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THE BARRON COUNTY BEACON

Barron County 4-H Newsletter



What Makes Barron County 4-H Great?

This is the question I am posing to you during the 2019-2020 4-H year. What makes Barron County 4-H great? Do you like your club meetings, the Horse Project, showing at the fair? How about meeting people, going to summer camp, or maybe just being a part of something big. What ever it is that you think makes Barron County 4-H great, I want to hear about it.

For those of you who don't know me yet, my name is Sara Waldron and I am the new 4-H Program Coordinator for Barron County 4-H. Although this position is new to me, I grew up in 4-H, had an internship with Vernon County 4-H in college, have my own children in the Northern Lights 4-H Club, and am excited to be part of Barron County 4-H in this role.

I have a Business Education degree from Winona State University and a Master of Education from Concordia University. Prior to taking this position, I was the Business and Information Technology teacher/Library Director at Birchwood Public School for the last 13 years. Teaching was very rewarding for me, but sometimes opportunities fall into your lap and take you on new adventures.

My husband Chris and I, along with our 3 children (Mylee, Tahlia, and Quinn), have lived in the area for 13 years and enjoy many of the things Barron County and Northern Wisconsin have to offer. I am passionate about STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math), enjoy sewing, camping and being with my family, tinkering on the computer, and tinkering in general. My favorite quote is, "Show your weird" because I hope that youth of today realize that it's ok to be yourself. Take pride in who you are, and what you do, even if others think you're weird.

So please let me know what makes Barron County 4-H great, and I look forward to meeting you and working with you. Feel free to reach out to me at sara.waldron@wisc.edu or by phone: 715-537-6253.

Sincerely,

Sara Waldron

Sara Waldron
4-H Program Coordinator
Barron County

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ENROLLMENT

Have you Enrolled in 4-H this Year?

Have you enrolled in 4HOnline for the current 4-H year? Doing so helps you get important mailings and helps us know who we have enrolled as youth and volunteers.

In January, all the mailing lists (for newsletter and all project areas) will be generated from 4HOnline. If you're not an enrolled 4-H member, you might miss out on important project notices or newsletters. So get online and register! If you have questions about enrollment, call the office at 715-537-6253

Why Join?

According to research conducted by youth development scholars, 4-H'ers are nearly:

4x more likely to make contributions to their Communities.

2x more likely to be civically active.

2x more likely to make healthier choices.

WEBSITE INFORMATION

How Do You Find Information?

Technology plays a huge part in our lives today. As we challenge ourselves to be a part of something big, let's share our successes with each other and the county. You may have seen a few additions to the 4-H website, something we will call a work in progress. We will also use social media as a way to see what's happening and what kind of great things we are doing in Barron County 4-H. The more we post, the more we are noticed.

Please email or message your successes and your county wide events so that we can get them posted online early. Clubs-I challenge you to send at least 1 picture each month. Projects-Send at least 1 picture from each activity. Encourage your members to send them in as well. Let's let everyone know what Barron County 4-H is all about!

Facebook: @BarronCounty4H

Website: barron.extension.wisc.edu

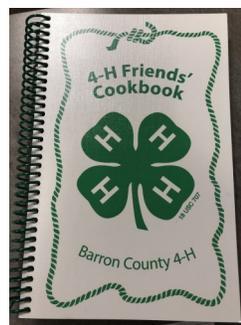
See What We're Up To Today!

2019 PLATBOOKS & COOKBOOKS ARE HERE!

"As you think about your shopping lists for Christmas or Birthdays, keep in mind our Plat Books and Cookbooks are for sale! By purchasing these, you're also supporting the Barron County 4-H program.



Plat Books = \$30.



Cookbooks = \$10.

Stop in the office and we'll help you mark that special someone off your list!"

FEEL FREE TO PICK UP A FEW FOR YOUR MEMBERS TO SELL!

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK DATES

Junior Livestock Important Dates

Weigh-in and Registration of Animals

Note: The Floater Rule will not be used this year.
Animals will be registered by family this year

Species	Date	Time	Location
Market Steers	Dec. 14	9am – 11am	Equity Livestock, Barron Site
Market Hogs	April 6	No Weigh-ins Registrations due to 4-H Office by 4:30pm on April 6	
Market Lambs	April 20	5pm – 8pm	Triebensee Barn Barron County Fairgrounds
Educational Meetings	Date	Time	Locations
YQCA	March 5 <i>In the event of bad weather, make up meeting is March 9</i>	6:30pm	Barron High School Commons
YQCA (2 nd Chance Meeting)	March 30	6:30pm	Barron High School Commons
Kick Off Meeting	June 23	7pm	Expo Building Fairgrounds
Awards Program	July 23	7pm	Barron High school Commons

Junior Livestock Committee Meeting Dates

Winter Meeting	January 29, 7pm, Barron High School, IMC
Spring Meeting	April 22, 7pm, Barron High School, IMC

**BE SURE TO SEND IN YOUR
 IMPORTANT DATES
 BY THE 15TH OF THE MONTH
 TO MAKE THE NEWSLETTER**

Jr. Leaders Christmas Party

You're Invited: 8th Grade Youth and Older

All Barron County 4-H youth 8th grade and older are invited to join the Jr. Leader Christmas Party! Sunday, December 15 at 5PM.

All Barron County 4H youth 8th grade and older are invited to join us for: Food Fun & Friendship! We will meet, elect officers, discuss future projects and/or workshops and exchange white elephant Christmas gifts (under \$5). Hot dogs, veggie tray and drinks will be provided.

PLEASE BRING WITH YOU:

Yourself!
 Great attitude and project/workshop ideas.
 A white elephant gift, if you wish to play the Christmas game.
 Dish to pass or treat to share, if you wish.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

Leading Effective Meetings with *Parliamentary Procedure*

December 5, 2019 10:00 am – Noon

Join us Via Zoom at:

<https://uwextension.zoom.us/j/426868634>

You've been elected chairman, now what?

Join UW-Madison, Division of Extension Educator Sarah Tarjeson to learn more about:

- Using Parliamentary Procedures/Roberts Rules of Order
- Writing and Amending Effective Bylaws
- Alternative Strategies for Making Group Decisions
- Valuable resources to teach others or apply skills immediately

Please register ahead of time in order to receive valuable materials by entering information here:

<https://forms.gle/XjgbtBTfKoA9Zq2P9>

Who should participate? *Extension Educators, Coordinators, and Volunteers, Club Officers and Older Youth Leaders!*

This session will be recorded and made available for viewing and participation at alternative times.

If you missed the live session, a recorded viewing is available. Please Contact the 4-H office if you have questions. 715-537-6253.

FAIR SUPERINTENDENTS

Current and Future Fair Superintendents

Superintendents are needed to make the fair a success. Just as any of the current ones how important this role is. If this interests you, read on.

Attention Superintendents!

As a superintendent for the Barron County Fair, your time and talents are very much appreciated by the Barron County Fair Board and we look forward to working with you again next summer. We would like your input on any changes in the next edition of the Fair Premium Book. If you have any changes that you would like to see implemented in the next book, please let Jacque know by February 1st. You can either send them to her by regular mail or e-mail at the following address:

Jacque Schaffer

1971 30th Avenue

Rice Lake, WI 54868

**barroncountyfairsecretary@gmail.com or
schafferjacque2@gmail.com**

Superintendent Wanted!

A superintendent would need to be available on the Tuesday of the fair from 1-6pm to assist the judges and participants with their entries. After judging is completed, the superintendent tidy's up their area and arranges the projects for public viewing. On Sunday they would also need to be present to help participants check out their projects at 6:00 pm. Please consider being a part of the Barron County Fair as a superintendent! Contact Jacque (information above) if interested!



VOLUNTEERS

4-H Cafe

Are you a 4-H volunteer in Barron County? How would you like to meet with 4-H volunteers from around the area, including volunteers from Barron, Sawyer, Rusk, Burnett, and Washburn County. You can get ideas about what other counties are doing with their 4-H youth and have the opportunity to share what is happening in Barron County. If this sounds like a great opportunity, read on!

Volunteers are one of the most important pieces to making 4-H a positive experience for our youth. In addition to teaching our youth, volunteers can often benefit from the program as well!

- 1) Mentor the next generation of leaders.
- 2) Use leadership skills in other areas of your life (work, home, etc.)
- 3) You might learn a thing or two in the process of volunteering.

Whether you are a current volunteer, or thinking about becoming a volunteer. Please consider taking part in the 4-H Café.

The Area 2 4-H Positive Youth Development Educators present the opportunity for 4-H volunteers to gather with other volunteers from northwestern Wisconsin to learn together about all things 4-H. On Saturday, January 25th from 9:30a.m.-4p.m. at the Spooner Ag Research Station we will be serving up drinks, food, and most importantly, resources to help 4-H volunteers gain new ideas from one another and share what they love about 4-H.

We will be offering the annual leader training (VIP training) for all volunteers (new and seasoned) and during the afternoon we will have three rounds of guided conversation about 4-H projects, clubs, contests, awards, etc. with share out opportunities between each round and an open space at the end for further discussions and connections.

The cost is only \$10 payable at the door to cover expenses for food and drinks.

Please share information about this event and register by January 13, 2020! To register, via Google Forms, please follow the link:

<https://forms.gle/AYKkLTW58PU8uZ2u6>

We hope to see you there!

AREA 2 4-H POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
EDUCATORS PRESENT...



An opportunity to meet other volunteers from northwestern Wisconsin for annual leader training and meaningful, guided conversations. Please come share resources and ideas about club or project activities.



SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2020
9:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
SPOONER AG RESEARCH STATION
(W6646 WI-70, SPOONER, WI 54801)

REGISTER VIA GOOGLE FORM AT:
[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/AYKKLTW58PU8UZ2U6](https://forms.gle/aykkltw58pu8uz2u6)
BEFORE MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER VIA PHONE CALL
BETH RANK, BURNETT CO 4-H EDUCATOR AT 715-349-2151.

Project Discovery Days – December 14th, 2019



Barron County Government Center, 9-12:00 am



Registration Deadline: Wednesday, December 11, 2019.

Marilyn Amundson—Embroidery on Paper

Come and learn this gorgeous embroidery that can be used in cards, bookmarks, or in your scrapbooking! Bring scissors and scotch tape.

COST: \$3.00
GRADES: K through Adults
CLASS LIMIT: 10 kids



Jerry and Melanie Donath – Snowman Basket

Create a seasonal snowman basket you can put Christmas cards in or decorate to your liking. Please wear old clothes as we will be painting.

COST: \$10.00
BRING: Phillips screwdriver and a hammer.
CLASS LIMIT: None



Joyce Ann Nelson – Winter Wreath

We will decorate a wreath with ribbon, bulky yarn and bottle brushed trees that you can hang all winter.

COST: \$8.00
GRADES: 3rd grade thru adults
CLASS LIMIT: 6 kids



Ann Staff – Crochet Snowflake

Come and learn to crochet a cute snowflake to hang on your Christmas tree.

COST: \$3.00
GRADES: 3rd grade through adults
BRING: Scissors
CLASS LIMIT: 4



Need ideas for your fair project? Come and join us to meet new people, learn new hobbies, and finish your fair entry before summer is here!

Any questions, please call Joycie at (715)-458-1944. If there is bad weather,

DECEMBER 14, 2019
4-H PROJECT DISCOVERY DAY CLASS REGISTRATION

Due: DECEMBER 11th, 2019

Mail to: Barron County 4-H Educator, Extension-Barron County, 335 E. Monroe Ave., Room 2206, Barron, WI 54812.

Make check payable to: Barron County 4-H.

Name: _____

Grade/Adult: _____

Phone: _____

Club: _____

Address: _____

I would like to register for the _____ class.

Amount: \$ _____

If you have any questions, please call Joyce Ann Nelson at
715-458-1944.

Cancellations will be made with WJMC Rice Lake if there is bad weather
and the event needs to be cancelled.



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