



4-H CLOVERLINK
THE NEWSLETTER FOR
4-H FAMILIES & FRIENDS

Monroe County UW-Extension



2017

January/February

JOSHUA'S JOTTINGS

Dear Families,

It is said that change is the hardest part of the human experience. But at the same time change is the most essential of things, a child must grow, a flower must bloom. There are a lot of changes coming down the pike for Monroe County 4-H. Some of the changes are good, some are going to be hard, but all are necessary.

I am a bad news first kind of guy so I will start with those hard changes. These mostly revolve about the County 4-H budget. The board and leaders had to make cuts to the budget, these were not done lightly and were done as judiciously as could be done. Major changes are:

- The Community Services Learning Grants have been discontinued until we are able to fund them again.
- Exhibitor Wrist Bands are going to be covered at 50% from the county. Individual clubs may cover the rest or another portion. If your family is a lifetime member of the Ag Society, please make sure your club doesn't buy your band as you have free passes with your families ag society membership.
- We will be charging \$60 per 4-Her for summer camp to recoup more of the cost of sending kids to camp. Non-4-H rate will be \$100.
- The annual summer picnic will be eliminated. Busy summers don't leave a lot of time for events like this. Seniors will receive recognition at the fair.
- The Family Banquet will look very different than in years past. More details will come as plans are made to create an event to honor the hard work 4-Hers put in.
- 4-H Travel and out-of-county programs will be supported at 50% of the cost. This does not include 2017 4-H Space Camp or 2017 Citizenship Washington Focus, but all other trips to state events will be affected
- Most other budget lines were trimmed as well.
- A reimbursement deadline was set. If you seek reimbursement

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for a trip it must be done within 60 days or it will not be issued.

On the bright side of the coin, Monroe County 4-H is starting some new things that promise to expand opportunity for 4-Hers and possibly ease the budget issues. In 2017 we will:

- Hold a small animal auction to make project animals available for youth. This event will take about 30 of our youth and volunteers to make successful. The committee is looking at April 22nd as the date to host this great new endeavor.
- Redesign the meeting schedules of

2017 District Responsibilities

Northeast: LaGrange Tunnel-Lites; Valle Ville

Small Animal Auction

Clean Food Stand Before Tractor Pull

Northwest: Denim n' Dust; Hoppy Trails; West Beaver Creek

Small Animal Auction

Clean Food Stand After Tractor Pull

Southwest: Jolly Joiners; Leon Livewires

Clean Food Stand After Fair

4-H Family Celebration

Southeast: Hill-N-Valley; Norwalk Clovers; Stepping Stones

Festival of Arts

Clean/Set Exhibit Hall Before Fair

the Executive Board and the Leader's Associations. The Exec Board will meet monthly in person or through telecommunication. The Leaders' Assoc. will meet quarterly.

- I am also redesigning communications, as you can tell by this new newsletter format. I am going to send out 6 newsletters a year. Deadlines are still the 20th of each month so we can stream line the creation of each newsletter. They will be published in the first week of even months. In addition to newsletters I will be sending update emails with current information, opportunities, and links.

There are other changes coming as well for UW Extension. In Monroe County the UW Extension Office will be moving from its current location. The plan right now is to move to the ARDC/Senior Services Building still on the Rolling Hills Complex. As many of you know, UWEX is reorganizing on a statewide level as well. My hope is that my job changes very little but I know there will be changes. We do not know the full breadth of those changes, there will be more information coming this spring. Please let your county and state officials know you value UW Extension and the 4-H program. Know that whatever the structure as long as Monroe County has UW Extension there will be 4-H. I hope to keep serving you much as I have for going on four years now.

The affects of change boil down to one thing. The attitude you adopt to get through it. I know this is not new to many but it is something that pays to bear in mind. Looking for the good outcomes helps us find good outcomes. Looking for bad outcomes give us bad outcomes. So, here is to searching for the good,



Joshua L. Goede Joshua L. Goede
 Monroe County 4-H & Youth Development Agent

Adult Youth Protection Training

We will have the last scheduled VIP training in February.

Location: UW-Extension Office

DATE: February 11 @ 9:00-11:00 a.m.

If any new leader will be attending one of the sessions mentioned above, please contact Joshua at (608)269-8722 or email joshua.goede@ces.uwex.edu to schedule your time for training.



Calendar of Events

Sun Feb 5, 2017

1:30pm Jolly Joiners Meeting

Where: Cashton High School
Cashotn, WI

Mon Feb 6, 2017

6pm Archery/Air Rifle Training

Where: Gold Building, Recreation
Park, Tomah

6:30pm Denim n' Dust Meeting

Where: Cataract Sportsmen's
Club, Cataract WI

7pm Leon Livewires Meeting

Where: Leon Community Center,
Leon WI

Sat Feb 11, 2017

9am Adult VIP Training

Where: UWEX Office

Sun Feb 12, 2017

2pm Norwalk Clovers Meeting

Where: Norwalk Village Hall, 208
Church St, Norwalk, WI

2pm Valle-Ville Club Meeting

Where: First United Methodist
Church 1105 Butts Ave Tomah, WI

5pm LaGrange Tunnel-Lites Meet

Where: American Legion, 800
Wisconsin Ave, Tomah, WI

Mon Feb 13, 2017

6pm Archery/Air Rifle Training

Where: Gold Building, Recreation
Park, Tomah

Sat Feb 18, 2017

9am 2017 Beef Weigh-in

Where: Equity Co-Op Livestock
Sales, 6089 WI-16, Sparta, WI

Sun Feb 19, 2017

2pm Hoppy Trails Club Meeting

Where: Trinity Lutheran Church,
612 N Water St, Sparta, WI

7pm 4-H Dog Meeting

Where: Rolling Hills Rehabilitation
Center, 14345 Co Hwy B, Sparta, WI

Mon Feb 20, 2017

4:30pm CloverLink Deadline

6pm Archery/Air Rifle Training

Where: Gold Building, Recreation
Park, Tomah

Thu Feb 23, 2017

6:30pm West Beaver Creek

Meets

Where: Gospel Baptist Church,
1700 W Wisconsin St, Sparta, WI

Sun Feb 26, 2017

2pm Hill-N-Valley Club Meeting

Where: Brookwood High School,
Ontario, WI

Mon Feb 27, 2017

6pm Archery/Air Rifle Training

Where: Gold Building, Recreation
Park, Tomah

Wed Mar 1, 2017

Beef ID Due

Sat Mar 4, 2017

9am Festival of Arts

Where: Meadowview Intermediate
School, 1225 N Water St, Sparta, WI

Sun Mar 5, 2017

1:30pm Jolly Joiners Meeting

Where: Cashton High School, 540
Coe St, Cashton, WI

Mon Mar 6, 2017

6pm Archery/Air Rifle Training

Where: Gold Building, Recreation
Park, Tomah

6:30pm Denim n' Dust Meeting

Where: Cataract Sportsmen's
Club, Cataract WI

6:30pm Executive Board Mtg.

Where: F & M Bank, 1001 Superior
Ave, Tomah, WI

7pm Leon Livewires Meeting

Where: Leon Community Center,
Leon WI

Sun Mar 12, 2017

2pm Norwalk Clovers Meeting

Where: Norwalk Village Hall, 208
Church St, Norwalk, WI

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6pm Archery/Air Rifle Training

Where: Gold Building, Recreation Park, Tomah

Sun Mar 19, 2017

2pm Hoppy Trails Club Meeting

Where: Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 N Water St, Sparta, WI

7:15pm 4-H Dog Meeting

Where: Recreation Park, 1625 Butts Ave, Tomah, WI

Mon Mar 20, 2017

4:30pm CloverLink Deadline

6pm Archery/Air Rifle Training

Where: Gold Building, Recreation Park, Tomah

7:30pm MOCO4-H Leaders Assn. Meeting

Where: F&M Bank, 1001 Superior Ave, Tomah, WI

Thu Mar 23, 2017

6:30pm West Beaver Creek Meets

Where: Gospel Baptist Church, 1700 W Wisconsin St, Sparta, WI

Sun Mar 26, 2017

2pm Hill-N-Valley Club Meeting

Where: Brookwood High School, Ontario, WI

Mon Mar 27, 2017

6pm Archery/Air Rifle Training

Where: Gold Building, Recreation Park, Tomah

Sat Apr 1, 2017

8am Fur Fin & Feather

Where: Barney Center, 1000 E Montgomery St., Sparta, WI

Sun Apr 2, 2017

1:30pm Jolly Joiners Meeting

Where: Cashton High School, 540 Coe St, Cashton, WI

Mon Apr 3, 2017

6:30pm Denim n' Dust Meeting

Where: Cataract Sportsmen's Club, Cataract WI

7pm Leon Livewires Meeting

Where: Leon Community Center, Leon WI

Tue Apr 4, 2017

9am Child Abuse Prevention

Month Proclamation

Where: Sparta School District

Sun Apr 9, 2017

2pm Norwalk Clovers Meeting

Where: Norwalk Village Hall, 208 Church St, Norwalk, WI

2pm Valle-Ville Club Meeting

Where: First United Methodist Church 1105 Butts Ave Tomah, WI

5pm LaGrange Tunnel-Lites Meet

Where: American Legion, 800 Wisconsin Ave, Tomah, WI

Sun Apr 16, 2017

2pm Hoppy Trails Club Meeting

Where: Trinity Lutheran Church, 612 N Water St, Sparta, WI

Apr 20-24, 2017

4-H Space Camp

Where: U.S. Space & Rocket Center, 1 Tranquility Base, Huntsville

Sun Apr 23, 2017

2pm Hill-N-Valley Club Meeting

Where: Brookwood High School, Ontario, WI

Mon Apr 24, 2017

6:30pm West Beaver Creek Meets

Where: Gospel Baptist Church, 1700 W Wisconsin St, Sparta, WI



Check out our live Google Calendar @

monroe.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development

Or Scan the code.





4-H CLUB NEWS:



Giving You the Goods on the Good Work of Monroe County 4-H

Denim 'n Dust:

November: Meeting was called to order by President Tarilyn.

- Pledge of Allegiance led by Ethan and 4H Pledge led by Tyler.
- No Secretaries report due to no secretary being present
- Treasurer's report by Bailey. Read and approved
- Our club welcomed two new members, Greta and Gracia Anderson!
- Installed new officers for 2016-2017 4H year: President: Amanda Jaeger; Vice President: Ethan Prestwood; Secretary: Katie Bauer; Treasurer: Sam Parent; Reporter: Johannah Benzing
- Ethan and Katie talked about our club trip to the Hidden Trails Corn Maze on Oct 16
- Katie and Amanda talked about the club officer training they attended at the UW Extension Office
- Cloverbuds and Explorers went to do a project in the kitchen.

Old Business:

- We need to get our donation from last spring's bake sale to the Monroe County Humane Society. Decided to have the Club Officer's try to get together to do this.
- No hat, coat and mitten drive this year.
- Discussed taking in donations for the Cataract Elementary School's Backpack program. Sarah will check on doing a Miracle Minute donation at the High School.

New Business:

- Voted and approved to do a brat and bake sale next spring at the Cataract Mart.
- Next meeting Dec 5
- Meeting adjourned by Ashley and seconded by Bailey at 7:24pm.

December: Meeting was called to order by President Amanda.

- Pledge of Allegiance led by Ashley and 4H Pledge led by Tyler.
- Roll call taken. Secretary's report given by Katie and approved. Treasurer's report read by Sam and approved.
- Our club welcomed a new member: Ben Clark

Old News:

- No miracle minute for getting donations at the Sparta High School for backpack program. Not allowed since we are not a school group. We will instead put a box and donation jar up at Cataract Mart for donations and have a blitz day on Dec 18 with members of our club at the Cataract Mart to encourage people to donate. There will be two shifts from 9am-3pm.

New business:

- Festival of Arts is Saturday, March 4 at Meadowview. Please start getting your projects going. Josh talked about the new format and that more information will be coming out soon.
- Holiday party - took a vote and decided on going to Living Waters Bible Camp in Westby on Jan. 15. Ashley made a motion to have the club pay for the entrance fee of \$7.00 a person and Jeffery 2nd the motion. Kris will get more information and send it out by email.
- Ashley motioned to adjourn the meeting and Hailey 2nd it. Meeting adjourned 7:24pm

- Demonstrations and snacks by Hailey and Aiden. Respectfully Submitted by Katie Bauer

Jolly Joiners:

December: The last Jolly Joiners meeting was held at 1:30pm on December 4th in the Cashton High School Cafeteria

- Thanks to all the people who helped decorate the 4-H park before the meeting
- A sign-up for helping with Fruit for Families went around at the meeting
- We talked about communication an email list went around so people could add their email if they didn't receive an email
- We decided to see if the Honey Queen can do an educational talk for us at the Super Sunday
- There were forms for an appreciation dinner for families to fill out at the meeting and then we will know some more details from those
- We decided that we will go to Living Waters on January 8th for our winter outing; bring food for the potluck at 12:00, and activities will start at about 1:00
- People who went for the holiday activities at Rolling Hills had lots of fun
- We discussed the community service project; Annette will send an email when help is needed
- Many thanks to Al Erickson for helping with our broken popcorn machine in concessions
- We decided that the secretary's and treasurer's report will be sent out in the email before the meeting so we don't have to read them at the meeting, we can just approve them
- We set up a committee of Rose Adams, Brianne Huntzicker, Sierra Hanley, and Taylor Hanley for the Super Sunday which will be on February 5th at 1:00pm
- We don't have a Christmas tree this year, but we decided to have a wooden tree, similar to the ones in the 4-H park, next year so we can keep it and use it again
- The next meeting will be during the food at Living Waters at 12:00.

December: The last Jolly Joiners meeting was held at 12:30pm on January 8th at Living Waters

- We discussed the Community Appreciation dinner
- Concessions are going well and there are some empty shifts on February 16th that need to be filled
- The Honey Queen will be coming to Super Sunday
- We received a thank you card from the Nutrition Site
- Make sure to start preparing for Festival of Arts if you are participating
- The sheep show has been moved from Saturday morning to Thursday night
- Announcements: Festival of Arts on March 4th, Jr. Livestock meeting on January 16th
- Next meeting will be the Super Sunday on February 5th at 1:00pm in the High School Cafeteria

Respectfully Submitted by Izzi Mason

Norwalk Clovers:

The meeting of the Norwalk Clovers 4-H was called to order by President Kennedy Ornes at 2:06 p.m. on January 8, 2017 at the Wilton Community Center. Flag pledges were led by Lily Bloyer and Kyle Menn.

Secretary's report was given by Kristi Clevon. Vanessa Ornes made a motion to expect the secretary's report and Zaida Carpenter 2nd it. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was read and placed on audit.

4-H CLUB NEWS: Cont.

Jasmine Pingel and Austin Helgren talked about sliding at Justin trails.

Barb talked about Festival of Arts and what you can make and where Festival of Arts was . Vanessa Ornes made a motion to keep making 2 valentines cards for the Senior Citizens and Hannah Bloyer 2nd it. Motion carried. Made a committee of Kennedy Ornes, Kristi Cleven, Vanessa Ornes, Lailah Eckes, Lily Bloyer, Hannah Bloyer, Isabella Helgren, and Zaida Carpenter to decided what our activity for the March meeting will be. Barb talked about Demonstrations and sign up for snacks.

Tyler gave the Jr. Leaders and said that they worked rotary lights in Sparta. Lailah Eckes and Kristi Cleven said what they did. Tyler also talked about Clover College on January 14 at 1 p.m. and also have a lock in. Barb gave the leader report and said they need a President. She also gave out prizes for those who did record books. Kyle Menn said there is a woodworking meeting January 24 at 7:00 p.m. at Brookwood. Barb said that if you are in sewing talk to her to set up times.

Next meeting is February 12, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at the Norwalk Village hall. Kyle Menn made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Vanessa Ornes 2nd it. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by: Kristi Cleven



Cloverbud Corner

Kool-Aid Snow Paint

Here is a simple and fun way to make your own snow paint. This paint is really vibrant and smells amazing, which makes it even more FUN!

Snow Paint Materials

- Kool-Aid Packets
- Water
- Spray Bottles or Squirt Bottles

Kool-Aid snow paint couldn't be easier to make! Simply add a packet of Kool-Aid to an empty bottle, fill with water, shake, and you are ready to go!

The Kool-Aid makes the snow paint super vibrant, and it's SCENTED, which makes it even more fun for kids. Kids can even use the paint to embellish their snowmen. Such simple, frugal fun!



Project courtesy of :
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eledrose.com/2013
/02/-snow-
paint.html](http://www.growingajeweledrose.com/2013/02/-snow-paint.html)



Project News & Information

Shooting Sports

Any youth planning to participate in the Shotgun and/or .22 Rifle project must have completed a Hunters Safety Course prior to the beginning of those practices.

Upcoming Events:

- February & March- Mondays Archery **AND** Air rifle
 - Recreation Park, Gold Building, Tomah Fair Grounds
- June- (2days/week for 3 weeks) .22 & Shotgun
 - Cataract Sportsman's Club, Cataract, WI

The shooting Sports Project had a wonderful 2016. We brought on many new instructors for the coming year. The new instructors are excited to train this year and are looking at ways to improve our program.

This year along with the skills practice of Archery & Air Rifle there will be weekly hands on learning experiences. These will deal with wildlife and nature. The youth will build and create things that will teach about taking care of our resources, helping restore nature, and identifying things in nature.

The Archery and Air Rifle schedule will also be changing. Each week all members will meet at 6pm for the 30 minute learning experience. The group will then split between 2 separate ranges, one for archery and one for air rifle. After forty-five minutes in the first discipline the youth will have the opportunity to switch to the opposite discipline for the final forty-five minutes. Both disciplines will be taught for the full 8 weeks.



J r . L e a d e r s

The Junior Leaders had a very active January. The members started by turning in their lesson plans for the activities they were going to teach at 2017 Clover College. Clover College was Saturday, January 14th. The Jr. Leaders were really happy with the turn out. They taught 20 Cloverbuds about buildings, eggs, nutrition, and dogs. They also had fun making a craft and playing with the little ones and the parachute.

After the cleanup from Clover College the Jr. Leaders checked into their Lodges for the lock-in. They then went to the water park. All had great fun swimming before dinner. Following dinner the group had their business meeting. Topics covered were: A discussion of how Clover College went, next year we will meet earlier and practice our lessons to work out the kinks; Planning for the ice cream stand this summer; and talking about the tobacco prevention lesson taught at Cashton on Jan. 9th. The largest discussions revolved around ideas for awards connected to the record books and ways to raise funds to cover those awards; and our summer trip. This year active Jr. Leaders will go to Chicago. The group hopes to see some great sights and perform service for a community. There will also be team building and fun time to hang around.

After the meeting adjourned, the group broke out the fleece to tie blankets to donate to local shelters. The group made 2 adult sized and 3 youth sized blankets to donate in around an hour and a half. After the blankets were done snacks were consumed, games were played and much fun was had. All members look forward to next year.

Leadership: Just Do It



D o g P r o j e c t

The first Monroe County Dog Project meeting of the year was a success. There were several families and dogs at the event. The Monroe County 4-H Dog Project would like to continue the strong program that has developed. Two more Winter meetings are planned for

- February 19, Activity Room at the Rolling Hills Complex, at 7:00pm.
- March 19, Fair Grounds, Sunday, at 7:15pm.

All dog project members are invited to all meetings as we kick off to the new year. At the meetings, will discuss planning the program for the coming year.

- What will the schedules be
- Who will go to what site
- Each member can introduce their dogs
- Training needs
- Ability assessments
- Fair and other shows
- **Demonstration** “Canine Health.”



C l o t h i n g P r o j e c t

Location: Barb Ornes' Sewing Shop, Norwalk

Attention all Clothing/Sewing Project 4-H countywide members. If you would like help with your clothing/sewing projects, please contact Barb Ornes @ 823-7872 to attend one of her sessions.

For those just starting out, we will talk about tools needed, parts of the sewing machine, practice sewing, how to read a pattern and much more. For those who have been sewing, if you have any questions or suggestions for the fair book, please let us know. We plan on updating the selections for clothing construction.



2016-2017 MONROE COUNTY 4-H (

<u>EXECUTIVE BOARD</u>	<u>FOOD STAND</u>	<u>SHOOTING SPORTS</u>
Kamie McCoy - President	1. Past President	Certified Shooting
Carol Las - President Elect	2. Board Treasurer	Sports Instructors
Bernadette Adams - Secretary	3. Dona Goede	<u>HOME & FAMILY</u>
Barb Ornes - Treasurer	4. Siri Donskey	1. Denise Murray
Michelle Jaeger - NW District	5.	2. Barb Ornes
Angela Bunker - SW District	<u>HORSES</u>	3.
Dave Kuehl - NE District	Janielle Hanson-Pres.	4.
Rachel Fleming - SE District	Jenna Olson -Vice Pres.	5.
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1. Carol Las (Board Pres.)	Carol Las- Fair Super	DD
2. Robert Gebczyk (NE)	<u>DOGS</u>	2. ?H-N-V
3. Peggy Clevon (SE)	1. Jackie Menn	3. ?HT
4. Emma Mason (SW)	2. Dona Goede	4. Jamie Misna/Miranda Leis
5. (NW)	3. Robert Gebczyk	JJ
<u>CLOVERBUD/EXPLORING</u>	4. Stacy Gebczyk	5. ?LGT
1. Jr. Leaders	5.	6. ?LL
2. Michelle Jaeger	<u>FESTIVAL OF ARTS</u>	7. Barb Ornes NC
3.	1. Rachel Fleming	8. ?SS
4.	<small>SE Executive Board Representative</small>	9. ?VV
5.	1. Angela Bunker	10. Ann Puck WBC
	2. Bernadette Adams	<u>FUR, FIN & FEATHER</u>
	3. Carol Schauf	1. Jamie Luther
	4.	2. Amanda Wood-
	<u>STATE FAIR COMMITTEE</u>	worth
	1. Faye Schreier	3. Carol Las
	2. Annette Trescher	4. Doug Brown
	3. Amy Schmitz	5.
	4. Peggy Clevon	

COMMITTEES

Small Animal Auction

1. Jamie North
2. Carol Las
3. Doug Brown
- 4.
- 5.



Self Governing Committees

M.C. ALL BREEDS JR.

DAIRY

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer

JR. LIVESTOCK

- Jamie DeWit
- President
- Jeff Bunker
- Vice President
- Faye Schreier
- Secretary
- Keri Hericks
-Treasurer

Several of the committees
still have vacancies.

YOU ARE INVITED TO ADD
YOUR TALENTS TO ANY OPEN
POSITION.

IF YOU WISH TO SERVE

CALL 269-8722 OR EMAIL

JOSHUA.GOEDE@CES.UWEX.EDU

Upcoming Events

Festival of Arts



The Monroe County Festival of Arts is scheduled for Saturday, March 4, 2017 at the Meadowview Intermediate School in Sparta. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m.

There will be new categories to enter your talent with flexible scheduling. Everyone is welcome to share your expertise and talents.

Why not talk to your club and participate in a group activity.

This is the link to the E-Registration: <https://goo.gl/forms/bgYFX68tvt0DeJge2>

Registrations are due February 20th



DO
SOME-
THING
NEW, TRY
THE ARTS
IN 4-H.



**27th ANNUAL
MONROE COUNTY 4-H**

FUR, FIN & FEATHER SHOW



**APRIL 1st, 2017
9:00 a.m.
Sparta Barney
Center**



**1000 E. Montgomery Street
Sparta, WI**



**Registration is in
center of this
newsletter!! Show**



rules available at www.monroe.uwex.edu



**Visit monroe.uwex.edu or call
608-269-8722
to enter or for more information.**



Monroe County 4-H Fur, Fin and Feather Show, April 1, 2017 - Sparta Barney Center

ENTRY BLANK

Entries are due on March 6th, 2017 or postmarked no later than Thursday, March 2nd. If the entry form is postmarked after March 2nd, please pay the "Day of the Show" entry fee. Mail all entries to Monroe County 4-H Fur, Fin, and Feather Show, Monroe County Extension Office, 14345 Cty. Hwy. B, Room 1, Sparta, WI 54656. Make checks payable to Monroe County 4-H Leaders Association. Fees must accompany entry form. One exhibitor per entry blank. Photocopy as needed or use a separate sheet of paper. Who to call - Jamie North, Committee Chair, 608-396-3008(h) or 608-633-9432(c).

CLOVERBUD AND EXPLORER ENTRIES

Cloverbuds and Explorers can talk to the judge about a picture/collage of their pet. See guidelines for details. One exhibitor per entry blank. Photocopy as needed or use a separate sheet of paper.

Entry fee: \$1.00 per picture entered. \$2 per picture Day of Show. Limit 1 picture/category.

Check One: _____ Cloverbud (K-1st Gr.) _____ Explorer (2nd Gr.)

Exhibitor Name _____ Age _____ Grade _____

Address _____ City, State, ZIP _____

Parent Name _____ Club/County _____

Phone _____ Email _____

I give Monroe County 4-H permission to use my child's image for the purpose of 4-H Fur, Fin & Feather Show publicity:
____ Yes ____ No

Parent signature _____

Circle appropriate category - Mounted picture of: Cat Rabbit Poultry Small Pet

Total Cloverbud/Explorer \$ _____


Opportunities

Wisconsin 4-H International Program

"Is your family looking for something fun to do this summer? Why not host a student from Japan, Korea, Finland, Costa Rica or Mexico! Wisconsin 4-H is offering the experience of a lifetime for 75 families to host youth and adults from around the world.

These young people are anxiously waiting to get to know their new host family and share their culture. Special trips and tourism is not required! The focus of the exchange is for the youth to experience everyday American life. Youth ages 12-18 will be placed in homes with children of similar age and same gender. For more information and to complete an on-line application, please visit <https://www.states4hexchange.org/>. The world is waiting for YOU!"





CERAMIC CLASSES

Open registration thru March 2017

FOR 4-H MEMBERS, CLUBS, AND FAMILIES

What better class to attend than a Ceramic Class. Experience the many techniques to create a beautiful piece for a family member, friend or a special piece for you. This is a great way for children to have fun and get creative!

Classes are available each weekend thru March 2017. Please contact Kathy Grabitske by phoning 608-654-7372 to sign up. Cost: \$8.00/person. The class fee will go towards the purchase of the item you decide to paint.

Do you like science, technology or engineering? Would you like to engage in cool, hands-on scientific experiments? If so, then the IW2K! STEM Camp is for you!

IW2K! CAMP May 5-6, 2017

Upham Woods 4-H Camp,
Wisconsin Dells, WI
5:30 pm arrival | 4 pm
departure
Grades 6-8

\$70– Includes meals,
lodging, t-shirt, and supplies



I WANT TO KNOW! CAMP

Sign up TODAY!

Space is limited to the first 50 applicants.
directly to the State 4-H Office
Deadline to register: April 14, 2017.

Apply

Please go to <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hstem/events/i-want-to-know-stem-camp-2017/> to find the necessary forms for **I Want to Know! Camp**. Feel free to call the UWEX office (269-8722) for help.

This camp is open to **all youth** in grades 6-8! Youth do not have to be a 4-H member to apply!

Fair Information

Beef Weigh-Ins

The VOLUNTARY BEEF weigh-in will be held on Saturday, February 20th, 2016 at Equity Livestock (West of Sparta on Highway 16) from 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.



All Market Steer ID forms are due at the Extension Office on March 1st, 2017 by the end of the business day (4:30 p.m.) or postmarked no later than March 1st.

As of now, these items will be required:

- Participants (or representatives) are responsible for getting animals into chute and assisting with tagging.
- Ear tags are \$ 1.00 and can be purchased at time of the weigh in.

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NEW JR. LIVESTOCK RULE

This now includes all exhibitors, including those in their 1st year of showing.

“To be sale eligible the youth , parent or LEGAL guardian (may be asked to show proof of legal guardianship) must attend one Jr. Livestock meeting & follow all 4-H/FFA county rules. A parent or LEGAL guardian may represent youth 8th grade and under. Youth 9th grade and above must attend at least one meeting per year. Youth 9th grade and above may not represent siblings.”



There are two meetings before the fair. Usually the 2nd Tuesday of April and June.



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**Livestock ID Deadlines: Beef IDs Need to be in the office or online by 4:30pm on March 1:
Goat, Sheep Swine IDs need to be online by 4:30pm on May 15.**