

Columbia County 4-H Family Newsletter

August/September 2019

Registration/Due Dates

8/1 Cloverbud Camp Registration
August Record Books due to your general leader (check with leader for deadline)
8/22 Friend of 4-H Nominations due
9/1 Record Books due to Extension Office
9/30 4-H Ambassador Applications due
10/1 Fall Forum registrations due on 4HOnline
10/18 Charter documents due!!!

Columbia County 4-H Event Dates

8/1-11	WI State Fair
8/9-11	State 4-H Dog Show, Rock Co., Janesville, WI
8/12	Cloverbud Camp
8/14	Sale of Champions checks/photographs pick-up, 6-8 pm, Fair Office
8/14-8/17	Columbia/Green County 4-H Camp, Upham Woods
8/17	State 4-H Dog Agility Show, Dane Co., Middleton, WI
8/21	Sale of Champions checks/photographs pick-up begins, Extension office
8/22	Leaders Council Meeting, 6:30 pm meeting, CCHC, Wyocena
9/2	UW-Extension Office Closed for Labor Day
9/6	4HOnline enrollment begins
9/13-15	State 4H Horse Expo, WI State Fair Park
9/19	Livestock Committee Annual Meeting, 7 pm, CCHC, Wyocena
9/22	CC Dog Project Meeting—6:30pm, Time/Location TBD
9/26	Leaders Council Meeting, 6:30 pm, CCHC, Wyocena
10/1	Fall Forum registration due on 4HOnline
10/5-6	4-H Arts Camp, Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells
10/17	Mandatory Leaders Council Meeting, 6:30 pm food; 7 pm meeting; Portage
11/1-3	Fall Forum & Hall of Fame Celebration—Green Lake Conference Center
11/15-17	Horse Leadership Conference



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Please let me to introduce myself $\,\sim\,$ Hí! I am Sarah Míllard, the new Administrative Assistant at the UW-Madison Extension Columbia County office. I will be your contact person for everything 4-H! I'm excited to get to learn more about 4-H & all the fun the members have! I look forward to helping all 4-H leaders & members! Please, do not hesitate to contact me directly by phone (608) 742-9688 or through email at sarah.millard@co.columbia.wi.us or stop in to introduce yourself! I hope to see you soon!

- Sarah Millard

Upcoming 4-H Enrollment

Open Enrollment/Re-Enrollment Starts September 6th!

Deadline for <u>Re-Enrollment</u> is Saturday, November 30, 2019!!

This year's Columbia County 4-H <u>re-enrollment deadline</u> for being eligible to exhibit at the 2020 Columbia County Junior Fair under 4-H is November 30th! Remember, new members may join up until March 1, 2020 & have 4-H exhibiting rights at the Columbia County Junior Fair. Re-enrolling members may also add or drop projects until March 1, 2020.

Instructions for using 4HOnline can be found at https://columbia.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4honline-enrollment-information/

If you cannot find what you need or need help with the enrollment process, please contact Sarah Millard, 4-H Administrative Assistant. If you want to come into the office and let Sarah walk you through the steps of enrollment, she will be glad to do so. Please call 608-742-9688 in advance to make arrangements.

If you have any questions whatsoever, do not hesitate to contact Sarah or Pat. There will be no exceptions to the deadline dates.

More instructions will be coming in your weekly updates. We get comments frequently that people's computers are down or the internet server is down or There is plenty of help available if you are having problems with online enrollment so don't wait until the last minute. Library computers are available, our office staff can help you, general leaders may have suggestions, and other people in your club can possibly assist you. Please remember to use **Google Chrome** when on 4HOnline. This web browser best supports the program.

Remember, if you do not have one already, you will need a working email to register online. There are places online (Hotmail, Google, Yahoo, AOL, Mail.com, etc.) where you can get an email account for free.

Changing Project Levels

Steps to change project level on 4HOnline (example: Art 1 to Art 2):

- 1. Add Art 2 as a project.
- 2. Put the same years in project down as are shown in Art 1. (Do not add a year. These years have already been advanced for the year.)
- 3. Delete Art 1. (Only project showing should be Art 2.)

Selecting 4-H Project Literature

If you plan on selecting any project literature, please read this article before doing so!!

All literature <u>in the entire state</u> is listed on 4HOnline. The only project literature Columbia County has available is the literature listed in the 2019-2020 Columbia County 4-H Project Guide, which will be available for your September club meetings.

When you choose literature, only choose the literature listed in our project guide. This will make it easier for your leader who is coming to pick up literature.

We are NOT using 4HOnline to select 4-H literature this year. Please fill out the 2019-2020 Project Literature Request and hand it in to your Club Leader by their assigned due date.

Youth Leadership & Project Youth Leader on 4HOnline

The <u>Youth Leadership project</u> is just like any other project. You want to learn about being a youth leader and possibly get awards for it.

Being a youth leader in a project is different. Qualifications: You've been in project for 2 or more years; you're currently in 7th grade or above. You will plan and/or assist in project meetings for the 4-Her's enrolled in the project in your club or possibly county-wide. No awards are given for this. Steps to take to be a youth leader in a project:

- 1. On the 1st page (Personal Information) of your 4HOnline enrollment, make sure that you have "Yes" checked under Volunteer.
- 2. On the Participation page on 4HOnline, under Projects:
 - a. Choose the project: if you wish to be a youth leader in Art, for example, you will chose Art—Yth Ldr as a project.

- b. Under "Select a volunteer type ..." select "Youth Leader."
- c. Click on "Add Project."

No project should have Youth Leader as a volunteer type unless the project is ____ - Yth Ldr." Years in project are years you have been a youth leader in that project, not years you have been in the project (i.e., you've been in Art project for six years; you're enrolling in Art—Yth Ldr for the first time— years in project for Art—Yth Ldr would be "1."

Changes in personal information & knowing what's going on in 4-H, such as deadlines, registrations, etc.

Many times over the past year, we have had to contact families to find out what their current email or phone is because we are unable to contact them. PLEASE—
if you have a change in your address, email or phone, do the following:

- 1. Go to 4HOnline and update your information; AND
- 2. Contact Sarah and let her know you have changed your information on 4HOnline and what that change is. (The system will not automatically notify our office when changes are made.); AND
- 3. Contact your general leader and let them know the changes.

If any of these steps are not taken, you may miss out on important information. I had some parents tell me they hadn't received any information about enrollment or fair deadlines this year and the reason was that they changed their email or address, didn't let anyone know, didn't show up at club meetings, and they weren't getting the weekly emails or the newsletters. Every family, whether they get the newsletter by mail or email, should be getting the weekly updates by email. If you are not, you need to contact the 4-H office staff and find out why.

We try our best to put vital information in our updates and newsletter many times during the months leading up to several important events during the year. Please don't be the parent who has to tell their child they missed an important deadline, like enrollment for showing at the fair, camp, fair, etc.. Besides reading the weekly updates and newsletter yourself, try to make it a habit of having your 4-Her read through them in the event you didn't see something. In addition, it gives them the opportunity to take some responsibility to make sure they meet deadlines and take advantage of opportunities they read about.

As always, Pat or Sarah can help you with questions or concerns. Pat.wagner@wisc.edu or sarah.millard@co.columbia.wi.us

4-H Week Radio Promotion

Come say something about 4-H!! Area radio station WPDR of Portage has agreed to air 4-H promotion spots on several of their radio stations during National 4-H Week and throughout the year. Taping time at WPDR in Portage will be scheduled and the date will be in the Weekly Update. Keep an eye out for it.

You can make up your own 20 second 4-H promotion spot or you can read a prepared one. 1 & 2 person spots may also be recorded. If you are interested in doing a 4-H radio promotion spot, please mail or email your name and contact information to: Pat.wagner@wisc.edu or Sarah.millard@co.columbia.wi.us



Friend of 4-H Nominations

Each year Columbia County 4-H Leader's Council gives out "Friend of 4-H" volunteer and appreciation awards. A **Volunteer Award** is given to individuals who are 4-H leaders, for dedicated service and outstanding leadership **on the county level** to Columbia County 4-H. An **Appreciation Award** is given to a person or business outside of 4-H for their support on the **county level** to the Columbia County 4-H program. (Club leaders should be recognized within their 4-H Club).

To place a nomination e-mail Pat the name of the individual/ business and the reason you are nominating them. Nominations are due Monday, August 22nd. Friend of 4-H awards will be decided at the August 22nd Leaders Council Meeting.

Pat.wagner@wisc.edu



4-H Record Book & Awards Policy

Record books are to be turned into your 4-H club's general leader in August (check in with your general leader for the date your club has set). Record book check materials were sent to club general leaders already. All record book forms are available online at: https://columbia.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms/record-book-forms/

NEW for 2019!

The 4-H Leaders Council voted to again have county 4-H record book review. See below an excerpt from the Columbia County 4-H Standing Rules.

Columbia County 4-H Record Book and Awards Policy

- First time 4-H Project Award Winners will be recognized by a permanent plate and project disk, and repeat winners will be recognized with additional disks to be affixed to the project award plate.
- Project medals (based on 4-H record book review) will be awarded based on the 4-H club selection process. Activity/event medals will be based on participation in county and state level events. There is no limit to the number of project awards a 4-H club may award.
- The Columbia County 4-H Leader's Council will pay for Cloverbud awards and bronze 1st year, silver 5th year, and gold 1oth year member pins.
- Overall Outstanding 4-H Performance Awards, in addition to the club selected project awards, will be awarded to 15% of enrollment for each grade. Nominees must have 80% of their project records complete and must have given a demonstration.
- The following awards will be given for club officer books:
 - 1. Outstanding Secretary's Books 15% of clubs submitting
 - 2. Outstanding Historian's Books 15% of clubs submitting
 - 3. Outstanding Treasurer's Books 15% of clubs submitting
- Each club MUST send one (1) leader to help check county record books for every ten (10) overall, treasurer, secretary, & historian books nominated. Failure to do so will mean not all your club's record books will be considered for a county award.
- Self-Achievement Award applications are to be completed and submitted to the Columbia County Extension office no later than September 1st annually.
- Overall Outstanding 4-H Performance Award nominees are due to the Columbia County Extension office no later than September 1st annually.

Fall Forum and Hall of Fame Celebration

November 1-3, 2019

Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake, WI

Fall Forum is an opportunity for youth and adult leaders to attend the statewide training weekend with county and state staff. Planned by a team of youth and adult volunteers from the Wisconsin 4-H Leaders Council with the support of county and state staff; we hope you will promote to youth and adult leaders in your county!

This year at Fall Forum, a select group of 4-H volunteers, pioneers, financial supporters, and staff who made major contributions to the 4-H movement at the local, state and national levels will be inducted into the <u>Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame</u>. The induction ceremony will take place during dinner Saturday night.

Friday Interactive Sessions

Saturday Educational Workshops

The purpose of Fall Forum is to:



- Provide an educational opportunity for and adult volunteers
- Develop youth and adult partnerships
- Create an engaging and welcoming environment to facilitate discussion between counties and regions
- Provide an opportunity for youth and adult volunteers to be involved in the planning and evaluation of statewide programs
- Encourage diversity of thought, perspective, interests, and people
- Promote strategies for youth and adults to reach underserved and underrepresented groups.

When: November 1-3, 2019 (registration begins at 6:00 p.m. Friday, November 1). We will conclude Sunday, November 3, at 11 a.m. There will be interactive learning activities Friday night and

educational workshops on Saturday.

Who: Each county is encouraged to send a delegation of youth and adults

- Youth 7th 13th grade
- Adult volunteer leaders
- Staff are invited and encouraged to attend as your schedule permits

This is a great opportunity for a team of county/state staff, volunteers, and youth to work together and present an interactive workshop for youth and adults as well as staff from throughout Wisconsin.

Registration:

ESTIMATED COSTS FOR 2019:

- \$85 registration fee per person: Friday Sunday (pizza buffet, 3 meals on Saturday, 1 meal on Sunday)
- \$75 registration fee per person: Saturday Sunday (3 meals on Saturday, 1 meal on Sunday)
- \$70 registration fee per person: Saturday (lunch and Hall of Fame Dinner)
- \$50 registration fee per person: Saturday (lunch only)

Lodging:

ESTIMATED COSTS FOR 2019:

Adults:

- \$50/night for two adults
- \$80/night for single room (limited availability)
- \$25/night for three or more adults per room

Youth

• \$25/night with 3-6 youth per room

The program kicks off Friday evening with over 20 interactive sessions. Saturday offers more than 25 workshops to choose from. Top off the night with a special celebration where laureates

All youth participants are required to identify a chaperone who has completed Youth Protection training when registering. Adult volunteer delegates from a county are expected to serve as chaperones for youth delegates. Teams of adult male and female chaperones will be identified to conduct room check of youth delegates on Friday and Saturday evening. Chaperones are required to submit the Chaperone Expectation Statement.



Sale of Champion Checks, Thank You's & Photos

Sale of Champion checks and photographs can be picked up on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 14th</u>, <u>from 6 - 8 p.m. at the Fair Office</u> on the Columbia County Fairgrounds in Portage.

- To receive them you must bring your original thank you letter and a $9" \times 11"$ envelope addressed to your buyer with postage (or \$0.50 for envelope & \$1.50 so postage can be purchased).
- One of the two photographs you will receive is for your buyer and will be mailed by the Fair Office with the thank you letter.
- If you are unable to pick up your pictures/checks on August 14th, you may bring your thank you letter and stamped addressed envelope to the 4-H office on or after August 21st and pick up your check at that time. If you wish to purchase an envelope, you can do so for an additional \$0.50.

REMEMBER:

- Bring your original thank you letter.
- Bring a 9" x 11" envelope addressed to your buyer. (Or envelope can be purchased for \$0.50.) (Pictures too big for smaller envelope.)
- Bring \$1.50 for postage or have your envelope pre-stamped.
- You will take one photo home; one will go in the Buyer's envelope.

 *Check will not be released without presentation of your thank you letter.

Welsh Prairie Livewires 4-H Shamrock Shuffle Sat August 3, 2019 Cambria, WI US 53923

For over 87 years, the Welsh Prairie Livewires (WPL) have been providing a variety of educational and volunteer opportunities for its 4-H families and members

The Shamrock Shuffle 5K Run/Walk was started in 2013 as a fundraising supper and race held at the Cambria Fire Station.

In March 2016, the event became the signature fundraiser for the Welsh Prairie Livewires 4-H Club Shamrock Shuffle Scholarship Awards given to qualifying graduating 4-H members.

Likewise, a portion of the funds are ear marked for the club's working budget which includes camps, trips, recreational activities, awards and more!

Each year charity recipients are chosen to receive the remaining funds. Since its inception the Shamrock Shuffle has raised thousands of dollars for charity.

The success of this FUNdraiser is made possible by the collective community effort of the generous sponsors and 4-H club families. This combined commitment is what makes Welsh Prairie Livewires such an outstanding and dedicated 4-H club.

Help us promote health community activities and join us for a fun, positive event for the entire community...the Shamrock Shuffle 5K Run/Walk!

To Sign up go to: https://signup.itsracetime.com/Race/WI/Cambria/WelshPrairie4HShamrockShuffle?

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THANK YOU!

A heartfelt **Thank You** to Mark & Beth Heinze for all their hard work and dedication to the Dairy Judging and Coaching over the past 10+ years. Your passion and commitment to the program has not gone unnoticed. Your guidance will be missed by those you have helped in the past. Best wishes to you both!

Thank you so much!!



Saying "THANK YOU" means so much!

Please say "Thank You" to those who helped Coach or Evaluate at the 2019 Columbia County Fair:

Livestock Judging Coaches ~ Todd Taylor & Cara Cross

Dairy Judging Coaches ~ Brenda Murphy, The Hebgens & The Dorshorts

Cloverbud Evaluators~

Marin Stauffacher, Nolan Stauffacher, Molly Damm, Allison Monfort, Hannah Heider, Emily McReath, & Jamie Williams

Columbia County 4-H Ambassadors: Hannah Heider, Medora Richards & Jamie Williams, DeAnn Richards (advisor)



Again, this year the mittee promoted the

Livestock Com-"Learn More

Challenge Award." This program was created to encourage youth to increase their knowledge of the species they exhibit by taking advantage of as many educational opportunities as possible. The Learn More Challenge Award encourages youth to attend three or more educational meetings per species. Twenty-eight (28) youth were eligible for the Learn More Challenge Award drawings this year; they attended a total of 207 educational events. The winners of the drawing in beef, swine, sheep, rabbits, poultry, and goats will receive the following prizes: \$75.00 for first place and \$25.00 for 2nd place. The Columbia County Pork Partners donated the prize money for the swine awards, the Livestock Committee contributed funds to cover the remainder.

The winners of the drawings were as follows:

Species	1st Prize—\$75.00	2nd Prize—\$25.00
Swine	Justin Taylor	Samantha Rake
Sheep	Maggie Stalbaum	Abby Stalbaum
Beef	Macy Cross	Kaila Cross
Rabbit	Trey Morse	Delaney Baerwolf
Poultry	Ayla Johnson	Landon Johnson
Goat	Morgan Baerwolf	



State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest

Participants did well at summer Area Annual Science Days!

Hats off to:

Summer Rake Rylie Theis Macy Cross Justin Taylor Zach Mickelson Hayden Taylor Sami Rake

State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest

Participants did well at summer Area Annual Science Days!

Hats off to:

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Peyton Voegeli Ava Hebgen Hadley Voegeli Gavin Carncross Brady Dorshorst Carter Murphy Ashley Hagenow

peli Paige Sweatt
Becca Murphy
peli Anika Baerwolf
ross Owen Dorshorst
orst Bailey Paulsen
hy Sarah Hagenow
now Faith Baerwolf
Taylor Baerwolf

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4-H Arts Camp October 5 - 6, 2019

Location: Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center N194 Cty N, Wisconsin Dells, WI

Time: Cost: TBD

9:00am - 3:30pm

Contact: Lynn Pfeiffer — 608-262-1222 lynn.pfeiffer@ces.uwex.edu

A statewide Arts & Communication workshop designed for middle school age youth in grades 6-8.

You'll rotate through the different Arts tracks each day, participate in a group Arts experience Saturday evening, and close with a ceremony for parents and families, celebrating the results of your group Arts Camp experiences. You'll also meet new friends, participate in camp games, and enjoy the great natural setting of Upham Woods, a 300-acre environmental education center on the Wisconsin River near Wisconsin Dells.

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

Registration is not open yet so watch the Weekly Update or check at the Wisconsin 4-H website for information:

https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4harts/arts-camp-more-info/





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Livestock Committee Annual Meeting – Thursday, Sept. 19, 2019



What: Post-Sale/Annual Livestock Committee

Meeting

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2019

Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Where: Columbia County Health Care Center basement meeting

room in Wyocena

Who: All livestock families and other interested individualsWhy: Share your suggestions and comments about the Columbia County Fair Sale of Champions and other

FAIR PROJECTS & COMMUNICATIONS POSTERS

If you did not pick up your fair project at the fair, your project can be picked up at the Extension office. Monday through friday from 8 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Communication Arts posters are at the Extension office also. Stop in & pick up your poster if you have one. Monday through friday from 8 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

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4-H Leaders Council Meeting August 22nd, 6:30 pm

Livestock Committee Meeting September 19th; 7 pm

4-H Leaders Council-Meeting September 26th Remember Club Financial Reports Due!

4-H Ambassador Application Deadline September 30th

Workshop

STATEWIDE LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP FOR 4-H HORSE PROJECT LEADERS

(YOUTH GRADES 7TH & UP, AND ADULTS).

Purpose of the Workshop:

- To offer educational workshops which include both information and hands on activity ideas for leaders to utilize when teaching youth.
- To provide a forum for strengthening communications relative to the 4-H Horse and Pony Project.
- To provide an opportunity for participants to network and share experiences.

33rd Anniversary Pullet Surprise Youth Contest

In an attempt to promote the breeding and exhibition of purebred poultry among Wisconsin's youth, the Wisconsin International Poultry Club invites interested youth to apply for the Pullet Surprise.

Entries will be divided into two groups. Age as of January 1, 2019.

> Junior: 8-12

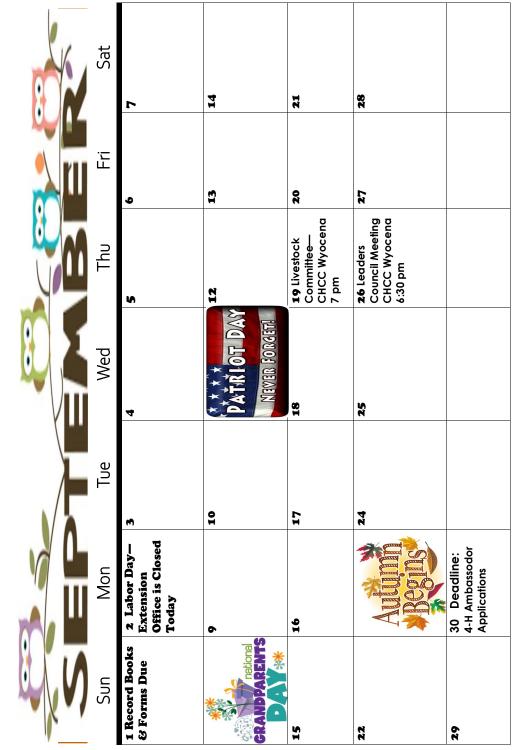
> Senior: 13—18

Each applicant must submit an entry of 500 words or less.

Applicants must send their entry along with their address, phone number, email address, birth date, and a parent or guardian's signature postmarked by August 20, 2019.

For more information go to: http://wisconsin international.com/wp/.

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Rolling in Clover article submission due date is the 25th day of September 2019.

Leaders Council Adult Club Attendance Record for 2018-2019 Next Meeting: August 22, 2019, 6:30pm, Wyocena

4-H Club	# of Mtgs	4-H Club	# of Mtgs.
Arlington Prairie Producers	3	Lodi Challengers	4
Cornerstone Badgers	3	New Directions	3
Dekorra Rocketeers	3	North Scott	3
Durwards Glen	3	Rio Go Getters	3
Inch True Blues	4	So. Columbus Willing Workers	4
Leeds Prairie Pals	3	Welsh Prairie Livewires	3

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