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## Letter From the President

Welcome to fall!

As we complete enrollments for the next 4-H year, it's a time to reflect on what you have accomplished this year in 4-H, school, work and other areas of your lives. What makes you happy? Scientists have these suggestions for what makes us happy.

**Practice daily gratitude.** We all have so many things to be thankful for from indoor plumbing to our health! Make a list!

**Surround yourself with positive people.** Your 4-H leaders and club members are a good people to start this practice.

**Do regular acts of kindness.** Volunteer and/or organize your club's community service project or simply hold the door open for someone.

**Spend more time with family and friends.** I repeat, 4-H club meetings and activities are great places to start this practice. Plus this time of year is great for family gatherings as the holidays approach.

**Spend money on experiences instead of things.** 4-H provides many opportunities to enjoy new experiences. Try Fall Forum or a new project. Spend your time...along with your money...wisely.

Cheers!

Betty Pionek

Portage County 4-H Leaders Association President

**Be kind whenever possible.**

**It is always possible. - Dalai Lama**

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### **2022 Leaders Appreciation Banquet**

**Friday, November 11th at 6:30 PM**

### **2022 Awards Program**

**Sunday, November 13th at 1:00PM**

*Both to be held at the Jensen Center  
in Amherst*

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

## OCTOBER

- 2-8 National 4-H Week
- 8 Barn Quilt Workshop, Boston School Forest, 9:00am—3:00PM
- 17 4-H Leaders Board Meeting, 7:00 PM, Annex Conference Room 5
- 18 Market Animal Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Annex Conference Rooms 1 & 2
- 21 Deadline for Pumpkin Decorating & Carving Contest



Pictured Above: Carson Climbers club members painted the "Rudolph Rock" for National 4-H week.

## NOVEMBER

- 4-6 4-H Fall Forum, Hotel Mead, Wisconsin Rapids, WI
- 11 4-H Leader's Appreciation Banquet, Jensen Center, Amherst, 6:30 PM
- 13 4-H Awards Program, Jensen Center, Amherst, 1:00 PM
- 15 4-H Re-Enrollments Due in 4-H Online (<http://wi.4honline.com>)
- 17 Market Animal Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Annex Conference Rooms 1 & 2
- 21 4-H Leaders Association Meeting, 6:30 PM
- TBD 4-H Teen Leaders Association Meeting
- 24 Extension Office Closed (Thanksgiving Holiday)
- 25 Extension Office Closed (Day After Thanksgiving Holiday)

## DECEMBER

- 15 Deadline to sign up for Market Animal Project
- 15 Deadline for Teen Award & Ambassador Application
- 24 Extension Office Closed (Christmas Holiday)
- 25 Extension Office Closed (Christmas Holiday)

## 4-H Cookbook Fundraiser—Cover Ideas Needed!

The Portage County 4-H Leaders Association is creating a cookbook as a fundraiser and we are looking for ideas for the cookbook cover!

The cookbook cover can be a photo or a drawing. Deadline to submit a cover idea is October 20th. Please submit an art release form ([found here](#)) with your artwork.

Cookbook title suggestions are also welcome! Additional recipes are also being accepted.

Please submit cover artwork, title suggestions and any remaining recipes to Lisa at [lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu](mailto:lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu) or artwork can be mailed or dropped off in-person at the Extension Office (1462 Strongs Ave, Stevens Point).



# National 4-H Week

**October 2-8, 2022**

This is the week to show your 4-H spirit! During National 4-H Week and beyond, we celebrate our amazing members, tireless volunteers, and dedicated staff. It takes everyone to make this 4-H movement possible; this week gives us all a great opportunity to share the difference 4-H makes in us all!

So wear that 4-H shirt, plaster the clover all over social media, and share your love of 4-H with your friends, teachers, family, and neighbors!

To check out some of the awesome things you can do as a 4-H member check out the new "4-H Opportunities" booklet. [Click Here](#) to access the booklet and learn about all of the amazing opportunities available to you in Wisconsin 4-H!



## 4-H ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

The re-enrollment period for 4-H will be  
**September 1st - November 15th**



- During this time, families will need to log in to their 4-H Online accounts at <http://wi.4honline.com> to re-enroll.
- Please use the family enrollment guide at [https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4h-ext/files/2020/09/4HOnline.v2.Family.Enrollment.Guide .pdf](https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4h-ext/files/2020/09/4HOnline.v2.Family.Enrollment.Guide.pdf) for help during the enrollment process.
- For common 4-H enrollment questions please visit the "Join 4-H" tab of the Portage County Extension at <https://portage.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/join-4-h/>
- **Lost password? Technical problems?** Call 715-346-1462 or e-mail [lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu](mailto:lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu)

# LEADERS APPRECIATION BANQUET

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2022 at the Jensen Center in Amherst (487 N MAIN STREET, AMHERST)

REGISTRATION AT 6:30 PM - DINNER AT 7:00 PM

COST IS \$10 PER PERSON (FIRST-YEAR LEADERS ARE FREE, YOUTH 10 AND UNDER ARE \$5)

PLEASE RSVP AT <https://tinyurl.com/20224-HLeadersBanquet>

BY OCTOBER 28th TO ATTEND THE BANQUET

THE FOLLOWING LEADERS WILL BE RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR YEARS OF SERVICE:

## One Year of Service

- Elizabeth Spoelstra (TR Voyagers)
- RayLynn Zabawa (County-Wide)
- Abbee Brown (Carson Climbers)

## Five Years of Service

- Mackenzie Karaliunas (Carson Climbers)
- Lori Kolodziej (Casimer Boosters)
- Malayna Polum (Nelsonville Zippy Zees)
- Megan Wecker (County-Wide)

## Ten Years of Service

- Bev Betker (Rosholt Pioneers)
- April Konkol (Nelsonville Zippy Zees)
- Jason Konkol (Nelsonville Zippy Zees)
- Susan Speckman-Heil (Plover Clovers)
- Michelle Waltenberg (Nelsonville Zippy Zees)

## Twenty-Five Years of Service

- Darlene Weinfurter (JC Golden Stars)
- Elroy Ziolkowski (Casimer Boosters)

## Thirty Years of Service

- Lynette Wolosek (Plover Clovers)

## Forty-Five Years of Service

- Mary Ann Kuklinski (JC Golden Stars)

## Fifty Years of Service

- Gloria Onan (Nelsonville Zippy Zees)

4-H Volunteer of the Year: Sara Hintz

4-H Alumni Award: Mary Ann Kuklinski

Friend of 4-H Award: Megan Wecker

# 4-H AWARDS PROGRAM



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2022 AT THE JENSEN CENTER  
(487 N MAIN STREET, AMHERST)  
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM



**ALL ARE INVITED! DOOR PRIZES GALORE! NO ONE LEAVES EMPTY-HANDED!**

Bring your family and support the 4-H program you know and love! There will be door prizes, a slideshow (*please send in your pictures to [lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu](mailto:lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu)*), and awards given for record books, trips, and outstanding achievement. We will be recognizing Cloverbuds, first-year members, graduates, Teen Leaders, Ambassadors, trip delegates, and many more! Don't miss it!





# The Great 4-H Pumpkin Decorating & Carving Contest

**This contest is open to all Portage County 4-H members, Cloverbuds, immediate family members of 4-H members, parents and leaders.**

To enter the contest submit a picture of your pumpkin. Your submission photo of the pumpkin must have at least one of the decorators/carvers in the photo. Families and groups in the pictures are welcomed. Make sure you list the Division, Class, your 4-H Club or the 4-H family you are a member of when you email your photo submission.

Stickers & attached items that are not pumpkin are allowed only in Most Original Decorated Pumpkin.

## **Divisions:**

### **Cloverbud:**

Kindergarten - 2nd grade

### **Junior:**

3rd - 5th grade

### **Intermediate:**

6th - 8th grade

### **Senior:**

9th grade or older

### **Adults/Family**

Adults age 19 & older or family

## **Classes:**

**Fattest Homegrown Pumpkin:** Take a picture of you with a tape measure going around your pumpkin. The tape measure clearly noting the circumference.

**Carved Pumpkin from Pattern:** Take a picture of you with your carved pumpkin in daylight then take a picture of the pumpkin in the dark all lit up.

**Painted Pumpkin:** Take a picture of you with your painted pumpkin in daylight.

**Most Original Carved Pumpkin (you make the pattern or free style carving):** Take a picture of you with your carved pumpkin in daylight then take a picture of the pumpkin in the dark all lit up.

**Most Original Decorated Pumpkin:** Take a picture of you with your decorated pumpkin in daylight. (you can use stickers, paint, and other adornments)



**Entries are Due by midnight Friday, October 21st**

**Judging Results will be announced as soon as possible. Awesome Prizes Will be Awarded!**

For Registration and Photo Submission details go to: <https://tinyurl.com/22PumpkinContest>



# 2023 4-H Travel Experience Opportunities

## U.S. SPACE CAMP - HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

**Date:** April 20-24, 2023

**Ages:** Gr 6-8 for delegates (max age of 15 during trip) ; Gr 7-10 for counselors (max age of 16 during trip)

**Cost:** Approx. \$900

**For more information:** [Click Here](#)

**Registration through 4-H On-Line:** November 1-December 20, 2022

A fun-filled educational weekend at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. Participants will complete a simulated Space Shuttle mission, experience training simulators, tour the U.S. Space & Rocket Center and learn about becoming an astronaut.



## CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS - WASHINGTON D.C.

**Date:** Summer 2023—2 weeks in June/July, dates TBD

**Ages:** Gr 10-12 | **Registration 4-H Online:** TBD | **Cost:** Approx. \$1,750. Fees may vary due to travel costs.

**For more information:** [Click Here](#)

Citizenship Washington Focus, or CWF for short, is the premier week long 4-H citizenship and leadership experience. CWF brings 4-H delegations from all over the country to stay in Washington D.C., our Nation's Capital! Participants learn about the roles of Senators and Representatives in the United States' government and how these parts work together to form an effective Congress. Additionally, youth get to see and experience government in action by meeting with their State's members of Congress and watching a House of Representatives meeting.

## NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE- WASHINGTON D.C.

**Date:** April 14-19, 2023

**Ages:** Gr 10-12 during program (minimum age of 15 and maximum age of 18 as of January 1st)

**Cost:** Approx. \$1,500

**Registration:** Applications are Due to State 4-H Office January 15, 2023

**Special Note:** Final Selection Occurs at State 4-H Office

**For more information:** [Click Here](#)

In the fall of 2022 candidates will receive the state application to fill out for travel in 2023, if selected as one of the 8-10 state delegates. The state will review all of the applications and select only 8-10 delegates to represent the state of Wisconsin. Each participant selects an issue (i.e., education, promotion, environment, violence) and works with other youth from across the county to develop plans to help direct future 4-H

## AMERICAN SPIRIT TRIP

**Date:** June 2-11, 9-18 or 16-25, 2023

**Ages:** Gr 8-10 for delegates

**Cost:** Approximately \$1,650

**For more information:** [click here](#)

**Registration through 4-H Online:** October 15th -November 30th

Experience history & heritage by immersing in a 10-day bus journey to the East Coast — Youth-led content throughout the experience — Increase knowledge of American history while experiencing where it occurred — Dynamic exposure to diverse cultural experiences and perspectives of the foundation of our nation.



- Portage County will still be interviewing for the Ambassador Delegates, Key Award, and Leader of Tomorrow Award. **Interview date & location is TBD.**
- [Click here](#) for a PDF version of the Award/Ambassador application. Or a Word version can be found at <https://portage.extension.wisc.edu> (under the 4-H Forms and Applications)
- **Applications are due December 15th. Award interviews date is TBD.**
- **Reminder there are no 4-H Leader Assoc. funds to support out of state educational events.**



## 4-H AMBASSADOR



The Ambassador term will start in March. Ambassadors will serve an active term of one year but will also be an associate member of Ambassadors for the duration of their 4-H membership.

**Requirements:** Must be in 6th grade or higher; must exhibit leadership ability and potential; must exhibit personal appearance and poise; must exhibit knowledge of 4-H.

**When:** 4-H Ambassadors serve a one-year term beginning in March. They will be recognized in October at the end of their career at the 4-H Leaders Banquet.

**Maximum Number:** Up to 4 Ambassadors are chosen.

**Duties:** Present the 4-H story at community activities and events and promote 4-H.

**Responsibilities:** Hand out ribbons and trophies at the Amherst and Rosholt Fairs; participate in the Amherst and Rosholt Fair parades; make presentations to groups (we will train you); presentation of flags and pledges at the 4-H Leaders' Banquet and Award program; help with the 4-H Awards Program; be available to represent 4-H at other events during the year.



## WISCONSIN KEY AWARD



**Requirements:** Must be in at least 10th grade of the current year, have at least 3 years' experience in 4-H and 1 year of enrollment in the Youth Leadership project.

**Maximum Number:** Up to 3 recipients. This is the highest state 4-H award offered. It is based on all 4-H work done by the member since joining 4-H, including youth leadership.



## LEADERS OF TOMORROW AWARD



**Requirements:** Must be in at least 11th grade, and exhibit leadership ability and potential.

**Maximum Number:** Up to 2 recipients. Recognizes character, balanced personal development, and excellence in leadership.

## MARKET ANIMAL PROJECT

### **STRICT DECEMBER 15th DEADLINE!**

If you plan to enter beef, swine, or sheep in the 2023 Rosholt Fair Market Animal Show and Sale, you must sign up for the Market Animal Project by **December 15, 2022.**

You can sign up in multiple ways:

- Complete and mail the form on the next page to: Connie Creighton, Portage County UW-Extension, 1462 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point, WI 54481. Additional copies are available to download [here](#).
- Complete the form on the back of this page and e-mail a scanned PDF or picture of the form to [lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu](mailto:lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu)
- Enroll **fully online** by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/2023PortageCountyMAP>
- A confirmation e-mail will be sent to you as soon as you complete the form!



# 2023 ROSHOLT FAIR MARKET ANIMAL PROJECT SIGN-UP SHEET



**SUBMIT THIS FORM NO LATER  
THAN **DECEMBER 15, 2022****

This form must be completed and submitted on time if you plan to enter beef, swine, and/or sheep in the 2023 Rosholt Fair Market Animal Project. Complete and submit to:

**Portage County Extension  
Attn: Connie Creighton  
1462 Strongs Ave  
Stevens Point, WI 54481**

Or sign up fully online at: <https://tinyurl.com/2023PortageCountyMAP>

MEMBER NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_ DATE(S) OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE(S) AS OF JANUARY 1, 2023: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE(S): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBER'S AND/OR PARENTS EMAIL ADDRESS : \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF 4-H CLUB OR FFA CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR IN LIVESTOCK PROJECT: \_\_\_\_\_

I PLAN TO HAVE THE FOLLOWING MARKET ANIMALS AT THE 2023 SHOW AND SALE - **MAXIMUM OF TWO ANIMALS PER SPECIES, PER EXHIBITOR. Please check appropriate box.**

**BEEF: 1    OR    2**

**SWINE: 1    OR    2**

**SHEEP: 1    OR    2**

I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS COVERED IN EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS:

\_\_\_\_\_ ANIMAL HEALTH

\_\_\_\_\_ CONTACTING BIDDERS

\_\_\_\_\_ FITTING AND SHOWING

\_\_\_\_\_ MARKETING LIVESTOCK AND MEAT

\_\_\_\_\_ SELECTION OF PROJECT ANIMAL

\_\_\_\_\_ TOURS

\_\_\_\_\_ CASTRATING AND DOCKING

\_\_\_\_\_ FEEDING AND NUTRITION

\_\_\_\_\_ JUDGING LIVESTOCK

\_\_\_\_\_ RECORDS

**The Market Animal Sale Committee is in need of members to share duties. Adults and members over the age of 13 are urged to join. Please come to the Market Animal Sale Committee meetings if interested.**



## 2022 PORTAGE COUNTY REGISTERED HOLSTEIN CALF PROJECT

The Portage County Holstein Association is again offering to help young people get a start in the Registered Holstein business.

The number of awards and dollar amount will be at the discretion of Holstein Association Board. The grant(s) will be used to purchase a Registered Holstein calf for 4-H, FFA or WJDA projects.

Here are the conditions:

1. Member of Portage County 4-H Club, FFA or WJDA Chapter.
2. Between the ages of 9-16 as of January 1, present year.
3. Portage County Holstein Board member's families are eligible.
4. Selection will be made by a committee named by the Holstein Association Board.
5. Holstein Association members will be available to assist with the selection of a project calf.
6. Project calf must be registered in winner's name.
7. Project calf must be cared for, shown at Amherst and Rosholt Fairs or Marshfield Fair and be available for inspection at any reasonable time.
8. Completed application should be returned to: Connie Creighton, 1462 Strong's Avenue, Stevens Point, WI 54481. **Applications must be postmarked or dropped off at the Extension Office no later than October 31, 2022.**
9. All applicants will be recognized, and the winner will be announced at the Holstein Association's Annual Banquet in November.
10. The winner must become a State Junior Holstein member.
11. This award can only be received one time, although a non-recipient is eligible to reapply as long as they meet the award requirements.

The application will be judged on the applicant's need for help in getting started with Registered Holsteins, neatness and completeness of the application, ability to provide a good home for a calf and the desire of applicant as expressed in the essay.

**APPLICATION FOR PORTAGE COUNTY HOLSTEIN CALF GRANT  
DUE BY October 31, 2022**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club or Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Years in dairy project \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of cows, calves and heifers on farm \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of Registered Holsteins on farm \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of Registered Holsteins owned by applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Leader's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

What dairy activities have you been involved in? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your home dairy herd (feeding, breeding, DHI, etc.).

What are your responsibilities on the home farm?

If you were to receive the calf, describe how you would care for it. (Where you would keep it, what you would feed it, etc.)

#### ESSAY

Tell why you would like to receive this grant to be put toward the purchase of a Registered Holstein Calf (attach additional sheet if necessary).

If I receive this calf, I agree to care for it, show it at fairs and follow the advice of my 4-H Leader, Ag Teacher or County Extension Office.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

# Rosholt Fair Best-of-Show

## DAIRY

**Grand Champion:** Cody Kaminski, Rosholt FFA  
*Trophy Sponsor: Sandbox Farms, Dylan & Frankie Warzynski*  
**Reserve Champion:** Josie Lashua, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Wolosek Family Enterprises*  
**Jr. Grand Champion:** Josie Lashua, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Tomorrow Valley Ag, LLC*  
**Jr. Reserve Champion:** Cody Kaminski, Rosholt FFA  
*Trophy Sponsor: Farm First Dairy Coop*  
**Senior Showmanship:** Cody Kaminski, Rosholt FFA  
*Trophy Sponsor: Jenni & Dustin Manc*  
**Intermediate Showmanship:** Josie Lashua, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Schuster LLC*  
**Beginner Showmanship:** Hazel Oliver, Nelsonville Zippy Zees  
*Altmann Enterprises Dairy, LLC—Kyle Altmann*  
**Best Udder:** Cody Kaminski, Rosholt FFA  
*Trophy Sponsor: Karen & Dave Simonis & Family*  
**Outstanding Dairy Exhibitor:** Cody Kaminski, Rosholt FFA  
*Award Sponsor: Tracy Family Hair Care*  
**Clean Barn:** Carson Climbers 4-H Club  
*Award Sponsor: Farm First Dairy Coop.*

## BEEF

**Grand Market Beef:** Candace Lein, Almond Busy Bees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Circle P Cattle Co.*  
**Reserve Market Beef:** Taylor Modrzewski, Amherst FFA  
*Trophy Sponsor: Al & Betsy Suehring*  
**Grand Breeding Beef:** Candace Lein, Almond Busy Bees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Miller Angus Farm*  
**Reserve Breeding Beef:** Nora Lein, Almond Busy Bees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Jeff & Suzie Kaminski & Family*  
**Grand Champ Carcass:** Adam Kirsling, Nelsonville Zippy Zees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Scott & Michelle Budsberg*  
**Reserve Champ Carcass:** Rodney Wendt-Bagneski, NZZ  
*Trophy Sponsor: Lisa's Curl Up & Tan*  
**Senior Showmanship:** Candace Lein, Almond Busy Bees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Sandbox Farms*  
**Interm. Showmanship:** Samantha Kaminski, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Jenni & Dustin Manc*  
**Beginner Showmanship:** Nora Lein, Almond Busy Bees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Rosholt Blizzard Busters*  
**Rate of Gain:** Adam Kirsling, Nelsonville Zippy Zees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Community Insurance*  
**Total Performance:** Adam Kirsling, Nelsonville Zippy Zees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Kluck's Real Estate*  
**Outstanding Beef Exhibitor:** Adi Glodowski, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Award Sponsor: In Memory of Dan Walder from the Walder Family*  
**Clean Barn:** Almond Busy Bees 4-H Club  
*Award Sponsor: Market Animal Committee*

## SWINE

**Grand Champion:** Abigail Helbach, Tomorrow River Voyagers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Adams Farms, Inc.*  
**Reserve Champ:** Jacob Wierzba, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Keith & Tracy Glodowski*

**Grand Champ Carcass:** Kailei Mlodik, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Kluck's Real Estate*  
**Reserve Champion Carcass:** Ava Schulist, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: The Hetchlers*  
**Total Performance:** Ava Schulist, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Rosholt Blizzard Busters*  
**Senior Showmanship:** Cody Kaminski, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Rural Mutual Co.*  
**Interm. Showmanship:** Andrew Helbach, Tomorrow River Voyagers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Cedar Spring Ranch*  
**Beginner Showmanship:** Mason Wierzba, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: State Farm Insurance, Steve Kropidowski*  
**Outstanding Swine Exhibitor:** Easton Karaliunas, Carson Climbers  
*Award Sponsor: Triple O Acres: Nancy Seaman*  
**Clean Barn:** Tomorrow River Voyagers 4-H Club  
*Award Sponsor: Market Animal Committee*

## SHEEP

**Grand Market Lamb:** Noah Spoelstra, Tomorrow River Voyagers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Roy & Lissa Danforth & Family*  
**Reserve Market Lamb:** Jacob Spoelstra, Tomorrow River Voyagers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Pat Cisewski*  
**Grand Champ Meat Breeds:** Abby Sekerka, Rosholt FFA  
*Trophy Sponsor: Chris & Tammy Stanislawski*  
**Res Champ Meat Breeds:** Eric Reincke, Almond Busy Bees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Ardency Farms*  
**Grand Champion Carcass:** Kelsie Davis, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Mullins Cheese Inc.*  
**Reserve Champion Carcass:** Reese Dickman, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Rural Mutual Co.*  
**Senior Showmanship:** Emily Isherwood, Plover Clovers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Rosholt Pioneers*  
**Intermediate Showmanship:** Eric Reincke, Almond Busy Bees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Sandbox Farms, Dylan & Frankie Warzynski*  
**Begin. Showmanship:** Colton Kaminski, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Portage County Farm Bureau*  
**Rate Of Gain:** Kelsie Davis, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Rosholt Blizzard Busters*  
**Total Performance:** Kelsie Davis, Rosholt Pioneers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Almond Busy Bees 4-H*  
**Outstanding Sheep Exhibitor:** Daniel Spoelstra, TR Voyagers  
*Award Sponsor: The Matysik Family*  
**Clean Barn:** Tomorrow River Voyagers 4-H Club  
*Award Sponsor: Market Animal Committee*

## GOATS

**Grand Champion Dairy Goat:** Mia Dunaj, Almond Busy Bees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Bill & Mary Skibba*  
**Reserve Champion Dairy Goat:** Natalie Sanford, Almond Busy Bees  
*Trophy Sponsor: Lashua Farms*  
**Grand Champion Meat Goat:** Emily Isherwood, Plover Clovers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Wagner Construction*  
**Reserve Champion Meat Goat:** Sydney Krueger, Casimer Boosters  
*Trophy Sponsor: DJ'S Water Service*  
**Senior Showmanship:** Emily Isherwood, Plover Clovers  
*Trophy Sponsor: Country Bookkeeping & Payroll LLC*

# Rosholt Fair Best-of-Show

**Intermediate Showmanship:** Grace Isherwood, Plover Clovers

*Trophy Sponsor: Lisa's Curl Up & Tan*

**Beginner Showmanship:** Mia Dunaj , Almond Busy Bees

*Trophy Sponsor: Scott & Michelle Budsberg*

**Outstanding Goat Exhibitor:** Emily Isherwood, Plover Clovers

*Trophy Sponsor: Lashua Farms*

**Clean Barn:** Plover Clovers 4-H Club

*Award Sponsor: Lisa's Curl Up & Tan*

## HORSE & PONY

**Gr. English Equitation:** Abby Bey, River Valley Riders

*Trophy Sponsor: Mike & Allison Hamilton*

**Gr. English Pleasure:** Abby Bey, River Valley Riders

*Trophy Sponsor: Crane Echo Tack*

**Senior Showmanship:** Haley Jo Lynch, River Valley Riders

*Trophy Sponsor: County Canteen*

**Interm. Showmanship:** Reese Dickman, Rosholt Pioneers

*Trophy Sponsor: Neal & Michelle Simonis*

**Beginning Showmanship:** Phoebe Konopacky , River Valley Riders

*Trophy Sponsor: Bill & Mary Skibba*

**Horseless Horse Showmanship:** Delaney Baum, River Valley Riders

*Trophy Sponsor: Rosholt Pioneers*

## POULTRY

**Grand Champ Large Poultry:** Ciara Waltenberg, NZZ

*Trophy Sponsor: The Matysik Family*

**Reserve Champ Large Poultry:** Elizabeth Raschka, Plover Clovers

*Trophy Sponsor: Wilkinson Awards*

**Grand Champ Bantam:** Ella Plummer, Casimer Boosters

*Trophy Sponsor: Plover River Farms Alliance Inc.*

**Res. Champ Bantam:** Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

*Trophy Sponsor: Kluck's Real Estate*

**Grand Champ Waterfowl:** Rosalyn Knutson, Almond Busy Bees

*Trophy Sponsor: Jenni & Dustin Mancl*

**Reserve Champ Waterfowl:** Corrina Pliska, Almond Busy Bees

*Trophy Sponsor: Scott & Michelle Budsberg*

**Senior Showmanship:** Quintin Brezinski, Casimer Boosters

*Trophy Sponsor: All In Trucking LLC*

**Int. Showmanship:** Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

*Trophy Sponsor: Jenni & Dustin Mancl*

**Beginning Showmanship:** Aubrey Raddatz, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

*Trophy Sponsor: Kluck's Real Estate*

**Best American:** Lucy Gwidt, Casimer Boosters

**Best Mediterranean:** Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Asiatic:** Corrina Pliska, Almond Busy Bees

**Best English:** Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Continental:** Elizabeth Raschka, Plover Clovers

**Best Other Standard:** Jillian Plummer, Casimer Boosters

**Best Single Comb Clean Leg Bantam:** Ciara Waltenberg, NZZ

**Best Rose Comb Clean Leg Bantam:** Ciara Waltenberg, NZZ

**Best Feather Legged Bantam:** Scott Raschka, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Game Bantam:** Ella Plummer, Casimer Boosters

**Best Other Clean-Leg Bantam:** Jillian Plummer, Casimer Boosters

**Best Overall Bird:** Ella Plummer, Casimer Boosters

*Trophy Sponsor: Bill & Mary Skibba*

**Grand Champ Pigeon:** Jillian Plummer, Casimer Boosters

*Trophy Sponsor: Mark's Machine Shop*

**Res. Champ Pigeon:** Zachary Kolodziej, Casimer Boosters

*Trophy Sponsor: Bill & Mary Skibba*

**Outstanding Poultry Exhibitor:** Allison Raddatz, NZZ

*Award Sponsor: Kari Burns*

**Clean Barn:** Nelsonville Zippy Zees 4-H Club

*Award Sponsor: Norma & Craig Anderson*

## RABBITS

**Grand Champion:** Claire Lewallen, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

*Trophy Sponsor: Portage County Farm Bureau*

**Reserve Champion:** Harleigh Carlson, TR Voyagers

*Trophy Sponsor: Bill & Mary Skibba*

**Senior Showmanship:** Claire Lewallen, NZZ

*Trophy Sponsor: Mark's Machine Shop*

**Int. Showmanship:** Brooke Weiler, Carson Climbers

*Trophy Sponsor: Scott & Michelle Budsberg*

**Begin. Showmanship:** Scott Raschka, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

*Trophy Sponsor: Blue Bunny Acres*

**Best Californian:** Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Cinnamon:** Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Flemish Giant:** Claire Lewallen, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best French Lop:** Claire Lewallen, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best New Zealand:** Kjersten Kazda, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Satin:** Natalie Sanford, Almond Busy Bees

**Best Silver Fox:** Rosalyn Knutson, Almond Busy Bees

**Best Other 6-Class Breed:** Ciara Waltenberg, NZZ

**Best Dutch:** Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Dwarf Hotot:** Corrina Pliska, Almond Busy Bees

**Best Harlequin:** Rosalyn Knutson, Almond Busy Bees

**Best Havana:** Marcus Krueger, Casimer Boosters

**Best Himalayan:** Natalie Carlson, Tomorrow River Voyagers

**Best Holland Lop:** Kjersten Kazda, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Lionhead:** Mia Dunaj , Almond Busy Bees

**Best Mini Lop:** Natalie Sanford, Almond Busy Bees

**Best Rex:** Samantha Sauve, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Mini Rex:** Scott Raschka, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Netherland Dwarf:** Ciara Waltenberg, NZZ

**Best Polish:** Claire Lewallen, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

**Best Tan:** Camryn Wade, Almond Busy Bees

**Best Other 4-Class Breed:** Harleigh Carlson, TR Voyagers

**Outstanding Rabbit Exhibitor:** Claire Lewallen, Nelsonville ZZ

*Award Sponsor: Scott & Michelle Budsberg*

**Clean Barn:** Rosholt Pioneers 4-H Club

*Award Sponsor: Lisa's Curl Up & Tan*

## DOGS

**Grand Dog Obedience:** Clare Kluck, Howling Huskies

*Trophy Sponsor: In Memory of Diane L. Burns*

**Reserve Dog Obedience:** Ella Plummer, Casimer Boosters

**Grand Rally Obedience:** Matthew Carlson, NZZ

*Trophy Sponsor: Central Wisconsin Pest Control*



# Rosholt Fair Best-of-Show

**Reserve Rally Obedience:** Clare Kluck, Howling Huskies

**Grand Dog Agility:** Clare Kluck, Howling Huskies

*Trophy Sponsor: Tracy Perrine in Memory of her Husband*

**Reserve Dog Agility:** Ella Plummer, Casimer Boosters

**Sr. Showmanship:** Clare Kluck, Howling Huskies

*Trophy Sponsor: In Memory of Larry Kielblock*

**Int. Showmanship:** Ella Plummer, Casimer Boosters

*Trophy Sponsor: Ellen Hardin, Ariell Golden Retrievers*

**Beginner Showmanship:** Matthew Carlson, NZZ

*Trophy Sponsor: Bill & Mary Skibba*

**Outstanding Dog Exhibitor:** Clare Kluck, Howling Huskies

*Trophy Sponsor: Kluck's Real Estate*

## CATS and SMALL ANIMALS

**Cats Grand Champion:** Brooke Weiler, Carson Climbers

*Trophy Sponsor: Tracy Family Hair Care*

**Small Animal Grand Champion:** Samantha Francis, Plover Clovers

**Small Reserve Champion:** Isabelle Francis, Plover Clovers

## VEGETABLES & CROPS

Zachary Kolodziej, Casimer Boosters

Gwendolyn Steinhauer, Rosholt Pioneers

Chase Glodowski, Rosholt Pioneers

Jacob Grezenski, Rosholt FFA

## FLOWER BOUQUETS

Samantha Kaminski, Rosholt Pioneers

Lauren Bessette, Rosholt Pioneers

Camryn Wade, Almond Busy Bees

Ashley Miller, Rosholt Pioneers

## NATURAL SCIENCES

Easton Karaliunas, Carson Climbers

Annika Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

## EXPLORING

Collin Lockman, Plover Clovers

## CULTURAL ARTS

Analín Padilla, Eager Eagles

Juliana Ross, Rosholt Pioneers

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Emily Hauer, Carson Climbers

Adriana Freer, Junction City Golden Stars

Zachary Kolodziej, Casimer Boosters

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Brenna Lockman, Plover Clovers

Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Genevieve Heese, Eager Eagles

Maddie Garza, Junction City Golden Stars

## COMPUTERS

Matthew Carlson, Nelsonville ZZ's

## WOODWORKING

Joshua Czerneski, Carson Climbers

## ELECTRICITY

Joshua Czerneski, Carson Climbers

## MECHANICAL PROJECTS

Micah Turney, Eager Eagles

## FOODS & NUTRITION

Samantha Francis, Plover Clovers

Emma Reincke, Almond Busy Bees

Rosalyn Knutson, Almond Busy Bees

Corrina Pliska, Almond Busy Bees

Camryn Wade, Almond Busy Bees

## CAKE DECORATING

Bridget Lemanczyk, Rosholt Pioneers

## CLOTHING

Brenna Lockman, Plover Clovers

Juniper Rydberg, Casimer Boosters

## KNITTING & CROCHETING

Gracie Flees, Rosholt FFA

## HOME ENVIRONMENT

Juniper Rydberg, Casimer Boosters

## CREATIVE WRITING

Anna Turney, Eager Eagles

Anna Turney, Eager Eagles

## BOOTHS

Carson Climbers 4-H Club

## SELF-DETERMINED

Jakub Filtz, Rosholt Pioneers





# Fun at the Fair!

Here's some snapshots of our hardworking 4Hers at the 2023 Rosholt Fair!



A huge thank you to  
the Rosholt Fair  
Board and our Rosholt  
Fair Volunteers!





# 2022 WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

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Pictured Left: Abigail Helbach, from the Tomorrow River Voyagers and her Reserve Champion Hereford Market Barrow at the 2022 Wisconsin State Junior Fair. She also earned Champion 18 Year Old Market Barrow Showperson as well as earning Third Supreme Overall Swine Showperson.

## 4-Hers in action!



Pictured Above: Matthew Carlson, of the Nelsonville Zippy Zees & Clare Kluck, of the Howling Huskies.

Matthew placed 1st at the State Dog Show Novice Obedience with a qualifying score. He also placed 1st in Rally Excellent with a qualifying score and placed 2nd in his 3-5 grade class out of 24 participants.

Clare Kluck placed first place in advanced rally, first place in Novice Obedience, first place in Junior Showmanship grades 9-12 and was named 2022 Wisconsin State 4h Best Junior Handler. Clare also received a second place and seventh place in the photography exhibits.



Pictured Above & Left: Participants of the Barn Quilt workshop held on October 8th. Members had a fun time creating their barn quilt creations.



Pictured Above: Candace Lein, from the Almond Busy Bees with her Reserve Grand Champion Maine-Anjou steer and Nora and Candace Lein with their crossbred steer.

Have a cool club event or activity you want to highlight?

Submit a photo and caption by email to [lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu](mailto:lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu)!



# Leader's Board Minutes



## Portage County 4-H Leaders Board - June 2022

A budget meeting was held prior to the Leaders Association Board Meeting

The Portage County 4-H Leaders Association Board Meeting on 6-20-22, held via Zoom and in-person at the UW Extension Conference Room, was called to order by President, Betty Pionek at 7:00 pm. Pledges were recited and roll call was taken.

**PRESENT:** Marilyn Pederson (Carson Climbers), Kathy Glodowski, Malayna Polum and Michelle Waltenberg, (Nelsonville Zippy Zees), Debra Helbach (Tomorrow River Voyagers), Betty Pionek (Casimer Boosters), Sharon Cisewski (Plover Clovers) Jan Miller (Rosholt Pioneers), Agnes Mallek (Junction City Golder Stars) and Connie Creighton, 4-H Youth Development Agent.

**ADDITONS TO AGENDA:** State Dog Show, Projected Budget and 4-H Ambassadors | **MINUTES:** Approved as presented | **OFFICER REPORTS:** **Treasurer's Report:** Checking \$28,439.84 Savings \$ 3,680.07 Income - Plat Book Sales April \$390.00 (5) May \$40.00 (1) Club Dues \$910.00 Plant Sale Income \$64.00 | **Secretary's Report :** None

### OLD BUSINESS

**Plant Sale** – Total number of plants purchased from greenhouse was 1312. Greenhouse delivered the hibiscus that was missing from our original order. Profit for 2022 will be \$3,222 after taxes. Very successful plant sale. Had lots of help unloading and sorting. Thank you to all who helped with sale. Leaders Association received an extra flat of gerbera daisies that were sold for \$8.00 each. Greenhouse has been paid. We are waiting for refund check so the club's share of plant sale profits can be distributed.

**Cook Book Fundraiser** – Some recipes have been sent in. Request for additional recipes. Malayna would like at least 20 more.

**4-H Tech Changemakers** – Need a new meeting place. Would like to offer a class to adults of 4-H members.

**Sewing Workshop/Clothing Review** – Going beautifully due to nice job sewing leaders are doing. There will not be a clothing review this year.

**Summer Camp** – Great camp this year. Campfire alternating with skits and crafts worked well. Kudos to Betty and youth counselors.

**June Dairy Day** – Successful event, served 2200 people. Had volunteers from nine Portage County clubs and had three booths. Thank you to everyone who helped.

**Other: Ambassador** – Sharon reported that there is not enough interest in t-shirts at this time. She will reach out to Jessica Oliver about helping at fairs. Currently making plans for summer events and National 4-H week. There is interest in being in parades.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Amherst Fair Food Stand** – Candace has scheduled a food stand meeting for Thursday. There was discussion about whether electronic sign up for workers will work well. Suggestion to open food stand later in the morning. Just have clubs come in early enough to prep for lunch and dinner. Could eliminate the 7:30 am to 10:00 am shift. Per Agnes, not a problem for them to work that shift. Need to bake more potatoes so don't run out. No nachos or sundaes again this year. Need adult supervision for younger youth volunteers. Recommend that teens reimburse workers for their fair admission cost. If shift times don't work for clubs, they need to try to trade shifts with another club. If not successful, contact the 4-H office.

**July 4-H Association Meeting** – Next meeting will be held at the Amherst Fairgrounds on July 14<sup>th</sup>. Request made to meet at a designated area to be determined prior to the meeting.

**Cloverbud Day Camp** – Hold in the evening from 5-8 at the Boston School Forest. No charge for use of facility. Still need to plan the food.

**Fair Entry/Sign Up** – No information at this time.

**Art Donations – Framing Quote** – Betty shared high and low framing prices from Koerten Gallery. She liked the wider frame but feels it is too pricey. Would like to have print framed in time for the Market Animal Sale in Amherst. She requested approval to spend \$278 on framing. Approval granted.

**Charters & Financial Report** – New fiscal year starts on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Clubs will be sent forms for financial reporting.

**Other: Projected Budget** – Motion made for the board to recommend that the Leaders Association approve the projected budget. Motion passed.

**State Dog Show** – Two years ago the Leaders Association approved a request for the State Dog Show to be held in Portage County and a \$250 deposit fee was paid to the Amherst Fair Board for use of the fairgrounds for the show. Location of State Dog Show for 2022 has been changed to Madison. Jan will request a refund from the Amherst Fair Board.

**Agent Report:** Connie helped with Area Animal Science Day at Sheboygan and Chippewa Falls. State doing a nice job of bringing it back after COVID. Per DATCP, poultry can be exhibited in Wisconsin again.

Michelle shared information about the Pullorum Testing Clinic that will be held on Sunday at her father's home.

Next Leaders Association Meeting will be July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022. | Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Yours in 4-H

Marilyn Pederson, Secretary

# Leader's Board Minutes



## Portage County 4-H Leaders Association - July 2022

The Portage County 4-H Leaders Association meeting of 7-11-22 held at the Amherst Fairgrounds Commercial Building was called to order by President, Betty Pionek at 7:02 pm. Meeting began with introductions followed by pledges and roll call.

**PRESENT:** Marilyn Pederson (Carson Climbers), Bonnie Ziolkowski, Juniper Rydberg and Betty Pionek (Casimer Boosters), Kathy Glodowski (County-Wide), Malayna and Autumn Polum, Annika, Jesse and Michelle Waltenberg, (Nelsonville Zippy Zees), Debra Helbach and Karen Jastromski (Tomorrow River Voyagers), Agnes Mallek (Junction City Golder Stars) Dr. Barb Kasprowicz (Almond Busy Bees) and Connie Creighton, 4-H Youth Development Agent.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:** Dairy Print and Cake Decorating Workshop | **MINUTES:** Minutes were approved as presented. | **OFFICER REPORTS:** Treasurer's Report: Checking \$32,976.16 Savings \$ 3,680.07

Secretary's Report and Correspondence: Thank You from Annika Waltenberg for 4-H Scholarship.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Portage County 4-H Scholarship Presentation – Scholarship check was presented to Annika Waltenberg. Annika will be attending Northland College in Ashland, majoring in Natural Resources and Writing. Emily Hauer was unable to attend the scholarship presentation.

**June Dairy Day –** Weather was nice. Food was good. Three clubs distributed dairy foods at booths. Casimer Boosters featured yogurt parfait, Junction City Golden Stars distributed 25 pounds of cheese curds and Plover Clovers gave out a variety of cheeses.

**4-H Junior Camp –** Overnight camp at CWES. Joint camp with Waupaca. Twenty-four campers attended. Weather was rainy. Activities included canoeing, fishing, making wind chimes and string art. Juniper did a nice job as camp counselor. Intermediate camp at Wisconsin Dells was cancelled due to lack of interest in participating.

**Amherst Fair Food Stand –** Added a newer, used refrigerator to the food stand.

**Other:** Dairy Prints – Cost for framing two of the prints donated by Jerry Gadamus was \$546.00. Betty will cover the cost of framing for one print. Discussion about how to sell the remaining 46 prints occurred.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Rosholt Fair Clean Up – August 28 – Last Sunday in August. Need volunteers to help clean up and sweep floor. Didn't have enough help last year. No booths for clubs this year. Clubs interested in setting up a display must provide their own table and set up a table-top display. If a club video were submitted, who would be responsible for monitoring the video?

**Rosholt Fair (Fair Entry) –** Due next Friday.

**Cloverbud Day Camp –** Day Camp for grades K, 1, 2 and 3. Camp will be held the evening of August 2nd from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. Need adult leaders and counselors that are in 7th grade or higher. Campers will be making garden stones.

**Club Charters & Financial Report-** 4-H fiscal year starts July 1st and ends June 30th of the following year. Financial reports are due September 1st. Other club charter materials are not available yet.

**2023 Budget –** Reviewed Statement of Income and Expenses from past year and the Projected Budget for July 1st, 2022-June 30th, 2023. Discussed items that impacted youth such as camps and trips. Motion by Karen Jastromski and second by Michelle Waltenberg to approve the budget. Motion passed.

**Other:** Cake Decorating Workshop- Per Kathy, there will not be a cake decorating workshop this year. She is unable to find someone to teach workshop.

**Citizenship Washington Focus –** Juniper shared her trip experience.

**Agent Report:** Connie has been busy with Clover Bud Camp and getting ready for the fair. Lisa has also been helping her. Looking for ideas for county wide-projects. Sharon is doing a barn quilt workshop. Sewing workshops had good leaders and good participation. Added sewing project to workshop participants so they could exhibit the items they made during the sewing workshops, at the Rosholt Fair.

Next Leaders Association Meeting will be September 19th, 2022. |Meeting adjourned at 8.06 pm.

Yours in 4-H, Marilyn Pederson, Secretary





## Preparing for the New 4-H Year



The 4-H year officially begins in October each year. Even though the program year begins in October, 4-H enrollment begins in September. Counties in Wisconsin usually have an enrollment “deadline.” This deadline can be the cutoff for determining who can represent 4-H at certain events.

No matter the date of your local deadline, re-enrolling in 4-H through the 4-H Online portal as soon as possible ensures that you receive all 4-H communications and other important program news.

### Adding, Dropping, or Keeping Projects

Enrollment is the perfect time to add or remove projects in your 4-H Online profiles. 4-H members usually continue with the same projects from the year before, and it’s pretty normal to add one or two new ones as well! First year members are recommended to only select one or two projects for their first year. The second year of membership is a great time to pick between three to five total projects.



**Reminder:** 4-H members in grades K-2 can only be signed up for the Cloverbud project!

Work with your youth to see what projects they liked, didn’t like, or want to learn more about. There is nothing wrong if your member decides to keep the same projects from the year before!

### Member Goals

On the opposite page, 4-H members are being challenged to write their personal 4-H goals for the new year. Setting goals can help with project selection, and it should help members plan out a path to success in the new 4-H year. See what goals your youth has chosen for the new 4-H year and identify ways to help them achieve those goals.

### Family Member Goals

Have those in your family set goals as well! Goals might include attending more club meetings, helping at 4-H activities, or participating in certain county events. Try to find ways to keep 4-H as a togetherness activity!

### Club Goals

Each year, 4-H clubs complete a Charter Renewal form. This form is usually completed by adult leaders and youth officers, but the charter might be talked about at a club meeting. Clubs are tasked with identifying club goals each year. Have your family brainstorm some S.M.A.R.T. goals for the club to strive for in the new year, such as planning an outreach event with a local community group or adding more welcoming activities for new families.





## Setting Goals

Every year, many people create New Year's Resolutions. These resolutions are **goals** for the new year. Fall is the beginning of the new 4-H year, which makes it the perfect time to set goals for about what you want to do!

### S.M.A.R.T. Goals

Goals are more likely to be successful when you give yourself something specific to aim for. Any of your resolutions for the new 4-H year should be S.M.A.R.T.

**Specific:** Goals should be well defined and clear.

**Measurable:** This will help you know when you've been successful.

**Achievable:** Be realistic! Think of things that will challenge you but are still doable.

**Relevant:** Your goals should be important to you. Set goals that you want to complete!

**Timely:** Give yourself a specific time frame to complete your goals.

### What are **your** goals?

Use this table to write goals that you want to accomplish in the new 4-H year. An example has been done for you. Notice that the example is S.M.A.R.T. See if you can find what parts of the goal are specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, and timely.

Project		Action (how)	Result (what)	Time (when)
Community Service	I want to	<i>organize and lead</i>	<i>one park clean-up service day for my club</i>	<i>in the spring.</i>
	I want to			
	I want to			
	I want to			
	I want to			
	I want to			

Source: "Goal Writing Worksheet," Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, August 2013. Adapted by Ben Hoppe, Brown County 4-H Program Educator, UW-Madison Division of Extension.

**Tip: Use verbs in the action column. Often, 4-H goals are focused on things you want to **learn**, results you want to **earn**, or things you want to **do**.**

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## Calling all 4-Hers – Conservation Poster and Speech Contests

Sharpen your colored pencils, crayons, and your artistic skills!  
Get your voice in top shape!

The Portage County Land and Water Conservation Committee and staff encourage you to enter either or both of the 2023 contests.



The theme for the 2023 Conservation Poster Contest is **“One Water”**.

Poster contest divisions are: Grades K-1, 2-3, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12. Posters are due in the Land and Water Conservation office, 1462 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point, by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 16th. Pick up service can be arranged by contacting Patty Benedict, Land and Water Conservation Division, 715-346-1334 or [benedicp@co.portage.wi.us](mailto:benedicp@co.portage.wi.us)

The deadline to register for the Conservation Speech Contest is Friday, December 16th at 4:00 p.m. Speeches will be performed and judged at the Land and Water Conservation Committee meeting on Tuesday, January 3, at 5:00 p.m. Speaking Contest divisions are: Elementary - grades 5-6 (3-5 minute speech), Junior - grades 7-8 (4-6 minute speech), and Senior – grades 9-12 (5-7 minute speech). Speeches must promote the conservation of natural resources and the protection or enhancement of environmental quality.

Awards are given for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in each division for each contest. First place finishers in each contest advance to the Area contest, then the State contest. First place posters at the State contest advance to the National contest. Awards vary at each contest.

Guidelines and entry information can be found online – <https://www.co.portage.wi.us/departments/planning-zoning/land-and-water-conservation/youth-and-community-events>

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