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Dear 4-H Families and Friends:

Fall is here and the new 4-H year is in full swing! We had GREAT participation from you all during National 4-H week and I have seen the enrollment number increase over the last month! Keep up your great enthusiasm for the program, and keep getting more people involved! Also, enjoy some of these wonderful photos that were submitted during

National 4-H week of our very own Trempealeau County 4-Her's doing their 4-H thing!

For the month of November, I'd like you to take some time to think about being grateful and thankful. With Thanksgiving coming up there is always a lot of reflection during this time of year, and I think that reflection can roll over into 4-H. Think about those that help you in your club—the youth leaders, the adult leaders, or your friend that helped you join. Have you done something nice for them? Have you told them how grateful you are for their help? Have you ever told them 'thank you'? If not, this is the perfect month to let them know how grateful you are to have them be a part of your 4-H story.

Yours in continued partnership,
Sarah Tanis (Hoffman)

4-H Program Coordinator for
Jackson & Trempealeau Counties





4-H Re-enrollment was DUE NOVEMBER 1st!

Everyone who is already a part of 4-H needs to login to 4hOnline (www.4honline.com) and update information.

If you have any questions about the process please reach out to the Extension Office. Also, if you had new families enroll on 4-H online (even within the last few weeks of August) they will need to reenroll.



CALENDAR

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November 1 Re-enrollment deadline

November 3 Clover College

November 7 Annual Leader Training, 6 PM

Tremplo Room, Government

Center, in Whitehall. Register in advance

November 11 Veteran's Day

November 15 Volunteer in Training (VIP)

Register in advance

November 23-27 National 4H Congress

November 22-23 Thanksgiving—Office Closed

DECEMBER

December 3 Hanukkah Begins

December 6 St. Nicholas Day

December 7 Pearl Harbor Rememberance Day

December 10 Annual Leader Training, 6 PM

Location TBD, Register in advance

December 24 Christmas Eve—Office Closed

December 25 Christmas—Office Closed

December 26 Kwanzaa Starts

December 31 Kwanzaa Ends

December 31 New Year's Eve

JANUARY

January 1 New Year's Day—Office Closed

January 17 Volunteer in Training (VIP)

January 21 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

SHOUT OUTS TO:

Two members of the Trempealeau County 4-H
Dog Project competed at the 2018 Wisconsin State 4
-Dog Show, September 28-30, 2018, in Amherst,
Wisconsin. Megan Kohel, of Blair, with her Black &
Tan Coonhound, Penny, and Ashlyn Clatt of Pigeon
Falls, with her Golden Retriever, Drake.



Megan and Penny had a fantastic state show. They placed in every event they showed in: earning third place finishes in Advanced Rally, Advanced Jumps-Tunnels-Table, Advanced Standard Agility and sixth places in Advanced Tunnels and Showmanship.

Ashlyn and Drake earned qualifying scores in Jumps-Tunnels-Table and Rally. Their run in Standard Agility Division B (off-leash) in the 16-inch class, earned them a first place finish. This run also earned Ashlyn and Drake the High-in-Trail Award, having the top score in all Standard Agility Division B.



Great job ladies, we are so proud of your hard work and accomplishments!

A huge THANK YOU to the Everson Family, the 4-H Ambassadors, and the Leader's Association for sponsoring the wonderful, fun-fill Halloween Party on October 22! Wouldn't be possible without you!



Please visit our website for up to date event info: http://trempealeau.uwex.edu/4hyd/

The calendar posted in this newsletter will be posted for three months out. If you have questions about events happening in months not listed in this newsletter please refer to the above website for the most up-to-date information about events and announcements, or contact your 4-H Program Coordinator Sarah Tanis.

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Silver Creek Valley

The October meeting of the Silver Creek Valley 4-H club was called to order on October 14th, 2018 at the Gale Town Hall. Pledges were led by Paige V and Brandt, 12 members were present. The secretary's report was read, Haily moved to approve and Paige B. seconded the motion, motion carried. The treasurers report was read, Melanie moved to approve, Brandt seconded the motion, motion carried.

Old business: Clover College will be November 3rd, club officers need to attend and others should plan to go, enroll now. Remember to enroll in 4H online before November 1st if you haven't done so already.

New business: Club discussed participating in the Christmas for kid's program again this year. Haily moved to approve participating this year, Paige B. seconded the motion, motion carried. We voted to spend \$100 total for 2 kids. County Halloween party Sunday October 21st from 2-5 pm all were encouraged to attend. The club discussed if we will have a December meeting or if it's too busy with the holidays. Melanie moved that we not have a December meeting, Chase seconded that motion, motion carried. Fair checks were handed out and they must be cashed by December 31st.

The next meeting will be November 11th at 4pm at the Gale Town Hall. Melanie moved to adjourn the meeting, Emberlie seconded the motion, motion carried. Meeting adjourned. Paige B. demonstrated how to show a cat at the fair.

Respectfully submitted by, Melanie Robinson

Lincoln Pioneers

The Lincoln Pioneers 4-H club met on Sunday October 7th at Pietrek's Park. Pledges where led by Claire and Alyssa. The club discussed Clover College and voted to cover the 5 dollar registration fee, Alicia made the motion and Sid seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

The application deadline for 4-H trips is Oct.18th. Anyone wishing to receive an achievement disc should email their selection to Kim by Oct. 20th. Kim shared the recent charter report including last year's goals and results and this year's upcoming goals. As in years past, new members will be given a t-shirt, but this year they can choose between a pair of 4-H socks or the shirt. Both of these items can be bought for eight dollars each for anyone needing a new size or buying for parents, grandparents, etc.

Our next meeting will be held on Nov. 4th, 5:30 p.m. at the Independence Fire Station. The club will be providing the main dish, spaghetti and meatballs. We ask that families bring a dish to pass. This will be our achievement banquet. A motion was made by Morgan and seconded by Mason to spend approximately \$200 on awards and door priz-

es as we have in years past. All in favor, motion passes.

The following offices were voted on for the upcoming 4-H year:

President Alyssa Schank, Vice President Morgan Przybylla, Secretary Vanessa Adank and Treasurer Alicia Schmitt. Meeting adjourned. We were introduced to the Kurth Valley llamas by members Lexi and Anna Kurth. Sid also showed us his new puppy Rosy! We ended our time together with a bonfire, s'mores, cider and hot chocolate.

Respectably submitted, Mason Przybylla, appointed secretary



Get your clubs meeting minutes in the newsletter!

Submit your minutes from your last meeting for admission in the CLOVER dispatch so your members can see the highlights and other clubs can see your good example!

Email Sarah by the 20th of each month at sarah.hoffman@ces.uwex.edu to get your minutes in the newsletter!

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Arcadia Hummingbirds

Call meeting to order, Welcome any new members, Flag pledges

Roll call: What is one thing that scares you?

Birthdays: Rachel, Lexus, Abby Dismiss Cloverbuds and Explorers

Secretary's report

Treasurer report: Dues - \$4 per member

Old Business: We received \$225 towards comfort blankets for Sheriffs Dept and Ambulance from a grant

from Riverland Energy. We paid \$176.99, and saved \$466.

New Business/upcoming events: National 4H week – October 7th-13th (Talked about doing something next year. Club pottery workshop – emailed for interest. Rosa will get a calendar of activities for the year to everyone. Clover College – November 3rd 9am-2pm; registration due October 24th. Club will apply for any available funds through the Community Chest.

Next meeting – Sunday, November 11th – 6pm at Bethel Lutheran Church (hosted by Devon & Morgan) Adjourn meeting: Devon motioned, Robert seconded.

Sunnyside

On Sunday, October 14, the Sunnyside 4-H Club hosted a costume Halloween party after their monthly meeting. The party included snacks, games and fun. The games the club members played was like a 'Follow the Leader' where we had to have an action and sound to describe our costume and then repeat back everyone in line in front of us and a game 'Trick or Treat', where members had to do a trick in order to receive a treat from the parents. Both games were enjoyed by club members. One of the club members mothers also brought in ferns and were given to families who were interested in taking them home!

We also discussed as a club about having two parent leaders hold project clinics for club members. One in leathercraft and the other planting succulents, dates for these to be determined.

On Wednesday, October 17, we went to the Everson's house after school to help decorate for the County Halloween party and clean up the barn and make sure everything was working as it should be. We had some pizza and sweets for dinner. We broomed and dusted most of the barn but left some of it dusty so it looked a little spooky. The boys played a little football for a break.

On Sunday, October 21, The Trempealeau County 4-H Halloween party was held. The barn was SPOOKTACULAR! There were at least 25 to 35 people who attended the halloween decorated barn space. Most people wore costumes, and some used the costumes that they provided in their barn costume boutique. We visited and played

where we did mummy wrapping where you get a partner and one gets wrapped by the other. We also did Halloween BINGO, scavenger hunts both inside and outside and a costume contest where you could win a big bag of gummy worms. Some of us brought sweets to share and eat while we partied from 2:00 to 6:00 pm

at the Everson's Farm and haunted halloween barn. Fun was had by all!

Sunnyside 4-H club can now be found online:

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/SunnySide4Hers/

The Web: https://sites.google.com/view/sunnyside4hclub/home
 Respectfully, Abby Rolbiecki & Katerina Barczak
 Sunnyside 4-H Club Reporters





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National Youth Science Day Kits Available to Check Out

If you are looking for a STEM focused activity for your club meeting or group, there are National Youth Science Day kits available to check out at the Extension Office. The 4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD) connects young people from around the world in an exciting, interactive learning experience in the form of a



science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) challenge.

This year's kit is called 'Code Your World' and the focus is on computer programming. If you've ever wondered how computer programming works (at the basic level), this year's NYSD challenge is for you! There are four different activities and generally are geared more for teens, but the activities could be adjusted to work with a variety of ages. Only one of the four activities involves using a computer. Contact Sarah at the Extension Office if your group is interested in checking out kits.

Essential Elements Online Training Now Available for Adult Volunteer and Youth Leaders

Belong, Mastery, Generosity and Independence are the 4 Essential Elements of Positive Youth Development that are focused online 4-H Youth Development.

Would you like to learn more and how they relate to your role as a leader working with youth? Check out how you as an adult volunteer or youth leader can foster the development of these elements in the youth. You will have an opportunity to:

- Learn about each element in relation to different age youth from kindergarten to high school.
- Consider how what you can develop life skills in youth
- Build on what you know to foster the growth of these elements in young people

Each module is about 7- 10 minutes in length. You move through the module at your own pace. It will take you about 30 - 45 minutes to complete all four modules.

Go to the following link to get started: https://4h.uwex.edu/files/2018/08/4HOnline-Essential-Elements-Training-For-4H-Volunteers.pdf

Contact Sarah Tanis if you have any questions or would like to learn more about becoming a 4-H volunteer.

First Year 4-H Families

If this past year was your first year involved with the 4-H program I would like to know what you thought of the program in an effort to make it better for future new 4-H families. Please take a few minutes to fill out this brief survey: https://goo.gl/forms/5FxJMRqLkUaSqYZf2

Summer 2019 4-H International Exchange Opportunities

Have you ever thought about traveling abroad? Are you interested in learning about other cultures and lifestyles? Would you like to make international connections?

If you said yes to any of the above questions, then you should consider participating in the Wisconsin 4-H Summer Homestay Program in 2019! Every summer, WI 4-H members have the opportunity to stay with a host family for one month in either Costa Rica, South Korea, Finland or Japan. They get the opportunity to learn more about another culture, share their own culture, enhance their confidence and communication skills, as well as build lifelong relationships across the globe! So, why not enjoy a life changing experience that will help you grow and gain a stronger global awareness.

This last summer the Przybylla Family of Trempealeau County participated in the short-term summer inbound program and had Juri, from Japan, stay with them from July 24th through August 17th! They would be a great resource if your



family is interested in the program!

For more information visit https://wi4hinternational.org/homestay/ or contact Wisconsin 4-H International Programs at wi4hinternational@ces.uwex.edu or call us at 608.262.2491.

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Wisconsin 4-H License Plates

Available!

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

We wanted you to know: The Wisconsin



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

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

NEW 4-H and UW-Extension Calendar!

There is a new calendar feature on the Trempealeau County UW-Extension website that they are very proud to be launching!



This calendar will include 4-H events at the county level, committee events, project events, and also important 4-H deadlines. It is a GREAT way for you to keep updated on all that is going on and also gives you the chance to look-ahead to prepare as well. We will still be sending out the newletter monthly, but wanted to give our 4-H families another way to keep track of all of the events we have upcoming.

The calendar will also house events from other parts of the UW-Extension office, like: youth and family events, Conrad events, FoodWise events, and agricultural events.

The calendar can be found here: https://trempealeau.uwex.edu/eventscalendar/

If your club, project, or committee would like to add any 4-H related event to this calendar please contact Sarah Tanis, the 4-H Program Coordinator at sa-rah.hoffman@ces.uwex.edu

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2019 Conservation Awareness Poster and Speaking Contest



There will be cash prizes for the winners of the contests. For more information and entry forms check out the following website: http://www.tremplocounty.com/tchome/landmanagement/news.aspx

Posters and speeches need to be turned in by January 9th, 2019 to Ben Anderson, the Trempealeau County Conservationist.

The contest takes place on Wednesday, January 16th, 2019 at 6 PM at the Trempealeau County Courthouse.

Poster Contest Age Groups include: Grades K-1, Grades 2-3, Grades 4-6, Grades 7-9, and Grades 10-12.

Speaking Contest Age Groups include: Elementary Division (Grades 5-6), Junior Division (Grades 7-8), and Senior Division (Grades 9-12).

If you are interested, ask your teacher for more information, or contact Ben at the Department of Land Management at 715-538-2311 ext. 273 or at ben.anderson@trremplocounty.com

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4-H Leaders Association

The next meeting is on Monday, November 26, 2018 and will take place in the Tremplo Room in the Trempealeau County

Government Center, Whitehall, WI at 6 PM.

For more information about the board please check out our webpage here: https://trempealeau.uwex.edu/4hyd/4-h-leaders-board/

The current 2018-2019 Leaders Association officers are as follows:

- President: Bob Braun
- Vice President: Valerie Erikson
- Secretary: Jill Johnson
- Treasurer: Jeanette Dooley
- At-Large Representatives: Rosa Mooney (representing Ambassadors)
- Northern District Representatives: Isabelle Mooney (Youth Representative), Charlie Everson
- **Southern District Representatives:** Tyler Johnson (Youth Representative), Heidi Johnson

Please note that we are still looking to fill one at-large position and positions in the Northern and Southern Districts. We need 5 representatives for the north portion of the county, and 5 for the south portion of the county (one representative from each district can be a youth representative). If you are interested please contact Sarah Tanis at sarah.hoffman@ces.uwex.edu

Register for the Annual Leader Training

It is a requirement of the 4-H charter for an adult leader from each club and project to attend a training session. Of course, if more than one leader would like to attend, that is encouraged!

We will have two 4-H Leader Trainings offered with their date and topics below. You will need to have a leader sign up to attend one of the training dates via the following survey: https://goo.gl/forms/ujmKljep2wl7GFB2

- Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 6 PM
 - Takes place in the Tremplo Room at the Trempealeau County Government Center in Whitehall
 - Topic is: 4-H Meetings That Shake Rattle and Roll
- Monday, December 10, 2018 at 6 PM
 - Takes place in a location based on registration answers. Location will be emailed out one week prior to event
 - Topic is: Project Leaders That Make a Difference

If you have any questions please contact Sarah Tanis at sarah.hoffman@ces.uwex.edu

YQCA In-Person Training Dates Set

YQCA Training is required for some animal projects in order for them to be exhibited at the Trempealeau County Fair. If YQCA training is



required, then all exhibitors must be be YQCA certified (through attending one of the two in-person trainings) <u>OR</u> through taking the training online at https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login

2018-2019 YQCA In-Person Training Dates:

- <u>Friday, March 15th, 2019 at 1 PM</u> in the Tremplo Room at the Trempealeau County Government Center, Whitehall, WI
- <u>Tuesday, March 26th, 2019 at 6 PM</u> in the Tremplo Room at the Trempealeau County Government Center, Whitehall, WI

Exhibitors will also need to complete one additional educational event besides the YQCA Training. A **participation** form for your additional educational requirement must be turned into the UW-Extension Office prior to July 1.

Please refer to the Trempealeau County Fair book for guidelines as to what project needs to complete YQCA training. Link here: http://www.trempealeaucountyfair.com/fair-book.html

NOTE: For the 2019-2020 4-H year we are looking to go completely online for YQCA trainings.

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Becoming a 4-H Volunteer

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

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

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

THE NEXT TRAINING IS OFFERED ON NOVEMBER 15TH!

If you are interested email Sarah Tanis to schedule a time on the 15th to meet.

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National 4-H Week was October 7-13, 2018 and we want to say THANKS for celebrating with us!

4-H GROWS CREATIVITY COLORING CONTEST

We had two people participate in the coloring contest this year and the winners of the contest are: Jazzy Olson and Laura Dobson! Their pictures are displayed on the UW-Extension office door!

Winners can pick up their prize of 4-H goodies from the UW-Extension office during the week of November 5-9th.





SOCIAL MEDIA CHALLENGE

Thank to to all of you who broke out your 4-H t-shirts, smiles and cameras to submit your entries into our social media challenge! We got A LOT of great photos and LOVE all of the 4-H happiness and cheer you were spreading! We've added some of the photos on this page, and also on the front of this month's Clover disPatch for everyone to enjoy your 4-





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We want you to stay connected to the 4-H program and to know what is going on.

Check out ways for you to stay involved and be in the loop:



TREAMPEALEAU COUNTY 4-H ON FACEBOOK

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

Follow us at Trempealeau County 4-H @TrempealeauCounty4H

Also, follow the Trempealeau County UW-Extension office on Facebook at Trempealeau County UW Extension @uwextremplo

NEW 4-H FAMILIES WEBSITE

We are very excited to announce that we have a website for new 4-H families! This is a way we are hoping to help new 4-H families adjust to 4-H wording, events, and projects that we do!



4-H can be a lot to take in, so let us

help you as best we can! If there is something that you think should be added to the new family website, please let us know and we'll be sure to include it!

The website can be found here:

https://trempealeau.uwex.edu/4hyd/new-4-h-families/



UW-EXTENSION UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

We now have a UW-Extension calendar up on our website that will also be home to all of the upcoming 4-H events and deadlines! Check out what we have going on and stay up-

Check out what we have going on and stay upto-date! We will post all 4-H events and deadlines on here so you have a place to see live up-dates!

Link to the calendar: https://trempealeau.uwex.edu/ eventscalendar/

4-H Club and Project Leaders

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

Arcadia Humminbirds 4-H Club: Rosa Mooney, 608-863-3483

Coulee Clovers 4-H Club: CindyPeterson, 608-989-2249

Ettrick Eagles 4-H Club: Dawn Corcoran, 608-525-4200

Frenchville Cloverleaves 4-H Club: Heather Olson, 608-484-0447

Glasgow/Hardies Creek Busy Bees 4-H Club:

Heidi Johnson,608-484-0492

Hale & Hardy 4-H Club: Sheri Daggett, 715-538-4385

Lincoln Pioneers 4-H Club: Kim Pryzbylla, 715-985-3902

Silver Valley Creek 4-H Club: Bob & DaraBraun, 608-525-2259

Sunnyside 4-H Club:

Charlotte (Charlie) Everson, 608-989-2310 Geralyn Subra, 715-662-3003

Trempealeau Trusty Workers 4-H Club: Patti Sonsalla, 608-539-3202

Whitehall Happy Hustlers 4-H Club: Sharon Pederson, 715-538-4856

Dog Project: Judy Betker, 608-989-2386

Horse Project: Connie Guza, 715-985-3185

Parent and Leaders Association: Bob Braun, 608-525-2259

Llama Project: Becky Poulos, 715-53<u>8-1444</u>

4-H Ambassadors Program: Rosa Mooney, 608-863-3483

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

Have a question?

Contact the 4-H Program Coordinator for Jackson and Trempealeau Counties—Sarah Tanis.

Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about anything in the newsletter or anything you have questions on!

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