dog Quiz Bowl PRACTICES**

Attention all dog lovers! Green County dog quiz bowl practices will be starting once again. Dog quiz bowl is a competition based on your knowledge of everything dog. Please join us for practices starting January 5th at 1:30 p.m. at the Justice Center in Monroe. Practices only last for one hour and we have lots of fun. You DON’T have to be a dog project member to participate. Just bring a great attitude and a willingness to learn. For questions please contact Krista Bethke 608-558-0563 or email dkbethke@gmail.com.

**CLOVERBUD & EXPLORING PROJECTS**

**Spring Workshop ~ February 8th, 2014 ~ 10:00 - Noon**

This workshop will be held at the Pleasant View Complex Lunch Room (1st driveway on left & enter the 2nd door).

The event runs from 10:00-12:00pm. There is no cost for this event—it is being sponsored by the Green County 4-H Adult Leaders! Please call the UW-Extension office @ 608-328-9440 to register!
Cabin Fever Day
"Let’s Go Down Under!"
March 8th, 2014 ~ 9:00am - 3:00pm
Youth will decorate “cabins” (cardboard boxes) to the theme of “Let’s Go Down Under”. The event runs from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Be sure to bring a lunch and a snack to share! There is no cost for this event—it is being sponsored by the Green County 4-H Adult Leaders!
This workshop will be held at the Pleasant View Complex Lunch Room (1st driveway on left & enter the 2nd door).

Please call the UW-Extension office @ 608-328-9440 to register!

4-H Camp ~ Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells ~ June 9-11, 2014

Plan now to register for 4-H Camp at Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells! Only 30 registrations from Green County will be accepted for this camp! Our camp will be held with Iowa & Lafayette County and this year’s camp theme is to be announced! Camp Cost is $90 and Registration Deadline is April 1st. A limited number of camperships are available to those that are in financial need. A camp registration form is on page 19 & 20 of this Alphorn! Please contact Alissa Grenawalt at 608-328-9441 with any questions or if your family would like to receive a confidential campership application!

Family, Home & Health

Foods Workshop
Saturday, January 18 ~ 9am-2pm ~ St. Victors, Monroe

Please join us to learn about and practice making bread, candy and pies, as well as, cake decorating and any new foods exhibits for the 2014 Foods & Cake Revues. All participants should bring a sack lunch to this workshop. To register, please contact Amy at the Extension Office at 328-9440.

2014 Ceramics Workshops

The scheduled workshops for ceramics at RoxAnne’s Ceramics in Verona are set as follows:
Saturdays (10-Noon): January 18th; February 15th; March 15th; April 12th; May 10th.
Tuesday Nights (6-8pm): June 3rd and June 10th.
If you have any questions, please contact Roxanne Klossner at 608-527-2654 or by email at roxanne.klossner@dot.wi.gov.

THANK YOU...
TO THE 4-H MEMBERS AND CLUBS THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE “4-H GIVING A HAND TO THE HOMEBOUND” COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT. WITH THE FOOD AND MONETARY DONATIONS, WE WERE ABLE TO MAKE OVER 100 BOXES FOR SHUT-IN RESIDENTS IN GREEN COUNTY.

http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/calendar-news
Ceramics Clinic ~ January 18 ~ 1pm-4pm ~ Wanda Piper’s Ceramic Shop on Cty E, Brodhead.

This workshop will be taught by Wanda of Wanda Piper’s Ceramic Shop in Brodhead and is for all 4-H members interested in Ceramics. You will be able to complete a fair project at a very reasonable cost. The cost for Cloverbuds & Exploring Project members is $10 and includes the project piece and everything else needed to complete a project for fair. For the older members she has several pieces that she will also discount to a flat rate. Please RSVP by January 4, 2014 to Kim Fortney (608-214-6252) of the Next Generation 4-H Club.

HOME and FAMILY COMMITTEE - Sewing Workshop

Fun & Easy Tablerunner Workshop
Saturday, February 1, 2014 ~ 9am-11am ~ Justice Center Multi-Purpose Rooms 2-3
(may go till noon, will depend on how many participants)

Members will learn to use a rotary cutter, sew a straight seam with a machine, do simple pressing with an iron, and possibly do some decorative top stitching.

Members need to bring:

- 1/3 yard of a print "focus" fabric such as a floral, character or animal print, holiday print
- thread
- scissors or sewing box with supplies
- sewing machine if they have one (should be in good working order and member needs to know how to use the machine, thread needle etc)

Please contact Kris Winkler (325-9326) or Lynn Lokken (325-7538) if you have ANY questions!

Register by January 27th by contacting the Extension Office at 328-9440.

Co-Coordinating Fabric

Focus Fabric

Arts and Communication

2014 Wisconsin State Team Opportunities

It is never too early to start thinking about applying to be on the WI State Teams that perform at the State 4-H & Youth Conference and other State 4-H events throughout the summer. There are opportunities in Art Team, Drama Company, Press Team and Showcase Singers. Being a member of a state team is not only a way learn about your craft, but also is a chance to teach others about an area of the arts that you love. Details can be found on the State website at http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/4-HArtBeat.cfm. Or for more information, please contact the Green County UWEX office.

3rd Annual Green County 4-H Day in the Arts
Saturday, February 22nd ~ Registration 12:30 pm Event: 1:00 to 5:00 pm
Green County Justice Center, Monroe

Answer the call of the wild and attend the 3rd Annual Green County 4-H Day of Arts! Learn how to make rain, a secret nature code and fun crafts from nature’s bounty. JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE NATURE AND ART! The day will consist of three sessions that each attendee will rotate through. We will be exploring how nature is an expression of art with music and visual arts as well as communication arts. The group also has a few other artful surprises in store!

http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/calendar-news
Sessions are limited to 12 members each so be sure to register early! This event is open to all 4-H members grades 3 - 7. Each family will be asked to bring a snack to share. The cost per participant is $2 to help cover the cost of materials. To register please complete and return the form on page 18 with payment by January 31, 2014. For more information about this event, please contact Krista Bethke at 934-5512 or dkbethke@gmail.com.

**4-H ArtBeat! South**

Created for 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their parents and leaders, 4-H ArtBeat! is the introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H Arts and Communication! 4-H ArtBeat! South will be held March 14-15, 2014, at our State 4-H Camp, Upham Woods in the Wisconsin Dells. The weekend will feature a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, arts and crafts, juggling and surprise performances! 4-H members will explore their own creativity while discovering the great variety of 4-H Arts & Communication experiences available to them now and in the near future. Youth and adult participants will rotate through a variety of sessions which are hands-on and active and held at various sites throughout camp, including outdoors. Both youth and adult participants stay in the cabins on cabin hill. Camp begins Friday evening at 7 pm and ends Saturday afternoon at 3 pm. The $50.00 dollar fee will include all materials and supplies, special snacks, overnight lodging and breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Come join the excitement available to some of our youngest (and often most enthusiastic!) 4-H members! For more information and registration forms, please visit [http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/4-HArtBeat.cfm](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/4-HArtBeat.cfm). **Registrations are due February 3rd.**

**4-H International**

**Summer International Hosting Opportunities**

Would you be interested in hosting a Costa Rican, Mexican, Japanese, Norwegian, or South Korean Teen for one month? You could be a host! If you are between 10-18 years old and want to take part in a month that will stay with you for a lifetime, apply now! Chaperone hosts are also needed for two week periods during July-August. Applications are due February 15th, or until all delegates are assigned.

**School Year Hosting Opportunities**

If you have enjoyed a short term hosting experience or love working with students from other cultures, consider hosting a Japanese or Eurasian student through the CSIET approved 4-H/Japan or Future Leaders Exchange (FLEX) High School Programs. Students arrive in August and depart in June. Requirements include having a genuine interest, being flexible and willing to spend time with the student, and having an extra bed available. All adults in the family must be certified 4-H volunteers. Previous hosting experience is not required. Applications are due February 15th.

For more information on both programs, visit the website at [http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/international.cfm](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/international.cfm).

**Shooting Sports**

[http://green.uwex.edu/4h/shootingsports.html](http://green.uwex.edu/4h/shootingsports.html)

Volunteers looking to become certified in the various disciplines of the 4-H Shooting Sports Program can take advantage of the various workshops by checking out the WI State 4-H Shooting Sports web page at: [http://4h.uwex.edu/onlinpro/shooting/2014_cert-training.cfm](http://4h.uwex.edu/onlinpro/shooting/2014_cert-training.cfm).

The 4-H Shooting Sports website, listing 2014 4-H Shooting Sports events (certification workshops and competitive youth shoots) may be found at: [http://4h.uwex.edu/onlinpro/shooting/2014-competitive-shoots.cfm](http://4h.uwex.edu/onlinpro/shooting/2014-competitive-shoots.cfm).

For local workshops in Green County, visit the website at [http://green.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/shooting-sports/](http://green.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/shooting-sports/)

**Youth Leadership**

**Join Green County Junior Leaders!**

Youth in Grades 6-13 are encouraged to join the Green County 4-H Junior Leaders Association. Junior Leaders meet along with the Adult Leaders, usually the first Monday of the month. Many educational and fun events are planned throughout the year. Be sure to take advantage of Junior Superintendent Opportunities as well as counselor and leadership opportunities!

**Additional Junior Leader Opportunities!**

Interested in being a Green County 4-H Camp Counselor? How about a Junior Superintendent at the 2014 Green County Fair? Why not sign up to attend or be a counselor at the State Arts Leadership Lab? Many of opportunities abound for older 4-H members to assume leadership roles in the Green County 4-H organization. Call the UW-Extension Office if you would like more information!

[http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/calendar-news](http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/calendar-news)
Green County 4-H Junior Leader’s Retreat
Saturday, February 1st to Sunday, February 2nd ~ Chicago, IL

Green County 4H Junior Leaders will be going to the Windy City for this year’s retreat. We will be meeting Saturday, February 1st at 7:30 AM at the Green County Extension office to take two vans to the city for two days of adventure. We expect to be back at the Extension Office by 8:30 PM Sunday Evening.

We plan to take in many sights in downtown Chicago. We will stay at a hotel near Michigan Avenue. We plan to visit: The Museum of Science and Industry, Millennium Park w/”The Bean”, The Hancock or Willis Tower (w/THE LEDGE), and Miracle Mile.

We will be accepting registrations until January 25th with a $25 deposit. This deposit will be given back to the parent prior to departure. We will have room for 13 attendees with thoughts of adding another vehicle if needed. We are looking for a female chaperone with a 7 to 8 passenger van if possible. Contact Todd Long @ 920-691-2684 if able to help out.

Junior Leaders will provide admissions and meals as follows: Saturday dinner & Sunday breakfast and lunch. Everyone will bring a pack lunch for Saturday’s lunch that will be stored in a cooler. We will most likely stop at an Oasis on return trip for dinner which will be attendee’s responsibility.

Please get your registrations in as soon as possible. ~ Thank you, The Junior Leader Executive Board.

Odds & Ends

BARN QUILT COMMITTEE LOOKING FOR PHOTOS!
The barn quilt committee members are looking for photos of Green County Barn Quilts during the different weather seasons. The 5th Annual official Green County Barn Quilt Calendar has been released for 2014. Photos of barn quilts (not already included in a calendar) are being requested to publish! All photos must be provided by June 1st and must be submitted in a digital format. Barn Quilts are created to promote & celebrate visual arts by placing wooden barn quilts on barns. For more details visit the barn quilt website at www.greencountybarnquilts.com or contact the UW-Extension office at 608-328-9440.

Green County 4-H is on FACEBOOK!
We know that 4-H members, Volunteers and Parents communicate in new and sophisticated ways. Here is your opportunity to learn more about 4-H and be informed as to what is going on! Search Chris Clover Green and join other 4-H members as they communicate on FACEBOOK!

Badgerland Financial Scholarships

Badgerland Financial will be awarding up to 20, $1000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors interested in pursuing post-secondary studies in agriculture or an agriculture-related field at a short course, technical school, or college. Requirements include an applicant must live within the 33-county area served by Badgerland Financial.

Applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2014 and are available at http://www.badgerlandfinancial.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=84&Itemid=222.
Laura Herschleb at 608.370.6746 or email Laura.Herschleb@badgerlandfinancial.com.

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarships

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation and generous sponsors are providing funding for educational scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin 4-H youth. Please keep in mind that all scholarship applications must be POSTMARKED by the deadline on the application(usually the last week of February) or they will not be considered. If you have any questions, please call the foundation office at 608-262-1597. Scholarship applications are available at the Extension Office and on our website or can be downloaded from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation website at www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/foundation Scholarships available are the 4-H Animal Sciences Scholarship, the 4-H Community Service Scholarship, the 4-H Family, Home & Health Scholarship, the 4-H Leadership Achievement Scholarship, the 4-H Natural Resources & Environmental Education Scholarship, the Betty Krueger Memorial, the 4-H Agricultural Scholarship, 4-H Dairy Scholarship and the 4-H Horse Scholarship.

http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/calendar-news
**Green County HCE Scholarship Opportunity**

The Green County HCE will be offering scholarships to help county high school college students or an adult returning to school pursue an education in a field that relates to HCE’s mission. These scholarships are awarded annually to any graduate of a Green County High School, a Green County resident, a member of a Green County 4-H Club, or a relative of a Green County HCE member. The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage individuals to take advantage of continuing educational opportunities. Applicants may attend a four-year public or private college or a Technical College either within the state of Wisconsin or outside of the state. The scholarship will be awarded when the applicant has completed four semesters of a four-year college or is at least halfway through the technical college course. Applications are due by March 31, 2014. For more information contact the UW-Extension office or obtain an application online at [www.green.uwex.edu](http://www.green.uwex.edu).

**Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Scholarships**

The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board will award three $1,000 scholarships to third- or fourth-year college students during the 2014-15 academic year. Two additional $1,000 scholarships will be made 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 ag-related activities, scholastic achievement, and career objectives. Finalists will be interviewed in mid-April, with the recipients to be announced at the 2014 Wisconsin State Fair. The application deadline is March 28, 2014, and applications are available at [http://wistatefair.com/fair_competitions/dairy_promotion_board.html](http://wistatefair.com/fair_competitions/dairy_promotion_board.html).

**National Wild Turkey Federation Scholarship**

High school graduating seniors who will be pursuing a degree at an accredited institution of higher education (i.e. Junior College, Community College, Technical College, College or University) who support the preservation of the hunting tradition and actively participate in hunting sports should apply for the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) Scholarship. Students must also be involved in school activities, demonstrate community leadership, and hold a current hunting license. Membership as a “Jake” to the NWTF can be applied for at the time of completing this application. The application is due January 1, 2014 and can be mailed to Pecatonica Valley Turkey Trackers, Kent Pilz, N5810 Center Rd, Monticello, WI 53570. For more information, visit the website at [http://www.nwtf.org/jakes/xtreme/scholarships.html](http://www.nwtf.org/jakes/xtreme/scholarships.html).

**Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Provides Support for 4-H Programs**

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation partners with a variety of businesses, foundations, organizations and individuals to raise money for Wisconsin 4-H programs. These funds help support and enhance nearly sixty 4-H activities at the club, county, district, and state levels. The Foundation helps to fund a wide range of 4-H opportunities, including club community service projects, county pilot activities, district volunteer and youth training, and statewide 4-H programs.

How are these funds used and how does it affect the 4-H work in your county? The 4-H Foundation money is to be used to enhance programs, to build community partnerships, to keep expenses for youth and volunteers affordable. For example, grants are given to:

- create or purchase new teaching materials,
- pay for the expenses of volunteers serving on state 4-H committees,
- provide keynote speakers at conferences,
- cover some of the costs for youth participating in national 4-H competitions or attending national 4-H conferences,
- help maintain Upham Woods 4-H Environmental Education Center,
- support leader training, and
- pilot programs that can be used in other counties or other states.

How does this affect 4-H work in your county?

- Your clubs can apply for community service grants to make a difference in their community.
- Your volunteers can participate in the volunteer conference, Fall Forum, State Adult and Youth Leader Councils, district trainings and the North Central Region Leadership Conference by having many of their expenses covered by the 4-H Foundation.
- Your county can have access to new or revised materials funded by the Foundation, such as the livestock and meats judging materials, the Dairy Cattle Judging Made Easy CD, 4-H After School kits, natural resources learning backpacks, and project-specific newsletters.
- Your youth can attend state activities such as Arts Camp, Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference, Area Animal Science Days, Plant Science Day, and dairy and livestock state bowls, where fees have been reduced due to Foundation dollars.

[http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/calendar-news](http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/calendar-news)
2014 Tractor & Machinery Safety Program

Youth between the ages of 12 & 16 may attend this course to be certified to operate machinery. If you are interested in taking this course, email Alissa or call the Extension Office and we will put your name on the mailing list. Registrations will begin in February. Check the UW-Extension webpage [http://green.uwex.edu/](http://green.uwex.edu/) for a 2014 schedule.

UW-Platteville ~ Sky's The Limit ~ Girls STEM Conferences

UW-Wisconsin Platteville is hosting two different Sky's The Limit Programs based on grade level. The Sky's The Limit programs focus on the Wonder and Power of Nature. The forces of nature are very powerful. This power can be harnessed to provide exceptional benefits such as hydroelectric power and solar energy. The science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields study issues related to the power of nature and how best to use this power and how to minimize destruction. Reaching for the Sky will have hands-on projects revolving around understanding, respecting and harnessing nature. The Sky's The Limit: Dreaming of the Sky will be held Friday-Sunday, March 7-9, 2014, and is open to 7th & 8th grade girls. The Sky's the Limit: Exploring the Sky will be held Friday-Sunday, April 25-April 27, 2014 and is open to 9th & 10th grade girls. More details on these conferences are available at [http://www3.uwplatt.edu/ems-success/skys-limit](http://www3.uwplatt.edu/ems-success/skys-limit).

National 4-H Trips Adult Chaperones

Adults: If you would like to be a chaperone for any of the 2014 National 4-H Trips, call the Extension office for an application. Deadline is February 1. Chaperone youth going to Citizenship Washington Focus, National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, National 4-H Dairy Conference in Madison or Space Camp in Huntsville.

Club & Project Websites

Club & Project leaders: If you would like to have a web page on the UW-Extension Website, we can accommodate your requests! We can display calendars for club/project meetings and workshops, links to helpful sites, contact information, some photos, and any other creative ideas!!! Get your club & project up & running! Contact the UW-Extension office at 608-328-9441 for details!

SCRIP CARD FUNDRAISER

The Green County 4-H program will be conducting SCRIP CARD Fundraisers throughout the year. The next deadline to order cards is January 6th. For more information please find the order form on the Green County 4-H Website at: [http://green.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/scrip/](http://green.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/scrip/) or contact Pam Burke, Green County 4-H Adult Leaders Treasurer at ridglan@mhtc.net.
2014 Green/Iowa/Lafayette 4-H Summer Camp
Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells
Monday, June 9 ~ Wednesday, June 11

Campers in grades 3-6 will participate in activities that focus on the environment along with crafts and recreational programs.

Camp Cost is $90
Registration Deadline is April 1.
Register early—we have a limited number of spaces!
Checks should be made to the Green County 4-H Leaders

Return Registration Form to:
Green County 4-H
2841 6th St.
Monroe, WI 53566

The following activities have been planned for 4-H Camp
- Active Group Games
- Crafts
- Night Hike
- Crafting and Activities
- Hiking
- Campfire Singing and Activities
- Archery
- Swimming w/a Certified Lifeguard
- Setting and Clearing Dining Tables
- Cleaning Cabin and Personal Bunk
- Riding a Bus to and from Camp

4-H Summer Camp takes place at Upham Woods, north of Wisconsin Dells. All activities are supervised by Upham Woods staff, adult chaperones and/or teen counselors. The main lodge, nature center, craft barn and swimming and fishing area are located at the base of a hill. The cabins are located at the top of a steep hill with a separate shower/bath area. All water activities take place on the Wisconsin River. Youth are assigned to cabins by gender and age. Each cabin includes teen counselors and adult chaperones. If your child needs accommodations to fully participate in any part of the camping experience, please indicate on the registration form below. We want each child who attends to enjoy the experience!

4-H CAMP REGISTRATION FORM - DUE APRIL 1ST

NAME __________________________ Grade _____ Sex _____ Phone _______________________

Address __________________________ E-mail __________________________

4-H Club __________________________ I would like to be in a cabin with ______________________

Adult T shirt size ____ Small ______ Medium _______ Large ____ Extra Large
List all Medical and Allergic conditions (contact lenses, braces, diabetes, food, bee stings, etc.) which the camp nurse should be aware of or which require medication, treatment, or special restrictions in participation.
Condition(s): ____________________________________________________________
Treatment(s): __________________________________________________________
Specify any restrictions in activities: __________________________________________

Return to the Green County UW-Extension Office by April 1

Parent Signature: __________________________ with check for $90 made out to Green County 4-H Leaders.

http://green.uwex.edu/4h-youth-development/calendar-news
What is 4-H Camping?
4-H Camp is a co-educational program for youth grades 3-6 as of January 1. Green County campers attend with Iowa and Lafayette County 4-H members. The camp session is three days long. Campers stay in cabins with 12-14 other youth and one or two high school age counselors. Wholesome meals are served family style. Food and milk are plentiful.

Campers experience a wide variety of activities. Some encourage individual competition while others provide teamwork. There are quiet times and noisy times. There are many opportunities for new friendships as well as developing new skills and interests.

This program provides a great opportunity to meet and make new friends, develop leadership and cooperation skills, and learn about our natural world in a safe environment with trained individuals.

Upham Woods
N194 Cty Trunk N
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/uphamwoods/

Camp Upham Woods is a recreational and natural resource complex. It is part of Cooperative Extension Programs of the University of Wisconsin System. The Center deals with principles in youth development and leadership. Located on the Wisconsin River just north of Wisconsin Dells, Upham Woods consists of 318 acres of woodlands. The facility is made up of thirteen buildings that supply lodging, meals and activity resources. Upham Woods functions all year round with the aid of both a permanent staff and an intern staff.

Transportation
Transportation will be provided to and from Upham Woods 4-H Camp.

Health Forms
A health form and youth expectation agreement need to be up to date on the 4-H online system. They must be completed or your child will not be able to attend camp.

Quota
This is a three-county camp and Green County can send 30 campers this year. Please do not delay in sending in your application. First come, first served.

Parent Permission
By signing the permission slip, parents designate all matters of discipline and emergency decisions to the camp authorities and thereby release the camp authorities or camp association from any liability for accidents. Parents further agree that the stated member shall be bound by camp rules and regulations.
NATURE IS CALLING!!!!!

GREEN COUNTY 4-H DAY OF ARTS

WHEN: FEBRUARY 22nd
WHERE: JUSTICE CENTER, MONROE WI
CHECK IN: 12:45 PM
TIME: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Answer the call of the wild and attend the 3rd Annual Green County 4-H Day of Arts! Learn how to make rain, a secret nature code and fun crafts from nature’s bounty. JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE NATURE AND ART! The day will consist of three sessions that each attendee will rotate through. We will be exploring how nature is an expression of art with music and visual arts as well as communication arts. The group also has a few other artful surprises in store!

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Please send this form and your payment by January 31st, 2014 to:
Green County UWEX, 2841 6th St, Monroe, WI 53566.

Checks should be made payable to: Green County 4-H Adult Leaders.

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Green County 4-H Day of Arts Registration

Name __________________________ Club __________ Age __________

Address __________________________________________

_____________________________________________________

Phone number ______________________________________

Email _____________________________________________

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# 2013-2014 Green County 4-H Calendar of Events

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(All meetings held at the Green County JC (JC), unless otherwise stated)

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20  Dog Quiz Bowl Practice 6:30 PM  Rms 2-3, JC
21  Dairy Day Show  Fairgrounds
21  Horse Pre-Fair Show 8:00 AM
23  Dog Agility
27  Dog Obedience & Showmanship LAST Practice & Show Set-Up  Fairgrounds
28  Dog Show 8:30 AM
28  Shooting Sports - Pistol Clinic & Fair Shoot (Air & .22)
28  Cat Show
30  Dog Agility

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