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Trempealeau County 4-H Newsletter





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Hello Everyone!

This is a jam packed Newsletter this month! A whole 11 pages! There are some great virtual programs coming up this month along with some Adult Leader trainings. There is a little bit for everyone!

I hope everyone has a fantastic Holiday Season and enjoys some of the weather we are having!

Best Wishes.

Andrea Rippley

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Upcoming Events

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November

- 9th- VIP Training Black River Falls- 6 pm registration is required.
- 23rd Trempealeau County Adult Leaders Meeting 6 pm
- All Winter Meetings will be virtual!
- 29th- Virtual County Meeting with special Guest Dr. Tom Zinnen and Liz Jesse from February the UW-Madison Bio Tech Center! Join us at 6 pm for Kitchen Science!

December

- 1st- Virtual Cookie Mini Camp @ 6:30 pm Registration is required.
- 7th- VIP Training Whitehall- 6 pm registration is required.
- 8th- Virtual Cookie Mini Camp @ 6:30 pm registration is required.

- 15th- Virtual Cookie Mini Camp @ 6:30 pm registration is required,
- 22nd- Virtual Cookie Mini Camp @ 6:30 pm registration is required.

<u>January</u>

25th- Adult Leaders Meeting-Virtual- 6 pm registration is required

22nd- Adult Leaders Meeting- Virtual-6 pm Registration is required.

In Person Meeting Approval Process

As of July 1st in person meetings are possible! I have a post available on our website that gives you all of the details.

Here is a quick recap of some of the recent updates:

- Pod style meetings can happen outside (with up to 50 people)
- The template has been updated with language that will help you meeting get approved.
- There is a training video that volunteer leaders have to watch in order to hold a meeting. The is linked into the site.
- Email me a completed copy of the form 2 weeks before the planned meeting date.

https://trempealeau.extension.wisc.edu/2020/07/10/in-person-approval-form/

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-fags-related-to-covid-19/





4-H Club and Project Leaders

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

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

Coulee Clovers 4-H Club: Cindy Peterson. 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 & Dara Braun, 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, 608-738-8295

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

Dog Project: Judy Betker, 608-989-2386

Horse Project: Becky Hynes, 608-865-1038

Parent and Leaders Association: Valerie Erickson, 608-385-5654

Llama Project: Becky Poulos, 715-538-1444

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

New State 4-H Website:

The Wisconsin State 4-H Website has had an over haul! Over the past year the State 4-H Office has been working hard to re-create our website and bring more recourses to our club and project leaders! Here are a couple of highlights for you to check out!

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/ Link to the main website.

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/ Volunteer Resources page

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/wisconsin-4-h-policies/ Wisconsin State 4-H Policies Page. There are many new updates so check them out!

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/Project Page. Currently the Project Leaders SupportTeam is working on project leader sheets for each 4-H Project. They will be here when they are completed.

This is only a small sample of what is available on the new page. Take the time to explore the page! There are currently teams working on more content for volunteers and club leaders so check back often to see what is new!

Adult Leaders Meetings:

With the rise in cases and winter being just around the corner the Trempealeau County Adult Leaders have decided to hold all of their winter meetings virtually. This is great news for ANY leader or parent who wants to attend one of the meetings. You will have no travel time! The adult leaders are always looking for more participants to get involved. I have included the links to register for the upcoming meeting times below. When you register through the link you will receive the link for the meeting right away! This way you will not have to wait for me to answer!

November Registration

December Registration

January Registration

February Registration

International Cookie Mini Camp:

True friendship, according to the Cookie Monster, is sharing your last cookie. In order to share cookies, there must be some cookies to make and bake! Come join Chippewa, Eau Claire, Dunn, Jackson, St. Croix, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Trempealeau and Jackson counties as 4-H youth and educators teach an International Cookie Mini Camp starting December 1st.

This program will be held each Tuesday (December 1, 8, 15, and 22) at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom, over four weeks and cover four different international cookies. The program will include the following cookies: Berlinerkranser, Polvorones Rosa, Gingerbread and South African Chocolate Pepper. There will be plenty of cookies to share with friends and family!

Youth in grades 3-8 are encouraged to register, especially those enrolled in the Foods and Nutrition project. Youth in grades 3-5 are recommended to have an adult caregiver to assist during this program as more detailed cookies are being taught.

The program fee is \$15 made payable to Trempealeau County Extension and includes the following items: Clover Cookie Cutter, Measuring Cups/Spoons, Shortening, Molasses and Chocolate. All other supplies are the responsibility of the participant and include things like flour and sugar. If you need any assistance in purchasing these supplies, please reach out to Andrea.

Youth can register here by November 19: https://forms.gle/Xb2NBmKt3JqZ64NN6. Bag pick up will be the week on November 26th.



Window Decorating Contest Results:

If you have not already check out the National 4-H Week Window Decorations! Thank you to the Whitehall Happy Hustlers and GHCBBs! Both of them had great window displays and both will be getting a local business gift certificate from the Adult Leaders!



First Place GHCBB's Window Decoration



Whitehall Happy Hustlers





Virtual County Club Meeting:

This month we will have a some special guests for the County Virtual Meetings! Join us on **November 29th at 6 pm** for Kitchen Science! Dr. Tom Zinnen and Liz Jesse from the Bio Tech Center in Madison will be doing some fantastic kitchen experiments with us for the meeting!

If you have not joined us for the county wide meetings this month will be a blast! This meeting is great one to meet other 4-H Members from both counties and to get upcoming events BEFORE the newsletter each month! These are never a typical virtual meeting we play fun games and are active so you are not sitting in front screen the whole time!

Registration is below!

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://uwmadison.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYvcu-prTMiGtfgTlOcomDrG-lfqaQ-59d_

Meeting Boxes:

In person meetings have added a level of stress when it comes to cleaning and having those products available. If this is an issues you have encountered and are struggling to find products I have a solution for you! The Trempealeau county office has meeting boxes available for clubs and groups to check out that includes hand sanitizer, cleaning spray, disposable masks and paper towels. If you have a meeting and are interested in not having to find all these supplies for cleaning let the office know! These are available for check out and we will refill the contents when they are low so you do not have to worry about that!

Educational Experiences Update:

Here is a message from Amber Remberg about Educational Experiences for next year.

Due to the uncertainty regarding COVID-19, National 4-H Council, with support and guidance from national Extension leadership, including the 4-H Program Leaders Working Group, has decided that the 2021 National 4-H Educational Experiences will not be held in person. In addition to National 4-H Council's announcement, Wisconsin has made the decision that Space Camp and the American Spirit Experience will not be held in person in 2021. See list for specific updates:

- -2020 National 4-H Congress Canceled
- -Citizenship Washington Focus Presidential Inauguration Canceled
- -National Youth STEM Summit Virtual
- -National Youth Healthy Living Summit Virtual
- -National Youth Agri-Science Summit Virtual
- -National Youth Photography Summit Canceled
- -Citizenship Washington Focus Virtual
- -Leadership Washington Focus Virtual
- -National 4-H Conference Virtual
- -Space Camp No Wisconsin Delegation
- -American Spirit Experience Canceled
- -2021 National 4-H Congress To Be Determined (Does Not Meet at National 4-H Conference Center and is held in November)

Educational Experiences Update Continued:

The timing of the decision was intended to provide clear direction for county and state programs in the promoting and planning stages and to allow National 4-H Council and their teams time to focus on creating high quality virtual experiences.

Several important factors and considerations guided the decision to move from in-person to virtual:

- 1. Health and safety of youth, adults, staff and volunteers is a primary concern
- 2. Equitable access for all youth at national events; currently 50% of Land Grant Universities have restricted travel and many have indicated continued restrictions through Summer of 2021
- 3. Challenge of retrofitting the National 4-H Conference Center to meet social distancing requirements
- 4. Opportunity to invest in virtual capabilities and leverage innovation from Extension and youth. The Wisconsin decision that Space Camp and the American Spirit Experience will not be held in person in 2021 was based on the registration timelines, uncertainty of external vendors and partner services and resources needed to plan and facilitate safely based on information currently available. The decision was also made out of respect to 4-H members and leaders with regard to the time they invest in applying, fundraising and preparing for the experiences. Moving forward, committees will explore whether virtual options or other opportunities are possible.

I am committed to work with our youth leaders, adult volunteers and staff to reimagine educational experiences for 2021. A committee has already started to reimagine Youth Conference, and although we do not know if it will be on campus, we do know that we will offer an experience for youth leaders to engage, connect and learn with youth from around the state!

WI 4-H values educational travel experiences and the impact they have on participants; providing unique and special opportunities for leadership, citizenship and life skill development. We understand that this announcement will be disappointing for many and may raise a lot of questions and concerns. It is incredibly challenging for me, yet our commitment to providing safe, quality educational experiences for all young people is at the heart of all decisions being made.

It would be wonderful if you could share the information above with the 4-H youth and adult leaders in your county who may be impacted by the decisions. If you would like any help with communication, please let me know. I will continue to do my best to get additional information and updates to you as they become available. As always, if you have any questions and/or would like to further discuss anything, please e-mail or call.

Cedar Crest Ice Cream Contest:

<u>Cedar Crest Ice Cream</u>, Cedarburg, Wisconsin, and the <u>Wisconsin 4-H Foundation</u> have teamed up again to present the "Cedar Crest Ice Cream 4-H Flavor Contest" for Wisconsin 4-H clubs. More than 1600 clubs are eligible to create and submit a flavor 'recipe' with the top clubs named as finalists, and the top flavor produced for summer 2021.

According to Brenda Scheider, Executive Director of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, the contest is a great opportunity for 4-H youth to work together to develop and name their flavor. "The most exciting part of the contest is the winning flavor will be available through Cedar Crest beginning next July." The annual contest has already yielded popular flavors including Deep Woods, created by the Badger Boosters 4-H Club of West Bend and Wisconsin Campfire S'mores, created by the Springbrook 4-H Club of New Richmond. This year's winning flavor was Road Trip Wisconsin, created by the Trail Blazers 4-H Club of Holmen in LaCrosse County.

A panel of ice cream experts chosen by Cedar Crest judges the entries. The company manufacturers more than 80 flavors of ice cream, along with frozen custard, sherbet and sorbet at its Manitowoc, Wisconsin, plant, and distributes products in five states. Many of the flavors now produced

Cedar Crest Ice-cream Contest Continued:

by Cedar Crest, including Wisconsin Campfire S'mores and Big Muddy, are a result of the contest.

More information and the entry form are available at www.cedarcresticecream.com. Entries are due by November 13, 2020. The winner will be announced in December 2020.

Based in Madison, WI, the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation provides essential funding for 4-H programs throughout Wisconsin. By partnering with individuals, corporations and foundations, the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation supports more than 150,000 youth who take part in various 4-H leadership, development and community-building activities throughout the state. Learn more about the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation at www.Wis4HFoundation.org.



VIP Training:

I will be holding two in person VIP in the next two months. VIP or volunteers in preparation training is for anyone who wants to work with youth one-on-one and teach sessions like a project or club leader. If you have signed up to be a volunteer in 4-H Online and I have not approved you yet it might be because of this. Look for this symbol . This means that you will need to complete either VIP or mandated reporter training.

Want more information about VIP? Email me! I would be happy to answer your questions!

The first one is on November 9th in Black River Falls at 6 pm. Register Here

The second date will be December 7th in Trempealeau County at 6 pm. Register Here

Registration is required for both trainings!

4-H Online 2.0:

Just a couple of 4-H Online reminders! The goal for this year is to have returning members enrolled by December 1st. This way club leaders can update their lists and we can continue to keep everyone involved who wants to be.

If you have not enrolled yet here are some tips to remember:

- Do not create a new account! Use your old email and password from the old system to log in.
- When re-enrolling be sure to update all of the projects your child is interested in right away. Projects are were I have seen the most issues in the system but it is easier to get them all taken care of right away then to wait.

Enrollment Guide

Annual Leader Training:

Register now to be part of the 2020-2021 Annual Leader Training! This will be a highly interactive VIRTUAL program for 4-H leaders and older youth.

This year, there will be three (3) one hour sessions:

- •one hour focused on 4-H and leading 4-H club meetings and groups,
- •one hour focused on 4-H and learning in 4-H club meetings and groups, and
 - •one hour focused on 4-H and laughing in 4-H club meetings and groups

Attend one, two, or all sessions! These sessions are designed to give you, as club youth and adult leaders, tangible and usable strategies, activities and ideas to use during your virtual, hybrid or in person meetings. Registration information is below.

Session 1: Leading Club Meetings (business in 4-H clubs and groups)

November 23, 2020, 7:00-8:00pm (zoom platform)

Register here! https://bit.ly/34S9F3c

Session 2: Learning in Club Meetings (education in 4-H clubs and groups)

December 1, 2020, 7:00-8:00 pm (zoom platform)

Register here! https://bit.ly/3dpsjTU

Session 3: Laughing in Club Meetings (recreation in 4-H clubs and groups)

December 10, 2020, 7:00-8:00 pm (zoom platform)

Register here! https://bit.ly/3jYFpd6

Attendance will be tracked for the requirement of annual leader training on Wisconsin 4-H Club Charters. In order to meet the requirement, one leader from each club or group MUST attend at least one of the hour long sessions.

Have questions? Ask Andrea!