

Barron County 4-H News & Events

September 2015

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Greetings –

I thought I'd take a little space in this newsletter to update you with what I know this month! At this point, you can expect to see me around the Barron County UW Extension office about ten hours a week. I am told that the 4-H Youth Development position will hopefully be advertised at the end of September or beginning of October.

While I'm in the office, I plan to make these things a priority:

- Re-Enrollment - For the 2015-2016 year.
- Newsletters – I can't promise one a month, but I'll do what I can! If there is information to share, I'll make it a priority to get it to you. Please send me your information – it's probably safer to assume that I don't know.
- Awards Banquet – I'm sure I'll need your help in making sure I remember everything!
- Charters - A blank 4-H Charter Annual Renewal packet was sent to all clubs in mid August. The deadline to return them to the UW Extension office is OCTOBER 15, 2015. Any club, committee or 4-H entity that fails to complete the 4-H Charter will lose their tax exempt status AND their standing as a 4-H entity. We will gladly help you to get this important paperwork done if you have any problems. If you have any problems, please ask early!

I look forward to serving the youth of Barron County with you.

If you're trying to reach me, it's best to contact me via email lori.baltrusis@ces.uwex.edu

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4-H Calendar

September

1	4-H Arts Camp Registration Due		
7	Begin On-line Re-Enrollment		
10	Deadline for Forms for Awards		UW Extension office
11-13	4-H Foto Follies Workshop		Treehaven, Tomahawk
15	4-H Council Meeting	6:00 p.m.	Gov't Center East Conference Rm
15	4-H Council Hears Funding Requests	7:00 – 7:30 p.m.	Gov't Center East Conference Rm only
15	Junior Leaders Meeting	6:30 pm	Gov't Center Room 111
15	4-H Association Fall Annual Meeting	7:30 pm	Gov't Center Room 110
19	Junior Leaders Lock-In	9:00 pm – 6:00 am	Barron Area Community Center

October

3-4	4-H Arts Camp		Upham Woods, WI Dells
4-10	National 4-H Week - Window Displays		
15	4-H Charter Renewals due to UWEX office		
17	4-H Awards Program	12:30 pm	Barron HS Commons
16	Junior Leaders ValleySCARE registration due		
20	Junior Leaders Meeting	6:30 pm	Gov't Center Room 110
20	4-H Council Hears Funding Requests	7 pm	Gov't Center East Conference Rm
20	4-H Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Gov't Center East Conference Rm
24	ValleySCARE	3:30pm – 12:30am	

November

17	4-H Council Hears Funding Requests	7 pm	Gov't Center East Conference Rm
17	4-H Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Gov't Center East Conference Rm
17	Junior Leaders Meeting	6:30 pm	Gov't Center Room 110

4-H Association Fall Meeting

The Fall Meeting of Barron County 4-H Association will be held **Tuesday, September 15, 7:30 p.m.** in Room 110 of the Government Center. All youth and adult volunteer leaders are invited to participate. It is important that at least one person from each club attends! Agenda items include:

- 2015-2016 Association budget
- Review of Adult Leaders Food Stand
- Voting for Vice-President of the 4-H Council
- Voting for Secretary for 4-H Council
- Voting for Central, Southeast and Northeast District Representative



Re-Enrollment is Open for Members/Leaders on September 7, 2015

OVERVIEW

Each year, your family will re-enroll members and leaders in 4HOnline. This is a simple process that will not take much time. A 2016 Project Guide is available on our website <http://barron.uwex.edu>. Hard copies are also available from the UW Extension office, and will be brought to the Fall Annual Meeting on September 15th.

GETTING STARTED

Before logging on to 4-H online, please make sure that you are using either Firefox or Google Chrome as your internet browser. Internet Explorer will NOT work as the search engine.

To get started with the re-enrollment process, log into 4HOnline (wi.4HOnline.com) with your family email and password. If you forgot your password, email Lori at lori.baltrusis@ces.uwex.edu to have your password reset and sent to you.

On the family home screen, click on the orange button labeled **Continue to Family**.

On your Member/Volunteer list, find the family member you wish to re-enroll and click on Edit next to their name.

RE-ENROLL

At the bottom of the next screen, click on the button for **Enroll for 2015-2016**.

You will now see the Personal Information that you entered when you first enrolled. Look over the information and make any corrections. Grade and age will have increased automatically. When you are done, click on **Continue**.

Next is the Additional Information screen. You need to accept the agreements and answer the Photo Release and Accommodations questions. Click **Continue** when done.

The Health Form for members is optional at enrollment, but you could be asked to complete it in the future if you attend any events that require one. Click **Continue** when done.

If you are an adult volunteer and see the Volunteer Screening page, then it has been 4 years since the last time a background check has been completed. You need to check over the answers to the questions and correct as needed. This page will only appear every 4 years. Click **Continue** when done.

On the Participation -> Club screen, confirm the correct club is listed. If you serve in a volunteer role, click on **Edit** and select the volunteer type. Click on **Update** to save the change. Click on **Continue** when done.

On the Participation -> Projects screen, confirm all the projects you are enrolled in are listed. Add any missing projects. If you are dropping a project, click on **Edit** for that project and then click on **Delete**. After making sure all your projects are listed correctly, click on **Submit Enrollment**.



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Celebrate National 4-H Week - October 4-10, 2015!

4-H Window Displays

What is a Window Display?

4-H Window Displays promote 4-H in Barron County. By promoting 4-H, window displays may help recruit members or raise awareness within a community that 4-H members play an active role. The businesses that allow 4-H displays in their windows show that they support youth development in Barron County.

4-H Window Displays are up during National 4-H Week, which is always the first full week of October. In 2015, it's October 4-10.

A club/project group should pick a theme and build their display around that theme. Window displays range from taking up an entire window and using props to creating a large poster which hangs in a business window.

Why should your club or project group do a Window Display?

The Barron County 4-H Association is offering CASH AWARDS to participate!

1st Place - \$100; 2nd Place - \$75; 3rd Place - \$50; 4th Place - \$25

All other clubs/groups who follow the rules and have all components within their window display will receive \$15 for participating!

What are the Window Display Rules?

1. Window displays must be in place by noon on October 4, and taken down by the end of the business day on October 10.
2. Club/group name must be in display.
3. UW-Extension phone number must be in display so people can call for more information (715-537-6250).
4. Displays must say that it is National 4-H Week.
5. A photo (or multiple photos if needed to show all aspects) must be emailed to mary.pardee@ces.uwex.edu, or mailed/dropped at the UW-Extension office by October 7. These photos will be used for judging.
6. Photos should be accompanied by a location address and description, so judges know exactly where the display is located.

What is evaluated during judging?

- *Location: Is the window in a high-traffic area where many people will see the display?*
- *Rules: Does the display contain all the required information? (See rules above.)*
- *Theme: Does the display follow a theme?*
- *Visibility: Is the display eye-catching and inviting to look at?*
- *4-H Promotion: Does the display promote 4-H by making it appealing to youth and families?*
- *Neatness: Is the display neat and not cluttered?*
- *Lettering: Are words on the display easy to read?*

Questions? Contact Lori at 715-537-6253 or lori.baltrusis@ces.uwex.edu.

County Awards Program

The 2014-2015 Barron County 4-H Awards Program will be held Saturday, October 17 in the Barron High School Commons. A meal will be served as part of the program, starting at 12:30 p.m., with a free will donation. Award presentations will begin promptly at 1 p.m.

Awards for clubs will include those for window displays, softball, and Dairy and Activity Scrapbook. Individual awards will be given for special project book awards, State Fair Dairy and Secretary Books. Youth earning Cloverbud Awards, County Project Awards and Overall Record Book Awards will be recognized!

All 4-H families are invited to attend this fun, county-wide 4-H recognition event. Please let your club leader know how many people from your family plan to attend, so we can get an estimate for lunch.

The 4-H Council could use some help from you too! You can help serve by being a food runner or helping decorate! Call Lori at 715-537-6253 if you have questions.

Junior Leaders Happenings

Junior Leaders are planning a Lock-In at the Barron Area Community Center for the night of September 19 into the morning of September 20. Please see the flyer and registration info in this newsletter, or find it online at <http://barron.uwex.edu>. Come and join in the fun and meet new 4-H friends!

ValleyScare date has been selected for October 24 (the weekend after the awards banquet)! See the flyer in this newsletter!

Teen volunteers are needed for the following Junior Leaders activities. If you are interested in helping with any of these, contact Lori at lori.baltrusis@ces.uwex.edu or call 715-537-6253.

- Junior Leaders are participating in a fundraiser at the Gun Show on September 11, 12, and 13
- Junior Leaders will be planning activities for the awards banquet on October 17
- Junior Leaders are collecting donations for the new Food Stand
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Next Meeting – September 19 at the Lock-In.

THANK YOU!!

Join us in thanking the following establishments for their contributions to the 2015 Food Stand at the Fair! Thank you for supporting the 4-H Junior Leaders!

AgStar
American Best Value – Chetek
Arbys
Barron True Value
BP – Cameron-Rice Lake – Dallas
Coca-Cola
Cross Roads
Culvers
Dales Twin Pines
Fantastic Sams
Farm Fleet
GB Sales
Hardees
Kentucky Fried Chicken
Kwik Trips
Lake Land Co Op
Maret Place
Papa Murphys
Rainbow
Rice Lake Speed Way
Shopko
Subway – Chetek
Taco Johns
Video Plus
Walmart





Barron County 4-H Junior Leaders

LOCK IN



Barron Area Community Center (BACC)
September 19, 2015 9:00 P.M. – 6:00 A.M.

- Youth in Grades 8-13 are invited to enjoy a night of swimming, basketball, racquetball, movies, games, prizes, and more! (Swimming 9 pm to midnight only.) Pancake breakfast! Big sub, pizza, etc...good food available all night long! **BRING A FRIEND!**
- Each participant should bring a snack to share (example: cookies, bars, popcorn, juice, fruit, veggies/dip, etc.) *Please list on the registration form below what you are bringing.*
- Each participant is required to have a completed Barron County 4-H Health Form. 4-H members complete yours in your 4HOnline profile. Guests find one here: <http://barron.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms>
- Barron County Code of Conduct Form must accompany this registration if you are not currently enrolled as a Barron County 4-H Member. <http://barron.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms/>

COST:

- **Active Junior Leaders = FREE** if you worked at least 3 shifts in the Jr. Leaders Food Stand at the 2014 Fair. (An active Junior Leader is one who has attended a business meeting this 4-H year - since October).
- **Other 4-H'ers and Guests in Grades 8-13 - \$5.00 and a donation of personal health care item OR kitchen item** (*Donations will go to community programs helping those in need.*)

BARRON COUNTY 4-H JUNIOR LEADERS LOCK IN REGISTRATION FORM

Register by September 11, 2015

Name _____ Active Jr. Leader Other 4-H'er/Guest
Club _____ Grade _____ Phone _____ Email _____

I will bring the following food item(s) to share: _____

I, _____ give my son/daughter, _____ permission to attend the Barron County 4-H Junior Leaders Lock-in on September 19 -20 at the Barron Area Community Center in Barron. I understand that this is a lock-in and that once participants arrive at the event at 9:00 p.m. on September 19 the doors will be locked and no one will be allowed to leave the building until 6 a.m. on September 20. I understand that transportation to and from this event will not be provided by the 4-H program.

Signed _____ (parent or legal guardian) Phone number during lock-in: _____

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

Checks should be written to Barron County Junior Leaders.

OR EMAIL REGISTRATION INFO TO: lori.baltrusis@ces.uwex.edu. If emailing info, all forms including this one with parental signature, must be provided at the lock-in event.

CHAPERONES NEEDED: If you would like to be a chaperone for this event, please call Lori at 537-6253. Chaperones must be at least 21 years of age, be actively enrolled and have completed the Youth Protection Process.

Barron County 4-H Junior Leaders



Saturday, October 24, 3 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Registration form and payment are due to the Extension Office on Friday, October 16.

- Junior Leaders are 4-H'ers in grades 8 and up. (ValleySCARE recommends attendees be at least 13 years old.)
- ValleySCARE is Valleyfair's Halloween Haunt event. Valleyfair is an amusement park in Shakopee, MN.
- We'll leave the Government Center parking lot (335 E. Monroe Ave., Barron) at **3 p.m. on October 24** (by bus).
- We'll return to the Government Center parking lot approximately 12:30 a.m. Sunday.
- Cost (includes admission ticket to Valleyfair and bus):
 - If you worked in the Junior Leaders Food stand at the 2015 Fair and attended one business meeting this past 4-H year (food stand meeting counts): **FREE**
 - If you are a 4-H Junior Leader, but didn't work in the Junior Leaders Food stand at the 2015 Fair: **\$35**
 - If you are a non-4-Her/friend of a Junior Leader: **\$40**
- All participants must fill out their health form on their 4HOnline profile prior to leaving Barron. Non-4-Hers/friends must complete and turn in a code of conduct form and health form (found at <http://barron.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms/> or at the Extension Office.)
- Bring: Money for fast food on the way, snacks for the bus (drinks for bus will be provided).
- **ADULT CHAPERONES NEEDED.** Chaperones must be currently enrolled 4-H volunteer leaders. Call Lori at 715-537-6253 or email to lori.baltrusis@ces.uwex.edu to volunteer.

2015 Junior Leaders ValleySCARE Trip Registration

Return by October 16 to: Barron County 4-H Junior Leaders, 335 E. Monroe Ave, Room 2206, Barron, WI 54812

Make checks payable to: Barron County 4-H Junior Leaders

Name	Club
Phone	
Check which applies to You:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I worked in the Junior Leaders Foodstand at the 2015 Fair and attended one business meeting this past 4-H year. I have completed my health form on my 4HOnline profile.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a Junior Leader, but didn't work in the Junior Leaders Foodstand at the 2014 Fair. I have enclosed a check for \$35 payable to Barron County 4-H Junior Leaders. I have completed my health form on my 4HOnline profile.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am a non-4-Her/friend of a Junior Leader. I have enclosed a check for \$40 payable to Barron County 4-H Junior Leaders. I have enclosed a completed health form. I have enclosed a code of conduct form.
My son/daughter has my permission to participate in the Junior Leaders ValleySCARE Trip on October 24, 2015.	
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:



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4-H Association Council

President: Robin Hanson (458-2213)
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