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# Walworth County

## 4-H Newsclip



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### A Quote and a Note from UW-Extension:

2017 is going to be an exciting year for Walworth County 4-H, we just know it! Just as a reminder: March 1 is the last day to make changes to your projects for the 4-H year. Have you thought about taking a new project? Perfecting a project you have been in for many years? How about becoming a youth leader?

A new year is a great time to create a fresh start. You may be hesitant to try something new, but you can do it! Even just thinking about it is moving in a positive direction. There will never be a perfect time to step outside of your comfort zone, but you will thank yourself later for trying something new. We can't wait to see what projects and leadership opportunities you take on!

Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year to you and your family!

*Chelsea Dertz*

*Debbie Burkman*

*Susan Clark*

## General 4-H News

### Newsclip Article Submission

Does your 4-H Project Committee or 4-H Club have an upcoming event you'd like to invite our county 4-H families to participate in? One way of spreading the word is by submitting an article for the *4-H Newsclip*. Send your article to: [4Hnewsclip@co.walworth.wi.us](mailto:4Hnewsclip@co.walworth.wi.us) or [chelsea.dertz@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:chelsea.dertz@ces.uwex.edu) by the appropriate deadline.

#### Newsclip Deadlines:

- February/March Issue – **January 20**
- April/May Issue – **March 17**
- June/July Issue – **May 19**
- August/September Issue – **July 21**
- October/November Issue – **September 22**

### Newsclip Paper Subscription

4-H families that wish to receive hard copies of the *4-H Newsclip* by mail may do so by completing a \$10 subscription and submitting it to the UW-Extension office. That subscription will be good through the December 2017/January 2018 issue. 4-H families with valid e-mail addresses through 4-HOnline will automatically receive an email alert when new issues of the *Newsclip* are available on-line. For the subscription form, please visit our website: <http://walworth.uwex.edu/4-youth-development/news/>

### Closed for the Holidays

The UW-Extension office will be closed December 23 and 26 for the holiday and December 30 and January 2 for New Year's. The office will be open December 27, 28, and 29 and will resume regular scheduling on January 3.

# Winter Cancellations

Occasionally, travel conditions force county 4-H event cancellations. During the winter months, you can check for cancellations by calling (262) 741-3193. We will also try to send an e-mail when applicable and possible. Be aware that club cancellations will not be available at this number.

## Enrolling in 4-H is a Two-Step Process

Enrolling in 4-H requires two things: 1) Paying your individual 4-H program fees to your club and 2) enrolling as a member in 4HOnline. Both of these things must occur by **March 1 for new enrollees**. Check with your local club leader to find out how much the program fees are for your club. County enrollment fees are \$12 annually for members in grades 3-13 and \$6 for Cloverbuds (grades K-2). However, some clubs have additional fees to offset club expenses or cover known annual expenses.

## Enrolling as a New Family

For new family enrollment, you will need to access the [Wisconsin 4HOnline website](#) and follow the instructions for "Enrolling in 4HOnline as a NEW family." These instructions are available in the 2016-2017 4-H Project Guide and at <http://walworth.uwex.edu>. 4HOnline is easy to use and will give your family the opportunity to review and update your information as needed. Your account will be available for viewing 24-7 year round. You may enroll members of your family in 4-H using this system anytime **between October 1 and March 1**. This time frame is the required enrollment period in order for members to be eligible to participate in the 2017 Walworth County Fair Junior Department. After March 1, new families are welcome to enroll, but will not be eligible to show at the fair. To enroll after March 1, contact the UW-Extension office at (262) 741-4951.

## Volunteer Re-Enrollment

Any adults who served as Walworth County 4-H volunteers during the past year are asked to re-enroll no later than **December 15, 2016**. To accomplish this, you must log into your [Wisconsin 4HOnline website](#) account and click on the button that says "Enroll for 2016-2017." Be sure that you complete all of the screens, choose a club (if you wish to be affiliated with one), and choose any project(s) that you wish to be considered a "project leader" for. Additionally, check your years as a volunteer to make sure that the figure that appears is accurate. Years as a volunteer does not include your years as a 4-Her; it only refers to years in the adult leader capacity. If you have trouble re-enrolling, please contact Sue Clark at the 4-H Office at 262-741-4951.

In accordance with state policy, only those volunteers who have completed the 4-H screening process and file their annual enrollment online will be considered 2016-2017 volunteers.

## New Volunteer Enrollment

Walworth County 4-H is always looking for new adult volunteers (ages 18+) to help in club and county roles. If you are interested in stepping up to leadership, here's what you need to do to get started:

- 1) Log into 4HOnline and enroll yourself as an adult volunteer. If you already have a family account (because you have 4-Hers or other adult leaders) in your home, you can simply add yourself to the existing account. Otherwise, you'll need to start a brand new one.
- 2) Complete the on-line mandated reporter training accessible through your 4HOnline account.
- 3) Watch your email for a message from GIS asking for info to complete a background check on you. GIS is the company that the University of Wisconsin has chosen to handle background checks for its employees and

volunteers. Supply the requested info and submit it.  
4) Attend a VIP Training workshop at the local UW-Extension office. Dates will be announced by December 15 via email. They will also be posted on the UW-Extension website at: <http://walworth.uwex.edu/4-youth-development/4-h-volunteers/>. (VIP Training was formerly called "Youth Protection Training.")

Once all of these steps are successfully completed and you have a satisfactory background check, your enrollment will be "approved," and you'll be considered an official 4-H volunteer. 4-H volunteer positions are renewable annually so long as you enroll in 4HOnline each fall, maintain current background check records (must be redone every four years), and meet 4-H volunteer behavior expectations.

## Program Fees

Each year, the county 4-H program collects a “program fee” from each of its youth members. This fee is collected to help cover programming costs, insurance, and materials.

The \$12 county fees for 2017 4-H members will be divided as follows:

\$3 — Senior Leaders’ Assn.

\$3 — Junior Leaders’ Assn.

\$1.50 — WI 4-H Foundation

\$2 — 4-H Insurance Fees

\$2.50 — UWEX (for program materials and printing)

4-H Cloverbuds pay \$6 fees, which are divided up as follows:

\$2 — 4-H Insurance Fees

\$2.50 — UWEX (program materials and printing)

\$1.50 — WI 4-H Foundation

In some cases, clubs add on their own fees to cover additional needs at the local level.

## New Families—Major Event Guide

Sometimes 4-H staff, members, leaders, and volunteers forget that 4-H can be very confusing the first year or two. A breakdown of annual events is located on our website: <http://walworth.uwex.edu/4-youth-development/news/>. Click on “Major Event Guide”. The events are in alphabetical order, not by date. If you have any other questions, please feel free to give our office a call at (262) 741-4951. Take a peek and see what 4-H has to offer outside of your club meetings!

## Literature Orders

**NEW THIS YEAR!** Our member-families will be responsible for ordering their own project literature. The new 4-H Project Guide indicates available literature and where it can be purchased. Families are invited to order the literature they desire whenever they would like. No literature orders will be placed by the UW-Extension office this year even if families mark literature they want in 4HOnline. Literature listed as “available” is actually available as of 9/15/16. For projects where no literature is identified as available, families are encouraged to seek out their own resources.

# UW-Extension Selfie Spotlight

## Debbie Burkman—4-H Youth Development Agent

Debbie Burkman is the 4-H Youth Development Educator for the Walworth County UW-Extension office. Debbie has been in her role for the past six years and enjoys working with the Junior Leaders Association and camp counselor teams, supporting 4-H volunteers and new families, and doing science-based outreach programming for schools and homeschool families. Prior to moving to Wisconsin, Debbie was a 4-H Youth Development Educator in Illinois for 18 years, where she is still a leader of her daughter’s 4-H club. Debbie enjoys outdoor flower gardening, raising sheep with her family, feeding her flock of chickens, and being a fan of Clinton High School’s band and track programs. She is passionate about helping 4-H clubs/groups figure out innovative ways of making their meetings more welcoming, engaging, and FUN!

For information about Debbie’s outreach programming or to get a list of the activity kits she’s created for clubs to use at their meetings, email her at [deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu).



## Event Recaps

### “Wear a 4-H Shirt to School” Day

Thank you to everyone who displayed your 4-H spirit during National 4-H Week! Congrats to our randomly selected winners: Hunter Carlson, Ashlyn Markley, Eloise Rohloff, and Eddie Rohloff! Thank you for helping us promote 4-H!

# 4-H Officer School

Forty-eight youth and five adult leaders participated in this year's 4-H Officer School! In addition to role-based workshops, participants engaged in a mock meeting and enjoyed a lively guest workshop by motivational speaker Carl Olson ([energizeolson.com](http://energizeolson.com)). A big thank you goes to presenters: Maria Parks, Chris Jones, Marlene Schoenbeck, Diane DeBaere, Caroline Cornelison, Linda Giorno, and Lillie Cauffman. Thanks, also, to the Jones Farm for sponsoring the pizza lunch that was provided and to the Walworth County Senior Leaders' Association for sponsoring Carl's workshop.

If you are currently serving as a 4-H club officer or youth leader and were unable to attend this year's Officer School, please take a few minutes to check out the helpful resources at <http://walworth.uwex.edu/4-youth-development/officerstoolbox/>. Club's whose secretaries and treasurers were unable to attend received a folder of helpful monthly fill-ins and guidelines in their club mailbox.

## Junior/ Senior Leaders' Banquet

The Junior/Senior Leaders' Banquet was held on November 6. A number of individuals were honored for outstanding service and achievement. Some individuals recognized were:

### General Leader Milestone Anniversaries

Jennifer Kleist, 1 year  
Jeff Plenty, 1 year  
Geri Wells, 10 years  
Mike Wells, 10 years  
Deanna Kundert, 15 years  
Diane DeBaere, 20 years

### Volunteer Milestone Anniversaries

Shelly Weeks, 25 years  
Kathie Benhart, 30 years  
Judy Paul, 30 years  
Marianna Nelson, 30 years  
Bill Marquart, 40 years  
Kurt Kegley, 40 years  
Ruth Clark, 45 years  
Dianne Kegley, 55 years

### Retiring General Club Leaders

Lisa Brockman  
Alice Gott

### Space Camp

Arno Crowley, Jasmine Davenport, Madeline Eggert, Amelia Guanci, Josiah Harder, Landre Staggs, JT Wehmeier, Rebecca Wells, Alia Woss and Jenny Wehmeier (Chaperone)

### Citizenship Washington Focus

Evelyn Harkness

### Friend of 4-H Award

Bob and Barbara Arnold

### 4-H Outstanding Achievement Awards

Grades 3-4: Kristina Stearns, Paige Nelson, Piper Nuehring, Conrad Dierks  
Grades 5-6: Jacob Kleist, Maya Ehlen, Tom Sorg, Xabier Bisabarros-Hudoc  
Grades 7-8: Cheyenne Schweitzer, Amanda Harder, Julia Bikowski, Molly Wade

Grades 9-10: Abby Partington, Nicole Plenty  
Grades 11+: Katelyn Decker, Evelyn Harkness, Emily Partington, Paul Laskowski

### Special Awards

Intermediate Agriculture—Claire Schilz  
Intermediate Home Economics—Hannah Koss  
Intermediate Miscellaneous—Madelyn Kleist  
Senior Agriculture—Leo Ehlen  
Senior Miscellaneous—Braden Kundert  
Elaine Papcke Memorial Award—Courtney Boss  
Florence Sweno Leadership Award—Braden Kundert  
Cultural Arts Awards—Amanda Harder  
Key Award—Amaya Bisabarros-Hudoc, Evelyn Harkness, Katlyn Decker

### National Excellence in Teen Programming Award

Debbie Burkman, Braden Kundert, Amelia Hayden, Lillie Cauffman, Savannah Siegler, Damian Daniels, Chuck Baker

### Lifetime Volunteer of the Year Award

Nancy Lee

### Walworth County 4-H Meeting Excellence Award

LaGrange 4-H

### Community Servant Award

Maddie Eggert

### Softball Junior Championship Team

Sugar Creek/Elkhorn

### Softball Senior Championship Team

LaGrange/Sugar Creek/Whitewater

### Softball Junior League Season Winner

Spring Prairie/Lake Beulah/Linn/Walworth/LaGrange/Troy Center/Springfield

### Softball Senior League Season Winner

LaGrange/Sugar Creek/Whitewater



## Leaders' Banquet Silent Auction and Quilt Raffle

Thank you to all of the clubs and businesses that donated to the silent auction. This year more clubs participated than ever before. Clubs included: Springfield 4-H, Sugar Creek 4-H, Whitewater 4-H, Spring Prairie 4-H, Walworth 4-H, Flamethrowers 4-H, LaGrange 4-H, Elkhorn 4-H, Richmond 4-H, and Big Foot Pioneers 4-H. Your donations helped raise \$2,031 for the 4-H program! A big congratulations to Michelle Goff (Elkhorn) for winning this year's quilt. Tickets sold for the quilt raised \$2025. Thank you to the Future's Committee for putting together these two 4-H fundraisers!

## New and Upcoming Events

### Annual Holiday International Trip

Families with 4-Hers enrolling in the International Project this fall and all 4-H families who wish to experience the Windy City are invited to participate in the annual International Project Holiday Outing as Walworth County 4-H travels to Chicago on **December 10** to enjoy the Christkindlmarket.

Christkindlmarket Chicago is a German tradition that has made its way to Chicago. This Christmas holiday market takes place in Daley Plaza and offers unique crafts and gifts for sale, a variety of entertainment, as well as German food.

Participants in this outing will start their day by jumping aboard the Harvard train at 10:30am sharp. Please provide your own transportation to the train. Train fare is \$8.00 per person (round trip), but children under 12 are free with an adult ticket purchase. The participants are estimated to arrive back in Harvard at 8:30pm.

Join in on the fun of this memory-making adventure! Please register with Caroline Cornelison (262) 949-0647 at 10:00am before boarding the train. No pre-registration is needed, but you must check-in before the train leaves.

### Space Camp

Space Camp 2017: 4-H Missions in Space is set for **April 20-24** at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. Participants complete a simulated Space Shuttle mission, experience training simulators, tour the U.S. Space & Rocket Center, and learn about becoming an astronaut.

Space Camp is open to all enrolled 4-H members in good standing in their counties who are in grades 6-8, maximum age of 15 at the time of program. Wisconsin participants will leave the state on Thursday and return on Monday. WI participants will travel by motor coach to Huntsville. Tentative registration fees, including

transportation, are \$550 per person. The final fee will be confirmed and announced later on.

Priority selection will be given to first time applications. Space Camp alumni are welcome to apply, and will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis after registration closes. If you are interested in attending Space Camp, let the UW-Extension office know anytime between now and **December 9**. We will then instruct you on how to register on *4Honline*. Scholarships from both the Junior and Senior Leaders' may be available to help offset costs.

### WI 4-H International Opportunities

Have you ever wanted to see the world? Do you enjoy spreading the word about Walworth County 4-H? Now, you can do both with Wisconsin 4-H International Programs! The purpose of the programs is to emphasize the value of 4-H and similar programs around the world, give 4-Hers the chance for a cross-cultural experience, provide the opportunity to know and appreciate other cultures, help individuals better understand themselves and their own culture, and help develop the world's most valuable resource: its young people.

Places available to travel: Japan, Korea, Argentina, Mexico, Australia, Tanzania, Finland, and Norway. If you would like more information, please contact our county coordinator for the 4-H International Program, Caroline Cornelison at (262) 949-0647 or Betty Barr at (262) 470-3317. Hosting opportunities are also available—applications are due in late winter/ early spring. For an application, please visit <http://wi4hinternational.org/>.

## 4-H Summer Camp

Walworth County 4-H Camp will be held **June 21-24** at Upham Woods in the Wisconsin Dells. 4-H Camp is open to youth currently in grades 3-8. It will include three nights and three days of fun, friends, and adventure. Registration materials will be available mid-January on the UW-Extension website and from club leaders. The cost will be \$120 for regular registration; \$140 for late registration. The fee does include a t-shirt. Financial assistance is available on a limited basis.

Camp counselor applications will be available in mid-December. Application deadline will be **January 30**, and candidate interviews will be held at the County Government Center on **February 9**. Counselor candidates must be 4-Hers in grades 9-13 and at least 15 years old at the start of camp. Camp counseling is a blast! If you like camp and kids, consider giving it a try! Adults interested in chaperoning should contact the UW-Extension office ASAP.

## New Family Orientation

If your family is a new or recent addition to our Walworth County 4-H Family, please consider joining us on **January 19** for New Family Orientation! This action-packed program will run from 6:00-8:00pm at the County Government Center in Elkhorn. The evening will begin with a whole-group session during which parents and children get a brief overview of the 4-H program. Then, we'll divide into adult and youth groups for a more age-appropriate look at 4-H. Parents will get the scoop on membership expectations, resources available, and other important things families need to know for a successful Walworth County 4-H experience. 4-Hers will enjoy fun, purposeful hands-on activities led by members of the Junior Leaders' Association.

Pre-registration is required by **January 17**. Sign up by calling 262-741-4951 or by emailing [deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu) with "New Family Orientation" as your subject line. Please identify how many adults and youth (including youth ages) will be attending and provide a phone number where you can be reached on January 19 in case of inclement weather.

## Music Fest 2017

The 2017 Walworth County [Music Fest](#) will be held on Sunday, **February 19**, in the Elkhorn High School Auditorium, beginning at 1:00pm. Even though the event is FREE to participate in, all acts must pre-register using the Music Fest Registration Form. Refer to the [score sheet](#) as a guideline for how event judges will be critiquing the performances. Any type of musical performance is allowed as long it is family friendly (appropriate lyrics, dance moves, clothing, etc.). Please note there will be a brief 3-5minute evaluation directly after the routine.

Music Fest [entry forms](#) are due to the UW-Extension office by 5:00pm on **January 27**.

The judges will give out their full-evaluation score sheets at the 4-H

Music Fest Awards Ceremony. Directly after the last performance, the judges will gather their thoughts and finish their evaluations for 15 minutes. During their deliberation, we will have a cookie reception! Each act is asked to bring one or two dozen cookies to the reception. When the judges are finished, they will give out special awards. Stay until the end of the show to see if YOU or your club won an award!

Performers and their families are asked to stay to watch and support other artists. A performance schedule will be mailed to participating clubs shortly after the registration deadline. If your club wants a specific time, be certain to get your form in as early as possible, and be sure to note that on your form. Requests will be granted on

a first-come, first-served basis. We do our best to stay on schedule, but please plan to arrive at least a half hour before your performance time.

- A club can have an UNLIMITED number of performance groups.
- Any size group performance will be accepted. Solos and duets are welcome.
- Youth may participate in more than one group, but be sure to encourage participation from as many club members as possible.
- CLOVERBUD PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED!

**\*\*Directors/Adult Volunteers MUST be screened 4-H leaders unless they always hold practices in the presence of another screened 4-H volunteer.**

## 4-H Softball 2017

The 4-H Softball Committee and anyone interested in participating in the committee are invited to attend a Softball Committee Meeting on **January 11** at 6:30pm at the County Government Center. We will be hearing from our 2017 Commission members, bylaws will be reviewed, and game/tournament rules for clubs will be discussed. The coaches' meeting is set for **April 19**.

## Kids' College 2017

On **January 28**, Kids' College is designed to get youth thinking, doing, and creating. Classes are open to all 4-Hers and their friends grades 3 and up, regardless of their enrolled projects. Youth do not have to be enrolled in 4-H for this event. Strengthen your skills in an area you've signed up for, or try out a brand new one. It's up to you! There is also a special track just for Cloverbuds (or youth grades K-2)!

Bring a sack lunch, or enjoy a hot lunch prepared by the Out-of-State Exchange Committee. Hot lunch is \$5 per person and includes a walking taco or hot dog, chips, applesauce or pudding, dessert, and milk.

[Refer to the flier](#) (included in this *Newsclip*) for class descriptions, fees, supplies to bring, and more. Pre-registration is required. Registration opens at **8:30am on January 3 and closes at 4:30pm on January 13**. Payment is due the day of the event at check-in.

4-H Members MUST register through [wi.4honline.com](http://wi.4honline.com).

Step 1: Log into your family and look at your member list.

Step 2: Scroll down and find the section titled "Register a Member in an Event"

Step 3: Select the name of the member and the event.

Step 4: Click on "Register"

Step 5: Fill out your information and preferred classes and then click on the "Check Out" button.

Non-4-H Members will register by phone or email.

Share all of the following:

Participant name, grade, and gender; emergency phone number and contact name for 1/28; mailing and email address; type of hot lunch(es) needed; and your first, second, and third workshop choices for each session.

Phone: 262-741-4954

Email: [sclark@co.walworth.wi.us](mailto:sclark@co.walworth.wi.us) (Please put "Kids College" in the subject line.)

# Association Updates

## Junior Leaders' Association

### Junior Leaders' Association Update

Our Walworth County Junior Leaders' Association is made up of 4-Hers from clubs across the county who are in grades 6-13. All 4-Hers in that age range are welcome to participate in the group's meetings and activities as often as they'd like. This is a great way to make new friends, work on leadership skills, have a say in county 4-H events, and have fun!

Junior Leaders' meets the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00pm in the County Government Center in downtown Elkhorn. (No meetings in December or August.) Meetings are a lot like club meetings, but are very fast-paced, including a member-led ice breaker, a fun or interesting program, a short business meeting, and refreshments—all in about 75 minutes! Meeting minutes are available at: <http://walworth.uwex.edu/4-youth-development/leaders/>. See pics of Junior Leaders' activities on our Walworth County 4-H Facebook page.

Using the group's crazy brainstorming session information from the October meeting, here's what the officer team has planned for 2017:

Meeting Date	Scheduled Program
January 23	Guest Workshop (Tentative)
February 27	State & National Opportunities Through 4-H
March 27	International Fair
April 24	Hunting, Fishing, Wildlife, & Birds Presentation
May 22	Science Night
June 26	Amazing Race Challenge
July 24	How to Run a Dairy
September 25	Taco Night & Elections

# Senior Leaders' Association

## Next Meeting

The next Senior Leaders' Association meeting will be held on **January 23** at 7:00pm in the County Government Center. There is no December meeting. Happy Holidays! The **February** meeting will be held on the **27th** of the month. If you are an enrolled 4-H volunteer in our county, you are an automatic member of this group. We hope you'll join us!

## Meeting Mixer Responsibilities

December—No meeting

January—Flamethrowers

February—Springfield

## 2017 District Responsibilities

- Central: Awards Packaging and Distribution Prep
- Northwest and Southwest: Senior Leaders from District: Banquet Planning; Junior Leaders from District: Decorations
- Southeast and Northeast: County-wide Cloverbud/ Exploring Workshop

## Awards Committee Members Needed

The Awards Committee meets only a few times a year. One project they work on is record book judging. It is important to have representation from all districts. All districts are looking for new Senior Leaders to help. Please contact Debbie if you are interested in joining the Awards Committee.

## Election Results

At the October meeting, the associations had their election of 2016-2017 officers and district representatives. The following people were elected to positions:

- President: Caroline Cornelison
- Treasurer: Kristi Plenty
- Southeast Rep: Chelsea Police
- Southwest Rep: Melissa Haney
- Central Rep: Todd Cauffman

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# Animal Project Updates

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*For the most up-to-date meeting dates, times, and locations, please look to the [4-H Project Meeting Guide](#)—Link located on the last page of the Newsclip.*

## Poultry Project

Hello fellow and future poultry enthusiasts! Have you ever wanted to have a fine feathered friend? Are you curious about how to raise chickens, geese, ducks or turkeys? Please check out the poultry project! We are always looking for new members and for those of you returning, welcome back!

For new members, or those of you that think you might be interested, please come to our meeting in December. Those of you returning to the project, please try to make the December and/or January meetings. IMPORTANT

BREEDER LISTS WILL BE HANDED OUT. If you are showing large fowl, it is important to get your birds early (anytime after 01 Jan 2017).

**December 8, 2016:** 7:00pm at the activity center. We will be handing out breeder lists, and talking about how to plan your project. VERY IMPORTANT MEETING TO ATTEND.

**January 19, 2017:** 7:00pm at the Activity Center. We will be handing out breeder lists again and will have a guest speaker on how to build your own brooder.

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## Fur and Feather Committee

The Fur and Feather Committee is looking for enthusiastic adults to join our committee. Our team is responsible for the Fur and Feather Sale on Labor Day and the Fur and Feather Swap in April. We meet five times a year or as needed. If you are interested in helping youth in the Poultry, Rabbit, or Goat projects, please send a letter or email with your qualifications by **January 10th** to Dale Wheelock at [dalewheelock@gmail.com](mailto:dalewheelock@gmail.com) or N4692 State Rd 89, Delavan, WI 53115.

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## Swine Project

The 4-H Junior Swine Project has a Facebook page! Stay up-to-date and ask questions by visiting [their page](#)!

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# Happy holidays from the UW-Extension office!



# Beef Project

## Beef Weigh-In

The annual Beef Weigh-In will be held on Saturday, **February 11** in the calf barn at the Walworth County Fairgrounds from 9:00am to 11:00am. The snow date is **February 18**.

All steers must be weighed and tagged on this date in order to be exhibited and sold at the 2017 Walworth County Fair. Steers will be weighed on a family basis (rather than a member basis). The steers will then be identified by exhibitor at weigh-in during fair week.

## Weigh-in Guidelines:

- For everyone's safety, all steers must be broken to lead at the time of this weigh-in.
- Each exhibitor can weigh up to 8 steers.
- All steers must be dehorned prior to weigh-in, or they will not be weighed or identified.
- Steers brought to weigh-in with bull leads or wires through noses will not be allowed to weigh.
- Exhibitors must report to the recording table while their steer is in the chutes. Make sure all information on the weigh-in forms you turn in is accurate.
- If someone other than you will be bringing your steer/s, be sure that person knows your address, grade, club/chapter, phone number, etc. They have to fill forms out for you.
- Know ahead of time if you wish to make a Carcass

Contest entry and the breed of the carcass animal. There is a \$5 non-refundable fee for carcass entries. Carcass steers count as one of the 8 steers you can weigh. Dairy beef and dairy steers are also eligible for Carcass Contest and must be identified at the weigh-in.

- Walworth County steers may be DNA tested at weigh-in. If this is the case, there may be a fee per animal. Details will be announced by email and U.S. mail prior to weigh-in.
- Following weigh-in, any lost tags must be reported to Superintendent Doc Sterken as soon as they are noticed. Steers will be retagged, and the UWEX office will record the new tag numbers.
- If weigh-in must be cancelled due to inclement weather, the cancellation will be recorded on the UW-Extension winter cancellation line—(262) 741-3193.
- Breed animals will require registration papers in the exhibitor or family name. Papers will not be required for commercial animals—honor system.
- Tattoos will be read prior to the show.

A Spring Junior Beef Clinic is being planned for March 18 at the fairgrounds. Please watch the next *Newsclip* for details!

The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Steak Cookout will be held at the fairgrounds Activity Center on July 19. Details will be announced as

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# Rabbit Project

Our first meeting will be in January on the second Thursday. Every month after, meetings will be on the second Thursday at 7:00pm. We will be meeting in the Activity Center in January, February, March, and April. Meetings will be held in the Small Animal Building in May, June, July and August.

We are having a Rabbit Hopping practice at the Activity Center on Friday, **December 16** at 6:00pm.

Once our Rabbit Project meetings start in January, we will be having hopping practice the hour before the meeting time. Rabbit Hopping will be from 6:00-7:00pm, on the second Thursday of the month at the same location as the rabbit project meeting.

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# Equine Education Team

Have you ever wanted to learn more about horses? If so, the Walworth County 4-H Equine Education Team would be a great opportunity for you! Sign-up for the Horse and Pony project by March 1, contact a coach, and you are all set! No prior equine knowledge is needed. Teams have the opportunity to compete at the state and national level!

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact either of the Equine Education Team coaches:

- Torell Geffers: (920) 527-1500
- Melissa Schneider: (262) 758-1136



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# Non-Animal Project Updates

## Shooting Sports and Wildlife Projects

A project orientation for all youth enrolled in Shooting Sports projects (wildlife, rifle, shot-gun, archery, muzzle loading, air rifle, or air pistol) will be held on **February 2** at 6:00pm in the Elkhorn High School cafeteria. Shooting sports instructors from each discipline will be present to explain where and when district shooting workshops will be held this year. Shoot-off registration forms and the 2017 project rules will be distributed. This is an important meeting, particularly for members new to the project. Members not able to attend must call one of the instructors to get started in the project. For more information, contact the UW-Extension office or Al Iseppon, President of the Shooting Sport Committee, at (608) 201-5032.

If you have not yet signed up for Shooting Sports, it is not too late! If you intend to sign-up, plan to attend the orientation. To be eligible to participate in events at the county and state level, you must be enrolled by March 1 in each discipline for which you will be competing.

## Scholarship Opportunities:

### Youth Pig Project

The WPA Youth Committee annually offers a scholarship program to assist youth in developing pork production projects for 4-H or FFA members. The goal of the program is to encourage youth to become involved in the Wisconsin pork industry, offering opportunities to develop life skills and showcase career opportunities available within the industry. 4-H and FFA youth ages 9-19, as of January 1, are eligible to receive a scholarship. The scholarships will be used to offset the costs associated with their pig project for the upcoming show season. Up to ten individuals are selected, based on their applications, to receive the scholarship. 2017 Pig Project Scholarship [Applications](#) will be available in winter of 2016.

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than \$10,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing higher education in 2017. Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance and future educational goals. To be eligible for the scholarship, 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, and be enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college or technical school during the 2017-2018 academic school year. Applications will be online soon at: <http://wis4hfoundation.org/support-4-h/538-2/>.

### State Fair Dairy Promotion Board Scholarship

The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board is offering \$1,000 scholarships, for use during the 2017-18 school year, to third and fourth-year college students pursuing dairy-related or food science degrees at one of Wisconsin's four-year universities. Additional \$1,000 scholarships will be offered 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 dairy-related activities, scholastic achievement, and career objectives. Finalists will be interviewed in mid-April, with the recipients to be recognized at the 2017 Wisconsin State Fair. Application deadline is Friday, **March 24**. The application is available at <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/dairy-promo-board/>. For more information, contact Katy Katzman at 262-903-6727 or [katzman@idcnet.com](mailto:katzman@idcnet.com).

## Congrats!

- o **Bob and Barbara Arnold** were recognized at the county and state level for their generous donation to the Walworth County Shooting Sports program. Their donation will help offset costs for adults and youth in the program and pave the way for a bright future. Bob Arnold has been a Walworth County 4-H Shooting Sports leader for more than 18 years. In fact, Bob was one of the original founders of the Shooting Sports Program, and without his leadership and compassion for youth, our shooting sports program would not be the third most popular project in the county as it is today. Bob is certified to instruct pistol practices and also specializes in wildlife. As a frequent attendee at the monthly Shooting Sports Committee meetings, Bob remains actively engaged in the progression and continuation of the program. He also still helps out at practices and the annual Shoot-off. Throughout his years of service to the program, his wife Barbara has been a steadfast supporter of both Bob and our 4-H Shooting Sports project and members.

# WANTED

- ◆ **Key Leaders**—Key leaders are needed in: aerospace, beekeeping, child development, communications, consumer education, mechanical science (tractor/small engines/bicycle/electricity), technology (geospatial/computer science/robotics/wind energy), vet science, and woodworking.
- ◆ **Project Committee Members**—Many hands make light work! If you have a talent to share with our 4-Hers, please consider getting involved! Contact the Extension office or the appropriate committee superintendent to inquire about opportunities coming up.
- ◆ **Youth Project Leaders**—If you are in 6th grade or older, you might consider taking the Youth Leadership Project! Challenge yourself and step into a leadership role on the club or county level. You can choose many different types of roles, from helping one-on-one to leading a large group. If you'd like to specialize your leadership efforts in a project area, you can do that, too, by signing up as a Youth Project Leader when you enroll on 4HOnline.
- ◆ **Junior Leaders**—Want to ramp up your 4-H experience a little? Make new friends? Work on your leadership skills? ...And have some fun? Check out our Walworth County Junior Leaders Association! The Junior Leaders' meet the fourth Monday of the month at the Walworth County Government Center at 7:00pm. These meetings are a little like club meetings, but are exclusively for older 4-Hers! Besides business, each one features member-led ice breakers, an engaging program on a topic, and refreshments! Come to one meeting, or come to many! It's up to you. Questions? Call Debbie at (262) 741-4959 or email [deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu).

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Here are the links to our most popular documents:

[4-H Project Contacts](#)

[4-H Project Meeting Guide](#)

[4-H Events Calendar](#)

[Major Event Guide](#)

We were asked to make the Newsclip shorter, so we created links for your convenience. Just click on the blue words, and the link will take you right there!

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# Kids' College

## January 28, 2017

**4-H Members:** Register on [wi.4honline.com](http://wi.4honline.com)  
(Call Sue if you have 4honline.com questions)

**Non 4-H Members:** Register by phone or email  
Share all of the following:  
Participant name, grade, and gender; emergency phone number and contact name for 1/28; mailing and email address; type of hot lunch(es) needed; and your first, second, and third workshop choices for each session.  
**Phone: 262-741-4954**  
**Email: [sclark@co.walworth.wi.us](mailto:sclark@co.walworth.wi.us)**  
Please put "Kids College" in the subject line.



## County Government Center, Elkhorn

A day of hands-on fun and learning, Kids' College is designed to get youth thinking, doing, and creating. Classes are open to all 4-Hers and their friends grades 3 and up, regardless of their enrolled projects. Youth do not have to be enrolled in 4-H for this event. Strengthen your skills in an area you've signed up for, or try out a brand new one. It's up to you! There is also a special track just for Cloverbuds (or youth grades K-2)!

Bring a sack lunch, or enjoy a hot lunch prepared by the Out-of-State Exchange Committee. Hot lunch is \$5 per person and includes a walking taco or hot dog, chips, applesauce or pudding, dessert, and milk.

Refer to the other side of this flier for class descriptions, fees, supplies to bring, and more. Pre-registration is required. **Registration opens at 8:30am on January 3 and closes at 4:30pm on January 13.**

**4-H Members MUST register through [wi.4honline.com](http://wi.4honline.com).**

**Step 1:** Log into your family and look at your member list.  
**Step 2:** Scroll down and find the section titled "Register a Member in an Event"  
**Step 3:** Select the name of the member and the event.  
**Step 4:** Click on "Register"  
**Step 5:** Fill out your information and preferred classes and then click on the "Check Out" button.

*Payment is due the day of the event at check-in.*

### Schedule:

8:40-9:00am

Check-in

9:00-10:30am

Session 1

10:40am-12:10pm

Session 2

12:10-12:50pm

Lunch

1:00-2:30pm

Session 3

2:30pm

Check-out

SESSION 1	SESSION 2	SESSION 3
B.O.G.O. Tie Blankets	Crafting Pinwheel Wreaths	B.O.G.O. Tie Blankets
Green Energy Science...	Green Energy Science...	Green Energy Science...
Rabbit Habits	Rabbit Habits	Rabbit Habits
Cake Decorating Fun!	Cake Decorating Fun!	Cake Decorating Fun!
Mystery Wildlife	Mystery Wildlife	Mystery Wildlife
Mini. Gardens: Beginner	Mini. Gardens: Intermediate	Mini. Gardens: Advanced
Cartooning Basics	Painting Landscapes	Painting Landscapes
Recycled Art		Recycled Art
Paper Beading	Drama, Drama, Drama!	Creative Card Making
Kids in the Kitchen	Kids in the Kitchen	Kids in the Kitchen
Beginning Rocketry	Intermediate Rocketry	
No-Sew Flower Headbands	No-Sew Flower Headbands	Harry Potter Fun
Scale Model Basics	Scale Model Basics	Scale Model Basics
Wet Felted Necklaces	Wet Felted Necklaces	Wet Felted Necklaces
Cloverbud Adventure!	Cloverbud Adventure!	Cloverbud Adventure!
What's Your Story?	What's Your Story?	

*Class descriptions on back*



<b>Beginning Rocketry</b> <b>Cost \$15</b> This session is for first-time rocket builders ONLY. Models will be built from \$15.00 kits-to be provided. Limit: 12 youth <b>Instructor:</b> Ray Ziebell	<b>Miniature Gardens</b> <b>Cost \$10</b> All students will be provided with plants, an 8" pot with soil, and items needed to make their accessories. Limit: 15 youth <b>Session 1: Beginner-</b> Students choose three small accessory kits that they will assemble themselves, (such as a bird house, gazing ball, trellis, or lantern, etc.) We will finish the project with a stone, bark, or tile pathway. <b>Session 2: Intermediate–</b> We will learn about creating levels in their mini-gardens. Students can choose two homemade accessories (such as fairy swing, bench, table, mail box, etc.) and a waterproof pathway or patio. <b>Session 3: Advanced-</b> Students will learn advanced design, and choose two advanced homemade accessories such as a small cottage, fence, hanging wire basket, ladder, or steps, etc. and other found items. <b>Instructors:</b> Walworth County Master Gardeners
<b>B.O.G.O.—Build One, Give One: Tie Blankets</b> <b>Cost \$10</b> You will make a fleece tie blanket to take home. You will also make a second blanket or pillow to give to a local nursing home or shelter. Limit: 12 youth <b>Bring:</b> Sharp, fabric scissors <b>Instructor:</b> Nancy Lee	<b>Mystery Wildlife</b> <b>FREE</b> Show us your wild side! Explore nature indoors with animals, fun crafts, and games. Limit: 12 youth <b>Instructors:</b> Kathy Tober and friends
<b>Cake Decorating Fun!</b> <b>Cost \$5</b> Learn how to decorate a tasty masterpiece with equipment you will get to take home with you! Limit: 10 youth <b>Bring:</b> One <b>frosted</b> round 8", 9", 10" cake or 12 <b>frosted</b> cupcakes. <b>Instructor:</b> Malynda Carroll	<b>No-Sew Fabric Flower Headbands***</b> <b>Cost \$2</b> These headbands are fun and colorful but better yet, they are super easy to make. Join us to see how! Limit: 10 youth <b>Instructors:</b> Maddie and Jen Kleist
<b>Cartooning Basics***</b> <b>Cost \$2</b> Have you ever wanted to learn how to draw some of your favorite cartoon characters or create one of your own? In this class, you can! Limit: 10 youth <b>Instructor:</b> Caroline Cornelison	<b>Painting Landscapes</b> <b>Cost \$5</b> Explore the exciting world of painting by creating a picture with acrylics. Limit: 10 youth. Each session will be a difference scene: <b>Session 2:</b> Tree Landscape, <b>Session 3:</b> Floral Landscape <b>Bring:</b> Apron or old shirt to protect your clothes <b>Instructor:</b> Caroline Cornelison
<b>Cloverbud Adventure!***</b> <b>Cost \$10</b> This CLOVERBUDS ONLY ( <b>grades K-2</b> ) workshop will have our youngest members engaged in a variety of fun, interactive activities! <b>Price includes all three sessions.</b> <b>Instructors:</b> Susan Clark, Claire Hayden, & members of Junior Leaders	<b>Paper Beading</b> <b>Cost \$5</b> Making paper beads is a great way to recycle junk mail, newspapers, or magazines. You will leave with all supplies and skills needed to make many more paper beading projects! Limit: 12 youth <b>Bring:</b> Scissors and magazines/ store ads/ paper to cut up <b>Instructor:</b> Edwin Scherzer
<b>Crafting Pinwheel Wreaths***</b> <b>Cost\$5</b> Put your crafting skills to the test to make colorful, decorative wreaths in a variety of colors and patterns. Limit: 12 youth <b>Instructor:</b> McKenna Riley	<b>Rabbit Habits***</b> <b>Cost\$5</b> Learn about our furry friends by making crafts, talking to members of the 4-H Rabbit Project, and playing with live rabbits! Limit: 10 youth <b>Instructor:</b> Melissa Haney
<b>Creative Card Making</b> <b>Cost \$7</b> We'll do all sorts of card making. Paper and various stamps will be provided. Walk away with 2-3 greeting cards! Limit: 12 youth <b>Bring:</b> Scissors <b>Instructor:</b> Edwin Scherzer	<b>Recycled Art***</b> <b>Cost \$3</b> Individuals will use reused objects and materials to create two or three new and unique projects. Limit: 10 youth. <b>Bring:</b> An old shirt to protect your clothes <b>Instructor:</b> Lillie Cauffman
<b>Drama, Drama, Drama!</b> <b>FREE</b> Explore voices and characterization through theater games. Have fun being someone else! Limit: 12 youth <b>Instructor:</b> Edwin Scherzer	<b>Scale Model Basics</b> <b>FREE</b> Learn to put together scale models from experts! A toolbox full of gadgets will be available for use. Kits will NOT be provided, <b>but you may purchase one for around \$15.00 the day of while supplies last.</b> Limit: 10 youth <b>Bring:</b> <u><b>Your own level 2 glue scale model kit</b></u> (available at Walmart, hobby shops, etc.) and any tools you may have. <b>Instructors:</b> Keith Reimers, Bob Carey, and Barry Rawson
<b>Green Energy Science Experiments***</b> <b>Cost \$12-15</b> <b>Session 1:</b> We will be exploring wind power and building a working energy producing windmill that you can take home. There will be an exacto knife used in this class. Limit: 8 youth <b>\$15.00</b> <b>Session 2: (Grades 4+)</b> We will explore air assisted flight by building an aircraft that will be launched by compressed air. You can keep your aircraft! We will be using super glue and an exaco knife. Limit: 6 youth <b>\$12.00</b> <b>Session 3: (Grades 6+)</b> Build a mystery project powered by a solar panel to take home. We will be using a hot glue gun, a soldering iron, super glue, and an exacto knife. Limit: 6 youth <b>\$15.00</b> <b>Instructor:</b> Damian Daniels	<b>Wet Felted Necklaces</b> <b>Cost \$10</b> You will learn how to make a beautiful wet felted necklace out of a semi-precious stone and wool. It's easy to learn and fun to make! Limit: 10 youth <b>Bring:</b> Hand towels and sharp scissors <b>Instructors:</b> Erin and Steve Whalen
<b>Harry Potter Fun***</b> <b>Cost \$5</b> Calling all Harry Potter fans. Journey with us as we attend Potions Class, design a wand, eat tasty treats and more. Limit: 16 youth <b>Instructors:</b> The Kleist Family	<b>What's Your Story?***</b> <b>FREE</b> Creatures, heroes, princes and princesses! In this workshop, participants will explore the elements of favorite tales and myths. Students will craft their own stories and have the opportunity to share! Limit: 15 youth <b>Session 1: Grades 3-5, Session 2: Grades 6+</b> <b>Instructor:</b> Jenna Feely
<b>Intermediate Rocketry</b> <b>FREE</b> This session is only for youth who have already built model rockets. Rockets will not be provided. Limit: 10 youth <b>Bring:</b> <b>Your own model rocket for the level you are in</b> <b>Instructor:</b> Ray Ziebell	
<b>Kids in the Kitchen***</b> <b>Cost\$6</b> <b>(Grades 5+)</b> Learn some cooking basics to help out in the kitchen. Create delicious food, and eat it too! Yummy! Limit: 6 youth <b>Instructor:</b> Carol Paur	