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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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Let's take a little slowdown

So much of my day is devoted to youth development, and sometimes I get overwhelmed with the sheer amount of tasks to complete and I forget about my own development. I'm sure we all do. And I look to my older friends with much older children and I envy their ability to enjoy a cup of coffee or even sleep through the night because suddenly my life is chaotic and it doesn't show signs of slowing down.

So I get a little self-weepy. Which isn't my best reaction. I start to get the "why me?"s. Which just naturally attracts all sorts of other colossal messes, so it perpetuates. Until I'm finally out of breath so I have to do a deep inhale and then I remember - this is life. This is what life is when you're fully living it. I'm pining for a breath, but I'm actually embracing all that I have with all I can give. People say that's what happens in your 30s and 40s. (I hope it slows down in your 50s; no one tell me the truth about that.)

Still, it's good to slow down and appreciate that whole life thing and how busy it can get. Preferably with some warm cider or cocoa. Here's hoping October promises a deep breath,

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

elections >>>



The 4-H Leaders Board will be holding elections this year for the following positions: **Vice President, Treasurer, West Salem Rep, Holmen-Mindoro Rep** and possibly an **At-Large Rep**. All 4-H adult volunteers and older 4-H youth are eligible to serve! Voting for positions will take place at the November meeting by ballot and terms will begin in January of 2020. Contact the Extension office if you are interested in serving!



leadership >>>

Leaders Board Meeting

The 4-H Leaders Board will meet on **Thursday**, **October 10th** at **7:00 p.m**. at Hamilton Town Hall (N5105 Leonard St. N) in West Salem. There will be an open forum at 6:45 p.m. for anyone wishing to address the committee.

V.I.P. Training

Volunteer in Preparation (V.I.P.) training will now be conducted by personal appointment only in the Extension office (212 6th St. N Room 2208) in La Crosse. To find out if you still need this training or to schedule your training time around your schedule, please call our office at 608-785-9593 or email LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org.

Honor Leader Nominations

Nominations for La Crosse County 4-H 2019 Honor Leaders are due to the Extension office by **4:30 p.m.** on **Thursday, October 10th**. Awards will be selected from nominations received from 4-H members, leaders and parents. Awards will be distributed at the 4-H Leaders and Parents Holiday Party & Recognition Night in December. Please submit as much of the following information as you can:

- Your name and club affiliation
- ♦ Nominee's name and club
- Number of years of nominee's leadership (best estimate is fine)
- Description of how nominee has contributed to the 4-H program

Please send your nominations in writing to <u>LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org</u> or

Extension La Crosse County 212 6th St. N Suite 2200 La Crosse, WI 54601

Adult 4HOniline Changes

With the UW-Madison merge, there has been some work done on updating statewide policies in how we operate. When new and returning adult volunteers enroll in 4HOnline this year, they will have to choose one or more position descriptions. The volunteer positions are hyperlinked to pull up a full document outlining what those positions are in more detail. Please just choose the one(s) that fit your involvement in 4-H best. This is simply a new liability rule. Upon enrollment approval by county staff, the State will automatically email a copy of the position descriptions you selected in your profile for your records and safekeeping. No further action will be needed on your part. Please call the Extension office with questions.

bits n' pieces >>>

Fair Food Stand Wrap-Up

The weather has a huge impact on Food Stand attendance as was seen at this year's Fair. We had hot weather that kept people from eating and storms that forced them to take cover. This was experienced in food sales at the Food Stand and closing of events early because of severe storms.

This year's profits were down about \$10,000. Food Stand profits ended 2019 at \$14,921.61 while in 2018 they were about \$25,000.

The Pancake Breakfast served on Saturday morning stopped around 9:00 a.m. due to severe storms and evacuation to storm shelter areas and not starting again. So, the Pancake Breakfast was down about \$400 in profits compared to last year.

The Food Stand Committee would like to give a special thanks to extra hands that stepped in on Sunday after 3:00 p.m. as we were short-handed in the Stand and the weather was beautiful so everyone came out on the last day. We sold out of all items we had open that day.

RSVP to 608-785-9593 or LaCrosseCounty4H @lacrossecounty.org

Achievement Celebration



The 2019 annual Achievement Celebration will take place on Thursday, October 17th at 7:00 p.m. at the Lunda Center (319 7th St. N) on the WTC campus in La Crosse. A free, pre-celebration dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Youth will be recognized for their achievements in 4-H over the last year in their clubs, projects, record books and county leadership roles. Everyone is encouraged to attend, even if you have family members that are not enrolled in 4-H! This night is meant to celebrate our county's hard work over the last year and to relax in each other's company before plunging into the new 4-H year. An RSVP is required this year! To RSVP, please contact the Extension office at 608-785-9593 or LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org.

4-H Pancake Breakfast

When: Sunday, October 6th from 8:00-11:00 a.m.

Where: La Crosse Interstate Fairgrounds

\$6.00/person; \$3.00/youth (age 10 & under)



The 4-H Adult Leaders Association is sponsoring a pancake breakfast to be held in conjunction with the Oktoberfest Races. The Mindoro Lions will again supply their grills and labor in preparation.

Both adults and youth volunteers are needed for set-up, serving and clean-up. Shifts will be from 7:30-10:00 a.m. and 9:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. To sign up, please contact Linda Saley at 608-486-2931 or Sue Kramer at rskburro69@msn.com.

Fall Paper Clover Campaign

Tractor Supply Company is looking for local 4-H clubs to join them for the Fall Paper Clover Campaign from October 9th-20th. If your club partners with your local TSC to promote 4-H at the store, the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will give your club \$50. You must register with the Foundation before your event because an award is only given to one club per store. In exchange, your club will provide pictures of your event that will become property of the Foundation for use in marketing and social media. If you are interested, please contact Joanne at ioanne@wis4hfoundation.org or 608-262-1597. The Foundation can provide contact information for the store in your area, then your club and the store can work together to plan your event. This event is first-come, first-served per store.

4-H Expo & National 4-H Week

When: Saturday, October 12th from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Where: La Crosse Interstate Fairgrounds, Farm Progress building

National 4-H week is October 6th-12th this year, and we wanted to start the year off celebrating it with a bang! Think about celebrating it with us at the 4-H

This is an opportunity to educate and impress new 4-H families as to what goes on in 4-H! Have your club recruit at a table, or maybe you went on a trip through 4-H and you want to share your experience? Have an animal you want to show off? What do you love about 4-H? Come and show it at the Expo! Keep in mind this will be at the Farm Progress Building with the dusty, dirty floor. If you are interested, please let us know what you need by filling out this brief survey at https://forms.gle/2KgUMvSt4TtV44mFA. Please respond by **Monday, October 7th** to the survey with your interest so we know how many materials to gather.















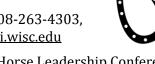
animal sciences >>>

Horse Leadership Conference

When: Friday, November 15th at 6:30 p.m. to Sunday, November 17th at 11:45 a.m.

Where: UW-Oshkosh

Contact: Liv Sandberg, 608-263-4303, sandberg@ansci.wisc.edu



The annual State 4-H Horse Leadership Conference is open to 4-H Horse Project members in grades 7 and above as well as adults. The purpose of the workshop is to:

- Offer educational workshops which include both information and hands-on activity ideas for leaders to utilize when teaching youth
- Provide a forum for strengthening communications relative to the 4-H Horse and Pony Project
- Provide an opportunity for participants to network and share experiences

For more information and to register, please contact Liv Sandberg.

Poultry Club Meeting

When: Thursday, November 7th at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Town of Gale Town Hall, 20037 Gibson St., Galesville, WI 54630

Contact: Jim Laatsch at 253-241-9981 or jimsparky2000@yahoo.com

Come join us at the next Coulee Region Poultry Club meeting! Ken Feed will be there to give a 30-45 minute educational class on feeding poultry.



Dog Project News

The next Project meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 2nd** at **6:00 p.m.** at Barre Town Hall. Agenda items include bylaw approval, committee formation, election of officers and making homemade slip leads.

Below are the results from the State Dog Agility Show held in September. There were over 80 dogs competing this year at State and we are really proud of all the La Crosse county participants who did a great job!

- Sierra Dixon 3rd place Advanced 8" Tunneler;
 2nd place Advanced 8" JTT; 2nd place Advanced 8"
 Standard
- ◆ Andrea Glandt 1st place Advanced 12" Tunneler; 2nd place Advanced 12" JTT; 2nd place Advanced 12" Standard
- Lizzy Glandt Top Score Advanced Dog, 1st place Advanced 16" Tunneler; 3rd place Advanced 16"
 JTT; 1st place Advanced 16" Standard
- ◆ **Tia Gray** 1st place Division B 12" JTT; 1st place Division B 12" Standard
- Maclaine Heilman 1st Place Division B 8"
 Tunneler; 2nd place Division B 8" JTT; 2nd place
 Division B 8" Standard
- ◆ **Cole Heiring** 3rd place Division A 8" JTT; 1st place Division A 8" Standard
- Maya Hoff 2nd place Division B 16" Tunneler;
 1st place Division A 16" JTT; 2nd place Division A 16" Standard
- ◆ Gretchen Kelley 5th place Division B 16" JTT; 3rd place Division B 16" Standard
- Mia Kline 3rd place Division B 16" JTT; 5th place Division B 16" Standard
- Ayla Reuter 1st place Advanced 8" Tunneler; 1st place Advanced 8" JTT; 3rd place Advanced 8" Standard

Rabbit Project News

Introducing the Blue Ribbon Bunnies! A gathering of families interested in starting a rabbit project group met in September and are now moving forward with an established club - the La Crosse County 4-H Blue Ribbon Bunnies. Any family interested in learning more about the Rabbit Project or just rabbits in



general is invited to the next meeting on **Saturday, October 12th** at **1:00 p.m.** at the Goodwill Community Room in Onalaska. Keep your eye out in upcoming Cloverlines for information on their pending Chili/Soup Cookoff fundraiser! Questions can be directed to Project Leader Dawn Pettit at 608-397-1909 or iesus 1 us2001@yahoo.com.

Horse Project News

The November Project meeting will be held on **Wednesday, November 13th** at **6:30 p.m.** at Hamilton Town Hall in West Salem. Agenda items include election of officers and voting on bylaw updates.

The State 4-H Gymkhana Show was held on September 8th in Milwaukee. **Maclaine Heilman** placed Grand in Plug Race, Reserve in Poles and LT Special, and Top 10 in Barrels, Keyhole Race and Flag Race. **Madison McBride** placed Top 10 in Plug Race, Barrels, Keyhole Race, Flag Race, LT Special and Poles.

Below are the results for the State 4-H Horse Expo held on September 13th-15th in Milwaukee. Congratulations to all our State participants!

- Ethan Archer Participation
- Alyssa Cvikota Reserve Western Showmanship;
 Top 10 English Showmanship; Top 10
 Horsemanship; Top 10 Western Pleasure
- ♦ Lea Edmison Top 10 Woodworking
- Madison Hass Top 10 in Horseless Horse
 Showmanship; Top 10 Horseless Horse Equitation
- Maclaine Heilman Grand Western Riding; Grand English Pleasure; Reserve Horsemanship; Top 10 Western Pleasure; Top 10 Trail; Top 10 Western Showmanship; Top 10 English Equitation; Grand Woodworking; Grand Horse Judging: Youth Without Reasons; Top 10 Arts and Photography
- Emma Lubinsky Top 10 Western Showmanship;
 Top 10 Trail; Top 10 English Equitation; Top 10
 Horsemanship; Top 10 Western Riding; Top 10
 Western Pleasure
- ◆ Madison McBride Top 10 Western Riding
- Claire Morgan Participation
- ◆ **Cortney Nicolai** Top 10 Western Riding; Top 10 English Equitation
- ◆ Annabel Reitzel Top 10 Western Riding; Top 10 English Pleasure; Top 10 English Equitation
- Emma Schupbach Grand Trail; Reserve Western Riding: Top 10

Riding; Top 10 English Pleasure; Top 10 Western Pleasure; Top 10 Horsemanship; Top 10 Western Showmanship



OUTBREAK!

AAAH! Your cow is sick! What do you do? How many other cows are affected? How did this happen? Are the other animals on the farm going to be okay? Is the virus contagious? Quarantined!

Kaitlyn Lance (Agriculture Educator) and Emily Crook (Positive Youth Development Educator) of Extension La Crosse County are planning an outbreak game that will test youth's knowledge on the following topics:

- Specific diseases
- How diseases are spread
- What animals are affected by specific diseases
- ♦ How a farm is processed with sick animals
- What DATCP is and how they help sick farms

This game will be played Pandemic game style, where all participants work together to quell an outbreak. Help the DATCP stop contagions from spreading within a 24 or 48 hour period and you win! Come play with us on **Saturday, November 16th** at **1:00 p.m.** at the County Administration Building (212 6th St. N, La Crosse, WI 54601). Please RSVP by **November 8th** to http://tiny.cc/t7sddz. Questions can be directed to Extension La Crosse County at 608-785-9593 or

LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org.



youth leadership >>>

Club Officer Workshop

When: Monday, November 11th at 5:30 p.m.

Where: La Crosse County Admin Building, 212 6th St. N Room 2208, La Crosse, WI

Cost: Free

Who: Youth club officers (all positions)

Interested in knowing how to be a president, secretary, treasurer or another position for your club? Come learn the details of parliamentary procedure and have one on one breakout sessions for your specific club position. *Pizza and soda will be provided!* Please RSVP to the Extension office by **Friday, November 8th** at 608-785-9593 or by emailing

<u>LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org</u>. This workshop is highly encouraged for all newly elected and returning youth officers!

Upcoming State Programs

Many registration deadlines are coming up this November and December! If you are interested in learning more about state programs such as **Space Camp**, **American Spirit East**, **Citizenship Washington Focus**, or **National 4-H Conference**, please visit the Calendar and Brochures on the Youth Leadership webpage at https://

<u>lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/youth-leadership/</u> or contact the Extension office for a copy today!



arts & communication >>>



2020 State Photo Display

It's time again to submit your photography entries to the Extension La Crosse County office for the 2020 State Photo Display! This highly competitive display means that La Crosse County can only submit 3 photos from our county, which will be chosen by the Leaders Board Arts Committee. The State 4-H Photo Advisory Committee will then select the Top 12 photos from the whole state to be highlighted in the display at the 2020 Wisconsin State Fair.

To submit your entry, please send us a *digital* copy of your image as a .jpeg or .png file. Please avoid scanning photos if at all possible due to clarity issues. Typical file sizes are between 5M-10M, but if your file is too large to send us via email to LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org, then feel free to bring it down to the office on a flash drive and we can copy it onto our files. All photo submissions are due to the Extension office by **Sunday, December 8th, 2019**.



Expressive Arts Festival Update

The annual Expressive Arts Festival will have a new venue on **Saturday, March 14th, 2020**. It will be hosted at West Salem Elementary School! We wanted to let groups know that we won't have use of a traditional stage; instead, it's more of an arena-type setting.

We are also working on updating more performance opportunities and awards for merit winners. For performers, merit winners will have the option to perform at the Root Note (115 4th St. S, La Crosse) in April 2020, and art and photography merit winners will have their exhibits on display at the La Crosse County Administrative Center from April-June 2020. So start thinking about what performance you'd like to show now and get practicing!

enrollment>>>



2019-2020 4-H Enrollment

4HOnline is open now for enrollments (new families) and re-enrollments (returning families)! Paper forms in English and Spanish are available from the Extension office for families that wish to complete them in lieu of the 4HOnline program.

- ◆ 4-H enrollments for potential State Fair participants are due by **Sunday, March 1st, 2020!**
- 4-H enrollments for potential La Crosse Interstate Fair participants are due by **Wednesday, April 1st, 2020**!
- **DO NOT CREATE A NEW PROFILE** if you forgot your password, were a 4-H family in a previous year, or got locked out of your family account. Simply call the Extension office and we will get you all squared away.

For more information about 4-H and the enrollment process, please visit our website at lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-honline-enrollment/. As always, if you have questions or concerns, please contact the Extension La Crosse County office at LaCrosseCounty4H@lacrossecounty.org or 608-785-9593 and a 4-H staff member will be happy to assist you.



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