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**BELIEVE AND ACT AS IF IT WERE
IMPOSSIBLE TO FAIL.**

~ CHARLES KETTERING



A Quote and a Note from UW-Extension:

As we approach Walworth County Fair season, think back and remember why you joined 4-H. It probably wasn't being judged at the Fair. You may have received a few red, white, or pink ribbons in your 4-H career, but that shouldn't stop you from aiming toward a blue, reserve, or grand ribbon. If you act as if you are confident that you will get a blue, it just might happen. You know your stuff! Now, you just need to show the judge.

If in the end, you still don't get the ribbon color you were aiming for, do not get yourself down. You had the courage to complete a project, come to Fair judging, and talk to a judge. It is not a failure if you tried your hardest and you learned from your experience. You probably didn't join 4-H for the ribbons, but because you wanted to have fun, make friends, and maybe learn something new!

Chelsea Dertz

Laurie 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 or

chelsea.dertz@ces.uwex.edu by the appropriate deadline.
Newsclip Deadlines:

- August/September Issue – **July 21**
- October/November Issue – **September 22**

4-H House of Pork Schedules

For the Walworth County Fair:

Wednesday, August 30 - Southeast
Thursday, August 31 - Southwest
Friday, September 1 - Central
Saturday, September 2 - Northeast
Sunday, September 3 - Northeast
Monday, September 4 - Northwest

For the remainder of the Flea Markets:

- **June 25**-Southeast <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f054ba4a628a1fb6-june2> or email

chelseacop@yahoo.com

- **Aug 13**-Northwest <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f054ba4a628a1fb6-august2> or email lgiorno@gmail.com
- **Sept 24**-Southwest or <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f054ba4a628a1fb6-september> or email mhaney628@yahoo.com

If you have any questions, please contact the UW-Extension office or Laurie Giorno, (262) 903-9416.

UW-Extension Selfie Spotlight

Michelle Lindsay — FoodWise Nutrition Educator

Hello! My name is Michelle Lindsay, and I am a FoodWise educator with UW-Extension. I graduated from UW-Stevens Point in May 2016 with a degree in Family and Consumer Sciences. I am so lucky to have the privilege of sharing an office and mission with 4-H, Horticulture, and Family Living. Together, we make a great team!



My job here is very fun! I spend my days in and out of the office traveling to schools and apartment complexes around Walworth County sharing nutrition lessons with both children and adults. We talk about trying new foods and making healthy choices. Lessons also include food safety and saving money for food. We have a community garden project in the works and are always looking for new opportunities to improve access to fresh foods. At home, I enjoy growing my own garden, cooking (of course), being active, and taking care of my kitty Daisy. Our mutual focus here at UW-Extension is on community nourishment and brighter futures. I am happy to be a resource for any questions FOOD. Michelle.Lindsay@ces.uwex.edu — (262) 741-4956 Office

Event Recaps

Drama Fest

The 2017 Walworth County Drama Fest was held on Sunday, April 23 at Elkhorn Area High School. The event started at 1:00pm. There were 10 outstanding, unique performances that included over 93 youth plus stage help and Cloverbuds. It was great to see the talents of Walworth County 4-H actors! The event was hosted by the 4-H Arts Council and Drama Fest MCs! Our MCs for 2017 were: Kirby Roberts, Lucy Stinebrink, Madelyn Kleist, and Rylee Constable.

Communication Arts Fest

Congratulations to the following 4-H youth who received top honors at the Communication Arts Fest & Real World Fair on May 16!

Speech

Grand Champion: Melissa Konkell, Big Foot Pioneers
Reserve Champion: Katie Guanci, Flame Throwers

Illustrated Talk and Demonstration

Reserve Champion: Alan Howell, Lakeland

New and Upcoming Events

Favorite Foods Review

Do you love to cook or bake? Please join us for the Favorite Foods Review 2017 on **June 14** at the County Government Center, Elkhorn. The event will start at 6:00pm. It is a first come, first serve event. [Food item entry forms](#) are due to the UW-Extension office on Tuesday, **June 13** at 5:00pm.

All 4-H members and cloverbuds are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to plan and prepare a food item. There will be a judge to evaluate your food item(s). The judge will provide 4-H members valuable feedback and tips! Please enter one or more dishes!

Elkhorn Ice Cream Social

Come join us at Sunset Park on Friday, **June 30** for the City of Elkhorn's Star Spangled Celebration. We will be serving our delicious brownie sundaes starting at 5:00pm. Sales will continue until 9:00pm. Bring a chair and/or blanket, family and friends, and find a spot in the park to enjoy the evening. Make sure to stop by the Lion's Den Pavilion to buy some yummy treats from our 4-H members. Elkhorn 4-H Club families thank you for your support.

Dairy Breakfast 2017

The 2017 Walworth County Dairy Breakfast is set for Saturday, **June 17** and will be held at the Walworth County Fairgrounds from 6:00-10:30am. Menu includes: deluxe scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, milk, juice, coffee, and ice cream. Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$8 at the gate. Children, 5 and under are FREE. Bus rides will be available to the family farm (dairy and goats) of Wayne, Doc, and Lester Sterken for tours. Additionally, there will be a craft fair, exhibits, activities, a small animal display, and entertainment at the fairgrounds. Tickets are available at the Walworth County Fair Office and from businesses around the county. For more information, call the Walworth County Farm Bureau at (262) 723-2613 or email them at wcfb@tds.net.

Event Help Needed

- Friday, **June 16**—set-up volunteers (10:00am-? – lunch

provided by Stowell's at 1:00pm)

- Saturday event volunteers (6:00-10:30am)
- Saturday take-down volunteers (10:30am-noon)
- Small/baby animals for the children's farm

Volunteers will receive a free Dairy Breakfast t-shirt and a free breakfast. To Sign-up, call the Walworth County Farm Bureau at (262) 723-2613 or email them at wcfb@tds.net.

Club/Project Group Game Opportunity

The Farm Bureau could also use help with kids' games. So, 4-H groups interested in running games can contact the Farm Bureau. Prizes will be provided.

ICAN Bike Camp Volunteers Needed

Lakeland School will be hosting the ICAN Bike camp June **19-23, 2017**. The program is designed to teach individuals with disabilities learn how to ride a conventional bike and become a lifelong independent rider. Riders, 8 years and up, attend the same 75 minute session each day for the week and are assisted by trained staff and volunteers. It is sponsored by the Autism Society of SE WI and the Down Syndrome Association of WI.

WE NEED MANY VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE THIS WORK

Be a "spotter" for the same rider for each day of camp and experience the thrill of giving the gift of riding a bike. This opportunity is perfect for high school students looking to get

a good work out and community service hours, as well as college students needing hours.

Not ready to run for that long? There are also many other ways to provide support for the event. To volunteer, please register at <http://assew.org/bikecamp2017>.

If you know someone who could benefit from this camp, please direct campers to register at the same website.

Any questions, please call Rosemary Gardner at Lakeland School, 741-4124. Any questions about volunteering, please call Colleen Lesniak at 741-4223.

2017 Tractor Safety Program

Racine and Kenosha County UW-Extension will be holding a youth tractor safety program during the week of **June 19-23** at Burlington High School. A detailed schedule and registration information can be found here: <http://kenosha.uwex.edu/agriculture/tractor-safety-racine-and-kenosha-counties/>. This 24-hour program meets the requirements of Wisconsin Act 455, which requires youth under the age of 16 to hold a certificate of training in order to operate a tractor or self-propelled implement of

husbandry on a public road. It also meets the child labor requirements in agriculture under the Fair Labor Standards Act, pertaining to the employment of youth ages 14-15 on farms not operated by their parents or guardians. The course provides both classroom and hands-on tractor driving experiences designed for youth under the age of 16 and over the age of 12. For more information, contact Leigh Presley, Agriculture Educator at 262-767-2905, 262-857-1948,

Pork Chop Cookout

The 2017 Walworth County Fair Pork Chop Cookout will be held on Wednesday, **June 21**, at the fairgrounds Activity Center from 4:00-7:00pm. The menu will include: 2 chops, baked potato, coleslaw, applesauce, rye bread, ice cream, and a beverage. Tickets are \$11 in advance and \$12 at the door. Proceeds will benefit improvements to the fairgrounds park.

Volunteers (older youth and adults) are needed to help with the Pork Chop Cookout (to serve as car hops, clean-up/take down tables, and serve soda and ice cream). If you are interested, please contact Peggy at the Fair Office—262-723-3228 or peggy@walworthcountyfair.com.

Softball Schedules

Junior Division Schedule: Game Time is 6:00 pm

6/4 - ELK/SUG/HAR vs. SPP/LAG/SPF/TCR @ Tibbets
6/11- SPP/LAG/SPF/TCR vs. ELK/SUG/HAR @ Spring Prairie
6/18- SPP/LAG/SPF/TCR vs. ELK/SUG/HAR @LaGrange
6/25- ELK/SUG/HAR vs. SPP/LAG/SPF/TCR @ Tibbets
7/9- SPP/LAG/SPF/TCR vs. ELK/SUG/HAR @ Spring Prairie
7/16- ELK/SUG/HAR vs. SPP/LAG/SPF/TCR @LaGrange

Senior Division Schedule: Game Time is 6:30 pm

6/6 – ELK/LAG/WWR/HAR vs. SUG/SPP/SPF @ Tibbets
6/13- SUG/SPP/SPF vs ELK/LAG/WWR/HAR @ Tibbets
6/20- ELK/LAG/WWR/HAR vs. SUG/SPP/SPF @ Tibbets
6/27- SUG/SPP/SPF vs ELK/LAG/WWR/HAR @ Tibbets
7/11- ELK/LAG/WWR/HAR vs. SUG/SPP/SPF @ Tibbets
7/18- SUG/SPP/SPF vs ELK/LAG/WWR/HAR @ Tibbets

Coach Information

JUNIORS

- Elkhorn/ Sugar Creek/ Harvesters -- Beth Whalen, (262) 745-2929, perduebl@yahoo.com
- Spring Prairie/ LaGrange/ Springfield/ Troy Center -- Darrel Markham, (262) 642-2748, DarrelMarkham@hotmail.com

SENIORS

- Elkhorn/ LaGrange/ Whitewater/ Harvesters -- Neil West, (262) 378-0774, neilericwest@gmail.com
- Sugar Creek/ Spring Prairie/ Springfield -- Joel Ehlen, (262) 949-9039, ehlen5@elknet.net

Association Updates

Junior Leaders' Association

The Walworth County Junior Leaders' Association is open to all 4-H members in grades 6-13. The group meets the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00pm in the County Government Center for 75 minutes of fast-paced recreation, business, interactive programs, and refreshments! This is a great way to build your leadership skills while getting to know other youth from across the county and having fun. Upcoming meetings include...

June 26	Ice Breaker—Sarah Haacker Program— <i>The Amazing Race</i> Challenge
July 24	Ice Break—Leo & Maya Ehlen Program—How to Run a Dairy

The Junior Leaders will be hosting a 4-H promotional booth at the Walworth County Dairy Breakfast on the morning of **June 17** at the county fairgrounds. There are two shifts: 6:30-8:50am and 8:40-11:00am.

The Junior Leaders will also be manning the WI Pork Shoppe food stand on Tuesday, **August 8** beginning at 3:30pm at the Wisconsin State Fair. Several volunteers are needed for two shifts (3:00-6:45pm and 6:15-10:00pm). This is always a super fun activity with lots of perks!

If you're interested in helping with either of these fun activities, contact Debbie at (262) 741-4959 or email her at deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu with your name, email, phone number, and preferred role. You don't have to be an active participant of the Junior Leaders' Association currently to join in the fun!

Senior Leaders' Association

Next Meeting

The next Senior Leaders' Association meeting will be held on **June 26** at 7:00pm in the County Government Center. The **July** meeting will be held on the **24th** 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

June—Walworth
July—Sugar Creek

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

Scholarship Opportunities:

Find these and other scholarships at: <http://walworth.uwex.edu/4-youth-development/scholarships/>. You can also pick up copies at the Walworth County UW-Extension office.

Junior Leaders' Scholarship

This scholarship is sponsored by the Walworth County 4-H Junior Leaders' Association. The recipients of this award will be the applicants who demonstrate the greatest passion for leading by example through their efforts in the Junior Leaders' Association. Two awards of \$500 each will be given annually. You may drop it off in person, mail it, fax it, or scan and email it, but all applications must be received by 5:00pm on **June 15** in order to be considered.

Horse and Pony Scholarship

Minimum Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must have a high school graduation date of June of current year or earlier.
- Applicant must have been a Walworth County 4-H Horse & Pony Project member for at least two (2) years.
- Applicant must be enrolled or planning to enroll as an undergraduate in a university, college, or technical school during the upcoming academic year.
- Applicant must have a current grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.

Selection criteria is located on the application. Applications are due in the Walworth County UW-Extension Office on or before **June 30** or they will not be considered. Recipients will be announced during the Opening Ceremony of the 4-H Qualifying Show.

Sheila DeGrave Memorial Scholarship

To be eligible for this scholarship:

- You must have been actively involved in the Walworth County Horse & Pony project, either through 4-H or FFA.
- You must be a high school senior with plans to continue your education at a 4-year college (long or short course) or a 2-year technical school. Please include

proof of enrollment/acceptance to the school.

- Please have the application at the UW-Extension office by 5:00pm on **June 30**.

Recipients will be announced during the Opening Ceremony of the 4-H Qualifying Show.

Earl Cook Memorial Scholarship

This \$500 scholarship is given to students who are a high school senior or enrolled in a post-high school education program and plan to continue their education in any agricultural field at the college/technical level. Applications are due in the UW-Extension office by **June 30**.

Hafs 4-H Leadership Award

The Hafs 4-H Leadership Award is a University of Wisconsin scholarship to memorialize Oscar W. Hafs' 65 years leading the Bloomfield Township 4-H Club in Walworth County, WI. One \$2,000 award will be given annually.

The winner/s will be chosen based on two things: the content and completeness of the application and the quality of a supporting scholarship interview. Applications must be accompanied by one letter of recommendation from an adult who can attest to your 4-H leadership growth through involvement in the 4-H program. Application and letter of recommendation are due at 5:00pm on **June 30**.

Walworth County Business Association and Outstanding Youth Award

Conditions:

- Be a high school junior or older in 4-H or FFA.
- Applicants must be a senior or older to apply for the scholarship.
- All applications will be reviewed and applicants interviewed.
- All questions should be answered in full; incomplete or late applications will be rejected.
- Applications should be completed using a computer and either printed and mailed or emailed to the Walworth County Business

Association. Illegible applications will be rejected.

- Applications must be received and/or postmarked by **June 30**.

Award Amounts:

- \$1,000 Scholarship
- \$750, \$500 & \$250 Outstanding Youth Awards
- WCBA reserves the right to add additional awards/scholarships. All applicants will be invited to a post-interview party, details TBD.

Robert O. Jones 4-H Scholarship

This Scholarship is given by the family of Bobby Jones long time 4-H member and leader. Bobby was always helping 4-H kids, and he had a great passion for helping those willing to learn. In his memory, the family would like to provide assistance to students pursuing coursework beyond high school.

The recipient(s) of this award will be the applicant(s) who demonstrates the greatest passion for leading by example through their efforts in 4-H and in their community. The family has decided to award up to \$1000 annually to one or more deserving individuals, depending on the number of applications received.

Application Guidelines:

- Applicant must be a high school graduating senior this school year
- Applicant must be a CURRENT Walworth County 4-H member
- Applicant must be enrolled in an accredited University or Technical School for fall semester (Consideration will be made for those enrolled in the Agricultural Short Course.)
- Applications must be accompanied by two letters of recommendation
- Applications must be received by the Extension office NO later than **June 15**

Please apply to any and all scholarships you qualify for. Many scholarships go unclaimed each year! Don't let them slip away!

Walworth County Fair Judging

Art

If you are entering hangable artwork for this year's fair, please make sure that it is READY TO HANG with adequately sturdy hangers when you bring it to judging. Art judging will be happening on Wednesday, **August 16** from 11:00—6:00pm in the Youth Building at the fairgrounds. Refer to the "2016-2017 Walworth County Fair Book."

Cloverbud

Cloverbud project judging will take place on a first come, first served basis on Thursday, **August 17** from NOON-6:00pm in the Youth Building at the Fairgrounds. Cloverbud judging will be done face-to-face, as it is with older members. However, unlike judging in other areas, Cloverbud exhibitors will NOT be competing with each other. Everyone will receive the same fabulous participation ribbon! So, judging is more like a show-and-tell opportunity to prepare for the judging procedures that happen down the road. Cloverbud exhibits are not eligible for premium money.

Youth Building

If you are enrolled in a 4-H project that gets displayed and judged in the Youth Building, you've got a neat experience ahead! Most project exhibits are judged using a method called "face-to-face judging." This unique type of judging gives you the chance to talk privately with the judge so he/she can find out what you've learned! The judge considers what you've told him/her when assigning the rating ribbons and choosing class winners!

Here are some things to remember as you prepare:

- Your exhibit offers a display of what you are capable of doing in your project area.
- The judges will be looking for positive learning. Tell them about your exhibit and any other things you have done and learned in your project this year.
- The judge will be evaluating your exhibit and what you've learned—not you as a person.
- Read the rules and guidelines in your Fair Book. Be certain that you've followed the established rules for

the class you've entered.

Questions the judge may ask you...

- Did you enjoy working on your project? Why?
- What was the easiest/hardest thing you did?
- Why did you choose to make this exhibit?
- Who assisted you with your project?
- Tell me about the kinds of materials you used.
- How did you make the exhibit?
- What part of the exhibit do you feel you could improve? Why?

If you prepare a neat and creative exhibit, you're ready to tell the judges a lot, and you've followed the rules in the Fair Book, you have nothing to worry about. Face-to-face judging will be a fun learning experience for you! Refer to the enclosed schedule for judging day and time for the projects you're making exhibits for.

Foods

Foods judging is completed using a different form of judging called "conference judging." Conference judging is similar to face-to-face judging. The main difference is that it is not done privately. Rather, all of the 4-Hers who have entered a particular fair class will be present for judging TOGETHER. They all meet with the judge at the same time so they can learn from each other. 4-Hers must be present when their classes are called.

Youth who are completing grades 3-6 will be judged throughout the morning on Tuesday, **August 15** in North Hall at the Walworth County Fairgrounds. Class #1 for each grade level will be judged at 9:00am, and judging of classes will continue in consecutive order until all classes for the grade level are done.

Youth who are completing grades 7-13 will be judged

throughout the afternoon on Tuesday, **August 15** in North Hall at the Walworth County Fairgrounds. Class #1 for each age division will be judged at 1:30pm, and judging of classes will continue in consecutive order until all classes for the grade level are done. All Delicious Dairy Dish entries will be judged at 1:00pm on **August 15**.

Food Preservation entries will be judged at their own location within North Hall throughout the day. All exhibitors in grades 3-6 will be judged starting at 9:00am. Classes will be called in numerical order. Exhibitors in grades 7-13 will be judged in the afternoon in the same manner beginning at 1:00pm.

For judging purposes, your "grade level" is the grade you just completed.

Fair Entry Deadline—Fast Approaching!

4-H families are reminded that the Junior Department **entry deadline for the 2017 Walworth County Fair is 11:59pm on Friday, June 16.** The system will shut down at midnight, so don't wait until the last minute to place your entries.

Detailed instructions about how to make your entries were emailed to families on April 28 and are also available at the on-line registration site at http://www.walworthcountyfair.com/p/walworth_county_fair/exhibit/332 once you click to enter the Junior On-line Entries.

You can sign up to show exhibits that correspond to any

and all of the 4-H projects you enrolled in earlier this year. Junior Class Premium Book information (showing exhibit class options) is available at: http://www.walworthcountyfair.com/p/walworth_county_fair/exhibit/premium-book/403. Hard copies of the Premium Book are also available for purchase in the Fair Office at \$5 each during regular business hours.

If you follow the entry instructions correctly, you will receive an immediate confirmation of the entries you have made. Review them, and be sure they are correct. If you see any problems, notify the Fair Office immediately.

Absolutely no corrections can be made to any entries after 5:00pm on July 14.

Pre-Fair Judging Food Booth

This year, the Pre-Fair Judging food booth will be hosted by Big Foot Pioneers 4-H. Support a fellow 4-H club by getting your lunch or a snack during Pre-Fair judging!

Kudos!:

Congratulations to our American Legion and 4-H Shooting Sports Postal Match top shooters!

- Fin Weber, Overall ranking: 2 out of 70 youth, \$750 scholarship
- Sage Rushing, Overall ranking: 3 out of 70 youth, \$250 scholarship
- Walworth County—#1 Overall Team Ranking

Animal Project Updates

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.

Beef News

Your Jr. Beef Project Committee hopes you are having a good year working with your cattle. If you have any questions throughout the summer, please contact your district leader, or Jr. Beef Superintendent Doc Sterken at (262) 949-5890.

4th of July Parade

The project will once again be participating in the East Troy Parade on Sunday, **July 2**. We will meet at the high school parking lot. Join in the fun by handing out candy and fliers advertising the Steak Cookout. Wear your yellow beef project t-shirt. If you need a new shirt, let us know the size, so we can bring it. They are \$5 each. Contact Doc for more details and to let him know that you plan to attend.

Steak Cookout

The 7th Annual Steak Cookout is fast approaching, and

plans are underway for the **July 19** event from 4:00-7:00pm at the fairgrounds Activity Center. Each Junior Beef Project member must work at the cookout, and we will also need help on Tuesday afternoon for set-up. Plan to wear your yellow beef project t-shirt for the cookout.

New this year—we will be having a drive-thru option for the Steak Cookout, so we need everybody's help to make this work!

Merit Award

Project members are reminded if they are interested in applying for this monetary award, they must be at least 16 years old and have been a member of the project for a minimum of three years (including this year). Contact Doc or Mary Sterken for an application.

Sheep News

SHEEP Project members are required to attend ONE mandatory meeting each year in order to be eligible to show in the Junior Sheep Show at the Walworth County Fair. The final mandatory meeting option left for 2017 is a "Show Ready" Project Workshop on **June 15** at 7:00pm at the Walworth County Fairgrounds Sheep Barn. This will be an interactive meeting, so come prepared to handle sheep in the show ring and put your evaluation skills to the test.

Keep in mind that if you attended MAQA training this spring, your participation counts as an educational meeting. You can also get credit for MAQA if you tested this spring and passed, and you can get credit for having attended the 2016 Walworth County Fair Lamb Carcass Evaluation during last year's fair week. If you attend the 2017 Walworth County Fair Lamb Carcass Evaluation meeting during fair week this year, it will count towards your 2018 mandatory meeting requirements.

Show Prep Reminders

Remember that breeding sheep and other sexually intact sheep must have a scrapies tag in order to exhibit at the Walworth County Fair. In-state wethers intended for slaughter, which are less than 12 months old, do NOT need

scrapies tags. Out of state wethers must have scrapies tags. Scrapies tagging is a family farm responsibility.

If you are showing breeding sheep, it is important to work on getting your purebred registration papers now, too. That can also take a while.

Managerial Projects

Members planning to show managerial animals at the 2017 Walworth County Fair must complete a Wisconsin State Fair Junior Livestock Managerial Form and submit it to the Extension office by 4:30 pm on **June 16**. The form is available at <http://walworth.uwex.edu/4-youth-development/projects/sheep-project/>.

Lose an RFID Tag?

If any of your market lambs lose their RFID tag between now and the start of fair, it is your responsibility to contact Jr. Sheep Superintendent Tim Ehlen at 608-676-2569 to have the animal retagged. Please look for and be ready to turn in the old tag that is being replaced. Any animals that show up at the fair without a tag will be subject to mandatory DNA testing at the exhibitor's expense (approximately \$100).

Rabbit News

Upcoming meeting information and dates to remember:

The meetings are now in the Small Animal Barn until Fair. If you don't have your rabbits to show at fair already, you **MUST** get them ASAP. You cannot pick up rabbits the week before fair to show.

Breeding for Meat Pen – **May 24, 25 or 26** (so they are 100 days old at the fair show).

Thursday, June 8 – 6:00pm start – pelting meeting. If you are not bringing your own pelt to process, you **MUST** notify Melissa Haney that you need a pelt. If you do not, there may not be one for you. Rabbit Hopping Equipment will be available for use at the June meeting. T-shirt orders due at this meeting.

July 13 – 6:00pm Rabbit Hopping, and 7:00pm project meeting. Tattooing will be available at this meeting.

August 17 – to set up the barn. Barn decorating Friday, **8/18/17** tentatively. Times for decorating TBD. Barn duty sign-up sheet will be available at the July meeting. **EVERYONE** will be required to do at least one barn duty during fair time. **NO EXCEPTIONS**. We will be only doing barn duty in hour long increments, so this should not be a problem for every youth that shows to do their barn duty. We are asking that each youth does at least 3 hours of duty during the whole week of fair. The youth that go above and beyond will be given a prize the last day of fair (that means 4 or more hours during fair).

Fair class sign up must be done by **6/16/17** through the

County Fair web site! Bring any questions you have to the June meeting.

Rabbit Hopping – remember everyone is still considered beginner (easy) in their age class. Rabbit Hopping Competition dates are TBD. We are working on having the competition during the fair.

T-Shirt orders – Design to be updated. Please make sure you give Melissa the number of shirts, sizes and colors before or on next meeting. We will be ordering the shirts the third week of June. If you don't get the sizes, number and color to us before then, you will have to go to On Time Tees in Whitewater and order your own. The cost will be \$15.00 a shirt. Orders and **payment due at June meeting**. If you cannot make the June meeting, please contact Melissa directly if you want to order. Payment must be made prior to order. You can choose your t-shirt color. An email will be sent out to the group with the design, colors, and information.

Fur and Feather Auction – to be eligible the rabbit has to have won a blue ribbon, and you have to sign up on Saturday at the fair. You will also be required to help set up for the Auction, run animals during the auction, and help clean up after.

If you are interested in State Fair information for Open Rabbit and Open Rabbit Hopping: <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/open-show-livestock/> They have their own registration requirements and deadlines.

Horseless Horse News

Horseless Horse members can meet at the Kundert Farm every Thursday, from **June 8** until **August 24**. The meetings will start at 6:00pm.

June 21 will be a special meeting! The meeting will begin at 6:30pm and include a special guest from the Elkhorn Vet Clinic. The special guest will go over basic horse care.

Swine News

This is just a reminder that if any of your barrows lose their RFID tags prior to fair, you need to contact Jr. Swine Superintendent Jim Henriott, at (262) 903-9273 to notify him. Then, make arrangements with the UW-Extension office to obtain a replacement tag by calling (262) 741-4954. Additionally, look for and be ready to turn in the lost tags when picking up the new tags (if at all possible). Remember that any barrows that show up at fair weigh-in without tags

will be subject to mandatory DNA testing at the exhibitor's expense (approximately \$100).

Also, keep in mind that Walworth County Junior Fair entries close at 11:59pm on Friday, **June 16!** Members are responsible for making their entries at http://www.walworthcountyfair.com/p/walworth_county_fair/exhibit/332.

Small Pets News

One meeting is required to show at the fair.

- **June 5** --- 7:00pm in the Small Animals Barn
- **July 10** --- 6:30pm in the Small Animals Barn. We will be having a PIGNIC. Please bring a dish to pass.

Other meetings and events:

- **July 30** --- Working at the Brat Hut at Frank's Piggly Wiggly in Elkhorn (9:00am-3:00pm)
- **August 18** --- Pre-Fair judging of other pets
- **August 22** --- 6:00pm at the Small Animals Barn. We

will be cleaning and decorating the small animals area.

- **August 28** --- 6:00pm at the Small Animals Barn. We will finish decorating for the fair.
- **August 29** --- Guinea pigs at the fair. Check-in from 4:00pm-8:00pm.
- **August 31** --- Guinea Pig Show (be at the barn at 8:00am)
- **September 4** --- Pick up guinea pigs

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State Fair Update

Junior exhibitors planning to show at the Wisconsin State Fair will need to submit all entry information and fees directly to State Fair either online or via the mail. The local county UW-Extension office will be informed of State Fair youth entries, but will not be involved in the entry process. Junior exhibitors must be members in good standing with an approved youth organization (such as 4-H) by March 1 in order to be eligible to participate in Junior Fair programs. The Junior Show entry deadlines are:

- **June 7, 2017:** Postmark for mailed entries
- **June 7, 2017** – 7:00pm (Central Time): Online entries close at regular fees
- **June 14, 2017** – 7:00pm (Central Time): Late online entries with late fees close

Non-Animal Project Updates

Non-Animal State Fair Entry Drop Off

Youth who received a champion, reserve, or merit award on a non-animal fair entry during the 2016 Walworth County Fair may enter the item in the 2017 Wisconsin State Fair. Exhibits with a "selected for state fair" sticker may also be entered in the 2017 Wisconsin State Fair.

Eligible items include artwork, ceramics, knitting, crocheting, animal science projects, sewing, child development, mechanical sciences, etc. No photography, please. Entries may be brought to the Government Center on **June 26** from 5:30-7:00pm, which is before the Senior Leaders' meeting. At that time, an entry form will be completed and a fee of \$2 paid per entry. If you are unable to come on June 26, please call Letha at (262) 723-2440 no later than June 23 to make arrangements to drop off the entry at her house. Please do not leave entries at the UW-Extension Office.

Shooting Sports and Wildlife News

The annual Walworth County 4-H Shoot-Off will take place at the Triangle Sportsmen's Club in East Troy on Saturday, **July 8**. This exciting event is the pre-fair judging event for the SHOOTING SPORTS project. There is a world of learning to be had, and spectators are welcome.

Exhibitors, please remember that registration opens at 8:00am. Everyone is reminded to bring eye and ear protection to all shooting events. All silhouette shooters must be accompanied to the range by a scorer, and scorers must provide their own eye and ear protection.

If you have any questions, please contact Al Iseppon at (608) 201-5032, or [check the website](#), which will include

registration and support materials. Registration forms for the Shoot-Off are due on **June 16** to a shooting sports leader. The UW-Extension office will not be collecting any forms.

Shoot-Off Concession Stand

The Lake Beulah 4-H Club will once again be hosting the concession stand at the Walworth County 4-H Shoot Off. Donuts, chips, snacks, soda, and water will be available all day. Klement's hot dogs and BBQ beef sandwiches will be available after 10:00am. Our "travelling food wagon" will be making an appearance near the archery event around noon so keep an eye out if you are hungry! Good luck to all shooters!

Robotics News

Saturday, **June 3** – Brat Hut Fundraiser, East Troy Piggly Wiggly! Come on out to support our team and see what we do! Booth will be open for Brat sales 10:00am to 2:00pm. If you can, please consider coming out to help for 2 hours. Setup is 9:45am. Let me know what time you are coming, so we can make sure the entire event is covered.

DATE CHANGE - Monday, **June 26**, 7:00pm senior leader meeting at the County Government Building, Elkhorn – demonstration

Meeting schedule:

Saturday, **June 10**, 9:00am to 12:00pm, meeting
Saturday, **July 15**, 9:00am to 12:00pm, meeting
August Meetings – TBD

Sunday, **October 29**, Brat Hut Fundraiser, Elkhorn Piggly Wiggly 9:45am to 2:15pm

Coming **August 2017**: On your mark, get set, flow! Drink in the 2017/2018 HYDRO DYNAMICSSM season and learn all about water—how we find, transport, use, or dispose of it. In the 2017/2018 FIRST® LEGO® League Challenge, students age 9 to 16* from 80 countries will make a splash with HYDRO DYNAMICS. What might become possible when we

understand what happens to our water? *Age range for United States is 9 to 14.

We will be scheduling a kick off party, but not until we get the specific release date. We are currently working on learning how to program the robots and specific ways to move the robot efficiently around the board. We are also exploring the option of a demonstration at the fair – more to come on that.

4-H Robotics – First Tech Challenge

We are still trying to fundraise to start a team. The First Tech Challenge is a robotics challenge for grades 7-12, using different robots than the First Lego League. We have 2 people interested in starting a team. The Season Kick-Off and Reveal for this project is scheduled for **September 9!** We would LOVE to be able to get a team together and participate this year. Registration is NOW for this fall competition.

Fundraising Ideas? Opportunities? Corporate Sponsors? Grant Ideas? Contact chelbydaniels@gmail.com if you are interested in joining the project, or let the UW-Extension 4-H office know.

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[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!

[Walworth County 4-H Facebook](#)

