



# Cloverline

4-H is a **community** of **young people** across **America** who are learning **leadership**, **citizenship**, and **life skills**.

April 2019

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*...and more!*

## Nebraska Not Forgotten

Imagine, if you will, the La Crosse River flooding to such astronomical proportions that it swallows up our fairgrounds, half the town of West Salem and just continues to destroy everything in its path until it empties into the Mississippi. Farmland, houses, businesses, livestock - gone. Nothing is really spared.

In Nebraska, they are dealing with snow and ice runoff - *our* snow and ice runoff - and it is ruining their communities. Where there was the goal of showing a bunny or chick at the fair this year, there is now only mud. Emergency groups are saving lives, but who is restoring the hopes and dreams, or even a little sense of normalcy?

An idea was proposed that maybe our La Crosse County 4-H family could help the 4-H members in Dodge County Nebraska, one of the hardest hit areas of the flood. Maybe with a little effort on our part, we can instill a sense of hope for their 4-H future. So, we are proposing that during the month of April we fundraise for Nebraska 4-H. Have your club do something on its own or participate in any one of the county-run events this month. Let's change some lives and give some support. More information on county events will hit your email inboxes soon, so start brainstorming!

Now is a great opportunity to give some great change,

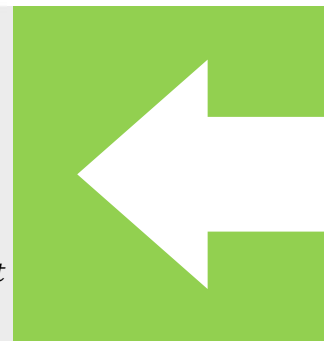
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## project literature >>>

Are you interested in ordering FREE project literature for the 4-H year? Visit our online Project Guide at <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/files/2018/08/2018-2019-Project-Guide.pdf>, pick out your pieces and request them online at <https://goo.gl/mzKtwL>. We'll contact you when your order is ready! *Please note that ordering literature through 4HOnline does not work as it is not compatible with La Crosse County 4-H.*



## leadership >>>

### Leaders Board Meeting

The next Leaders Board meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 11th at 7:00 p.m.** in Hamilton Town Hall in West Salem. There will be an open forum at 6:45 p.m. for anyone wishing to address the committee.

The Leaders Board monthly meeting minutes are available online 24/7 at <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-leadership/leaders-board-minutes/>.

### V.I.P. Training

The next V.I.P. training will be held on **Monday, May 6th at 7:30 p.m.** in the La Crosse County Administrative Building (212 6th St. N Rm 2208, La Crosse, WI 54601). This training is required for all new volunteers and some returning volunteers still need this training! Please contact the Extension La Crosse County office at 608-785-9593 or [LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org](mailto:LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org) to RSVP.



### Club Leader Wanted

The Salem Seekers 4-H Club is looking for a new club leader to take over at the end of this year. Thank you to **Barb Gilster** who has tirelessly stepped up in this role and as a 4-H volunteer for the past 17 years! If you or anyone you know may be interested in leading a club in the West Salem area, please contact the Extension La Crosse County office.

## bits n' pieces >>>



### Softball Annual Meeting

When: **Monday, April 8th at 6:30 p.m.**

Where: Burns Town Hall, W1313 Jewett Rd, Bangor, WI 54614

This meeting will cover the annual charter review, constitution, by-laws, discussion of continuation of Committee, election of officers and games of the season. Coaches are needed to continue these 4-H sponsored events!

### Food Stand - Help Wanted!

The Food Stand Committee will be having a meeting on **Tuesday, April 23rd at 6:30 p.m.** at Hamilton Town Hall in West Salem. This meeting is for 4-H club leader Fair shift sign-up and to discuss anything that has been brought to the Committee's attention.



### Club Bake Sale

When: **Friday, April 5th at 11:00 a.m.**

Where: First National Bank, N8305 State Rd 108, Mindoro, WI 54644

Come support Brown's Valley 4-H with their local bake sale! The sale will run until all goods are gone.

### Summer Student Hosting

The State 4-H office is looking for families to host students this summer from Costa Rica, Norway, Japan, South Korea or Taiwan! You don't need to be involved with 4-H in order to host and no special activities need to be planned. For more information, visit <http://www.states4hexchange.org>.

# animal sciences >>>



## 2019 Dog Training Classes

Dog Obedience, Showmanship, Agility, Critter Hunt and Quiz Bowl classes are open to all 4-H members in grades 3 and up. To register, please fill out the registration form online at <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/dog/> and return it to the Extension La Crosse County office with a copy of your dog's vaccination records by **Monday, April 1st at 4:30 p.m.** Registrations with a late fee will be accepted until **Tuesday, April 16th** at the orientation meeting. All classes will begin the week of April 29th with different classes being held weekly on different days of the week. Classes will run 11 weeks. For more information and a class catalogue, please visit the Dog Project website (above).

There will be a mandatory orientation meeting on **Tuesday, April 16th at 6:00 p.m.** for all participants and Dog Project members at Hamilton Town Hall (N5105 N Leonard St., West Salem, WI 54669). Please do not bring your dog to this meeting. This meeting will inform families about important class information and go over possibilities for showing your dog(s) at the Fair this July.

### NEW - State Fair Deadlines

**ALL State Fair entries for Junior Livestock are due by Friday, May 17th.** This includes all entries for Beef, Dairy, Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep and Swine. YQCA certification for all animal projects is required upon entry registration.

**NEW this year** - Beginning in 2019, all Wisconsin State Fair DNA identification requirements for Beef, Sheep and Swine (market and non-registered breeding stock) must be submitted by the **May 17th** entry deadline to Wisconsin State Fair (DNA Hair) or to Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium (DNA Tissue).

All questions regarding entering the Wisconsin State Fair can be emailed to [entryoffice@wistatefair.com](mailto:entryoffice@wistatefair.com) or by calling 414-266-7052. For more information on your individual animal species, visit <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/junior-livestock/>.

### Attention Swine Exhibitors!

If you will be showing swine at the 2019 La Crosse Interstate Fair, all identification paperwork must be submitted to Mike Gilster by **Saturday, April 27th**. Please call Mike with questions at 608-790-1261.

Paperwork can be mailed to the address below:



**MIKE GILSTER  
W2614 STATE RD 16  
BANGOR WI 54614**

### Sheep Weigh-In



When: **Saturday, May 4th** from **8:30-10:00 a.m.**

Where: La Crosse Interstate Fairgrounds

### Fur, Fin, Feather Show



When: **Saturday, April 13th at 9:00 a.m.**

Where: Sparta Barney Center, 1000 E Montgomery St., Sparta, WI 54656

Come see what our 4-H youth have to show! Possible exhibits include cats, poultry, eggs, small pets, rabbits and pet pictures/collages. Pullorum testing will be available for free at 8:00 a.m. Lunch options will be available. This is a fun novelty show that gives youth and their animals a chance in the spotlight in lieu of or in preparation for Fair this summer. For rules and registration, please visit <https://monroe.extension.wisc.edu/2019/01/08/2019-fur-fin-feather/>. Questions can be directed to the Extension Monroe County office at 608-269-8722.

### Horse Project Updates

- ◆ The Horse Project calendar of events has been recently updated! Please check it out online at <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/horse/>.
- ◆ The next Project meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 17th at 7:00 p.m.** at Barre Town Hall following Horse Bowl practice at 6:00.
- ◆ Don't forget that all Horse Project registrations are due to the Extension La Crosse County office by **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1st.** *If you do not register any and all horses you may want to ride in competition this year, they will not be allowed in the ring.* Please check the Horse Project Handbook for clarification. All forms can be found on the Horse Project page at <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/horse/>.



## 2019 YQCA Training

For youth exhibitors that wish to participate in the **2019 Wisconsin State Fair**, Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training is required. This training is also required for the **2019 La Crosse Interstate Fair** *for swine exhibitors only*. There are 3 different ways to complete your YQCA training this year (see below).

**ONLINE**: YQCA training can be taken online in the form of self-guided modules. The cost for this format is \$12.00 per youth. To get started and get your modules finished, log on to <https://yqca.learn-grow.io/Account/Login> and enter your 4HOnline profile information.

**FACE TO FACE**: Kaitlyn Lance, Extension La Crosse County's Agriculture Educator, will be offering face to face training on **Tuesday, April 16th** from **5:00-6:30 p.m.** at Bangor High School (700 10th Ave S, Bangor, WI 54614). Pre-registration is required via the YQCA website and is available now! Please call our office at 608-785-9593 with questions. Register today at <https://yqca.learn-grow.io/Account/Login>.

**TEST OUT**: The new "test out" option will be available for the first time this year *only* for youth ages 12, 15 or 19 years old who feel they have sufficient knowledge of the YQCA training content. Youth will only have 1 chance to pass a 50 question exam at 80% or better. Upon passing, certification will be good for 3 years until they age into the next age bracket of material. Since this option is good for 3 year's worth of modules, it costs \$36.00 per youth. However, you will *not* be charged if youth do not pass with an 80% or better. Currently, there are no study materials out for this option.

**ONLY swine exhibitors and any youth that wish to use YQCA as an educational session must submit a paper copy of their YQCA training certificate(s)** to the Jr. Livestock Committee at the address below or at a monthly meeting.

**LA CROSSE COUNTY JR. LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE**  
**COLENE MILLER, SECRETARY**  
**N5909 MCKINLEY VALLEY RD**  
**WEST SALEM, WI 54669**

## Badger Bonanza Lamb Show

When: **Sunday, April 28th**

Where: Arlington Public Events Center, N695 Hopkins Rd, Arlington, WI 53911

The UW-Madison Saddle & Sirloin Club annually hosts the Badger Bonanza Lamb Show, which draws in youth and their lambs from Wisconsin and surrounding states. This show provides area youth a chance to get their lambs into the show ring early in the season.

The grand and reserve champion lambs from each show will be awarded cash prizes. Class payouts will be prorated and showmanship classes will be awarded prize awards to winners of each age category. For more information and entry forms, visit <https://saddle-sirloin.ansci.wisc.edu/badger-bonanza/> or contact Tori Arnevik at [arnevik@wisc.edu](mailto:arnevik@wisc.edu).

## 4-H Meats Judging Contest

When: **Saturday, April 27th at 9:00 a.m.**

Where: UW-Madison Meat Lab, 1805 Linden Dr., Madison, WI 53706

Cost: \$12 per contestant

Registration is due by **Friday, April 19th** via mail. For more information, visit <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/youthlivestock/programs/4hmeatscontest/>.

## fair news >>>



### Fair Clerks Needed

Please consider becoming a clerk or helper at this year's La Crosse Interstate Fair on **July 17th-21st, 2019**. The Fair is largely carried out by volunteers and there are so many opportunities to help out the superintendents and judges throughout the judged events. To sign up and view available time slots, go to [SignUpGenius.com](http://SignUpGenius.com) and click "**Find a Signup**" in the bottom right-hand corner of the page. Enter in "**carlie.scriver@yahoo.com**" for the creator's email. Please contact Carlie with any questions at 608-317-9168 or [carlie.scriver@yahoo.com](mailto:carlie.scriver@yahoo.com).

## youth leadership>>>



### 2019 Summer Camp Counselor Training

When: **Saturday, April 27th-Sunday, April 28th**

Where: Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells

Who: youth over 9th grade as of June 20th

Cost: approximately \$25 (some funding is available from the La Crosse County 4-H Leaders Association)

Registration is open now in 4HOnline! La Crosse County 4-H summer camp is scheduled this year for **August 4th-6th**. If you are at all considering being a camp counselor, please attend this training weekend. To be a camp counselor, you need to have experience working with children in a group setting and be responsible, friendly, enthusiastic, willing to learn and a team player.

### Youth Leader Meeting

When: **Sunday, April 14th at 4:00 p.m.**

Where: First Congregational Church, 2503 Main St., Social Room, La Crosse, WI 54601

Anyone interested in leadership opportunities should consider attending an Ambassador and Youth Leader meeting. Come to our meetings, hang out with some ambassadors and have some fun!

### WI 4-H & Youth Conference

When: **Monday, June 24th - Thursday, June 27th**

Where: UW-Madison campus

Who: youth in 7th-10th grade at time of registration

Cost: approximately \$300 (some funding is available from the Leaders Board)



Registration will open on **Tuesday, April 2nd** in 4HOnline. Seminar sessions will be awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis. This conference opens doors to many other state trip opportunities for your future and is always a popular and fun experience. All conference participants will automatically qualify for Leaders Board scholarships. For more information on the conference, visit <https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hedopp/wisconsin-4-h-youth-conference/>.

## family, home & health>>>

### Foods Revue



When: **Monday, June 10th at 5:30 p.m.**  
(set up at 5:00 p.m.)

Where: La Crosse County Administrative Center,  
212 6th St. N, La Crosse, WI 54601

The Foods Revue is an annual pre-Fair event that judges entries from Foods & Nutrition, Cake Decorating, Cloverbud and Exploring project members. This is an opportunity for youth to show off what they've been working on in their projects by preparing a snack or part of a meal, decorating a cake and more!

Registration will be available online at the end of April and into May. For more information on the different categories of this event, please visit <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/events-activities/foods-clothing-revue/>.

### Clothing Revue



When: **Wednesday, July 10th at 6:00 p.m.**  
(set up at 5:30 p.m.)

Where: La Crosse County Administrative Center,  
212 6th St. N, La Crosse, WI 54601

The Clothing Revue is an annual pre-Fair event that judges entries from Crocheting, Clothing, Consumer Savvy, Knitting, Cloverbud and Exploring project members. This is an opportunity for youth to show off what they've been working on in their projects by preparing a garment, creating a clothing budget and more!

Registration will be available online at the end of April and into May. For more information on the different categories of this event, please visit <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/events-activities/foods-clothing-revue/>.



# shooting sports>>>

## Upcoming Programs

Pistols, ammo, shooting, oh my! The La Crosse County 4-h Shooting Sports Committee has been busy preparing various programs for youth in the coming months. Full details and registration information can be found on the Shooting Sports webpage at <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/shooting-sports/> or by contacting the Extension La Crosse County office.

### Trap Shooting Program\*

When: **Wed., May 29th & Wed., June 5th**  
from 5:00 p.m.-dark  
Where: La Crosse Rifle Club  
Cost: \$7 per night  
Registration is due Wed., May 22nd.

*\*use of 4-H shotguns  
& ammo FREE!*

### Pistol Shooting Program

When: **Tues., Sept. 17th & Thurs., Sept. 19th**  
from 6:00-8:30 p.m.  
Where: La Crosse Rifle Club  
Cost: \$10

Registration is due Wed., Sept. 11th.

### Sporting Clays Program

*(a program offered through La Crosse Rifle Club)*

When: **July TBD**  
Where: La Crosse Rifle Club  
Cost: TBD

More details to come - stay tuned!

All questions about any of the above programs should be directed to Chuck Schleifer at [chuckschleifer55@gmail.com](mailto:chuckschleifer55@gmail.com).

## Spring Pistol Shooting Program

When: **Tuesday, May 7th and Thursday, May 9th** from 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Where: La Crosse Rifle Club, 4844 North Chipmunk Rd, Stoddard, WI 54658

Who: 4-H & community members 12 years and older who have a Hunter's Safety Certification

Cost: \$10.00

The program will include safety instruction, insurance, ear protection, use of Committee's Browning Buck Mark .22 caliber pistols, all ammunition, targets and use of facility. A team of committed and certified instructors will be present at all times to insure safe and quality instruction. Registration is filled on a first-come, first-serve basis with a class maximum of 12 (minimum of 4 to hold the program). For a copy of the registration form, visit <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/shooting-sports/>. Registration forms with fees are due to the Extension La Crosse County office by **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1st**.



## Holmen Archery Program

When: **Mondays, May 13th & 20th, June 3rd & 17th, and July 1st & 8th** from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Where: Arrows in the Square, N7681 Casberg Coulee Rd, Holmen, WI 54636

Cost: \$6 per 4-H youth, \$10 per community youth

All 4-H and community youth are welcome to come participate in this new archery program! If you were unable to participate in the winter Archery & Pellet Gun Program, this is a great way to get your 2 sessions done in order to participate in the 2019 La Crosse Interstate Fair Archery Tournament. Or maybe you had so much fun this winter, you want to continue your archery studies this spring! Participants do *not* have to participate in the winter Archery & Pellet Gun Program in order to participate in the Holmen Archery Program. For more information and copy of the registration form, visit <https://lacrosse.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/shooting-sports/>. Registration forms with fees are due to the Extension La Crosse County office by **4:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 2nd**.

# camps>>>

## Summer Outpost 4-H Camp

When: **Monday, June 17th-Wednesday, June 19th**

Where: Wildcat Mountain State Park, E13660 WI-33, Ontario, WI 54651

Who: 4-H youth currently in grades 6-8

Cost: \$115 (\$90 will be provided from the La Crosse County 4-H Leaders Board upon motion approval)




Monroe County 4-H will host another fun-filled camp experience this summer! Activities will include canoeing, swimming, fire building and safety, survival skills, tent camping and field games. To register for camp, please fill out the Google form at <https://goo.gl/forms/KQnxAfY5lm4xhAq1> by **Wednesday, May 1st**. Transportation will be organized for La Crosse County participants once final numbers are counted.

Interested chaperones or counselors (must be youth in 10th grade and up) should fill out the online Google form at <https://goo.gl/forms/6hxDKE5a5FxxzmC2>.

# April 2019 >>>



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 4HOnline Fair Project Selections & Enrollment Due!	2 WI 4-H Youth Conf. Regis. Opens	3	4	5 Fairest of the Fair Apps Due  Club Bake Sale	6 ← <b>Archery Invitational (5th-6th)</b>
7	8 Softball Committee Mtg	9	10	11 Leaders Board Mtg.	12	13 Fur, Fin, & Feather Show
14 Youth Leader Mtg	15	16 Dog Orientation Mtg.  YQCA Training	17 Horse Bowl Practice & Project Mtg	18	19 Extension Office Closed	20
21 	22	23 Fair Food Stand Sign Up Mtg	24	25 → <b>Space Camp (25th-29th)</b>	26 → <b>Counselor Training (27th-28th)</b>	27 Swine ID Paperwork Due Meat Judging Contest
28 Badger Bonanza Lamb Show	29	30 Ldrs Board Scholarships Due Tomorrow!				



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