

Portage County 4-H Courier

April / May 2016

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It takes all of us!

4-H Families and Friends,

Each year, Portage County 4-H recognizes the 100+ volunteers who make our programming possible during National Volunteer Week, which will be observed across the United States from April 10-16, 2016. Of course, we know that one week is not nearly enough time to thank our leaders and youth volunteers who organize, teach, chaperone, counsel, and help our communities in Portage County grow! Please remember to give your appreciation to the volunteer who taught you to sew, write a note to the club leader who wrote you a letter of recommendation, and thank the parent, guardian, or neighbor who drove you to every club meeting, conference, competition, and fair.

Thank you to all of our volunteers! I am reminded each day how wonderfully you embody our goal to make the best better!

Sincerely,

Connie Creighton
UW-Extension Portage County
4-H Youth Development Agent
connie.creighton@ces.uwex.edu
<http://portage.uwex.edu>



Mark Your Calendars!

Find the online calendar at portage.uwex.edu under the 4-H Youth menu on the blue ribbon at the top of the screen. Any event can be clicked to pull up details, direction maps, or attached forms!

WI STATE FAIR

Anyone wanting their **Best of Show** projects from the 2015 Amherst Fair or Rosholt Fair to be shown at the 2016 Wisconsin State Fair, please contact the Extension Office by May 15. Not all project areas are allowed, so call if you have any questions.

If you want to bring an animal to the State Fair, please contact the Extension Office **immediately**.



APRIL

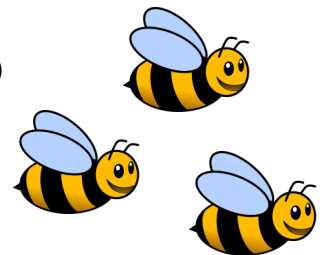
- 1 **LAST DAY FOR PROJECT CHANGES IN 4-H ONLINE**
- 5 Small Animal Committee, 7:00 pm, County Annex, Rm 1
- 15 Managerial Agreements Due at UW-Extension Office
- 18 4-H Leaders Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, County Annex, Rm 2
- 19 4-H Speaking and Demonstration Contest Entries due to UW-Extension Office
- 21 Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA) Test, 5:45 pm, County Annex, 1st Floor
- 21 Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA) Class, 7:00-8:30 pm, County Annex, 1st Floor
- 21 Meat Animal Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm, County Annex, Rm 2

MAY

- 9 Summer Camp Registrations due to UW-Extension Office (4-H Online or Paper Form)
- 10 4-H Speaking & Demonstration Contests, 6:00 pm (*tentative*), County Annex, Rm 1 & 2
- 16 4-H Leaders Association Meeting, 7:00 pm, County Annex, Rm 1
- 16 4-H Teen Leaders Meeting, 7:00 pm, County Annex, Rm 2 (*walk to Belt's after Meeting!*)
- 23 Market Animal Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm, County Annex, Rm 2
- 23 Market Animal Sales Promotion/Records Meeting, 7:30 pm, County Annex, Rm 1 & 2
- 30 UW-Extension Office Closed (Memorial Day)

JUNE

- 10-11 Junior 4-H Summer Camp, Central WI Environmental Station (CWES)
- 14 Clothing Revue, Courthouse Annex
- 16 Market Animal Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm, County Annex, Rm 2
- 18-20 Intermediate 4-H Summer Camp, Upham Woods
- 20 4-H Leaders Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, County Annex, Rm 2
- 28 Area Animal Science Day (NE) — Outagamie Co.
- 30 Area Animal Science Day (NW) — St. Croix Co.

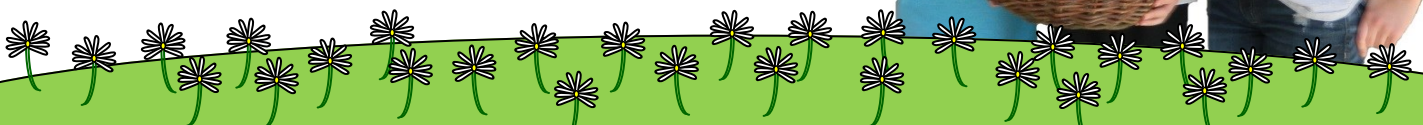


JULY

- 1 Area Animal Science Day (S) — Green Co.
- 4 UW-Extension Office Closed (Independence Day)
- 14-17 Portage County Amherst Fair



(Members of the Sunnyside Climbers 4-H Club deliver May Baskets)



SUMMER TRIPS & CAMPS

4-H OPEN ENROLLMENT CAMP

Who: Age 8-13 (Campers), Age 14+ (Counselors)
Where: Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells, WI
When: July 15-18, 2016
Cost: \$120 per youth (Counselors/Adult Advisors Free)
Contact: 608-254-6461 or uphamwoods@ces.uwex.edu

Canoeing, hiking, archery, campfires, and more are waiting for you at Upham Woods! Register as a camper, counselor, or adult advisor through 4-H Online (visit the 4-H Online Help Page or contact the Extension Office with questions about registering for events in 4-H Online)

Note this camp is different from the Portage County Intermediate Camp also held at Upham Woods—see the next page of this newsletter!

2016 BADGER DAIRY CAMP

Who: Dairy Project members aged 12-18
Where: University of Wisconsin-Madison
When: June 9-11, 2016
Cost: \$115 (including \$65 registration deposit)

This camp provides an excellent opportunity for youth to get hands-on experience learning how to fit and show animals. Youth also learn about the purebred cattle industry and attend workshops including “Roaming Through the Rumen”. Instructors for the camp include dairy industry leaders, graduate students, and UW professors.

Register by May 15! Visit post on portage.uwex.edu!

Check out Page 8 of this newsletter to learn about scholarships available for the conservation camps!



SAND LAKE CONSERVATION CAMP

Where: Camp Bird Youth Camp - Crivitz, WI
When: June 22-24, 2016
Cost: \$100 (\$150 if postmarked after May 18)

Fish! Swim! Hike! Canoe! Shoot a bow! Build a birdhouse! Feast on s'mores and pudgy pies! This educational camp teaches youth about Wisconsin wildlife and natural resources while giving them amazing outdoor experiences! **Questions?** Contact Anne Bartels at 715-732-7784 or abartels@marinettecounty.com, or go to marinettecounty.com and search “Sand Lake”

WLWCA YOUTH CONSERVATION CAMP

Where: North Lakeland Discovery Center, Manitowish Waters, WI (Vilas County)
When: June 20-24, 2016
Cost: \$250 (\$300 if postmarked after June 3)

Visit the Northwoods and get exposure to careers in Natural Resources while enjoying nature hikes, canoeing, a low-ropes course, and more!

Questions? Contact Kim Warkentin at 608-441-2677 or kim@wisconsinlandwater.org, or go to wisconsinlandwater.org, hover your mouse over “Events,” and click “Youth Conservation Camps.”

TRACTOR & FARM SAFETY CERTIFICATION CAMP

April 15-17 (Register by April 4) or April 29-May 1 (Register by April 18)
 Camp TaPaWingo, 915 W TaPaWingo Road, Mishicot, WI 54228



Federal law requires that youth younger than 16 must be certified before they can be hired to work with tractors and tractor machinery, or operate a farm tractor on a public road. This camp will certify your youth aged 12 or older in tractor and farm safety. **The cost of this training camp is \$195 per person. For additional information and to download a registration form, visit the post on portage.uwex.edu or contact the UW-Extension Office.**

Portage County 4-H Summer Camp!

Junior Camp

Intermediate Camp

Grades 2 - 4 (\$40/camper)

3pm Friday, June 10 → 5pm Saturday, June 11
Central WI Environmental Station, Amherst

- ✱ Nature hikes and activities!
- ✱ Swimming, canoeing, & other waterfront activities!
- ✱ Awesome campfires with skits, songs, and stories!
- ✱ Imaginative arts & crafts!
- ✱ Small and large group games!

Transportation to and from camp is an individual responsibility. You will receive a map, list of items to bring, and other details about camp after registration.

- ☑ Trained adult First-Aid person on duty
- 👤 10:1 Adult-Youth ratio; advisors are 4-H Leaders
- 🍴 Campers eat in cafeteria
- 🛖 Cabins/dorms shared with same-gender campers
- 🚻 Restrooms with private showers
- 🚑 Certified life guard on duty for swimming/canoeing
- 🏊 Swim test required for swimming in certain depths

Please be aware that because of the nature of camp activities, some may involve an element of risk, but the participant will be taught safety procedures.

Grades 5 - 8 (\$40/camper)

11:30am Sat. June 18 → 1:30pm Monday, June 20
Upham Woods Environmental Education Center

- ✱ Nature hikes and activities, including night hiking!
- ✱ Swimming, canoeing, and barge paddling!
- ✱ Awesome campfires with skits, songs, and stories!
- ✱ Archery, cave crawling, and live animal programs!
- ✱ Dynamic group problem-solving course!*

Bus transportation is provided for all campers/ counselors/adults to Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells, with pick-ups in Stevens Point and Amherst.

- ☑ Trained adult First-Aid person on duty
- 👤 10:1 Adult-Youth ratio; advisors are 4-H Leaders
- 🍴 Campers eat family style in cafeteria
- 🛖 Cabins shared with same-gender campers
- 🚻 Communal showers - bathing suits recommended
- 🚑 Certified life guard on duty for swimming/canoeing
- 🏊 Swim test required for going into water

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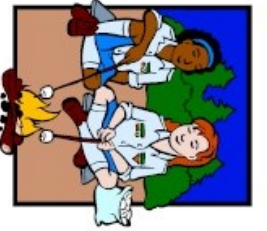
*In some activities on the group problem-solving course, the body may be several feet off the ground for a few seconds.

How Do I Register for Camp?

You can sign up through 4-H Online with Event Registration or by mailing us the paper form included in this newsletter! Note that your health form will have to be updated in 4-H Online no matter which method you use to sign up.

For registration assistance, visit the 4-H Online Help page at portage.uwex.edu or contact **715-346-1462**





2016 4-H Junior Camp
June 10-11, 2016
2nd – 4th Grades (grade completed at time of camp)
Registration Form



Name	Address	Zip	Phone	Grade (5, 6, 7, 8)	Male/ Female

_____ (name) would like to be assigned to a cabin with _____ (name).
 _____ (name) would like to be assigned to a cabin with _____ (name).
 An effort will be made to match requests, but be advised that space may be a factor in determining cabin assignments.

My parent/guardian is interested in being a Camp
 Chaperone: _____ (name)
 My parent/guardian is First Aid Certified.
 Adults serving as chaperones must complete 4-H Leader
 Training before camp.

_____ (name) has
 the following dietary or special physical/medical needs: _____

Registration deadline: May 1, 2016
Late registrations may be accepted if there is space available.

Camper Cost: \$40.00 (The actual cost per camper is about \$100.00, the 4-H Leader Association covers the remaining camp cost and bus transportation.)
No refunds except for medical and family emergencies.

Please make checks payable to: Portage Co 4-H Leaders Assn
Return to: UW-Extension, Portage County
 1462 Strongs Avenue
 Stevens Point, WI 54481

You must update your health form in 4-H Online to attend camp! Visit the 4-H Online Help page at portage.uwex.edu for assistance, or contact the UW-Extension office at 715-346-1462 or ryan.nelson@ces.uwex.edu.



2016 4-H Intermediate Camp
June 18-20, 2016
5th – 8th Grades (grade completed at time of camp)
Registration Form



Name	Address	Zip	Phone	Grade (5, 6, 7, 8)	Male/ Female	Boarding Bus St. Point or Amherst

_____ (name) would like to be assigned to a cabin with _____ (name).
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Recognitions

TRIPS & AWARDS WINNERS!

Congratulations to our 4-Hers who won trips and awards for 2016!

U.S. Space Camp - April 21-25

Avery Clark
Sydney Lehman
Anna Trzinski
Annika Waltenberg



WI State 4-H & Youth Conference - June 20-23

Andrea Jakubek
Benjamin Walkush

Citizenship Washington Focus

Benjamin Walkush
Breeley Warzynski



Leadership Washington Focus - July 11-15

Ian Shelton
Anna Trzinski

4-H National Congress

Suzanna Viau
Breeley Warzynski



Ambassadors

Harleigh Carlson
Abigail Helbach
Annika Waltenberg



The 2016 Portage County 4-H Ambassadors

Have a cool club event you want to highlight?

Submit a photo and caption by e-mail to ryan.nelson@ces.uwex.edu! Please list the names of *all* individuals appearing in the photos so we can verify photo releases!



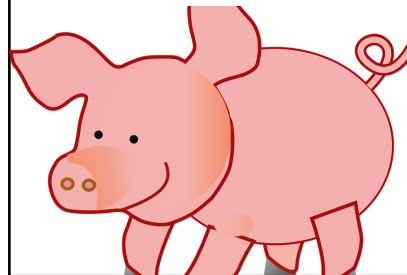
Tomorrow River Voyagers at the Honor Show Chow!



Members of the Tomorrow River Voyagers 4-H club attended the North Eastern Wisconsin Honor Show Chow Seminar in Fond du Lac on March 12th, attending the session on swine.

PIG PROJECT WINNERS!

The Wisconsin Pork Association awarded 22 Youth Pig Project scholarships to Wisconsin 4-H and FFA youth aged 9 to 19 in the year 2016. Two Portage County



4-Hers received scholarships this year: **Hunter Liebe** and **Gabriel Helbach**, both of the Tomorrow River Voyagers 4-H Club. Congratulations, Hunter and Gabriel!

Portage County Agriculture Leader of the Year!

Carrie Wierzba, General Leader of the River Valley Riders 4-H Club, accepted the 4-H Agriculture Leader of the Year Award at the Portage County Agriculture Appreciation Banquet on March 14, 2016. Carrie was nominated by River Valley Riders 4-Her Samantha Shelton. Congratulations, Carrie, and thank you for your leadership!

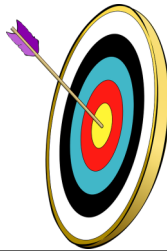


Scholarships Available for these Events!

SAND LAKE CONSERVATION CAMP

The Portage County Land and Water Conservation Committee is offering scholarships for attending the **Sand Lake Conservation Camp** or the **WLWCA Youth Conservation Camp** in June! Scholarships will be awarded by lottery at the Committee's May 3 meeting. Partial scholarships for the camps may be awarded, in which case the attendee would be responsible for the remaining cost of camp. If interested in one of these scholarships, please contact Patty Benedict at benedictp@co.portage.wi.us or 715-346-1334 by **April 28, 2016**.

You can turn to Page 5 of this newsletter for more details about these awesome conservation camps!



WI LIVESTOCK SHOW CAMP SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: April 8, 2016

American Wood Fibers is awarding ten (10) scholarships for youth to attend the **Wisconsin Livestock Show Camp** from June 11-12, 2016 at Wisconsin State Fair Park. Any youth between the ages of 7-21 as of January 1, 2016 may apply. Each scholarship awarded will pay for the camp in full, with the exception of paying for WLBA family membership dues, which are a requirement for participation in the camp (though they do not need to be paid before you apply). Applications at www.wisconsinlivestockbreeders.com



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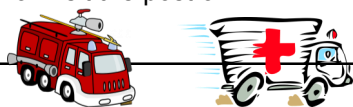
Deadline: May 30, 2016

Rural Mutual Insurance Company, Wisconsin Towns Association, and Scott Construction, Inc., are offering seven (7) \$1,000 scholarships to winners of an essay contest.

Your essay should address the topic:

"What strategies should legislators consider to address the dilemma of increasing town/village fire and emergency medical service costs?"

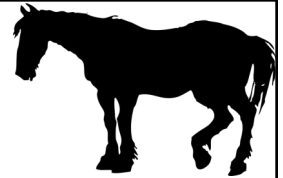
The completed essay should be **postmarked no later than May 30, 2016**. Please contact the Extension Office for complete information or visit the post on portage.uwex.edu



AMERICAN YOUTH HORSE COUNCIL SYMPOSIUM

Deadline: April 11, 2016

The Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Association would like to support youth attendance at the American Youth Horse Council Symposium. The association would like to extend a scholarship to cover half of the registration cost for 17 youth to attend this event. The scholarship would cover half of the registration fee (\$63.00 – the entire registration cost is \$175.00) and does not apply to travel, hotel, or meal costs. This scholarship only applies to Wisconsin 4-H Youth Horse Project Members in good standing.



Upon return, attendees would be required to write a short summary, create a presentation, or create a short video reflecting on their time spent in order to receive their scholarship money. This will be shared with youth across the state at the November Horse Leaders Meeting.

To download an application, view the April 11 event deadline on the 4-H Calendar, or contact the UW-Extension office at ryan.nelson@ces.uwex.edu

SADDLE & SIRLOIN SWINE PROJECT AWARD

Postmark Deadline: April 22, 2016

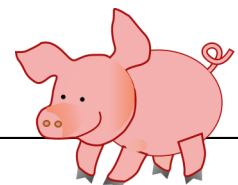
The University of Wisconsin-Madison Saddle & Sirloin Club is offering five awards in the amount of \$100 to youth aged 9-18 in the Swine Project. Applications can be downloaded by viewing the deadline date on the 4-H Calendar at portage.uwex.edu, or by contacting the UW-Extension office at 715-346-1462 or ryan.nelson@ces.uwex.edu.

Only mail-in applications will be accepted. Applications **will not** be accepted via e-mail. Youth must be in their 1st or 2nd year in the swine project.

Questions? Contact Erica Thomas at 608-341-8896 or ethomas@wisc.edu.

Completed applications should be delivered to:

c/o Erica Thomas
932 Witte A
615 W Johnson Street
Madison, WI 53706





Fundraising News!

2016 Plant Sale Fundraiser

Last year we sold 1,358 plants in our greenhouse-quality plant sale, our best sale ever! Now it's time **to make the best better!**

The plant sale is a joint fundraiser between each club and the Portage County 4-H Leaders Association. The money raised will be split 50-50 between the club and the Leaders Association. The Leaders Association portion will be used to offset the rising cost of literature, trips, awards, and camps - *we need to supplement our income to avoid making cuts to our programs!*

The deadline to get your plant orders in was March 28th! We hope each member made a good effort to sell two plants each and that money was collected as plants were sold. **Checks should be payable to the seller's club!** Questions? Contact Jan Miller or the Extension Office.



Small Animal Committee

The Rabbit and Poultry projects are becoming more and more popular in Portage County! The Small Animal Committee is seeking funds for cages and equipment to accommodate the growing needs of small-animal exhibitors at the Amherst and Rosholt Fairs. If you would like to donate, please make checks payable to the **Portage County 4-H Leaders Association**, with a memo noting where you would like the money to go. Checks can be brought to Small Animal meetings (*turn to page 10 of this newsletter!*) or delivered to the UW-Extension office.

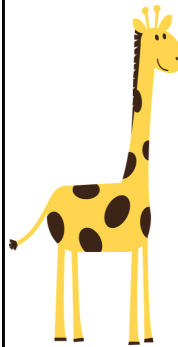
Bottle Caps! Bag Tops! BIG BUCKS!



Keep saving your bag tops and bottle caps from Kwik Trip's *Nature's Touch* and *Kwik Quencher* products! Turn them in at your club meeting or bring them to the Extension Office!



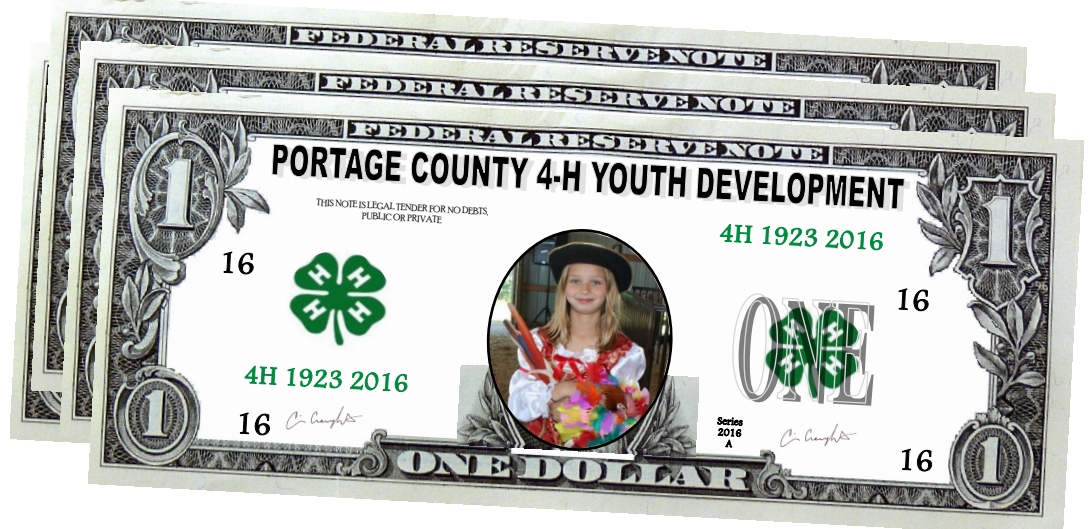
That's a lot of milk.



- If the milk bag tops you collected so far were laid end-to-end on a football field, they would stretch from one goal post to the other **and back**.
- If you stacked the bottle caps you collected so far one-by-one, the pile would be a little taller than a typical giraffe.
- The amount of milk 4-H families and friends drank for Milk Moola so far contained about 10 square pounds of bone-building calcium!

Want Mooooore Fundraising?

Turn to page 15 of this newsletter to learn how your club can earn money by helping out with June Dairy Days!





SMALL ANIMAL SCIENCE

Small Animal Committee

Tuesday, April 5, 2016

Portage County Courthouse Annex

The Small Animal Committee meets periodically to plan educational workshops for Rabbit & Poultry exhibitors, and to plan fundraising and improvements for the small animal barns at the Amherst and Rosholt Fairs. Youth and leaders in 4-H and FFA who are interested in rabbits and poultry are invited to attend!



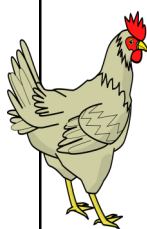
Small Animal Fun Day, Fond du Lac

Where: Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds, Cow Palace

When: May 7, Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.

Cost: \$2.00 per entry

Pre-Registration: by April 29 required for poultry. Pre-registration for rabbits and cavy is encouraged but not required.



All poultry over 4 months of age **MUST BE TESTED**. It is required to bring a copy of your VS9-2 certificate with you to Fun Day. Sorry, no turkeys, waterfowl, cats, or dogs. *Registration forms can be found at fonddulac.uwex.edu. Hover your mouse over "4-H Youth Development," click "Projects," and scroll down to the links under "Small Animal Projects."*

Rabbit & Poultry Fun Show, Antigo

Where: Langlade County Fairgrounds, 1633 Neva Rd., Antigo

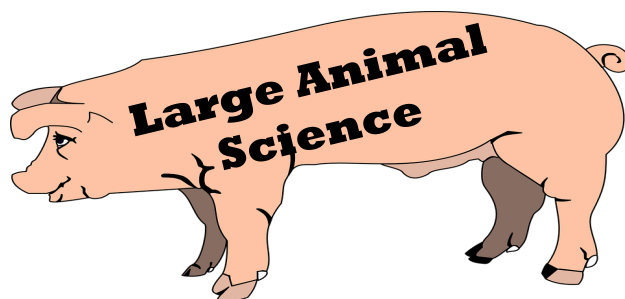
When: May 14, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Cost: \$10 per youth with fees for other optional items
Fee includes lunch, t-shirt, materials, workshop, and showing up to 8 rabbit/poultry animals in the show!

Pre-Registration: by May 2nd if you want a T-Shirt, but you are allowed to come and show even if you do not pre-register.

All 4-H Rabbit & Poultry Members and Leaders (including Cloverbuds interested in rabbits & poultry) are invited to attend this 4-H Rabbit and Poultry Fun Show! Bring at least one rabbit or poultry animal to practice showmanship, but you are able to bring up to eight! **Rabbit tattooing and pullorum testing will be available at the Fun Show. Pullorum testing will cost a small fee.**

Watch your e-mail for a registration flyer, or contact the Extension Office if you would like one sent to you!



Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA)

April 21, 2016—Courthouse Annex

1462 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point
Conference Rooms 1 & 2 (1st Floor)

Testing: 5:45-6:30pm

Class: 7:00-8:30pm



The **Meat Animal Quality Assurance** Youth Certification program is required for all swine project members and is recommended for both beef and sheep project members (*it counts as an educational meeting*). **All members who will be exhibiting swine at the Amherst or Rosholt Fairs must get a Pork Quality Assurance Certificate every year.** This is done through the MAQA training class.

- Youth 8-11 must attend the training each year.
- Youth 12-14 (intermediate) and 15-18 (advanced) can certify/recertify by annually attending MAQA **OR** their age. For example, if they are 12 and pass the exam, they do not need to recertify until they are 15.
- To certify by test, a minimum of 70% of questions must be answered correctly. If you do not pass the exam, you will be required to stay and attend the class.

PLEASE REGISTER BY APRIL 8th!

715-346-1462 or ryan.nelson@ces.uwex.edu

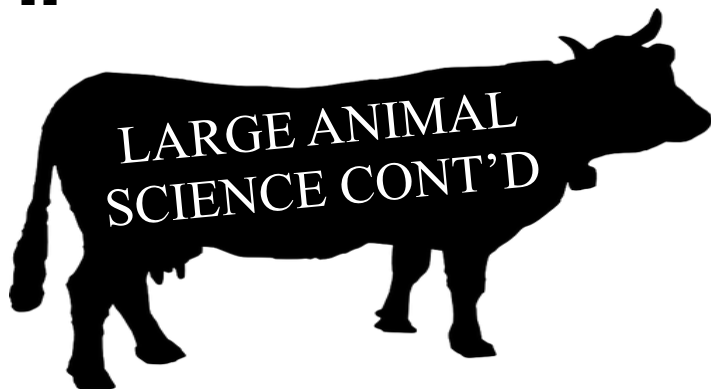
Please specify whether you are taking the test or the class

**MARKET ANIMAL SALE PROJECT MEMBERS:
Ear tags will be distributed at 6:30.**



County Managerial Agreement Forms

If you or your parents/guardian do not own the animal you are exhibiting (dairy, beef, swine, horse, sheep, goats, dogs, poultry, rabbits, or alpacas), then you must fill out a managerial agreement and send it to the Extension Office no later than **April 15, 2016**. Agreements can be mailed to you by contacting the Extension office, or visiting **portage.uwex.edu** and going to 4-H Youth > Forms & Applications



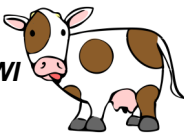
Beef Cattle Fitting Clinic & Mock Show

WHO: 4-H/FFA Exhibitors, Portage/Waupaca Counties
WHEN: Saturday, April 16, 2016 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
WHERE: Waupaca County Fairgrounds, Weyauwega
REGISTER BY: April 2, 2016 (Ted Lein, 715-498-9755)

- Tips and demonstration by professional cattle fitters
- Hands-on clipping and fitting for exhibitors
- Bring fitting chute, clippers, supplies & generator
- Bring bedding; plan to stay to clean up the facility
- Space for cattle will be limited
- Welcome to participate with or without own cattle
- Lunch will be provided courtesy of CHS
- Contact Ted Lein at (715)498-9755 to RSVP by April 2
- **Counts as a Market Animal Educational Meeting!**

DAIRY: Youth Leadership Derby

WHO: Youth ages 15-18
WHEN: April 16-17, 2016
WHERE: Brillion High School, Brillion, WI
REGISTER BY: April 10, 2016



Join students like you for a weekend of fun and dairy industry discovery! Explore future career opportunities in agriculture through hands-on labs and interactive Discovery Forums. Don't miss this chance to learn about the industry, network with students who share your common interests, and further develop your leadership skills! For more information or to register online, visit www.pdpw.org, or call (800)947-7379!

2016 Area Animal Science Days

Area Animal Science Days is a series of day-long events held around the state in June for youth in the Beef, Dairy, Horse, Sheep and Swine projects. Events include evaluation of dairy cattle, horses and meat animals; dairy showmanship contests; hippology; and oral reasons workshops. In addition, each site offers a variety of workshops for small animal projects, which may include rabbits, poultry, dogs, cats or llamas. **More details soon!**

NORTHEAST: June 28 - Outagamie County
NORTHWEST: June 30 - St. Croix County
SOUTHERN: July 1 - Green County



SHEEP: 2016 Wisconsin Southdown Stars Sale & Symposium

WHEN: April 16, 2016, 6:00 AM - 12:30 PM
WHERE: UW Public Events Building, Arlington, WI
 Several short educational sessions will start the day and will feature experienced breeders sharing lessons learned on feeding, fitting and management of Southdowns. Sale lots will be available for viewing in the morning until close.
Contact Troy Lobdell at 608-482-1502 for details.

Badger Bonanza Lamb Show

WHEN: May 1, 2016, 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM
WHERE: UW Public Events Building, Arlington, WI
FEE: \$30/lamb for 1st show, \$40/lamb for both shows

To view contest rules, go to saddle-sirloin.ansci.wisc.edu, click "Livestock Shows" on the transparent ribbon on the top of the screen, and then select "Badger Bonanza Lamb Show" under the Sheep category. Questions? Contact McKenna Kent at 715-584-3209 or mkkent@wisc.edu.



30th Annual Nasco Showing & Grooming Demonstrations

WHO: Sheep, Beef, Dairy, and Swine Members
WHEN: Saturday, May 7, 2016
WHERE: Fort Atkinson, WI

8:30 am - 10:00 am:	Sheep Demonstration
10:15 am - 12:00 pm:	Beef Demonstration
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm:	Lunch and Nasco Store Visit
1:15 pm - 2:30 pm:	Dairy Demonstration
2:45 pm - 4:00 pm:	Swine Demonstration

These are free demonstrations provided by the Nasco Store. Please contact 920-568-5600 to pre-register by **May 2nd, 2016.**

SWINE: Buy WI First Directory

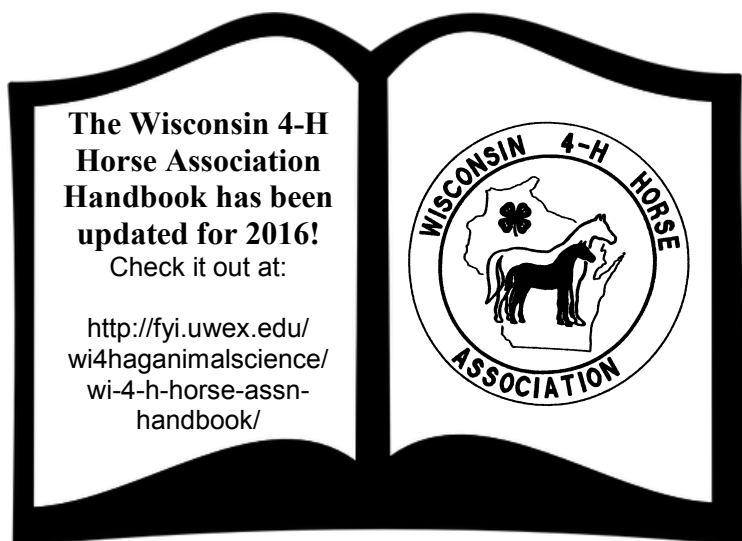
The Wisconsin Pork Association would like to announce that the 2016 "BUY WISCONSIN FIRST" Directory is now available online! The directory features several top-quality Wisconsin show pig and seedstock producers from across the state. It is a great resource for youth involved in 4-H or FFA swine projects who are beginning to look for project animals.

The directory is posted on the Wisconsin Pork Association website at www.wppa.org. For more information, contact the WPA at 1-800-822-7675.





H O R S E & P O N Y



The Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association Handbook has been updated for 2016!

Check it out at:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-assn-handbook/>

97th Annual Little International Horse Show

Saturday, April 9, 2016

Bounds Showtime Arena, Deerfield, WI

The Little International Horse Show is an annual open horse show organized by members of UW-Madison's Saddle and Sirloin Student Organization. Little International Horse Show is a time-honored spring event showcasing both Western and English riding styles. For more information, contact Drew Dettmann at **609-393-4623** or ddettmann@wisc.edu

Registration forms and rules can be found at <https://saddle-sirloin.ansci.wisc.edu> by selecting the "Livestock Shows" option at the top of the screen and clicking the link under the "Equine" category.

Horse Bowl, Hippology, and Speaking Contests

Speaking Contest: Friday, May 6 @ 6:00 p.m.

Horse Bowl/Hippology: Saturday, May 7 @ 8:30 a.m.
UW-Marathon County, Wausau

Hippology Contest: Teams of selected individuals from each county (not a pre-entered team) in Beginner, Junior, and Senior divisions compete by using a score sheet to rapidly answer questions at several stations.

Horse Bowl: Teams of 3-4 members in Beginner, Junior, and Senior divisions compete in a competitive demonstration of knowledge. Questions relate to many subject areas, but this year's focus will be *Anatomy*.

For more info and registration forms, see the WI Horse Association handbook at the link above!



Midwest Horse Fair

WHEN: April 15, 16, and 17, 2016

WHERE: Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI

COST: Different ticket prices available; see website

CONTACT: 920-623-5515, info@midwesthorsefair.com

Non-horse owners, families, and children can meet the horses up close by touring the New Holland Pavilions. Mare owners have the opportunity to view stallions of all different breeds from around the Midwest on Stallion Avenue in Pavilion One. Hundreds of clinics, seminars, and educational events are presented by some of the top horse professionals from around the country. Over 500 vendor booths offer shopping opportunities.

Visit www.midwesthorsefair.com for details and pricing information.

Adult & Youth Horse Judging Clinic

WHEN: April 16-17, 2016

WHERE: Campus Farm, River Falls, WI 54022

COST: \$100 (both days), \$70 (one day), \$30 (parent)

REGISTER BY: April 8, 2016

CONTACT: Casie Bess, 715-425-3704 x 4769

The Adult & Youth Horse Judging Clinic aims to increase understanding of the objective judging criteria used to place halter, Western, and English performance events typically encountered in most judging contests. The organization and presentation of oral reasons will also be stressed and individual reasons instruction will be conducted in several sessions over the two days.

For event details and registration information, visit: <https://www.uwrf.edu/ANFS/EquineClinics.cfm>

Cultural Arts

Photography Workshop!

WHEN: Saturday, May 7, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
WHERE: Boston School Forest, Plover, WI
COST: \$6.00 per member or leader

This county-wide photography clinic is open to all 4-H members and leaders. Beginner and advanced photography topics will be covered. For details and a mail-in registration form, turn to the back of this page!



“Acting Dramatically”

WHEN: Saturday, April 16, 2016, 1:00-3:00 PM
WHERE: Pinery Room, Portage Co. Public Library



The 4-H Drama Club “Acting Dramatically” is open to all 4-H members interested in speaking, demonstrations, communications, and theatre arts. Please contact the Portage County Extension office at 715-346-1462 with any questions.

2016 4-H Speaking/Demonstration Contests

WHEN: Tuesday, May 10 @ 6:00pm (*time is tentative*)
WHERE: Courthouse Annex, Rooms 1 & 2 (first floor)
REGISTER BY: April 19

Registration forms, information, and rules are in the February/March 2016 4-H Courier. You can also register with a fully-online form through the Portage County 4-H Forms & Applications web page.

Speaking Contest Categories

Original Speech
 Prose Reading
 Poetry Reading
 Storytelling
 Play Acting (individual or group)

Demonstration Contest Categories

Family, Home & Health/Cultural Arts
 Mechanical or Natural Sciences
 Animal, Plant, or Soil Science

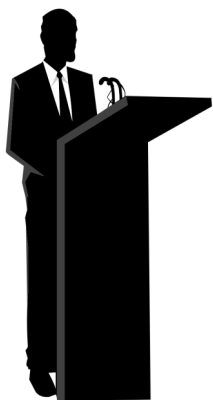
All demonstrations can be by individuals or groups

2016 Portage County 4-H Clothing Revue

WHEN: June 14, 2016 @ 4:00pm
WHERE: Courthouse Annex, Rooms 1 & 2
REGISTER BY: June 1, 2016

Clothing Project members, Exploring Project members, and Cloverbuds are encouraged to participate in the Clothing Revue! (Cloverbuds receive participation ribbons and Explorers receive premiums under the Exploring Class *unless* also enrolled in the Clothing Project).

Clothing Revue registration forms are available online through the 4-H Forms & Applications Page at <http://portage.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-applications>. **Cloverbuds and Explorers who are not enrolled in the Clothing Project do not need to fill out a registration form, but their parents do need to contact the Extension Office at 715-346-1462 to let us know they are attending.**



Photography Workshop Registration Form

Name(s): _____

Grade(s): _____

Years in Photography Project: _____

Club: _____ **# of Participants** _____ **x \$6.00 = \$** _____

Please enclose check in the amount calculated, made payable to Almond Busy Bees 4-H

Deliver to: **Nadene Seymour**
W12361 Apache Road
Plainfield, WI 54966

Please register by May 1, 2016



Saturday, May 7, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Boston School Forest: 5084 Lincoln Avenue, Plover, WI 54467

Jim Turzinski, Former Professor of Photography at Fox Valley Technical College

This workshop is open to all 4-H members and leaders in the Photography project. It is sponsored by the Almond Busy Bees 4-H Club. The cost is \$6.00 per participant, which includes a light lunch and beverage.

Notes for Participants:

- Participants will be taking pictures outside, so please dress appropriately
- Participants should bring a working digital camera (not a cell phone)
- Please bring a notebook and something to write with
- Please bring the 4-H Photography literature if you have it.



If you have questions or would like to RSVP, please contact Nadene Seymour at 262-573-5848 or e-mail cedarsaints@yahoo.com

Please register for this workshop by May 1, 2016!

June Dairy Days!

Dear 4-H Members and Leaders:

The June Dairy Committee is busy planning the 37th Annual June Dairy Day. The event will be held on Saturday, June 18, 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at **Groshek Farms, Inc.**, 3271 Skyview Road, Amherst Junction, WI 54407. **Directions from Stevens Point:** Highway 10 East (8 miles) to Hwy 161 exit - east to Skyview Road.

In the past, 4-H members have helped at our event by waiting on tables, garbage patrol duty, and/or setting up a dairy promotion display. We hope we can continue to work together. The members and leaders waiting on tables will receive a free brunch ticket and \$35.00 for their club. The clubs that set up a dairy promotion display and serve dairy products will receive \$25.00. In addition, your club will receive another \$10.00 if you participate in the County Dairy Promotion Contest. Applications will be made available at the 4-H office; this application and scrapbook are due in the 4-H office by September 15th.

For those clubs setting up a dairy promotion display - please bring your own tables and all necessary equipment including extension cords, if needed. Please bring your dairy samples, serving supplies, and a poster with your club name for display.

If your club is interested in waiting on tables and/or setting up a dairy promotion display, please fill out the bottom portion of this letter and return as soon as possible, but **no later than May 31**, to Theresa Peters.

A very special thank you to all clubs that have helped in the past. We are looking forward to working with you again in 2016!

Sincerely, Theresa Peters

Please return this form to Theresa Peters, 4284 Town Hall Road, Junction City, WI 54443 by **May 31, 2015 (715-457-2252).**



** We are interested in waiting on tables. Number of members _____ Number of adults _____
Please indicate first and second choice: _____ 6:50-8:30 _____ 8:25-10:15 _____ 10:10-12:30

** We are planning to have a dairy display promoting: _____

** _____ Electricity is needed in our display.

** _____ We are applying for \$25 to be used for dairy promotion.

** _____ We are applying for \$10 to be received after our scrapbook is finished.

Name of 4-H club _____

Contact person for club: _____ Phone _____

Address: _____ Zip _____

PORTAGE COUNTY 4-H LEADERS
ASSOCIATION MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2016

The Portage County 4-H Leaders Association meeting was called to order January 18, 2016, 7:01pm in the Courthouse Annex by President Beverley Betker. Introductions: name, club, and something special from the holidays. Pledges recited and roll call taken. Present: Debra Helbach, Michael Turner, Lara Pagel (Tomorrow River Voyagers), Pat Mrozinski, Bonnie Ziolkowski (Casimer Boosters), Kathy Glodowski (Nelsonville Zippy Zees), Beverley Betker, Jan Miller (Rosholt Pioneers), Nadene Seymour (Almond Busy Bees), Connie Creighton (UW-Extension), Marilyn Pederson (Carson Climbers), Paula Kropidowski. Additions to Agenda: Presidential inauguration (CWF), Past President Disc. Minutes: Correction to minutes of 11-16-15, New Business-U.S. Space Camp-should be accept 4 (not 10). Motion to accept as corrected. Officer Reports: Treasurer Report - Checking \$4,794.51, Savings \$12,641.07. Old Business: 1. Family Roller Skating Party: Rescheduled for New Year's Day - 64 people. Cost to Leaders Assn: \$70.31. 2. Trips & Awards Interviews: Wed., Jan 20, 2016. 2 for Leadership Washington Focus. 1 for National Conference. 2 for Youth Conference. 2 for National Congress. 3 4-H Ambassadors. 2 for Citizenship Washington Focus 3. Club Officer Training: 1/28/16. 4. Leaders Banquet/Award Program: Check on date and places. 5. Small Animal Committee: 3rd meeting - they have a goal to raise funds for tables and cages at Rosholt. Educational programming in the spring (if anyone wishes to donate: \$55.00 per cage). 6. Other: Uncashed check. New Business: 1. \$1.00 per member/leader accident insurance. Only 4-H members and leaders. Do we still want to do it? 2. 4-H Agriculture Leader of the Year: A motion to accept Carrie Wierzba for this award. 3. No entries for 4-H Youth Leadership in Agriculture Award. 4. Winter Camp - January 22-24, small group. 5. Family Winter Party - Check for inclement weather. 6. Lego League: Discussion-train for six weeks, computer programmed, robotics, \$400 per participant. Portage County Extension/Portage County Business Council. Need more info. Other: CWF - Presidential Inauguration: First come, first served basis, register online 6:00 Tuesday 3/01 to midnight Wednesday 03/16. Registration fee: approximately \$1300. Round trip,

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\$700 due 06/30. For 14-18 year-old 4-H youth to gain leadership skills and learn government processes through hands-on activities. Program is open to 30 Wisconsin 4-H members (put in newsletter). Motion: Leaders Association will pay \$400 per member who applies and is accepted. Past President Disc: Cost \$10 for template. Discussion: no. 4-H Haiti Youth Conference: Haitian National 4-H Leadership Conference in Haiti in July 2016. Cost is \$150 - sponsor a Haitian youth to attend the conference. Anyone interested in sponsoring a Haitian youth? Put request in 4-H newsletter. Agent Report: Interstate exchange T-shirts from 2008- disintegrating. Handed out at meeting. Connie will be gone most of the month of February. Motion not to have a board meeting in February. Adjourned 8:27 pm. Yours in 4-H, Marilyn Pederson

NELSONVILLE ZIPPY ZEES
FEBRUARY 8, 2016

Nelsonville Zippy Zees November meeting was called to order and pledged recited. Roll Call was done --in attendance: Annika, Harleigh, Elizabeth, Brady, Karter, Dylan, Sara, Calee, Sydnee, Anna, Brennan, Ava, Wyatt, Cooper and Michael. Went over the secretary and treasurer reports. After the reports the Cloverbuds worked on Valentines for the elderly. Old Business: 1. Working auctions-- Decided that we will continue to do two auctions; and possibly a third. We discussed where we would like our profits to go to. There are several families in the area that have hardships (house fires, major illnesses) and we discussed that we would like a portion of our profit to go to these types to help our community. 2. Project changes-- Brought the list and went over this with parents to make sure the members are signed up correctly for the projects they want to do this year. If you were told to add a project, please make sure to do this. All project changed NEED to entered by the end of March. 3. Snack/demonstration list passed around to the parents in the room. New Business: 1. Place of Peace items-- Several items and money were donated to Place of Peace. April Konkol stated that she would deliver the money and items to them later that week. She asked if anyone wanted to also meet her there. 2. June Dairy Days-- This will be at Groshek farms again. We would like to order more suckers to hand out as a promotion for 4H. The suckers went over real well. Last

year, we used \$25 for suckers, tattoos and stickers. Per Jenny, we have plenty of tattoos and stickers left over to use this year. **3. 4H grant/volunteer work**--Michelle explained the grant and asked that each member think about 2 ideas that we can use the grant for. This is a \$400 grant that can be awarded. PLEASE bring ideas for the next meeting. The application will then need to be turned in. **4. Archery status**-- Still on hold, we need to schedule time with the certified instructor in Portage County. He is in the Plover Clovers club. **5. Ceramic status**-- Jenny still was not able to get a hold of the lady for the ceramics. She will try to get a hold of her and when she does, she will send out dates to everyone. **6. Animal exhibitor information**-- Michelle asked that any members needing a refresher or to start learning showmanship and care to please contact her. Her calendar is filling up. She also brought up several of the fun shows and learning opportunities in surrounding counties that are coming up. **7. Fair booth ideas**--No decision was made on booth, but we did discuss that our club has not grown to not make the booth so busy. This is where we got scored down in the past years. Some of the ideas that were brought up: Packer theme, leaf idea, Minecraft, garden scene, farm scene, barn scene, and can idea (donated goods in a flag display that could be donated to local food pantries. The Fair theme is "The Fair Awakens" to go after the Star Wars theme. Per previous discussions the 4H has stated not to follow the fair theme, but we can if we like. In looking at booths that have been winning, their booths were more plain, but showed the fairgoers that they are there to build character and help make improvements in our community (Something to keep in mind). No February BIRTHDAYS were announced by Sydnee and a card was sent around for Harry Glizinski. Snacks were provided and passed out. Demonstration was provided by Annika and Harleigh on Rabbits. Next meeting 3/14/16 at the church.
Yours in 4H, Annika

**NELSONVILLE ZIPPY ZEES
MARCH 14, 2016**

Nelsonville Zippy Zees November meeting was called to order and pledged recited. Roll call was done--in attendance: Elizabeth, Dylan, Sara, Calee, Sydnee, Ciara, Liberty, Charlie, Sydney, Charlie, Brett, Kendell and Michael. Annika and

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Harleigh were representing Portage County as Ambassadors at the Agriculture Leaders Banquet. Went over the secretary and treasurer reports.

Old Business: **1. Working auctions**--Decided that we will continue to do 2 auctions; and possibly a third. We discussed where we would like our profits to go to. The auctions have not been determined yet. Once dates are set, Michelle will communicate to everyone. **2. Project changes** -- All project changes NEED to be entered by March 31st/ If you do not sign up correctly, you may not get to show certain projects if they are not signed up correctly. For any questions, see either Jenny or Michelle. **3. Snack/Demonstration list** was e-mailed, please check that your family is signed up and bring them on your date. Please also sign up for demonstrations. We ask that you keep them at 10 minutes each. **4. June Dairy Days**. No updates. Please mark your calendars for June 18th. This will be nearby at Groshek's farm again. Once the offer is made, we will sign up for the first shift again. **5. Wall Climbing**. Most of the kids had a great time rock climbing and would like to do it again next year. **New Business:** **1. Literature/Fairbooks/Record books**: If you signed up for literature or if you are new and have not gotten your fair or record books, please see Jenny. She has all the supplies. **2. Ceramics**: Sunday March 20th from 1-4 pm. Club is paying for the sitting fee. Each member must sign up for their piece. Prices do vary for the ceramics and payment is due to Judy. This is a less expensive alternative to Clay Corners. If you are not signed up and on the list, you CANNOT attend this sitting. Another sitting will be set up shortly for those not able to attend March 20th. **3. Plant Sale**: The order forms were handed out tonight. Jenny needs the order forms and payment for the flowers by March 28th. If you DO NOT turn them in on this date your flowers WILL NOT be ordered. Any checks for payment need to be made out to the Nelsonville Zippy Zees. **4. Donations**--We decided to hold off on donating to the 16 year-old from Iola until we get more information. **5. Monroe County Small Animal Show**. Michelle explained and collected forms from families also attending the fun show for April 9th. You do not have to be involved in a small animal project to show. Cloverbuds are encouraged to come out and show their pet in a photograph. **6. Portage County 4H Drama Club**.

Portage County now has a drama club for all 4Hers. If you would like more details please ask Michelle. The first play scheduled is going to be Charlotte's Web. **7. Fair Booth Ideas**--No decision was made on booth, but we did discuss that our club has not grown to not make the booth so busy. This is where we got scored down in the past years. Some of the ideas that were brought up: Packer theme, leaf idea, Minecraft, garden scene, farm scene, barn scene and can idea (donated goods in a flag display that could be donated to local food pantries). The Fair theme is "The Fair Awakens" to go after the Star Wars theme.

March BIRTHDAYS were announced. Snacks were provided and passed out. Next meeting 4/11/16 at the church. **THIS MEETING IS REQUIRED FOR ALL MEMBERS IN OUR CLUB starting at 6pm!** WE WILL BE RAKING THE CHURCH GROUNDS. PLEASE BRING: RAKES, SCOOP SHOVELS, TARPS, LEAF BLOWERS, GARDEN CARTS, GLOVES, ETC. **PLEASE READ YOUR BYLAWS...**WE WILL BE DISCUSSING IMPORTANT GUIDELINES OF OUR BYLAWS AT OUR NEXT MEETING. See you all at the next meeting! Have a happy Easter!

RIVER VALLEY RIDERS 4-H CLUB OCTOBER 18, 2015

The River Valley Riders 4H club met at Whitetail Lanes in Amherst Junction on Sunday, October 18, 2015, at 4 pm. Officers Samantha Shelton, Erin Soucek, and Kristin Soucek were present, as well as members Ellie Villnow, Grace Beggs, Connor Shelton, and Ian Shelton. Also present were new members Grace Koch, Hope Koch and Faith Koch, who transferred from the Diamond Dreamers 4H club in Waupaca County. Hope Koch has agreed to act as Secretary for the River Valley Riders this year. The Horse project rules and expectations were explained to all members. The annual Clinic and fundraising ideas were also briefly discussed. The treasurer's report was received. The next meeting will be held at the Whitetail Lanes on November 8, 2015 at 4 pm. The meeting was concluded at 4:45 pm.

Secretary, Hope Koch

RIVER VALLEY RIDERS 4-H CLUB JANUARY 24, 2016

The River Valley Riders 4H Club met earlier than usual at Whitetail Lanes in Amherst Junction on Sunday, January 24, 2016, at 2 pm to make fleece blankets for the Stevens Point Emergency Shelter. This is one of the group's annual service projects. It was announced that

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there will be a 4H Leader Training on January 28, 2016 at the Stevens Point Police Annex Building. Also, Corriente Veterinary Service will be presenting an educational day clinic at Heartland Stables in Custer on April 2, 2016. River Valley Riders Leader Carrie Wierzba will be receiving an award at the Ag Banquet March 14th for being a 4H Leader of the Year - Congratulations Carrie! The group is planning a tour of the Stevens Point Humane Society in March and will gather donations for the animals at the shelter. The next meeting will be held at the Whitetail Lanes on Sunday, February 21, 2016 at 4pm. We are planning to have a speaker address the group on poultry and horse health issues. This meeting ended at 4:05 pm.
Secretary, Hope Koch

RIVER VALLEY RIDERS 4-H CLUB FEBRUARY 21, 2016

The River Valley Riders 4H Club met at 4pm at the Whitetail Lanes in Amherst on Sunday, February 21, 2016, at 4 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance and 4H Pledge were made. The Club discussed working the food stand at the Corriente Veterinary Service educational day-clinic at Heartland Stables in Custer on April 2, 2016. More information is needed before a vote can be taken. This matter will be addressed at the March meeting. The Club discussed upcoming dates, including the State Fair Expo which is set for September 15 -18, 2016, in Milwaukee. In order to avoid a scheduling conflict with that date, the Portage Little Britches Rodeo will be held in August this year. The group then saw a presentation by guest speaker Dr. Ellen Hooker, a State Veterinarian. Dr. Hooker talked to the Club about the important spring vaccinations for horses, and explained the signs and symptoms of each of the most deadly equine diseases to have our animals vaccinated for. Dr. Hooker also shared information with the Club about poultry health, and especially the deadly bird flu. The next meeting will be held at the Whitetail Lanes on Sunday, March 20, 2016. This meeting ended at 5:30 pm.
Secretary, Hope Koch

Addresses for Club Reports:

4-H Courier: ryan.nelson@ces.uwex.edu
Stevens Point Journal: news@stevenspointjournal.com
Portage County Gazette: news@pcgazette.com
Iola Herald: jmyhra@jcggroup.com

DID YOU KNOW...?

The Carson Climbers are the oldest 4-H club in Portage County, founded in 1932.

Portage County, Wisconsin is the top producer of snap beans in the United States of America.

One of the largest Portage County 4-H clubs in the 1960s was the Grant 4-H Club based in Kellner, WI. The Grant 4-H Club dissolved in 1999. Today, the largest club by enrollment is the Rosholt Pioneers 4-H Club.

In the 1930s, the Rosholt Fair Association paid about \$1,000 in premiums each year...about \$17,000 in today's dollars!

There have been eight 4-H Youth Development Agents since the position was created in 1951. Connie Creighton has served as your 4-H agent since 1994.

The first recorded "Point" pun when referring to Stevens Point comes from the *Illustrated Historical Atlas of Wisconsin*, published in 1878. The author writes of Stevens Point that "there were no building[s] at this 'point' prior to the fall of 1843."

One of the first 4-H projects in Portage County was Alfalfa. 300 school children were given alfalfa seeds in 1924. Though families were skeptical it could be grown in the area, about 25,000 acres of alfalfa hay are now planted in Portage County.

The first Portage County fair was held in 1869 in Amherst. According to a 19th-century history of the county, "the exhibitions [were] highly credible and well attended."



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In Memoriam

Robert E. "Bob" Niemuth of Waupaca, WI passed away on January 29, 2016. He was the owner along with his brother Roger of Niemuth's Steak and Chop Shop in Waupaca, which has been one of the host sites of the Portage County Rosholt Fair Carcass Contest for many years. Bob and Roger were both recipients of the Friend of 4-H Award at the 2015 4-H Leaders Appreciation Banquet owing to their long and generous support of 4-H and the Portage County Market



Animal Project. Bob enjoyed fishing, bowling, softball, and walks in the woods with his family. He is survived by his loving wife, Holly Niemuth of Waupaca, WI. He will be dearly missed by all of his family and friends.

4-H Leaders Association

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