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

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## Try, Try Again

I was a pretty shy kid in a big city, terrified of looking dumb. So what did my parents do? Sign me up for every possible parks and rec league. If I wasn't all knees and elbows, if I was a normally coordinated kid, it would've been probably the best thing ever.

I was terrible at all of it, mediocre at best: swimming, gymnastics, tennis, ice skating, softball, kickball. I was just bad. And embarrassed.

It was still the best thing though, because even if my parents didn't know my number one fear, I was so afraid of failing. And they kept making me try and fail, and try and fail. So it got to the point where, even if I still fear failing certain big things, I'm not afraid to at least try new things. And when I do fail, I can bounce back quickly.

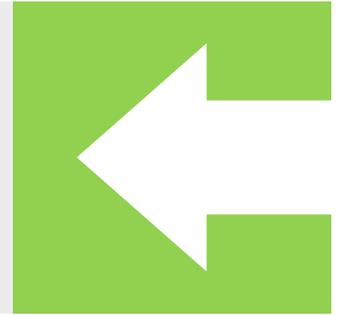
Being uncomfortable is a HUGE part of growing up. And I think we neglect that important muscle in today's kids. Failing is what makes kids resilient. It hurts to experience and to watch, but eventually, it doesn't. In fact, it gets pretty inspiring.

Have a terrific whoopsie,

Emily Crook  
Positive Youth Development Educator  
UW-Madison Extension Services  
La Crosse County

## free literature >>>

It's not too late to request your free 4-H project literature! Every 4-H member is able to request up to 5 free pieces of literature on any project, courtesy of the 4-H Leaders Board. To see what titles are available, please view the [Project Guide](#). To go in and make your request and order, visit <https://goo.gl/mzKtwL> and we will contact you when your books are ready.



## leadership >>>

### Leaders Board Meeting

The next Leaders Board meeting will be held on **Thursday, August 8th at 7:00 p.m.** at Hamilton Town Hall in West Salem. There will be an open forum at 6:45 p.m. for anyone wishing to address the committee.

At this time, the Leaders Board is looking for a volunteer to fill the role of West Salem representative for a 2-year term. If you or someone you know may be interested, please reach out to the Extension office.

## bits n' pieces >>>

### Record Books

Record Books for the 2018-2019 4-H year are due to the UW-Extension office by **4:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 29th**. In past years, there has been some confusion about Record Books. What are they? Why do I need to do one? How do I do one? A lot of these common questions are answered on the new Record Book webpage at <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-record-books/>. We encourage Record Book novices to look over this!

A 4-H Record Book is a collection of reflections on the work youth have completed in their project(s) over the year. You can choose to include one, all or just a few projects to focus on in your "book." Your Record Book can take the form of a scrapbook, a binder, a notebook or other presentation. We are looking forward to reading your Record Books this year!



### 4-H Softball Fun Match

The last 4-H softball fun match of the season will take place at Bangor Park during Bangor Daze on **Saturday, August 10th**. Youth division (grades K-5) will play at **3:00 p.m.**; Junior division (grades 4-8) will play at **2:00 p.m.**; and Senior division (grades 6-13) will play at **1:00 p.m.** There will be water balloon games after the Youth Division Game!

No pre-registration is required! For more information or to print your liability form, visit <https://lacrosse.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/events-activities/softball/>. Clubs, groups or individuals are welcome! Contact Ruth Elsen at 608-486-2921 with any questions.



### NE Fundraiser Results

Thank you to everyone who donated and participated in our county 4-H fundraiser for the Nebraska flood victims. Together, we raised over \$500 to help youth replace their pizza oven at the fairgrounds in Dodge County, Nebraska!



## shooting sports >>>

### 4-H All Star Summer Shootout

When: **Saturday, July 13th at 8:00 a.m.**

Where: Shawano Gun Club, N6695 Chic-a-watha Court, Shawano, WI 54166

Come join 4-H youth from all over the state as they show off their Shooting Sports skills in the following disciplines: Muzzleloading, Shotgun, Trap Shooting, Rifle, Hunt and Cover and Wildlife Conservation. For more information and to register, visit <https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingssports/events/5th-annual-shawano-county-all-star-summer-shootout/>. Please contact Troy Edwards with any questions at [edwardst@shawanoschools.com](mailto:edwardst@shawanoschools.com) or 715-304-6191.



## animal sciences >>>

### Swine Weigh-In



When: **Wednesday, July 17th from 12:00-2:00 p.m.**

Where: La Crosse Interstate Fairgrounds, West Salem

Swine showing at the Fair is non-terminal for 2019. Exhibitors must comply with all DATCP Animal Health Rules and have the proper testing results. Please contact Mike Gilster at 608-790-1261 with questions.

### State Dog Shows

The State 4-H Dog Obedience and Showmanship Show, hosted by Rock County, will take place on **Friday, August 9th-Sunday, August 11th** at the Rock County Fairgrounds (1301 Craig Ave, Janesville, WI 53545).

The 2019 State 4-H Dog Agility Show, hosted by Dane County, will take place on **Saturday, August 17th** at Canine Sports Zone (3036 Laura Ln, Middleton, WI 53562). Registration and more details on both of these shows is online at <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4haganimalscience/dog/>.



## State Horse Events

Horse Project members - save the dates! State 4-H Horse Gymkhana is set for **Saturday, September 7th-Sunday, September 8th at 7:00 a.m.** and the State 4-H Horse Expo is set for the following weekend on **Friday, September 13th- Sunday, September 15th.** Both Events will take place at Wisconsin State Fair Park, located at 640 S 84th St, West Allis, WI 53214. Visit <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-assn-handbook/> for more information.

### Horses for Clean Water

When: **Tuesday, July 2nd from 6:00-9:00 p.m.**

Where: La Crosse County Admin Center, 212 6th St N Room 0430, La Crosse, WI 54601

Cost: \$30 per person

Alayne Bickle from Horses for Clean Water is coming to educate local horse owners on the best techniques in the horse keeping industry! Horses for Clean Water is a program developed by horse owners for horse owners whose mission is to help owners manage their land in the best way possible for horse health and the environment.

Alayne will be giving her Simple Solutions presentation, which will cover ways to put native plants to work on your farm including rain gardens, dust barriers, trail courses, visual screens, pollinator hedgerows, summer shade, and low-cost/low-care native landscaping. She will also discuss easy and fun ways wildlife can work for us, odor control, water conservation, and pasture management. For more information or to RSVP today, please contact the Extension La Crosse County office at 608-785-9593 or [kaitlyn.lance@wisc.edu](mailto:kaitlyn.lance@wisc.edu).

# fair news >>>



## Important Events

- ◆ Fair Clean-Up Night is **Tuesday, July 9th** from **4:00-8:00 p.m.** at the fairgrounds. The Ag Society will serve a light meal around 6:00 p.m. If your club is interested in helping paint, please contact Jim Hauser at 608-769-0759.
- ◆ Entry tags can be picked up from the Farm Progress Building on **Tuesday, July 9th** from **5:00-7:00 p.m.**; **Thursday, July 11th** from **6:00-8:00 p.m.**; **Tuesday, July 16th** from **6:00-8:00 p.m.**; and **Wednesday, July 17th** from **8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**
- ◆ Fair premium checks will be ready for dispersal beginning on **Friday, August 23rd.**

## 2019 Jr. Livestock Auction

Youth selling Beef or Sheep will be setting up for the auction around **12:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 20th.** Youth selling Swine will take down after the auction.

*Additional fees may be assessed if the youth or a family representative does not assist.* All youth selling an animal in the auction are encouraged to read the rules found in the Exhibitor Handbook online at [http://www.lacrosseinterstatefair.com/yahoo\\_site\\_admin/assets/docs/2019\\_Junior\\_Livestock\\_Project\\_and\\_Auction\\_Rules.108161928.pdf](http://www.lacrosseinterstatefair.com/yahoo_site_admin/assets/docs/2019_Junior_Livestock_Project_and_Auction_Rules.108161928.pdf) prior to the event.

There will be an education session after the auction for youth that will count towards next year's Fair requirements. Any questions on the Auction can be directed to Junior Livestock Sale Committee members: **Mike Gilster, Colene Miller, Bobby Hoffman, Rich Nuttelman, Dean Wetzels, Coady Brown, Aaron Langrehr and Scott Nachtigal.**

## Animal Exhibitor Paperwork

If you will be exhibiting **Beef, Dairy, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Horse, Llama, Dog, Poultry** or **Cat**, an Animal ID Check In Form ([http://www.lacrosseinterstatefair.com/yahoo\\_site\\_admin/assets/docs/Animal\\_ID\\_Check\\_In\\_Form\\_No\\_Year.108162602.pdf](http://www.lacrosseinterstatefair.com/yahoo_site_admin/assets/docs/Animal_ID_Check_In_Form_No_Year.108162602.pdf)) must be filled out (1 per species) and accompany your animal(s) on arrival at the Fairgrounds. Copies of vet inspections or test results must be attached to this form if they are required for showing in your species. Premise ID numbers are requested on the Form, but are *not required* in order to exhibit. **This Animal ID Form and attachments (if any) are due to your superintendent by 5:00 p.m. on the day your animal(s) arrive at the Fairgrounds.**

The State of Wisconsin's Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection requires this animal paperwork to be kept on file for 5 years. Because of this rule, **missing, incomplete or late forms will result in not being able to show that species and the animal(s) will be sent home.**

This procedure has been implemented to ensure the safety of all animals, exhibitors and visitors of the La Crosse Interstate Fair. Thank you for your cooperation and patience in this process.

## Attention Livestock Exhibitors!

No bedding/shavings will be provided at the Fair. Please arrange to bring your own - thank you! Trailers must be clean when you come to the Fair. Please help reduce potential disease spreading!

Please note that **Brock's Butcher Block, Craig's Meats, Foss Fine Meats and Steve's Country Meats** will provide animal processing for the Fair. Livestock exhibitors taking non-sale animals to the locker plant must contact the plant(s) prior to Fair.



## Volunteers Needed

- ◆ Open Foods Superintendent
- ◆ Clerks
- ◆ Safety Monitors
- ◆ Building Monitors

If you are interested in volunteering this year at the Fair, contact Carlie Scriver at [carlie.scriver@yahoo.com](mailto:carlie.scriver@yahoo.com).



## Cloverbud & Exploring Judging

Judging for Cloverbud and Exploring members will be on **Wednesday, July 17th** in the New Youth Building. Each youth will wait in line at their club's assigned time to meet individually with a judge. Youth will be judged on the exhibit, but will also talk with the judge about the item. Judges will be asking questions! Please attach Fair Tags to exhibits securely and in a visible location. After being judged, items will be put on display for the remainder of the Fair. The schedule is as follows:

- ◆ **8:30 a.m.** Burr Oak, Home Runners, 4-H Solo
- ◆ **9:30 a.m.** Brown's Valley, Lucky Lakers, Trail Blazers
- ◆ **10:15 a.m.** Lower Big Creek, Mormon Coulee, Union Mills
- ◆ **11:00 a.m.** Bangor Township, Coulee Clovers-River City, Rockland-Fish Creek, Striped Strivers
- ◆ **11:45 a.m.** Country Lanes, Mississippi Mud, Pleasant Valley, Smith Valley
- ◆ **12:30 p.m.** Barre Badgers, Salem Seekers, St. Joe's Ridge Runners



## Food Stand Schedule

Below is the final schedule for the 2019 Fair Food Stand. All slots are final unless approved by a member of the Food Stand Committee. Please contact your club leader for more information regarding specific arrangements. The Food Stand Handbook (<https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/files/2019/04/2019-Food-Stand-Handbook.pdf>) should be reviewed by all families prior to their first shift.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Side 1</u>	<u>Side 2</u>
<b>Wednesday, July 17th:</b>		
10:15-1:30	<i>Closed</i>	Lucky Lakers
1:15-4:30	<i>Closed</i>	Brown's Valley
4:15-7:30	Burr Oak	Union Mills
7:15-10:00	Salem Seekers	Union Mills
<b>Thursday, July 18th:</b>		
7:15-10:30	Lucky Lakers	<i>Closed</i>
10:15-1:30	Trail Blazers	Home Runners
1:15-4:30	Country Lanes	R-F Creek
4:15-7:30	Barre Badgers	Union Mills
7:15-10:00	Ridge Runners	Union Mills
<b>Friday, July 19th:</b>		
7:15-10:30		<i>Closed</i>
10:15-1:30	Home Runners	Trail Blazers
1:15-4:30	Mississippi Mud	Mississippi Mud
4:15-7:30	R-F Creek	Barre Badgers
7:15-10:00	Striped Strivers	Trail Blazers
<b>Saturday, July 20th:</b>		
7:00-10:00	<i>Pancake Breakfast-Brown's Valley</i>	
10:15-1:30	Mormon Coulee	Ridge Runners
1:15-4:30	Bangor Town.	Bangor Town.
4:15-7:30	Pleasant Valley	Lucky Lakers
7:15-10:00	Home Runners	Trail Blazers
<b>Sunday, July 21st:</b>		
7:15-10:30	Smith Valley	<i>Closed</i>
10:15-1:30	Lower Big Creek	Lower Big Creek
1:15-4:30	Burr Oak	<i>Closed</i>
4:15-6:00	Lucky Lakers	<i>Closed</i>

## arts & communication >>>

### Arts Camp

When: **Saturday, October 5th at 9:00 a.m. to Sunday, October 6th at 3:30 p.m.**

Where: Upham Woods Learning Ctr, N194 Cty N, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965

Cost: TBD (a portion of camp fees will be reimbursed by the 4-H Leaders Board)

4-H Arts Camp is a workshop weekend for youth in grades 6-8 who will rotate through stations featuring different arts tracks, participate in a group art experience and close with a small ceremony for parents and families to come see the work that was produced during camp. Youth will meet new friends, participate in camp games and enjoy the beauty of nature!

Register early - space is limited. For more information and to register, visit <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/events/4-h-arts-camp/>. Questions can be directed to Lynn Pfeiffer at 608-262-1222 or [lynn.pfeiffer@wisc.edu](mailto:lynn.pfeiffer@wisc.edu).

Older youth and adult who are interested in being a camp counselor for Arts Camp should plan on attending Camp Planning Weekend on **Saturday, August 17th - Sunday, August 18th**. Please contact Lynn for more information.



## family, home & health >>>

### Favorite Foods Revue Results

On Monday, June 10th, the La Crosse County Administrative Center was filled with our 2019 Favorite Foods Revue entries and participants, and they all did a fantastic job! In addition to Fair judging, the Foods Revue offers the public a chance to vote in all categories for People's Choice Awards. Read below to see who this year's People's Choice entries were!

#### Cloverbud

- ◆ **Georgia Maricle** (Trail Blazers) - Best Overall
- ◆ **Ava Katona** (Bangor Township) - Most Creative
- ◆ **Rosie Elsen** (Smith Valley) - Most Nutritious

#### Foods

- ◆ **Summer Maricle** (Trail Blazers) - Best Overall
- ◆ **David Elsen** (Smith Valley) - Most Creative
- ◆ **Jillian Wise** (Lucky Lakers) - Most Nutritious

#### Cake Decorating

- ◆ **Kelsey Fisk** (Trail Blazers) - Best Overall
- ◆ **Elizabeth Fisk** (Trail Blazers) - Most Creative

For complete results, 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)

Where: La Crosse County Administrative Center Auditorium (212 6th St. N, La Crosse, WI)

Cost: Free

Attention all members enrolled in **Crocheting Clothing** (any level), **Consumer Savvy**, **Knitting**, **Cloverbud** and **Exploring** projects: You are invited to showcase what you have learned in your projects this year! Use the Fair Premium Guide to complete the registration. Be sure your garments are entered correctly; descriptions and limitations are listed in the Guide. The Fair Premium Guide can be found online at [http://www.lacrosseinterstatefair.com/exhibitor\\_handbook](http://www.lacrosseinterstatefair.com/exhibitor_handbook). For more information on the Clothing Revue and a copy of the registration form, visit <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/events-activities/foods-clothing-revue/>.

# youth leadership >>>

## NEW ME Form

Anyone looking to receive Leaders Association trip scholarships for the 2019-2020 year has a new process to follow! The Member Evaluation (ME) Form is now expanded to allow 4-H'ers to select all potential trips they are interested in for the entire year. It's one form to be submitted by **4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 1st** to assist the Leaders Board in making selections for delegates and travel scholarship recipients. It also helps us know who is planning to go to what. You can find the Form online at <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/youth-leadership/>. Let us know if you have questions!

## 2019-2020 Ambassadors

It's time again to apply to be a 4-H Youth Ambassador for next year! Youth going into grades 9 and up are invited to fill out an application at <https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/youth-leadership/> by **Friday, August 30th**. Being a 4-H Ambassador is a great honor. Selected youth get to represent La Crosse County 4-H at community and county events and activities while promoting involvement in 4-H. For questions about Ambassadors, please contact Emily Crook at 608-785-9593 or [LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org](mailto:LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org).



# July 2019 >>>

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Holmen Archery	2 Horses for Clean Water	3 Clothing Revue Regis. Due	4 <b>UWEX Office Closed</b>	5	6
7	8 Holmen Archery	9 Plant & Soil Science Day Fair Clean-Up	10 Clothing Revue	11	12	13 All Star Summer Shootout
14	15	16 Evening Exhibit Drop-Off	17 <b>La Crosse Interstate Fair (18th-22nd)</b>	18 Swine Weigh-In	19	20
21 →	22 Livestock Barn Clean-Up	23	24	25	26	27
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