

THE CLOVER VIEW

Barron County 4-H Youth Development Newsletter - August 2014

And the 4-H Celebration Continues!

As we wrap up the season of the Barron County Fair and the 2013-2014 4-H Year, we still have several months to celebrate the Wisconsin 4-H Centennial! Thank you to Judy Biver of the Klondike Rustlers, who made a beautiful banner that hung in the Youth Expo Building during the fair. The Prairie Hustlers displayed a quilt at the fair that honored the Centennial. When it comes to 100 Year decorations, the Horse Barn was awesome! Thank you, horse members, for choosing the centennial as your decorating theme.

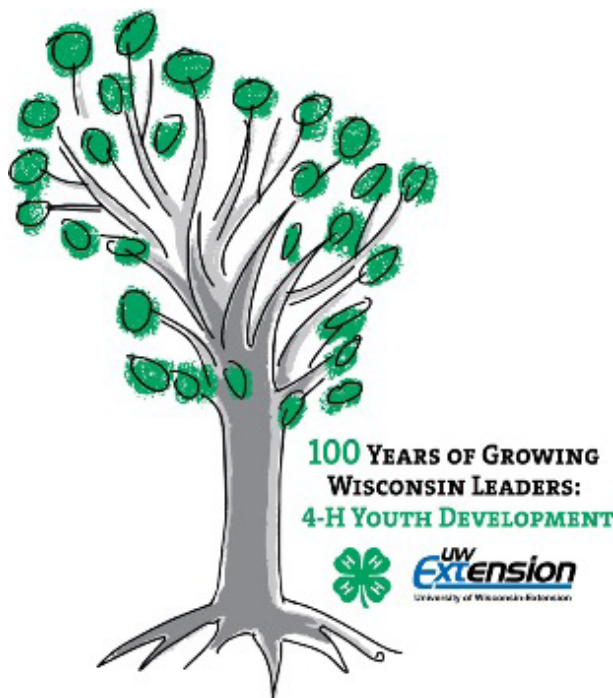
In June, all 4-H'ers present and past were invited to share in a 4-H Flag Raising at the Fairgrounds, and over 30 people attended. A "Clover Face" at the fair attracted many people to get their 4-H photo taken and hung on the wall in celebration. In November, a Barron County 4-H supporter will be inducted into the brand new Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame (announcement to come later!).

This year also marks the 50th anniversary of the Barron County Junior Livestock Show & Sale. A celebration was held the night before the auction this year, with hundreds of people in attendance. Thank you to Larry Jerome who chaired a committee of several people to put on that event, which honored 4-H and FFA involvement in livestock projects.

Thank you also to Tom Schaffer, who is completing his third year as a 4-H Summer Assistant. In twelve short weeks, he works with Area Animal Science Days, 4-H Summer Camp, Collectibles Judging, Cake Revue, Foods Revue, Fair (and more fair), Junior Leaders Food Stand, Adult Leaders Food Stand, Graduation, and a bunch of other day to day things. Thanks, Tom, for another great summer with UW-Extension! You are greatly appreciated!



Mary Pardee
4-H Youth Development Educator



Tom Schaffer, 4-H Summer Assistant, shows off his Clover Face!

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



4-H Calendar

August			
6	4-H Graduation & Volunteer Recognition		
16	Spoooner Sheep Day	8:30 am	Ag Research Station, Spooner
18	4-H Junior Leaders/Ambassadors Meeting	7 pm	Gov't Center Room 110
19	4-H Council hears Funding Requests	7 pm	Gov't Center East Conf. Room
19	4-H Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Gov't Center East Conf. Room
September			
1	4-H Arts Camp Registration Due		
16	4-H Council hears Funding Requests	TBA	Gov't Center East Conf. Room
16	4-H Council Meeting	TBA	Gov't Center East Conf. Room
16	4-H Association Fall Meeting	7:30 pm	Gov't Center Room 110
October			
4-5	4-H Arts Camp		Upham Woods, WI Dells
18	4-H Awards Program		
November			
14-16	WI 4-H Fall Forum & Centennial Celebration		Chula Vista, WI Dells



4-H Arts Camp

When: October 4-5, 2014

Where: Camp Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells

Cost: \$75.00 campers; \$55.00 adult chaperones

Registration Deadline: Campers/Chaperones – September 1

Registration Information: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/artscamp/index.cfm>

If you're in Middle School, grades 6-8, don't miss 4-H Arts Camp! Where else can you go to one place to learn about music, drama, visual arts, photography, communications, and juggling! You'll rotate through the different Arts tracks each day, participate in a group Arts experience Saturday evening, and close with a ceremony for parents and families, celebrating the results of your group Arts Camp experiences. You'll also meet new friends, participate in camp games, and enjoy the great natural setting of Upham Woods, a 300-acre environmental education center on the Wisconsin River near Wisconsin Dells.

4-H Arts Camp is sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-Extension and is funded through registrations and a grant from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation. The program is planned and led by a talented group of 4-H high school youth, assisted by UW-Extension specialists, 4-H staff and key adult volunteers. You'll learn lots of creative ideas to take home to share with your family and friends.

If you haven't been a part of the Arts Camp experience, come and see what you've been missing! Space is limited. Families are responsible for registration and travel to and from Upham Woods.

Fall Forum and Centennial Celebration

What: Fall Forum and Centennial Celebration

When: November 14-16, 2014

Where: Chula Vista, WI Dells

Who: Youth in grades 7-13 and adult Volunteer Leaders

All youth participants need to identify a chaperone who has completed the Youth Protection process when they register.

Cost is: \$75 for youth and \$100 for adults. Lodging is an additional \$25 per night (youth 3-4 youth per room and adults 2-per room). Individual room lodging is available for \$75 per person.

The top 10 reasons why youth and adult leaders will want to attend:

1. 15+ interactive sessions Friday night... robots, archery, wiki, exploring Upham Woods
2. 20+ sessions Saturday from robotics to team building
3. Hear the Vision for the 4-H for the next 100 years from State Program Director Dale Leidheiser
4. Get to meet adults and youth from around the state
5. See youth adult partnerships in action
6. Networking and idea sharing
7. Be part of a once in a lifetime Hall of Fame inductee ceremony of 100 people instrumental in WI 4-H
8. Great, practical take home projects to use in clubs, schools and community settings
9. Have fun
10. Celebrate 100 years of Growing Wisconsin Leaders!

Call the UW-Extension office at 715-537-6253 if you are interested in attending. Registration will be open September 3-30. This program is partially funded by the WI 4-H Foundation and the youth registration fee has been reduced with funds donated by the Southern District Leadership Team.



School Promotion

Would you like to help promote 4-H in your school? The UW-Extension office will supply postcards, table displays and other information to help you promote 4-H during school open houses or classrooms during the first weeks of school.

Get together with others from your club/area to cover a school and let students know what a great learning experience 4-H can be! Call the UW-Extension office at 537-6253 to discuss getting supplies.



Junior Leaders Happenings

All 4-H members in grades 8 and up are invited to the next Junior Leaders Meeting, to be held August 18, 7 p.m. at the Government Center in Barron!



Happy New 4-H Year!

The 2013-2014 4-H Year ends on September 31 and we start all over again on October 1! What all happens this time of year?



RECORD BOOKS

It's time to complete your 4-H Record Book! Record Books are a way to document what you did in 4-H over the year. Your 4-H accomplishments are all in one place when you complete applications for jobs, scholarships, college and other important experiences during your life. All members of the Barron County 4-H program (except Cloverbuds) are required to complete a Record Book to achieve in the current 4-H year (see box for information on 4-H Achievement). In addition, you qualify for several end-of-year awards by completing a Record Book!

With the permission of your general club leader, you may submit your record book forms and support materials in an electronic format. Using the regular Record Book Forms, you could create a method to display your record book in a digital format. You might use .pdf files, PowerPoint, or another creative method. Just be sure that it is a format that others will be able to open and access easily.

If you took multiple 4-H projects in the year, you may choose to pick your top four projects to highlight in your record book, and still qualify for awards.

Check with your club general leader to find out the due date to turn in your Record Book. Then be on time, as your club leader has to turn in results to the UW-Extension office. All forms, along with a Guide to help you create your book, can be found at <http://barron.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/record-books/>.

Special Project Awards

Special Project Awards are available in the following areas:
Home Economics (Child Development, Clothing, Quilting, Crocheting, Cake Decorating, Foods & Nutrition, Foods Preservation, Home Environment, or Knitting) – provided by Home & Community Education (HCE) members
Cat – provided by Jean Blaser
Foods – Janet Demers Foods Award provided by Julie Nelson
Livestock (Beef, Sheep or Swine) – provided by the Jr. Livestock Committee

These awards are given based on the record book entries for that project area. If you want your club leader to nominate your record in any of these areas for the award, let the leader know and pay particular attention to doing a great job on that portion of your record book!

CLOVERBUD ACTIVITY BOOK

For all Cloverbuds (4-H members in grades K-2 in the 2013-2014 school year), Cloverbud Activity Books are available through your 4-H club leader, at the UW-Extension Office, or online at <http://barron.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/record-books/>. The Activity Book is a fun way for Cloverbuds to reflect on their experiences this past year in 4-H. Cloverbuds are encouraged to complete a book to earn a 4-H ribbon. Check with your club leader to obtain a book and to find out the due date.

AWARDS PROGRAM

The 4-H Awards Program is scheduled for Saturday, October 18 at the Barron High School. Youth receiving county-level record book and other awards will be recognized. Save the date and watch for more information!

GRADUATION & VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION PICNIC

Youth in Grades 12-13 and volunteers with 1, 5, 10, etc. years of service were mailed invitations to a recognition event to be held August 6.

ENROLLMENT

All 4-H youth and adult volunteers must re-enroll in 4-H at the beginning of each 4-H year. Enrollment for the 2014-2015 4-H Year will begin in early September. Instructions will be in the September newsletter, as well as emailed to all families.



Animal Science

Dairy Judging Results

The Barron County 4-H Junior and Senior Dairy Judging Teams had a successful day on Monday, July 21, at the Wisconsin 4-H Dairy Judging Contest at the Jackson County Fairgrounds in Black River Falls.

The junior dairy judging team, comprised of Justyne Frisle, Brooke Hammann, Zachary Moret, and Emily Pintens won the team title and placed three team members in the top ten. Emily Pintens placed first, earning high individual honors. Brooke Hammann finished fourth and Justyne Frisle placed 10th. The junior team also placed third in the Type Analysis Evaluation portion of the junior contest, with Emily Pintens earning second place individual honors in that category. Katie Crosby, from the Washburn County 4-H, who practices with the Barron County teams, earned ninth high individual honors in the junior division.

The Barron County 4-H Senior Dairy Judging Team, comprised of Michaela Boesl, Emily Hellendrung, David Pintens, and Collin Wille, finished fourth in both the Ayrshire and Guernsey judging. David Pintens, who earned High Individual Overall Honors at the District Contest in Eau Claire on June 26, was ninth high individual in verbal reasons. Emily Hellendrung, who placed ninth overall in the contest, will advance to a national 4-H dairy judging contest in Louisville, Kentucky, later this year.

Tyler Crosby, the alternate on the senior team, earned second place honors in the Dairy Showmanship Contest, earning Reserve Champion Showmanship Honors. Steve Fronk is the 4-H volunteer coaching the 4-H dairy judging teams.

To get involved in the team next year, contact the UW-Extension office.

Spooner Sheep Day

The 62nd Spooner Sheep Day will be held at the Spooner Agricultural Research Station on Saturday, August 16. Registration will begin at the station headquarters at 8:30 a.m. with the program ending at approximately 3:30 p.m. Dr. Reid Redden, Sheep Extension Specialist, North Dakota State University, will be the featured speaker. There will be presentations on economical feeding of the ewe flock by Rusty Burgett, the new Spooner Station sheep researcher and a discussion of estimated breeding values (EBVs) by Tom Murphy, Animal Sciences Ph.D. graduate student.

The afternoon program will be held at the sheep barn and will include evaluation of market lambs, a discussion of the disease of caseous lymphadenitis, and a walk through the kura clover-orchardgrass pastures. The complete program can be viewed at the UW-Madison Small Ruminant web site: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wisheepandgoat/>.

A lamb lunch will be served at noon at a cost of \$8.00 per adult, \$5.00 for children ages 5 to 11, and free for children under 5. Advanced reservations are not required. For more information, contact Lorraine Toman at the Spooner Agricultural Research Station (715-635-3735, ltoman@wisc.edu) or Dave Thomas on the UW-Madison campus (608-263-4306).

The Spooner Sheep Day is sponsored by the Department of Animal Sciences and the Agricultural Research Stations of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, and Cooperative Extension of the University of Wisconsin-Extension.

What is 4-H Achievement?

Each 4-H member gains different skills and knowledge from their personal 4-H experiences, and achieve their goals in different ways. The county achievement policy helps youth attain their 4-H goals while setting a minimum standard for active 4-H participation.

In order to achieve in any Barron County 4-H Year, youth members must:

- Do a demonstration speech.
• Exhibit a project item at the county fair or other community event pre-approved by the club leader.
• Submit a Member Yearly Plan and Record (ex. record book or electronic MPE forms).

If a 4-H Member does not achieve, he or she will forfeit the following privileges in the following 4-H year:

- Event funding through the 4-H Association
• Participation in the Livestock Sale
• Eligibility to advance to district, state, or national level project competitions

A Corny Way to Support 4-H!

Dunn County UW-Extension 4-H Youth Development Program has arranged with Govin's Corn Maze to donate \$1 to local county 4-H programs for each corn maze admission. This year's corn maze will honor the WI 4-H Centennial! You must bring the coupon below in order to have \$1 donated to Barron County 4-H!

Govin's Corn Maze



Open September 20 - November 2

Present this coupon at time of admission, and \$1.00 will be returned to your county's 4-H leaders organization.

***Coupon must be printed** Good for entire season*

BARRON COUNTY

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- 11 Acre Corn Maze
- Farm Animals
- Flashlight Maze
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- Corn Box
- Hay Jump
- Jumping Pillow
- Corn Cannon
- Mini Golf
- Pumpkin Patch
- Concessions
- Pumpkin Cannon
- And More...

September 20 - November 2

Hours of Operation	Maze Admission	
Fri. 4 pm - 10 pm	Ages 5 and over \$10.50	*Extra Charge for Corn & Pumpkin Cannon Shots.
Sat. 10 am - 10 pm	Ages 2-4 \$4.00	
Sun. 11 am - 5 pm	Last Tickets sold 1 hour before closing	
Flashlight Maze at Dusk		
Weekdays by appointment for schools, scouts & groups		
DIRECTIONS: East of Menomonie just off I-94 at exit 45, then south. East a stop light by Kwik Trip Watch for signs or go to govinsfarm.com for a map.		




Group Rates & Info: 715.231.2377

www.govinsfarm.com

4-H Member Expense Reimbursement

All 4-H members are eligible to apply for Event Funding reimbursement from the 4-H Association, up to \$200 total for the 4-H year. The reimbursement is to encourage members to take advantage of leadership and project activities and events outside of the county. These eligible events include summer camp, showing at state fair, 4-H conferences or trips, Area Animal Science Days, arts camp, etc. County fair expenses, project expenses and costs to transport your animals to events in the county are examples of events that would NOT be eligible. If you have a question whether something would be eligible for the Event Funding reimbursement, contact your 4-H Council representative.

Receipts are necessary for reimbursement. Acceptable expenses include registration or entry fees, gas cost, meals, hotel if overnight. Souvenirs, clothing, etc. are not reimbursable.

In order to request reimbursement, 4-H members must appear at a 4-H Council meeting with the Event Funding Request form and receipts. (4-H members who are away at college may send their request in writing.) All event funding for the 4-H year must be requested at or before the October 4-H Council meeting. See the newsletter calendar for 4-H Council meeting dates.

Adult volunteers who chaperone youth to events are also eligible to request reimbursement up to \$200. **NEW:** Adult requests have a different form than youth requests.

The Event Funding Request forms (youth and adult) can be found at: <http://barron.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms/>.

Thank you to 4-H Members and Adult Volunteers for making great memories at the 2014 Barron County Fair!



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