



Barron County 4-H News & Events January 2015

Welcome Lori Baltrusis

We have a temporary addition to the UW-Extension office! Lori Baltrusis began working as a 4-H Program Advisor in December. Lori will assist Mary with various tasks as Mary takes on additional responsibilities for UW-Extension on a regional level. Lori is also the Family Living Educator with UW-Extension in Sawyer County three days a week, and will now be spending a day in Barron County, too! Mary and Lori's temporary assignments will last between one and two years.

Lori: "I come from Indiana where I worked at the World's Largest Children's Museum and have been involved in educating children and families for all of my adult life. Not only am I an educator, I am a professional clown, a dog lover, and am learning to cross country ski this year!"

Lori will be working on the 4-H newsletter, youth protection training, and other aspects of the 4-H program. Although Lori's time here is limited to about one day a week, you can reach her at lori.baltrusis@ces.uwex.edu.

Mary Pardee
4-H Youth Development Educator

Lori Baltrusis
4-H Program Advisor

Winter Weather Cancellations

4-H will use WJMC for county-level event cancellations. Listen to FM 96.1 or AM 1140 or see the cancellations page on their website at <http://wjmcradio.com>. (4-H Clubs may use different methods to communicate cancellations.)



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4-H Calendar

January			
10	4-H Project Discovery Day	9-Noon	Lower Level, Gov't Center
12	Horse Quiz Bowl Practice	7:00 pm	Room 110, Gov't Center
13	4-H Leathercraft Order Session	5:30-6:30 pm	East Conf. Room, Gov't Center
14	Dairy Committee Meeting	7:30 pm	Room 110, Gov't Center
19	4-H Archery Project begins (Monday session)	5:30 or 7 pm	Rice Lake Armory
20	Junior Leaders Meeting	6:30 pm	Room 111, Gov't Center
20	4-H Council Meeting (no funding requests)		Offsite
22	4-H Archery Project begins (Thursday session)	5:30 or 7 pm	Rice Lake Armory
26	Horse Project Kick Off Meeting	7:00 pm	Room 110, Gov't Center
29	District Gymkhana Planning Meeting	7:00 pm	East Conf. Room, Gov't Center
31	Shepherd Clinic and Trade Show	8:00 am	WITC, Rice Lake
February			
7	Dairy Quiz Bowl		Portage, WI
7	Leathercraft Workshops begin	9-Noon	Room 110, Gov't Center
12	No Archery tonight		
12	New Volunteer Orientation	5:00-6:30 pm	East Conf. Room, Gov't Center
14	4-H Project Discovery Day	9 - Noon	Lower Level, Gov't Center
14	Science Saturday (registration required)	9:30 am	UW-Barron County
16	New Volunteer Orientation	1-2:30 pm	East Conf. Room, Gov't Center
17	Junior Leaders Meeting	6:30 pm	
17	4-H Council hears funding requests	7 pm	East Conf. Room, Gov't Center
17	4-H Council Meeting	7:30 pm	East Conf. Room, Gov't Center
20	Registration Deadline for 4-H ArtBeat! Camp		
23	4-H Camp Counselor Application due		
24	4-H Dog Project Meeting	7 pm	Auditorium, Gov't Center
27	Performance Arts Festival Registration Due		
March			
7	Beef Weigh In	9-11 am	Equity Livestock, Barron
7	Junior Leaders Lock In		BACC
12	MAQA (Meat Animal Quality Assurance) Trng.	6:30 pm	Barron HS Commons
14	4-H Project Discovery Day	9-Noon	Lower Level, Gov't Center
15	WI 4-H Foundation Scholarship Application Due		
16	4-H Archery final Monday night		
19	4-H Archery final Thursday night		
20 & 21	4-H Artbeat! Camp		Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells
21	Barron-Polk Performance Arts Festival		Turtle Lake School
24	4-H Dog Project Meeting	7 pm	Auditorium, Gov't Center
27	WI State Fair Dairy Scholarship Due		
28	Barron County Horse Expo		BACC

Barron-Polk Performance Arts Festival!

What is it? The Performance Arts Festival is an event where youth are invited to perform in speaking, demonstration, music, and drama categories. Judges provide feedback and placings for most categories count for fair premiums. All 4-H members are invited to share their talents at the 4-H Performance Arts Festival, and families and friends are invited to be in the audience! As was started last year, we will combine this day with our 4-H friends from Polk County.

The Barron-Polk Performance Arts Festival will be held Saturday, March 21 at the Turtle Lake School. Entry information and forms are available in this newsletter, or download them from the website at <http://barron.uwex.edu>. Entry forms for music, drama, interpretive reading, speaking and demonstration are due to the UW-Extension office by February 27.

Individual music, speaking, reading and demonstration can be performed for fair premiums. To fulfill the fair requirements, you can show something at the fair to represent your performance, such as a poster. If you are entering any of these areas, you will need to put them on your fair entry registration form in order to receive your premium.

On-Stage drama, Mini-drama and Group music are all ways for your club members to have a great time learning and performing together! If you need ideas for performances, the UW-Extension office has books of plays that you may borrow. An internet search will also reveal plays and skits for download and use. Club performances do not have to involve everyone in your club, but practicing and performing together can create a sense of belonging and span many ages of youth.

Cloverbuds can take part in this Festival, too, by performing the 4-H Pledge for a judge, and/or taking part in a club play or musical performance. If your club has several cloverbuds, they can even do their own performance. Clubs may have more than one drama or musical performance.

Read the entry forms for specific information about length of performances and other things you need to know. For all individual and club performance, judges will talk with performers and help reflect upon what went well and possible improvements.

Participation in the Performance Arts Festival can help youth build self-esteem while gaining skills in teamwork, motivation and leadership! If you have any questions about the Performance Arts Festival, call Mary at 537-6253 or email mary.pardee@ces.uwex.edu. We hope to see all 4-H members showing their talents on March 21!



Seeking Camp Counselors

Being a counselor at the Po-Croix-Bar 4-H Summer Camp is a great youth leadership experience working with campers and other teens, plus it is a lot of fun! Counselors need to be at least a freshman in high school. Junior Directors help to train counselors and direct camp functions. Junior Directors are generally older teens who have several years of counseling experience. To apply for these important positions, just fill out the application in this newsletter and return it to the UW-Extension office. Counselors will be selected for a camp (Younger or Older) once final camper numbers are in. Counselors need to commit to attend an overnight training session at the Kiwanis Camp in Marine-On-St. Croix, MN. This training session is tentatively scheduled for May 29 and 30. Summer Camp will be held the week of June 15-19. Contact Mary with questions at 715-537-6253 or mary.pardee@ces.uwex.edu.

Junior Leaders Happenings

NOTICE!! Junior Leaders are changing the regular date of their meetings. We will try the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. This means the **next meeting of the Junior Leaders will be January 20, 6:30 p.m., in Room 111** of the Government Center in Barron. All 4-H members in Grades 8 and above are invited to attend.

The January meeting will include planning the Junior Leaders Lock In (scheduled for March 7) and other activities. A representative of Habitat for Humanity will present opportunities for service to that organization. Junior Leaders are needed to help with the February and March Project Discovery Day classes.



4-H Project Discovery Day

February 14, 9 am to 12 pm - Government Center, Barron

All classes are filled on a first-come-first-served basis.

Beginning Crochet

Instructor: Harriet Taplin

Class Limit: 6

Grades: Grade 3 through adult

Cost: \$5.00

Bring: Sharp scissors

Description: Learn the basics of crochet, a special way to make fabric from yarn, thread or other material. Cost includes supplies and patterns.

Embroidering on Paper

Instructor: Marilyn Amundson (715-637-8777)

Class Limit: 10

Grades: Kindergarten through adult

Cost: \$3.00

Bring: Sharp scissors and scotch tape

Description: Learn beautiful embroidery on paper techniques which will amaze your friends and family.

Mourning Dove Nesting Bird House

Instructor: Jerry and Melanie Donath (715-837-1066)

Class Limit: 20

Grades: Kindergarten through adult

Cost: \$10.00

Bring: Phillips screwdriver and hammer. Wear old clothes

Description: If you would like to attract mourning doves to your yard – come and build them a nesting bird house.

Valentine Button Fun!

Instructor: Joyce Nelson (715-458-1944)

Class Limit: 6

Grades: Grade 3 through adult

Cost: \$8.00

Description: We will be making a button project on canvas to display for Valentine's Day or anytime of the year.

Will You Be My 4-H Valentine?

Instructors: Junior Leaders

Class Limit: 10

Grades: Kindergarten through Grade 2

Cost: \$3.00

Description: Join the Junior Leaders on Valentine's Day for crafts, games and fun that you'll love!



Feb. 14, 2015 4-H Project Discovery Day Class Registration Due Feb. 11, 2015

Mail to: Barron County 4-H Youth Development Educator, UW-Extension, 335 E. Monroe Ave. Room 2206, Barron, WI 54812
Make checks payable to: Barron County 4-H Association

Name: _____ Grade/Adult: _____

Club: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

I would like to register for the _____ class. I have enclosed \$ _____ for the class fee.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!



What is waste? Waste is anything that is discarded and no longer being used. How does waste affect our lakes, forests, cities, animals and roadsides? How do you think you can be less wasteful? How about trying one or more of these "Rs"!

REDUCE!

The word "reduce" means to "make smaller." What items do you use every day? How could you use less of them? Check out what is in your garbage can. Is there a lot of paper and plastics in there? What ideas do you have to make the amount of waste in your garbage can smaller?

REUSE!

How can your family reuse one of the items that would normally be thrown out? Can you rinse out gently used Ziploc bags and reuse them? Sometimes simple changes can make a big difference in the amount of waste we create.

How about cleaning out your toys? Collect all your toys that are in good condition and donate them to a local shelter, doctor's office, or business with play areas. (Clean and sanitize the toys before donating.) Or, organize a toy exchange for your next 4-H meeting!

RECYCLE!

Recycling is a good way to make the amount of waste coming from your home much smaller. Many communities have curbside pickup for recycling, or you might be asked to collect your aluminum, tin, glass, plastic and paper and haul it to a collecting site. How much can you collect in one month?

Organize an aluminum can drive! Have 4-H members in your club collect cans for a month. The money you make on the cans could go to a special activity you can enjoy or donate the money to your favorite charity, like a food bank! What ideas do you have? How much money would you have to make? How many cans is that? What else can you recycle?

For more information on recycling:
WI DNR: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/recycling/>

Design a Parachute Made from Reused Materials

You will need: A plastic grocery bag you can reuse, scissors, string (can you find some to reuse?), a small object to act as a weight

Instructions:

1. Cut out a large square from your plastic bag.
2. Trim the edges so it looks like an octagon (an eight sided shape).
3. Cut a small whole near the edge of each side.
4. Attach 8 pieces of string of the same length to each of the holes.
5. Tie the pieces of string to the object you are using as a weight.
6. Use a chair or find a high spot to drop your parachute and test how well it worked; remember that you want it to drop as slow as possible.

What's happening?

Hopefully your parachute will descend slowly to the ground, giving your weight a comfortable landing. When you release the parachute the weight pulls down on the strings and opens up a large surface area of material that uses air resistance to slow it down. The larger the surface area the more air resistance and the slower the parachute will drop. Cutting a small hole in the middle of the parachute will allow air to slowly pass through it rather than spilling out over one side, this should help the parachute fall straighter. Try different ways to make the parachute fall slowly and straight.



Leathercraft Members

It's time to start the 4-H Leathercraft workshops and order supplies! An ordering session will be held on **Tuesday, January 13, 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Barron County Government Center Room 2152** on the 2nd floor. Stop in anytime between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. to turn in your order form or ask questions. (Leathercraft members received emails and a hard copy letter regarding this ordering session.)

All members and leaders are encouraged to order their supplies on or before January 13 in order to receive special low pricing. This will be the only time you will be able to order at the lower cost and not pay shipping. Visit www.tandyleatherfactory.com to view the leathercraft catalog. When using the online catalog, our discounted price is the GOLD CLUB price. If you don't have internet access, we have a limited number of catalogs at the UW-Extension office that you can view. Catalogs will also be available at the ordering session.

Leathercraft workshops will be held from 9 a.m. to noon in Room 110 A & B of the Barron County Government Center.

The workshop dates are:

- February 7
- February 21
- February 28
- March 7

Project Fee: \$5 per member (payable to Barron County 4-H)

Project members are not required to attend all of the workshops. However, the more you attend the more help you will receive on getting your leathercraft project completed!

If you need help choosing items, please contact leathercraft leaders Joyce Nelson at 458-2673 or Tom Ebler at 237-2870.

Horse Project Dates

- Quiz bowl practice – Jan 12, 7pm – Gov't Center Room 110 (see Facebook page for more info on Quiz Bowl)
- Register for June Boot Camp, Verndale MN – January 15
- Horse Kick Off Mtg – Jan 26, 7pm – Gov't Center Room 110
- District Gymkhana Mtg – Jan 29, 7 pm – Gov't Center East Conference Room
- District Quiz Bowl – March 7 – UW-River Falls
- Barron County Horse Expo – March 28 – BACC

Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Scholarship

The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board will award three \$1,000 scholarships, for use during the second semester of the 2015-16 school year, to third or fourth-year college students pursuing dairy-related or food science degrees at one of Wisconsin's four-year universities. Two additional \$1,000 scholarships will be made available to high school seniors planning to pursue a dairy-related or food science degree at one of Wisconsin's four-year universities or students studying in a two-year, technical school program related to dairy or food science. Applicants will be evaluated on involvement and leadership in ag-related activities, scholastic achievement, and career objectives. Finalists will be interviewed in mid-April, with the recipients to be recognized at the 2015 Wisconsin State Fair.

The application is available at <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/dairy-promo-board/> Application deadline is Friday, March 27, 2015. For more information, contact Katy Katzman at: (262) 903-6727 or katzman@idcnet.com

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarships

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will be offering more than \$10,000 in scholarships to outstanding students pursuing undergraduate degrees in 2015. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation **by March 15, 2015**.

Scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance, financial need and future educational goals with specific criteria for designated awards.

The 2015 scholarships will be given in the areas of agriculture, leadership, community service, animal sciences and natural resources.

To be eligible, students must have been a 4-H member for at least one year; have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale; be enrolled or planning to enroll in a university, college or technical school during the 2015-2016 academic school year.

For more information and applications, see the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation website at <http://wis4hfoundation.org/>.

PO-CROIX-BAR 4-H Camp

Camp Counselor Application

Due: February 23, 2015. Must currently be in grades 9-12 to apply.

Name:		Current Age:		Birth Date:		Male:		Female:		
Address:				City:				Zip:		
County:		Club:		Grade in School:			Years in 4-H:			
Phone:		T-Shirt Size	Small	Medium	Large	X-Large				
Email:										
Have you previously attended a Camp Counselor Training Workshop?										
If so, when and where?										
Do you want to be considered for a junior director's position?							Yes		No	
What skills would you bring to this junior director's position?										
List camps (4-H and non-4-H) which you have attended:						Camper or Counselor				
Camp						Year	Camper		Counselor	
Please hold these dates on your calendar. Counselors will be assigned camps once camper applications and numbers are in.										
Younger Camp		Grades 3-5		June 15-17		Camp Counselor Training May 29-30 (tentative)				
Older Camp		Grades 5-7		June 17-19						
Camp Activities										
Which of the following are you comfortable leading at camp? (Please check all that apply)										
Archery			Games & Recreation							
Arts & Crafts			Music							
Backpacking			Nature							
Campfire Programs			Nature Activities (other than water)							
Canoeing			Relay Games							
Drama Activities			Science Discovery Activities							
Fishing			Singing							
Flag Ceremonies			Swimming							
Foods & Nutrition			Other (describe)							

Send completed application (don't forget the back!) to: Mary Pardee, UW-Extension, 335 E. Monroe Ave. Rm. 2206, Barron, WI 54812. Or scan and email to: mary.pardee@ces.uwex.edu

★ Did you Know? ★

4-H Curriculum

What is 4-H curriculum? Many 4-H project areas have curriculum resources for members and/or leaders to help them learn about their project area. These books (sometimes called “4-H literature”) are available in the 4-H Mall (www.4Hmall.org).

You’ll find 60 categories of 4-H topics which are arranged under the big areas of:

- Science/STEM
- Animal & Agricultural Science
- Business & Citizenship
- Environment & Outdoor Science
- Food & Healthy Living
- Creative Arts
- Practical Learning

Many topics have multiple resources custom designed for your level. For instance, there are three books to help with the Photography project. They are meant to help youth become masters of a project area by learning about and practicing new concepts every year they are in a particular project area.

Most of the national 4-H literature books available at the 4-H Mall are under \$5. They are a great resource to help youth learn about their chosen projects!

(Please note: The UW-Extension office will no longer order 4-H literature by club, as only a few clubs were still participating and the literature is now accessible to everyone for ordering.)

4-H ArtBeat!

ArtBeat! for grades 3-5 will be held March 20 and 21, 2015, at Upham Woods in the Wisconsin Dells. The weekend will feature a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, juggling and more! Camp begins Friday evening at 7 pm and ends Saturday afternoon at 3 pm. The \$50 fee will include all materials and supplies, (including a very cool ArtBeat! backpack!) special snacks, overnight lodging and breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Transportation to and from camp is not provided.

Register early! This camp fills up fast! Registration deadline: February 20, 2015. <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/artbeat/>
Contact: Christina Rencontre, at 608-262-1536 or christina.rencontre@ces.uwex.edu

4-H Shooting Sports Archery Project

Individual Project Fee - \$15.00

Family Project Fee - \$25.00

The archery project is open to all 4-H members in grade 3 and up. Youth will learn safety and shooting techniques and will have the opportunity to participate in three competitive fair shoots.

Training Center Location: National Guard Armory, 307 East Barker Street, Rice Lake. Training meetings will be held on Monday and Thursday nights with each meeting night divided into two sessions as follows: Early Session – 5:30 – 7:00 p.m., Late Session – 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Participants may eventually select an early/late/Monday/Thursday time segment that best fits their schedule. (The above training session scheme is subject to change depending upon the number or project participants.) The project fee should be paid at the first session.

Starting Dates: Monday, January 19 and Thursday, January 22.

Training sessions will continue through nine consecutive weeks with the final training sessions to be held on Monday, March 16 and Thursday, March 19. Note: there will be no training session on Thursday, February 12.

Further information will be mailed to each member currently enrolled in the archery project.

Parents’ Note: Don’t rush to buy bow and arrows for use in the project without first determining what bow fits the shooter and what arrows fit the bow – seek guidance from a reputable dealer. We also have several county bows available for member use if needed.

Used archery equipment is in high demand! Any current or past project member who has used archery equipment for sale or trade is encouraged to bring those items to the first project meetings on January 19 and January 22.



Animal Sciences

Shepherd's Clinic and Trade Show - January 31

"More Sheep, More Profit...Growing the Sheep Industry in Wisconsin" is the theme of the 2015 Shepherd's Clinic and Trade Show to be held on **Saturday, January 31**, at the Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College Conference Center in Rice Lake. Registration is from 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. with continental breakfast served until 9 a.m.

An outstanding Youth Program is planned for young shepherds enrolled in 4-H and FFA, featuring live sheep where young shepherds can learn some of the basic skills needed in handling and treating sheep and lambing time management. The Youth Program will wrap up with a hands-on Skillathon.

Registration costs \$30.00 for ISBA members and \$40.00 for non-members if registered by January 23rd. The youth program fee is \$15 per youth. There is an additional charge of \$10 per adult and \$5 for each youth not pre-registered by January 23. The registration fee covers a continental breakfast, lunch, and program expenses.

Additional information is available on-line at www.indianheadsheep.com or by contacting Tim Jergenson at 715-537-6250/



Youth Clinic Schedule

9:00 - 10:20 a.m. - Wool Dying- Each young person will get their own skein of wool to dye using your favorite flavor of Kool-Aid. You will learn more about the properties of wool and a little bit about

the chemistry of wool dyeing and have some fun all at the same time.

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. - Professor Justin Luther and his UWRF students will provide young shepherds with some basic sheep handling techniques.

11:30 - 12:00 - Greg Brickner, DVM - Are you prepared for lambing? Do you have all of the right equipment together to grab and run to the lambing barn to process those newborn lambs? Dr. Brickner will help you learn to assemble your own or "Lamb Backpack" so that you will be prepared when that first lamb lands on the straw pack.

1:30 - 2:20 - Shawn Erickson - Fitting and Showing Clinic

2:30 - 3:20 - Skillathon - This will be a fun test all of the knowledge learned throughout the day. Prizes will be awarded in various age groups.

2015 Wisconsin State Fair Market Animal Identification

Youth interested in showing market beef, sheep or swine at the 2015 Wisconsin State Fair (August 8 – August 16) must get their animal projects DNA/Rfid identified through the Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium (WLIC) by the respective State Fair eligibility deadlines. This identification system allows animals to meet Wisconsin State Fair Identification requirements as long as the process is completed (all forms returned and samples on file) by the respective Wisconsin State Fair identification deadline postmark.

Wisconsin State Fair DNA/Rfid identification deadlines:

Beef: Monday - February 9, 2015

Sheep: Monday - May 11, 2015

Swine: Monday - May 11, 2015

Request DNA/Rfid tag identification by going to the WLIC website at www.wiid.org/county-fair-dna-id-project. Print out, complete and mail the request form with payment to WLIC. Make sure you return DNA and required paperwork to WLIC by the Wisconsin State Fair identification postmark deadline listed above. Tags and paperwork are ONLY available through WLIC. The Wisconsin State Fair Office no longer processes DNA/Rfid tag requests.

Questions related to the DNA/Rfid identification process contact: WLIChelpdesk@wiid.org – 888.808.1910

Youth Pig Project

The Wisconsin Pork Association Youth Committee is offering Youth Pig Project scholarships, designed to assist 4-H and FFA members in establishing swine projects that can lead to development of life skills and career opportunities in the Wisconsin pork industry.

4-H and FFA youth are eligible to apply for a \$50.00 scholarship used to offset costs associated with their 2015 pig project. Up to ten \$50.00 scholarships will be awarded. Age divisions are as follows: Ages 9-12, 13-15, and 16-19 (as of January 1, 2015).

In the application, youth must provide project goals for the year; PQA and/or MAQA certification date; a simple project budget; future goals and how they relate to the pork industry; and "why should the WPA select you for the scholarship." To receive a copy of the application, please contact the WPA office at 1-800-822-7675 or download the application from the website at www.wppa.org. Due date is February 1.

Volunteer for 4-H!

Can you spare some time? 4-H needs your help! The following volunteer opportunities are available. If you are interested in any of them, please contact Mary at mary.pardee@ces.uwex.edu or 715-537-6253 for more information or to make arrangements.

Opportunity: Cloverbud Committee Member

Who: Adult Leaders and teens

Task Description: Form a committee to look at what 4-H offers Cloverbuds, with the intent of attracting and keeping Cloverbuds in 4-H long-term. Design and carry out special opportunities for Cloverbud-age members in 2014-2015. Re-design Cloverbud book.

Time Commitment: Several meetings over the course of the next year. Committee will set own agenda and course.

Opportunity: 4-H Project Discovery Day Presenter

Who: Adult Leaders and teens

Description: Teach a hands-on three-hour class at a Project Discovery Day, held the 2nd Saturday of the month over the winter months. Any 4-H project area can be taught. If you teach something within your 4-H Club, why not offer it county-wide?

Time Commitment: 3 hour class plus prep time

Opportunity: Record Book & Recognition Committee Member

Who: Adult Leaders and teens

Description: Form a committee to review record book and recognition procedures and awards. Consider alternative ways for youth to share their 4-H project accomplishments and make recommendations to the 4-H Council as needed. Plan and host 2015 awards program.

Time Commitment: Several meetings over the course of the next year. Committee will set own agenda and course.

New Volunteer Orientation

Do you want to become a 4-H Adult Volunteer? Adults who regularly work with youth at the club level or county level should enroll in 4-H and participate in the 4-H youth protection process. Committee members who vote on decisions that affect 4-H programming are required to be trained volunteers.

To become an adult volunteer, attend a one-time training where you will enroll using 4HOnline, learn about 4-H programming and how to protect youth. The youth protection process includes a background check on all new volunteers, which is then repeated every four years. As a volunteer, you will re-enroll each year and adhere to the volunteer behavior agreement set forth by the State 4-H program.

Please pre-register so we have a count for materials. To register for one of these Volunteer Orientation sessions, contact Mary at 715-537-6253 or mary.pardee@ces.uwex.edu.

Thursday, February 12, 2015, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Monday, February 16, 2015, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

2015 State and National Program Adult Advisor Applications

Applications for 2015 state and national 4-H outreach program volunteer and staff Adult Advisors are available at <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/volunteers/index.cfm>.

If you enjoy working with teens, collaborating with others as part of a unified leadership team, and experiencing another part of the country, consider applying to serve as an Adult Advisor to Space Camp, Huntsville, AL; Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF), Washington, D.C.; or National 4-H Congress, Atlanta, GA. Note the new deadline of February 13, 2015, a change from previous years.



Saturday, March 21, 2015
Turtle Lake School

Drama Entry

Clubs may have multiple on-stage and mini-dramas. Drama performances are not a fair entry; there is no premium. Recognition will include Top and Runner-Up On Stage Drama, Top and Runner-Up Mini-Drama, and Certificates of Merit.

- All props will be the responsibility of the performers/directors.
- All actors and directors must be currently enrolled Barron or Polk County 4-H members/volunteers.
- No hay bales, straw bales, candles, real fires, liquids, or weapons of any kind (real or fake) will be used in performances.
- Performances must include two or more actors.

On Stage Drama

- Performance length can be up to 30 minutes, including set-up and take-down time.

Mini-Drama or Skit

- Mini-dramas and skits can be performed at or in any place (setting) without a stage and might include puppetry, creative dramatics, etc.
- Mini-dramas may use props and costumes. Skits use minimal or no props and costumes.
- Performance length can be up to 15 minutes, including set-up and take-down time.

Check category: On Stage Drama Mini Drama or Skit

Name of Club: _____ County: Barron Polk

Title of Performance: _____

Director(s): _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Original Script: Yes No Stage Hand/Props Manager: _____

Cast:

Character Name	4-H Member Name

Continue Cast on Back or Separate Page

Mail to: UW-Extension 4-H Youth Development Educator, 335 E. Monroe Avenue, Room 2206, Barron, WI 54812

Or email to: mary.pardee@ces.uwex.edu

Deadline to register: February 27, 2015



Saturday, March 21, 2015
Turtle Lake School

Group Musical Performance Entry

Clubs may have multiple Group Musical performances. Group Musical performances are not a fair entry; there is no premium. (For music fair entries, see the Musical Performance Entry form.) Recognition will include Top and Runner-Up Group Musical Performance and Certificates of Merit.

- Performances may include vocals, instrumentals, and/or dance. Pantomiming or lip synching to recordings is not permitted.
- Performances must include five or more performers.
- All props will be the responsibility of the performers/directors.
- All performers and directors must be currently enrolled Barron or Polk County 4-H members/volunteers.
- No hay bales, straw bales, candles, real fires, liquids, or weapons of any kind (real or fake) will be used in performances.
- Performances should be no longer than 15 minutes in length, including set-up and take-down.
- Accompanists or directors will not be allowed to sing along with their group's presentation.
- Groups should give a brief introduction to the musical performance to set the stage.

Name of Club: _____ County: Barron Polk

Title of Performance: _____

Director(s): _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Accompanist: _____

Names of Participants:

1.	6.	11.
2.	7.	12.
3.	8.	13.
4.	9.	14.
5.	10.	15.

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Saturday, March 21, 2015
Turtle Lake School

Musical Performance (Vocal, Dance, Instrumental)

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4-H members may enter in more than one category. Each participant should bring a copy of their music for the judge.

Name: _____ Club: _____

County: Barron Polk

Grade: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please attach a list of others involved in performance with above information.

Check all that apply:

Vocal, emphasis on vocal qualities and delivery

Check one: Solo Duet

Title: _____

Dance

Check one: Solo Duet

Title: _____

Vocal and Dance – emphasis 60% on vocal qualities and 40% on interpretation and choreography

Check one: Solo Duet

Title: _____

Instrumental-Other than Piano Instrument: _____

Check one: Solo Duet

Title: _____

Piano

Check one: Solo Duet

Title: _____

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Speaking/Interpretive Reading Entry

Youth may enter this event and receive fair premium by signing up in Department J-31 on their fair entry form for either Barron or Polk Counties. An exhibit related to this performance may be displayed at the fair. Exceptional entries will receive ribbon recognition.

Original Speech - Open to all youth. Talks should be developed by the member who is presenting it. No posters or props may be used. The youth may speak about any topic of interest to him/her. **TIMES:** Grades 3-4: 1-2 minutes; Grades 5-6: 2-3 minutes; Grades 7-8: 3-4 minutes; Grades 9-13: 4-6 minutes.

4-H Pledge - For youth up to Grade 4. Pledge must be memorized. Youth will be judged on voice, stage presence, expression, general effect, and correctness.

FFA Creed – For youth in Grades 6-9. Creed must be memorized. Youth will be judged on voice, stage presence, expression, general effect, and correctness.

Interpretive Reading - Open to all youth, individual or team. Selections may be prose or poetry, original or selected reading. If not an original, the author must be credited. Include a short introduction to your reading. Reading should NOT be memorized. Use full-sized copies of selections (not note cards). No podium will be provided. **TIMES** (Individual or Team): Grades 3-4: 1-2 minutes; Grades 5-6: 2-3 minutes; Grades 7-8: 3-4 minutes; Grades 9-13: 4-6 minutes.

Name: _____ Club: _____

County: Barron Polk

Grade: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

If team interpretive reading, please attach a list of others involved with above information.

Check all that apply:

Original Speech

Title: _____

4-H Pledge

FFA Creed

Interpretive Reading

Check one: Individual Team

Title: _____

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Demonstration Entry

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Formal Demonstration – An individual or team showing and telling an audience how to make or do something. Presents information through actions with an explanation. Has an introduction, body and conclusion followed by a time to answer questions. Open to all youth grades 3 and up. Select a topic of interest to you. Props and visual aids are encouraged. One 8-foot table will be provided. Easels and other equipment will not be provided. **TIMES:** Grades 3-5: 4-7 minute demonstration; Grades 6-8: 5-8 minute demonstration; Grades 9-13: 8-10 minute demonstration.

Action Demonstration – An individual or team sharing ideas or showing how to do a skill in an informal way. The audience may participate and ask questions throughout the demonstration. The demonstrator(s) converses with audience members who are standing around the table/area. The audience participates by talking with the demonstrator, trying things, doing, tasting, asking questions, etc. Handouts, posters, pictures can be used. Open to all youth grades 3 and up. Select a topic of interest to you. One 8-foot table will be provided. Easels and other equipment will not be provided. Youth must interact and have enough supplies for the audience to take part in the demonstration. **TIMES:** Action demonstrations for all age groups should be up to 20 minutes.

Name: _____ Club: _____

County: Barron Polk

Grade: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

If team demonstration, please attach a list of others involved with above information.

Check all that apply:

Formal Demonstration

Check one: Individual Team

Title: _____

Action Demonstration

Check one: Individual Team

Title: _____

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SCIENCE SATURDAY

February 14, 2015
10:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Check in begins at 9:30 AM
UW-Barron County - Rice Lake
For students in grades 5-8
Cost: \$15 includes lunch

Join us on Science Saturday for fascinating activities and hands-on experiences showcasing science, technology, and engineering. This amazing day of science will be led by UW faculty – Ph.D mega-mind scientists ready to have fun. Your day will be filled with exciting activities exploring the awesome opportunities in science!

- ✂ How night crawlers and fish make a living - Find out why worms don't need eyes or skeletons to survive - but fish need both to thrive! You'll dissect worms and fish in this class and learn about anatomical adaptations to fit each of their lifestyles.
- ✂ Farming Wind - Harness the power of the wind by building a turbine to create electricity.
- ✂ Robot Invasion! - Are robots taking over the planet? We use a variety of robots or robotic equipment in our daily lives, but these machines are only as smart as their programmers. In this session, we will learn to program LEGO Mindstorms Robots to conquer several obstacle courses using a variety of sensors and movements.
- ✂ Chemistry Creations - Come to Dr. M's laboratory and conduct chemical transformations with your own hands. Watch remarkable demonstrations of chemical and physical phenomena.

Yes! Sign me up for **SCIENCE SATURDAY**

Mail to: UWBC
1800 College Drive
Rice Lake, WI 54868

Student Name 1: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Student Name 2: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Parent Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____ Special Dietary Needs: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Registration Fee: \$15 includes lunch (please make checks payable to UWBC)

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