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Soon, the 2018 4-H year will be a memory. Take some time to think about what you have learned and experienced during the past 11 months in 4-H. How have you grown in your skills and responsibilities? Did you make new friends and reconnect with acquaintances? Were you able to lead a project or activity?

Now that you've thought about those questions, it's time to continue to reflect and remember all of the information that will be helpful to complete the paperwork and awards applications that are due in September.

Part of the experience of 4-H is feeling the accomplishment of totally finishing your projects and activities. Learning to keep records and completing necessary forms are the finishing touches to your 4-H year. Try to make this task as enjoyable as possible by starting early so that you have the time to do your best. Ask for help from an experienced 4-H member, 4-H volunteer or anyone else who has experience with 4-H forms (but remember to do all of the work yourself). If the form asks for a signature or a letter of recommendation, please don't wait until the last minute! It takes time to complete forms, but remember that everything you do is a reflection of you!

After finishing your forms, remember to submit them on time. Then you can sit back and relax, knowing that you did your best!

Good luck with striving to accomplish all of your goals for the 2018 4-H year!

Laura Vander Veen
Rock Co. 4-H Program Coordinator

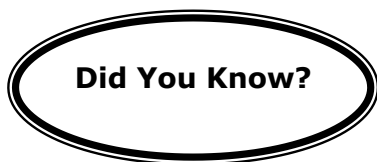
"4-H is a community of young people across America learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills."



Next Cloverpatch Submission Deadline

October deadline = Wednesday, September 5
Send articles to cloverpatchrockco@gmail.com. New issues will be posted by the fourth Friday of the month at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/newsletter.

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Did You Know?

New Administrative Assistant in UWEX Office



We are pleased to announce that a new part-time employee has joined Tara Hanley in the UW-Extension Office! When you call or stop in, Jordan may be the one who greets you. She would like

to introduce herself to the Rock County 4-H community:

My name is Jordan Cowan, and I am extremely excited to be a part of the UW-Extension Office! I grew up in Monroe, WI, and recently moved to the Janesville area to be closer to family. I have been in administrative support roles for most of my working life. I am returning to school part-time in the fall to pursue a degree in Human Resource Management.

At home, I have a loving and incredible husband (Ben), 2 cats (Kevin and Kiki), and a dog (Rizzo). Rizzo and I spend a lot of time working on obedience and trick training. I enjoy traveling and adventures with my husband, family, and friends. I love all things outdoors (like camping, hiking, and kayaking). In my spare time, I like to snuggle up with my dog and lose myself in a good book.

A warm welcome to Jordan! We look forward to working with you!

Rock County 4-H Calendar

Remember to check the online Rock County 4-H calendar at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock for the most up-to-date deadlines and activities.

Report Contact Information Changes

We know that change happens all the time! If your email address, address, or phone number changes during the course of the year, please take a moment to update your account in 4HOnline. This will help ensure that you are receiving all communication from the 4-H program.

Update on Using the Fairgrounds

If your 4-H club or group would like to use the fairgrounds for a meeting or event, call Brian Paul at 608-449-5447. Instructions for picking up the key are addressed in the contract that you will need to sign.

Club Secretaries and Historians

Club secretaries are to provide a copy of the minutes of their club meetings to the Extension Office every month. Email Tara at tara.hanley@co.rock.wi.us, bring, or mail them to the UWEX office. Club Secretary Books and Historian Books are to be submitted to the UWEX Office in hard copy format by October 1.



Club Reporters and Photographers

WANTED: Club and county photos for the 2018 Junior Council Historian slide show. If you have any photos of your club doing activities or other projects from this year, please submit them by September 30 to Sara Kronberg at becky.kronberg@gmail.com so she can create a slide for your club.

Help with Internet Links in the Cloverpatch

For those who receive the Cloverpatch in print format, instead of typing in long internet links, remember you can go to the Newsletter tab of the UWEX website at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock and click on links in the online version of the Cloverpatch! Use the same idea for printing Snip & Sends instead of cutting up your paper copy.

2018 National 4-H Week

October 7-13

The Rock County 4-H Leaders Council would like to help clubs and individuals make the most of National 4-H Week. Please see page 10 for information. Let's join the national movement to promote 4-H in our communities!



Club Happenings

River Valley 4-H News

At our July meeting we celebrated our graduating seniors, Tabitha McKay and Autum Hall. There was cake! We also discussed everything we need to know for fair week (there was a lot!) and received our tags and supplies. Then Jon Swenson lead our group in a STEM project called Can Can Robots. We divided into groups and made vibrating robots out of plastic cups. When they vibrated, the cups moved across the table and the markers attached to the cups drew on paper. It was a lot of fun.

Ben Janke, River Valley Club Reporter

Leadership

Junior Council Meeting

Junior Council offers youth many opportunities to get involved in county level leadership roles and to make new friends from all over Rock County. All 4-H youth in grades 7 and up are invited to attend Junior Council meetings, which are held the 4th Monday of most months (please check the online 4-H calendar at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock). The next meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on September 24 in the Courthouse. See you there!



Ambassador Information

Anyone 7th grade and above interested in becoming an Ambassador for the 2018-2019 year, please watch for the application and information to be available soon. Meetings are currently held monthly, but there is a possibility of meeting once every other month or once every 3 months.

The Ambassadors' mission is to "make the best better by educating communities and members about the opportunities 4-H has to offer and by service learning activities."

We would love to have an Ambassador or two from each club. Just imagine what we could do with so many voices out there informing the youth of the county about all that 4-H has to offer!

Senior Council Meeting

The Rock County 4-H Senior Council will meet on Monday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse. 4HOnline enrollment for 2018-2019 will be discussed, and we will also have a Q & A about the required charter renewal and IRS reporting process, so PLEASE be sure your club is represented! We will be reviewing plans for the 2018 Achievement Celebration, National 4-H Week ideas, and ideas for club community service projects. As we begin a new 4-H year, we welcome ideas and input from all county and club leaders on how we can serve you best at our monthly Senior Council meetings. Please don't hesitate to share your ideas. Feel free to contact Meagen Flood at mkflood58@gmail.com or Laura Vander Veen at the UWEX office. All interested leaders are welcome to attend Senior Council meetings.

Fall Forum 2018



Good news! Fall Forum is coming! This valuable learning opportunity for both youth and adults will be held November 2-4 at Green Lake Conference Center. What is Fall Forum? Planned by a team of youth and adults from the Wisconsin 4-H Leaders Council (see the next article), Fall Forum is a weekend of interactive training sessions for youth and adult volunteers from across the state.

Kicking off Friday evening and running into Sunday morning, the conference will provide a diverse selection of fun and informative workshops; indoor and outdoor activities like games, circle dancing, and Cedar Crest ice cream (!); new people to meet from across Wisconsin; and a special celebration to recognize Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame Laureates. You'll come home energized to bring new ideas and activities to your club, school, and community! For details, see fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hvolunteers/2018-fall-forum-2!

Who: Each county is invited to send a delegation of 7th to 13th grade youth, adult volunteers, and 4-H staff.

Cost: Several options are available (see website for details). Partial funding is available from Rock County 4-H after attendance. When youth and adult attendees have sent to Laura Vander Veen the following - a request for reimbursement, a copy of registration, and verification of attendance - the Rock County 4-H Leaders Council will reimburse 50% of registration fees (not room and board).

Register through 4HOnline beginning Wednesday, September 5 and ending Wednesday, **September 26**.



**Older Youth and Adults:
Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council
Looking for Applicants**

- If you...
- are interested in building leadership in others
 - enjoy planning and organizing
 - like working in a team of youth and adults
- ...then WLC may be for you!

WLC is a statewide team of youth and adults who:

- advocate for Wisconsin 4-H,
- provide input into enhancing the 4-H Program,
- model youth and adult partnerships, and
- direct educational and leadership opportunities.

WLC facilitates Youth Conference and Fall Forum, promotes 4-H at State Fair, and more!

Who can apply:

- 9th to 11th grade youth members in good standing
- 4-H enrolled and certified adult volunteers

Time commitment and cost:

The application form lists specific statewide events and dates as well as cost descriptions. (You will be required to attend Fall Forum November 2-4, 2018.)

Many costs are covered by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation and Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development.

Want to Learn More?

See fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hvolunteers/wi-4-h-leader-council for the application, other info, and a roster of current members. Deadline to apply is **Monday, October 1.**



4-H Award Applications Due September 14!

The Rock County 4-H Awards and Recognition process is underway! These opportunities are open to all 4-H members. Application forms for all awards are available at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/awards-recognition. Hard copies are also available at the UWEX Office. See page 9 for further information and descriptions of awards. ALL completed forms are due to the UWEX Office in the Courthouse by **Friday, September 14.** Don't miss this deadline, as late forms will not be accepted! Better get started today!

Awards Interviews on September 22

The awards interviews will be held on Saturday, September 22, at the First Presbyterian Church, 17 N. Jackson St., Janesville, for everyone in 8th grade and up who submits a Resume/Cover Letter. Please mark that date on your calendar! If you ABSOLUTELY cannot make the 22nd, there is an alternate date of Tuesday, September 25 at the UWEX office, but you MUST provide the reason you need to interview on Tuesday evening in the last paragraph of your cover letter. PLEASE NOTE: If you are in your last year of 4-H, you WILL be able to use last year's interview score, but please make that request in your cover letter. If you cannot be here for either interview date, please call Laura at 757-5696 to arrange a telephone interview.

Bakery Tent Thank You Note from Susan Pickering

Thank you to everyone who worked in the Bakery Tent during the 2018 fair. Without you we wouldn't have been able to run the tent. A very special thanks to Turtle 4-H who came to set up the tent. I would especially like to thank Danny Curtis and Michael Martin who worked so hard carrying the heavy equipment when we took down the tent. It would have been impossible for Kathy, Daryl, and me to do that job without them. I didn't get everyone's names, but please know that your help was greatly appreciated all week. Thank you to all who patronized the tent as well. There will be a complete report at the August Senior Council meeting.

4-H Softball Tournament Results

Thank you to Richard Kapke, the softball committee, umpires, coaches, and everyone who helped with the tournament. Here are the tournament results:

Juniors

- 1st - Bradford
- 2nd - La Prairie/Newark-Beloit/River Valley
- 3rd - Plymouth

Sportsmanship:

- 1st - Badger/Consolidated
- 2nd - Renegades/Fulton

Seniors

- 1st - Magnolia/Evansville
- 2nd - Bradford
- 3rd - Badger/Consolidated

Sportsmanship:

- 1st - Turtle
- 2nd - Bradford



Congratulations to everyone!



Cloverbud Judging at the Fair

Cloverbuds is the start of many 4-H members' careers, and having capable and involved older youth to look up to lays a great path for enrollment, involvement, and growth. Having returning judges is awesome because it shows their true interest in everything a Cloverbud has accomplished. Likewise, new judges reap the reward of seeing gratification on Cloverbuds' faces, and all of the conversations during judging support the 4-H motto: To make the best better.



This year Cloverbud judging took place in the Block Building. Despite the small space, the heat, and over 200 Cloverbuds and their families, the judges did a wonderful job. They were flexible, helpful, and spirited through their shifts. There were returning and new judges, assistants, and a few Rock County 4-H Fair Royalty Court members who volunteered their time.

If there is a 4-H member looking to become involved with Cloverbud Judging, keep an eye out for the 2019 application to be distributed at Junior and Senior Council meetings in May and posted online. They are due in late June, and there will be a training session to attend before the fair.

Thank you to all of our judges!

- Zea Becker - River Valley
- Steffi Farrey - Turtle
- Lexi Farrey - Turtle
- Abbigail Klenz - Milton
- Emma Jorgensen - Evansville
- Hailey Rowley - Magnolia
- Nathan Wallisch - Magnolia
- Melanie Wallisch - Magnolia
- Hannah Wilson - Newark Beloit
- Bobby Wolter - Avon

Royalty Member Judges:

- Lexi Olsen - Plymouth
- Cassidy Punzel - Badger
- Kate Vickerman - Milton

Assistants:

- Lauryn Elzy - Badger
- Katy Farrey - Turtle
- Emma Steinke - Consolidated

Dairy Window Contest

The Rock County Dairy Promotion Council, Rock County dairy farmers, and affiliates wish to thank 4-H clubs for the excellent job promoting dairy products. This year 13 clubs participated: Avon, Badger, Fulton, Harmony, La Prairie, Magnolia, Newark-Beloit, Plymouth, Porter, Renegades, River Valley, Rock Valley, and Turtle 4-H. Thanks to the individuals in these clubs who designed and constructed these displays; thousands of people shopping throughout Rock County were exposed to our dairy industry.

Judging the windows was a pleasant but difficult task because the windows were well done, and the theme "DISCO DAIRY" was well represented. The panel of judges chose these winners:

- 1st place, \$100 prize: **River Valley 4-H Club** at Congress Glass in Janesville
- 2nd place, \$75 prize: **Rock Valley 4-H Club** at Associated Collectors in Janesville
- 3rd place, \$50 prize: **Badger 4-H Club** at Janesville Gazette in Janesville.

All participating clubs will receive ice cream certificates courtesy of Rock County Dairy Promotion Council.

International Exchange Greetings

Did you know that 4-H offers opportunities for international travel and for hosting students from other countries? Rock County 4-H families have taken part in the past, and here is a greeting from an exchange student who spent a month here this summer!



Hello, I am Shuma from Japan. I am 14 years old and I love sports. I came and stayed with the Roensch family in Edgerton, Wisconsin. I liked meeting my host student's friends. My favorite memory here was going to the Brewers baseball game. I also liked going to Six Flags with my host family. My favorite meals in America were pineapple pizza, hamburgers, hotdogs, and spaghetti. I had a lot of fun in Wisconsin.

If your family is interested in learning more about hosting a student from another country, please check out wi4hinternational.org. Hosting applications are due late winter/early spring. You can also learn about becoming an exchange student. The deadline for the outbound exchange program is early December. Help the youth in your community build bridges and connect with others from around the world!



Rock County 4-H Achievement Program

Saturday, November 17

Milton High School Auditorium, 7:00 pm

Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 17. All 4-H members receiving recognition through the Resume process, Project/Activity awards, and Clover Awards will be honored at this program. Club Secretaries and Historians, as well as some special 4-H volunteers, will also be honored. Award winners will receive a special invitation later this fall. Please make sure to RSVP! ALL Rock County 4-H families are invited to attend this special event that honors our members' achievements. PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US!



**Be Part of the Performing Arts in 4-H
with HeatWave**

As the 2018 *HeatWave* season draws to a close, it is time to start thinking about joining *HeatWave* 2019! Whether you sing or dance or would like to learn, *HeatWave* is for you.

Do you like to entertain?

Do you enjoy applause?

Are you looking for leadership opportunities?

*Do you want to learn about staging a show
or how to choreograph?*

Are you interested in making new friends?

These opportunities and more await in *HeatWave*.

HeatWave does not hold auditions. The group's basic requirements are two-fold:

- ⇒ You must be in 7th grade or up as of October 1, 2018.
- ⇒ You must be a 4-H member in Rock County.

In addition to the basic requirements, *HeatWave* members also:

- ⇒ must take part in a short interview process;
- ⇒ need to have a willingness to learn;
- ⇒ need to be enthusiastic and cooperative; and
- ⇒ must be responsible and committed to hard work.

For more information about *HeatWave* and how to join, please see www.heatwave4h.org/how-to-join.

Deadline to sign up for the 2019 show choir is **December 1**.



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Hello, Cloverbuds!

We hope you have enjoyed doing your projects and taking part in Cloverbud activities this summer like the field trip, day camp, and fair judging. If you have any pictures to share, please send them to Laura at laura.vanderveen@ces.uwex.edu.

Here are two reminders for you!

1. It's time to fill out your Cloverbud Record Book so you can tell about all you did this 4-H year. It is available online at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/cloverbuds.
2. You can apply for county level awards!
 - Clover Award: Everyone who applies will receive this award. It is a fun way to be recognized for what you took part in this year!
 - Project Award: Cloverbuds can apply to win an award pin under the "Special" category for telling about something special you learned in 4-H.

The deadline to apply for all awards is September 14, 2018. You can find all the info at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/awards-recognition. Awards will be presented at the Rock County 4-H Achievement Program (please see above article).



**Congratulations to these
2018 Agriculture Scholarship Winners!**

Aq Business Council

Paige Stilen
Ryan Stilen
Casey Waite

Rock Co. Pork Producers

Kenny Ballmer
Jared Quinn

Rock Co. Beef Producers

Liza Hodge
Natalee Lynd

Rock Co. Sheep Producers

Paige Stilen
Ryan Stilen

Rock Co. Dairy Promotion

Hayden Funk
Josh Gerbitz
Anne Runde
Dane Trustem

Seneca Foods

Kiara Heussner

Don Hayle Memorial

Samantha Wileman

2018 Dairy Photography Contest Results

THANK YOU TO ALL PARTICIPANTS!! The judges had a very hard time this year—such great quality photos. Some very hard decisions had to be made when placing photos. Be sure to crop your photos for best composition!!! Some photos were lost/damaged during the fair this year; we sincerely apologize for any inconvenience.



Congratulations to these winners:

Beginners, Grades 3-6

- 1st - Aaliyah Gunn, Plymouth 4-H
- 2nd - Natalie Abey, Plymouth 4-H
- 3rd - Katy Farrey, Turtle 4-H

Intermediate, Grades 7-9

- 1st - James Osinga, Consolidated 4-H
- 2nd - Owen McNally, Milton 4-H
- 3rd - Kinsley Wetzel, Turtle 4-H

Senior, Grades 10 and above

- 1st - Kate Vickerman, Milton 4-H
- 2nd - Hallie Case, Plymouth 4-H
- 3rd - Emma McNally, Milton 4-H



Sheep Project Thank Yous

A big thank you to the 70+ youth, parents, leaders, and sponsors who made the 2018 Rock County 4-H Fair Show a big success with over 170 market lambs and 20 breeding animals exhibited. A thank you to Sorg's for handling the 13 lambs that were harvested in the carcass contest. Thank you also to the Beef project for use of their scales.

Special thanks to Nick Baker, Stacy Skemp, Matt Lee, Aaron and Jodi Bennett, Brittany Alf, Dan Pregnot, Bill Pope, Ruth Ehlen, Beth Miller, and Superintendents Tim Miller and John Alf. Also it would not be possible without all of our lamb buyers supporting the Meat Animal Sale on Friday morning. The champion lamb brought \$23/pound.

Rock County Sheep Producers Fall Cookout

All Sheep project leaders, families, and youth are invited to the RCSP Fall Cookout on Sunday, October 7 starting at 12:30 p.m. as we kick off our new project year for 2019. The event will be held at the Brandon & Michelle Knutson Family Farm, 8605 Kemmerer Road, Clinton. Call 608-732-4955 with questions.

Please bring a dish to pass. Meat on the grill and beverage will be provided. Sheep Producers membership dues for 2018-2019 will be collected; t-shirt orders will be taken. Following the 1:15 p.m. business meeting, there will be an educational program for youth from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Horse & Pony Project Committee

The Horse & Pony Project Committee meets the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse. The next meetings are the evaluation meeting on Thursday, September 6 and Thursday, October 4. All Horse & Pony project leaders and parents are invited and encouraged to attend!

Horse & Pony Project Evaluation Meeting

The Horse & Pony Project Committee will hold the annual evaluation meeting on Thursday, September 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courthouse. Fair premium book changes and the calendar of events for 2019 will be discussed at this meeting, as well as any other concerns brought forth by those at the meeting. If you have any feedback or ideas about the project, this meeting is the time to share them! ALL leaders, parents, and members in the Horse & Pony and Horseless Horse projects are welcome and encouraged to attend...please join us! We need your input!



Environmental Education

Upham Woods "Woods Writings"

Much is happening at the Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center! Find out all the news at fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/woods-writings-newsletters.

Fair Facts

2018 Rock County 4-H Fair Sales

Thank you to all the buyers at the 2018 Meat Animal Sale and Fur & Feather Sale. Your support is truly appreciated.

Meat Animal Sale

Top Business/Buyers

Woodman's
E&D Waterworks
First Community Bank
Seneca Foods
Chambers & Owen

Top Producer/Booster/Alumni Groups

Rock County Pork Producers
Rock County Beef Producers
Clinton FFA Alumni

Fur & Feather Sale

Top Buyers

Edgerton Boosters
Kenny Smith Septic
Southern WI Coyote Hunters
Edgerton A&W
Farmers & Merchants Bank

Meat Animal Sale and Fur & Feather Participants

Remember to bring in your thank you note when you pick up your check. This information is in the fair book on pages 21 and 34. Our buyers do a great job supporting youth at the Rock County 4-H Fair, so let's get these thank you notes to them soon.

Thank You!

Attention: All 4-H Fair Trophy Winners!

If you won a trophy at the Rock County 4-H Fair, it is YOUR responsibility to send a thank you note to the trophy sponsor. If the name and address of the sponsor was not on a card attached to the trophy, call the Fair Office at 608-755-1470.

Congratulations to these scholarship winners...

Fur & Feather Scholarship:

Poultry - Kathleen Reilly, Ryan Stilen
Rabbits - Korryn Clint, Emily Ozolins
Goats - Lexi Olsen, Mason Spencer

Dairy Youth Recognition Auction Scholarship:

Caleb Broege
Hayden Funk
Anne Runde
Dane Trustem

Fair Clean Up

Thank you to all those responsible for helping to make the fairgrounds clean again! Top four places for the larger 4-H clubs were Badger, Bradford, Turtle, and Evansville. Top four places for smaller clubs were Clinton, Johnstown, Lima, and Renegades.

Fair Exhibits Left!

A large number of county fair exhibits are left at the Fair Secretary's Office! If you have not picked up your exhibits yet, please do so as soon as possible. The State Fair exhibits are also at the Fair Secretary's Office and can be picked up as well. Please call Mary at 608-755-1470 to make sure the office is open before making a special trip.





ROCK COUNTY 4-H AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

The Rock County 4-H Awards process is a great way to be recognized for all you have accomplished this 4-H year by applying for a chance to win awards and trips! There is something for everyone from first year Cloverbuds, to high school graduates, to leader recognition.

- ◆ ALL award forms and information are at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/awards-recognition.
- ◆ ALL award forms are due to the UW-Extension Office in the Courthouse by **Friday, September 14.**
- ◆ Don't wait until the last minute to apply for awards! Many require a club chairperson's signature or a letter of recommendation written by an adult.

Project/Activity Award Forms:

Members in K – 7th grades can complete a Project/Activity Award Form to be eligible for project and activity awards.

Members in 8th – 13th grades can complete the Project/Activity Award Form to be eligible for project and activity awards, as well as special awards in the areas of Agriculture, Dairy, Woodworking, Horticulture, Home & Family, Companion Animal, and Community Service.

The **Junior Award Form** for 5th – 7th grade members is a simple two-page form. Applicants are eligible to win trips and awards for Space Camp, Outstanding Junior Member, Day Trip, and the Challenge Award depending on their grade.

The **Resume and Cover Letter** process is for youth grades 8 and up. This is great practice for a future job hunt or college application process. Everything you need to know is in the resume packet, available on the Rock County 4-H website. Award interviews will be on September 22. In the event that there is a scheduling conflict, September 25 is the alternate date and must be asked for in the cover letter. By following the guidelines in the packet and depending on grade, members are eligible for:

Wis. 4-H Youth Conference	Achievement Award	Wisconsin Key Award
Citizenship Washington Focus	Leadership Award	Memorial Scholarships
Junior Council Scholarships	National 4-H Congress	Rotary Award
Space Camp (6 th – 8 th grades)	State Selection for National 4-H Conference	

The **4-H Clover Award** is our only award based solely on participation. Everyone who applies can win a Clover Award! It is available for Cloverbuds through last year in 4-H.

The **Outstanding Leader Award** is available for anyone (member, leader, or parent) to nominate someone who is an outstanding leader. At least one leader will be selected in each of the four groups based on their years of 4-H leadership: 1-5 years, 6-10 years, 11-15 years, and 16 and more!

The Rock County 4-H Achievement Program will be held in the Milton High School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 17. See article on page 6 for details!



2018 National 4-H Week

October 7-13

This year, the Rock County 4-H Leaders Council would like to support local clubs in promoting 4-H membership and programming.

We plan to offer clubs materials to help with this promotion and will distribute these materials at our **September Senior Council Meeting on Monday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the Courthouse.**


There are many ideas and events being promoted through the national organization that we feel we can also promote and sponsor. Some of these ideas include:


- ⇒ During the month of September, “30 Days of Doing” is a national campaign that will celebrate ALL kids who “do” with purpose across the nation through fun tools, tips, resources, and stories for moms and kids.
- ⇒ Here’s what you will see nationally: • Influencer Blog & Social Media Engagement • Mom’s “To Do” List Twitter Party • Daily “Inspire to Do” Activities • “Inspire Kids to Do” Photo Contest • Corporate Partner Featured Activities & Stories
- ⇒ Check out 4-H.org/MORC for more ways to get involved in promoting 4-H in your school and community!
- ⇒ Tuesday, October 9th is **4-H Spirit Day!** Show your 4-H pride and wear a clover to school! If you don't have a 4-H t-shirt to wear, you can add a 4-H button to your backpack, or clubs can distribute 4-H stickers for members to wear that day!
- ⇒ Senior Council plans to promote 4-H with PSAs from the national organization on social media and in local community newspapers. We also hope to be able to provide Rock County 4-H families with yard signs that say, "A 4-H member lives here!"
- ⇒ During the entire month of October, 4-H and Google will debut an exciting National Youth Science Day challenge, **Code Your World**, which invites kids ages 8-14 to get involved in computer science through hands-on doing. National Youth Science Day celebration will be October 1. “Code Your World” computer science activity kits are available at 4-H.org/NYSD.

Also, business cards are being distributed to local 4-H-friendly stores to give families contact information for joining Rock County 4-H for this upcoming enrollment time. Families are encouraged to email us at 4hmarketingteam@gmail.com, and we will email them all the information they will need to choose a club or clubs to visit and enroll in.

We hope that this will help you as you move into the new 4-H year!
Please don't hesitate to ask for help and support from the 4-H staff
and the Senior Council officer team as we all prepare for 2019 enrollment!



	SEPTEMBER 2018 <i>For more info about these events, visit fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock and click on "4-H Calendar".</i>
3	UWEX Office Closed – Holiday
5	DEADLINE: October Cloverpatch submissions due to cloverpatchrockco@gmail.com Fall Forum registration opens today and ends September 26 via 4HOnline
6	Horse & Pony Project annual evaluation meeting, Courthouse – 7:00 p.m.
8-9	State 4-H Horse Gymkhana, State Fair Park, West Allis
14	DEADLINE: 4-H Award Applications due to UWEX Office
17	Junior & Senior Council Executive Board meetings, Courthouse – 7:00 p.m.
22	Awards interviews, First Presbyterian Church, Janesville
24	Junior & Senior Council meetings, Courthouse – 7:00 p.m.
25	Alternate date for awards interviews with written reason in cover letter, location UWEX Office
26	DEADLINE: Last day to register for Fall Forum (all registration is via 4HOnline)
28	October Cloverpatch posted to 4-H website at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/newsletter
28-30	State 4-H Dog Show and State 4-H Agility Show, Amherst Fairgrounds
30	DEADLINE to submit club and county photos to Sara Kronberg for the 2018 Junior Council Historian slide show

	OCTOBER 2018 <i>For more info about these events, visit fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock and click on "4-H Calendar".</i>
1	DEADLINE: Club Secretary Books and Historian Books due to UWEX Office in hard copy format DEADLINE: 2018-19 Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council (WLC) applications due to State 4-H Office
4	Horse & Pony Project Committee meeting, Courthouse – 7:00 p.m.
5	DEADLINE: November/December Cloverpatch submissions due to cloverpatchrockco@gmail.com
6-7	4-H Arts Camp at Upham Woods
7	Rock County Sheep Producers Fall Cookout, Knutson Farm, Clinton – 12:30 to 3:00 p.m.
7-13	National 4-H Week
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Top Ten Reasons to Attend Fall Forum 2018

- 1) 20+ interactive sessions Friday night...origami, plant science, detective skills, international experiences...
- 2) 25+ sessions Saturday from art to robotics and geocaching to wildlife...
- 3) Learn how 4-H is making a difference!
- 4) Meet youth and adults from around the state!
- 5) See youth/adult partnerships in action!
- 6) Network and share ideas!
- 7) Honor Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame inductees!
- 8) Get ideas and projects to take home to use in clubs, schools, and community settings!
- 9) Have fun!
- 10) Celebrate Wisconsin 4-H and learn more about "Growing True Leaders"!

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