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## It's About Time

For most 4-H projects, time is on your side. It's still early enough to think about what 4-H projects you're enrolled in on 4HOnline and plan what you want to learn and accomplish!

Start with the date that your project needs to be finished and determine your timeline. For instance, if you are planning to exhibit a rocket entry at the Rock Co. 4-H Fair on July 23, think about all of the steps you need to complete before you take your entry to the fair. Since summer is often hot and humid, plan to put the finishing touches (clear coat) on your entry at least one week before the fair so it has time to dry. Before spraying the clear coat, apply the decals. However, before applying the decals, the rocket needs painting! It's possible that if you don't start early enough, your entry won't be ready to exhibit at the fair!

Planning what to do and when will allow you to meet your deadlines and not have to work under too much pressure. When we work under pressure and get stressed, it's more likely that we'll make mistakes. Learning and accomplishing goals should be enjoyable and exhilarating!

When you think about planning, you can compare your timeline to a roadmap. You'll need to figure out what your route will be—such as making a list of what you need and how you'll proceed—just like using a map to plan a trip. When you think things through and give yourself enough time to be prepared, your adventures will be a blast!

Laura Vander Veen

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



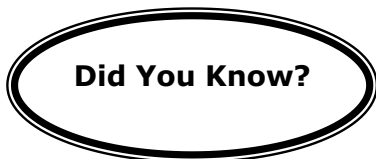
### **Next Cloverpatch Submission Deadline**

April deadline = Tuesday, March 5

Send articles to [cloverpatchrockco@gmail.com](mailto:cloverpatchrockco@gmail.com).

New issues will be posted by the fourth Friday of the month at [fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/newsletter](http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/newsletter).

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### **Did You Know?**

#### **March 1 Deadline to Add/Drop Projects**

March 1, 2019, is the Rock County 4-H Fair's deadline to add or drop 4-H projects on 4HOnline. Please note: After making any change in the 4HOnline database, please log out and log back in to make certain your changes are made in the system.

#### **Projects and Entries...What's the Difference?**

4-H members enroll in 4-H **projects** (i.e. beef, clothing, mechanical sciences, etc.) on 4HOnline. Then, 4-H members have the opportunity to exhibit **entries** in the Rock Co. 4-H Fair and/or Wisconsin State Fair. Most projects have a maximum number of entries that can be exhibited at a fair. For example, a 4-H member may enter up to four entries in photography at the Rock Co. 4-H Fair.

#### **Rock Co. 4-H Fun Cat Show Open to All!**



Did you know that ALL 4-H members (even if not in the Cat project) are welcome to participate in the Rock Co. 4-H Fun Cat Show on Saturday, April 6? This includes Cloverbuds...you may enter your toy cat! See more information on page 8 and at [fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/4-h-projects/cat-project](http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/4-h-projects/cat-project).

#### **Not Receiving the Cloverpatch?**

If you would like to receive a hard copy of the newsletter, log on to [wi.4honline.com](http://wi.4honline.com) and click your correspondence preference to "mail" instead of "e-mail" in your 4HOnline family account, and you will be added to the list. If you are still not receiving it, please call the UWEX Office at 608-757-5066.

### **College Scholarships**

For details, see <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4hrock/forms-and-applications/> unless otherwise noted.

**March 1:** - 4-H Fair Alumni Association  
- Dairy Youth Recognition Auction - [www.rockcounty4hfair.com](http://www.rockcounty4hfair.com)  
- Rock County Agriculture

**March 15:** Wisconsin 4-H Foundation

**July 23:** Fur & Feather - [www.rockcounty4hfair.com](http://www.rockcounty4hfair.com)

**Dates vary:** UW-Madison - <https://wisc.academicworks.com/?scholld=1177>

### **Wisconsin 4-H License Plate Available**

Show your love of 4-H by ordering a Wisconsin 4-H license plate for your car, truck, or motor home! The specialty plate, now available through the Wisconsin DMV for all state residents, supports the Wisconsin 4-H program and bears the "Empowering Our Youth" message.

Proceeds from the sale of each plate go to the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation which will in turn allocate half to the county housing the licensed vehicle and the other half to state and regional 4-H programs.

The fee for the 4-H plate includes a \$25 tax-deductible donation, \$15 issuance fee (or annual \$15 personalization fee), and your regular registration fee if expiring within three months or the vehicle has no plates. For more information, please go to [www.wisconsin.gov/Documents/formdocs/mv2969.pdf](http://www.wisconsin.gov/Documents/formdocs/mv2969.pdf).

### **Rock County 4-H Calendar**

Remember to check the online Rock County 4-H calendar at [fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock](http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock) for the most up-to-date info.

### **JOANN Stores 4-H Rewards Program**

Current and lifetime members, parents of members, volunteers, and 4-H staff can save 15% off total in-store and online purchases every day with JOANN'S 4-H Rewards. JOANN will also give a minimum of 2.5% of every eligible transaction to support 4-H programming. Visit [www.joann.com/4-h](http://www.joann.com/4-h) for details about the JOANN 4-H Rewards Program.

*Presenting...*

**SPRING**

*arriving on  
Wednesday, March 20  
at 4:58 p.m.!*



## Club Happenings

See page 11 for Magnolia 4-H Dinner news!

### Newark-Beloit 4-H News

The Newark-Beloit 4-H Club has been really busy this month! Last meeting we voted for our winter recreation activities, and the results are: trampoline park and an escape room. We also gave out handbooks for our club and had our ice cream sundae bar. The club voted to have our annual Valentine’s Day box auction at our next meeting. Youth were encouraged to register for ArtBeat camp at Upham Woods in March. We are also very happy to announce that we had a family that was visiting our club!

Thomas Peters, Newark-Beloit 4-H reporter

### Lima 4-H News

The Lima 4-H has been keeping their small club busy during the winter season. The club started off by having an article in the *Milton Courier* to celebrate Lima's 90 years as a 4-H club! November the club made Christmas cards for veterans. December they participated in the Whitewater Holiday Parade, and they walked around Lima and sang Christmas carols before having a club Christmas party. They also spent some time in Milton bell ringing for the Salvation Army. January they decided to not have a meeting so instead got together and had an afternoon of bowling. The club also spent 8 hours moving The Community Clothes Closet, a non-profit organization in Whitewater, from their old building to a new location. February’s meeting brings the club together to take Valentine cards to Fairhaven nursing home and participate in Hoard’s Dairyman Judging (an annual event).

Amber Krebs, Lima 4-H President

### Turtle 4-H News

Happy Valentine's Day from Turtle 4-H! In February our club made Valentines to give to a nursing home. Turtle recently started something new! We will be having “show and tell” so members will bring in their projects to meetings and tell the club about it! We hope to increase speaking opportunities and show new members what they can do!! On March 30<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. we will sell baked goods, hot dogs, and bar-b-que, at the Walsh pig sale. Please come and support the swine project!

Nathan Haag, Turtle 4-H Reporter



## Leadership

### Junior Council Meeting

Calling all Rock County 4-H members in grade 7 and up! Junior Council is for YOU! Be the first to know about countywide activities and news by attending the next meeting on **Monday, March 25** at 7:00 p.m. in Room 6 in the Hyatt Smith Building at UW-Whitewater at Rock County. Come and find out what’s up!

### Senior Council Meeting

Senior Council will meet on **Monday, March 25**, 7:00 p.m. in Room 23 in the Hyatt Smith Building at UW-Whitewater at Rock County. We will discuss the 4-H Fair entry procedures and other topics. Please make sure your club is represented at this and all Senior Council meetings so that information gets back to everyone.

All interested adults are invited to attend Senior Council so that we can build a cohesive group of Rock County adult leadership. We look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones!

The officers of Rock County 4-H Senior Council are here to serve you — the adult leaders and club chairmen! Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns or just need someone to listen! You can contact Meagen Flood at [mkflood58@gmail.com](mailto:mkflood58@gmail.com) with any questions you have.

### Volunteer Background Checks

In accordance with UW Regent Policy #20-19 and UW Colleges & UW-Extension Criminal Background Check policy, we are required to conduct a national criminal background check for employees and volunteers holding a “position of trust with access to vulnerable populations”. Employees and volunteers holding a position of trust with access to vulnerable populations shall be subject to a criminal background check every four years during employment and shall be required to self-disclose certain criminal offenses.

If it is your time to renew, you will see a screen in 4HOnline called Volunteer Screening. You will need to provide an email address to receive an email link to fill out the rest of the information. You will receive an e-mail from Angela Schultz asking you to watch for the email coming the next day from GIS (please note: that email is NOT SPAM!) where you need to respond to it. You will have a few business days to respond to the GIS email.





### **4-H Camp Staff Applicants Needed!**



Any 4-H member in 9<sup>th</sup> grade or up as of 1-1-19 (NOTE: based on GRADE, not age!) who enjoys camp, likes to work with younger members, AND is willing to make 4-H Camp Staff a priority is encouraged to apply for the Rock County 4-H Camp Staff Team!

This year 4-H camp is from Sunday, August 11 to Wednesday, August 14. You MUST be available on those dates in order to be on the Camp Staff Team! All applicants (except those in college) MUST attend the Selection Workshop on Tuesday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m. If you cannot attend that workshop, you are not eligible to be on the 4-H Camp Staff Team!

Once selected, all 4-H Camp Staff Team members MUST attend the following training sessions, all of which are Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.: May 21, June 18, July 16, and August 6. We NEED camp staff members who are 100% committed to their position and are willing to make it their FIRST priority in 4-H. If that describes you, please apply! An application will be available at [fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/forms-and-applications](http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/forms-and-applications). Applications are due to the UWEX Office **by April 5!**

### **Become an Adult 4-H Volunteer!**

Please consider sharing your time and talents as an adult 4-H Volunteer! If you are interested in leading a project or activity or chaperoning an event, becoming a 4-H Volunteer is the first step.

To become a 4-H Volunteer in Wisconsin, you need to:

1. Enroll online in the 4HOnline database.
2. View the online Mandated Reporter Training through 4HOnline. (For instructions, please see [4h.uwex.edu/files/2016/09/4HOnline-Mandated-Reporter-Training-For-4H-Volunteers.pdf](http://4h.uwex.edu/files/2016/09/4HOnline-Mandated-Reporter-Training-For-4H-Volunteers.pdf).)
3. Attend a 2-hour VIP (Volunteers in Preparation) Training.
4. Pass a background check.

The next VIP Training will be **Saturday, April 13, 8:30-10:30 a.m.**, at the UW-Extension Building, 3506 N. US Hwy. 51, Building A, Janesville. Please register by contacting the UWEX office at least two days ahead (by 5:00 p.m. on **Thursday, April 11**).

Other 4-H VIP Training opportunities are available in surrounding counties. If the Rock County 4-H VIP Training opportunities don't fit into your schedule, please contact our office to inquire about other dates and locations.

### **Project Leader Codes**

Leaders, don't forget you have 4HOnline access to see the enrolled youth in your club for the particular project. The passwords can be found at [fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/files/2011/05/4honline-Leader-Codes.pdf](http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/files/2011/05/4honline-Leader-Codes.pdf).

### **Volunteer Tax Deductions**

Due to changes in the tax law for 2018, if you itemized 4-H expenses in the past, you will want to check with your tax professional to see if it makes sense to do so going forward.

### **CLOVERBUD**

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*The 4-H Pledge is:  
I pledge...  
my head to clearer thinking,  
my heart to greater loyalty,  
my hands to larger service,  
and my health to better living  
for my club, my community,  
my country, and my world.*



*Arms  
at  
sides*

What does "I pledge my health to better living" mean?

"I pledge my health to better living" means that you eat healthy foods. Try to eat more veggies and fruits and less fried food. Make sure that you exercise—spend time outside throwing and catching balls, jumping rope, or learning to hula hoop! Get a good night's sleep—you should be sleeping 10-12 hours every night! Remember to wash your hands with soap and water after using the restroom and before eating anything! Finally, take time to relax. You can't work all of the time!

By doing what you can to stay as healthy as possible, you can help your friends and family stay healthier, too!

When you recite the 4-H Pledge,  
really think about what you're saying  
and put your words into action!



Cloverbuds, see page 10 for a puzzle just for you!



## Special Projects & Activities

### 4-H Volleyball Tournaments

**March 3**

Remember, if you signed up with your club to play in the 2019 Junior and Senior 4-H Volleyball Tournaments, come to Parker High School in Janesville on Sunday, March 3.

- ◆ Junior teams check in 11:15-11:45. Play begins at noon.
- ◆ Senior teams check in 2:15-2:45. Play begins after the Junior Tournament ends but not earlier than 3:00 p.m.

You can review the rules and other info in the 2019 Volleyball Packet at [fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/4hactivities](http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/4hactivities).

Please contact Darcy McCoy at 608-931-1131 or [Mccoy21d@ymail.com](mailto:Mccoy21d@ymail.com) with any questions.

### Club Fundraising at Pork Fest

If your club is interested in selling desserts at the annual Pork Producer's Pork Fest, please call the UWEX Office at 757-5066 by **Friday, March 15**. After this deadline, the Pork Producers will randomly draw four clubs from the list who may sell desserts as a fundraiser. Even if your club has served in the past, please sign up to put your name on the potential club list.

### 2019 4-H Camp – Save the Dates!

Attention, 3rd - 8th graders! Rock County 4-H Cabin Camp and Outpost Camp will be held at beautiful Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center in Wisconsin Dells from Sunday, August 11 through Wednesday, August 14. More info and the registration form will be in the April Cloverpatch. Older members, please see page 4 for how to become a 4-H camp counselor.

### 2019 Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference

Open to youth in grades 7-10, Youth Conference takes place on the UW-Madison campus June 24-27 and is filled with educational seminars, assemblies, exploration, and fun. Hands-on learning experiences and community service projects help youth make new friends while receiving a quality educational experience. State Teams will help lead portions of the conference. **Registration is open April 2 to 15 through 4HOnline.** Learn more at <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hedopp/>.

## Communication & Cultural Arts



### Music & Drama Festival

The Rock Co. 4-H Music & Drama Festival will be held at UW-Whitewater at Rock Co. on Saturday, May 11. Plan to participate as a performer, member of the stage crew, costume or stage design, or even try your hand at directing! Cloverbuds are also invited to take part! Stay tuned for more information coming soon—via e-mail and Facebook!

## HeatWave

Rock County 4-H Show Choir

### HeatWave Highlights

Member Spotlight:

*Stormy Staskal has been a HeatWave member since 2014. A member of Rock County 4-H for seven years and current president of Newark-Beloit 4-H, Stormy's favorite 4-H project is Photography, which she has shown for six years. HeatWave has taught Stormy leadership and teamwork skills and to feel comfortable singing with confidence on stage in front of people. Besides singing, she enjoys the physical activity she gets in HeatWave and the friendships she has built with other members. She especially loves going to State Fair with her HeatWave friends. Stormy looks forward to January every year and the beginning of HeatWave. She says, "HeatWave gives me skills I use every day. Confidence is the best skill you can learn!"*

Our 2019 show is called "The Greatest Show". Stormy would love to share what we do with your 4-H club! Our members would love to come and talk to your club and perform a song or two so you all can get acquainted with HeatWave. For more info, please visit our website [www.heatwave4h.org](http://www.heatwave4h.org) or contact our director Lisabeth Kasprzak at 608-352-1355 or [4h.heatwave@gmail.com](mailto:4h.heatwave@gmail.com).



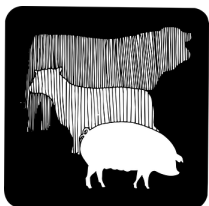
## Animal Science

### **YQCA: Attention, Wisconsin State Fair Junior Exhibitors**

Wisconsin State Fair Junior Exhibitors in Beef, Dairy, Goat, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, and Swine projects need to complete the YQCA Training before **Friday, May 17**.

### **YQCA Training Options**

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals training is required by the Rock County 4-H Fair for Beef, Sheep, and Swine exhibitors. Exhibitors must submit the YQCA Certificate to the Rock County 4-H Fair Office by 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, June 14**.



To attend the face-to-face YQCA training on Tuesday, March 5 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the Craig Center at the Rock County Fairgrounds, register online at <https://yqca.learnrow.io/Account/Login> and pay a \$3.00 registration fee prior to face-to-face training.

Exhibitors also have the option of completing a 60-minute online YQCA training. Register online at the link above and pay a \$12.00 registration fee.

A third option for youth ages 12, 15, and 19 is to test out (online) at the above link. Youth will answer 50 questions and must have a pass rate of at least 80%. After the test is complete, the youth will be charged the following rates:

Age 12 - Intermediate (3 years) \$36

Age 15 - Senior (4 years) \$48

Age 19 - Young Adult (3 years) \$36.

If the youth does not receive at least 80% correct, the youth will not be charged any fees. The youth may then attend a face-to-face YQCA Training or complete the YQCA Training online.

### **Market Steers, Barrows, & Lambs ID**

The Rock County 4-H Fair requires RFID tags and DNA samples from each market steer, barrow, and lamb. See page 9 in the "Fair Facts" section for information.

### **Premises ID**

You will need a Premises ID if you wish to exhibit livestock at the fair and competitions. For information, please see [https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs\\_Services/PremisesRegistration.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/PremisesRegistration.aspx) or call toll free 888-808-1910.

### **Rock County Beef Producers Spring Show**

The Beef Producers will host their 2019 Spring Show on Saturday, April 20 on the Rock County Fairgrounds. Look for info on the group's Facebook page, and contact Tayton Huisheere at [thuisheere@yahoo.com](mailto:thuisheere@yahoo.com) with questions.

### **Dairy Judging Kickoff Meeting**

Interested in judging dairy cows? Plan to attend the Dairy Judging Kickoff Meeting from 7:30-9:00 p.m. on Tues., March 12 at the Craig Center at the Rock Co. Fairgrounds. As part of the meeting, members will judge the five classes (Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey, Milking Shorthorn) in the 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Hoard's Dairyman Cow Judging Contest.

### **Attention Swine Exhibitors in the Barrow Show!**

The 2019 Rock Co. 4-H Fair Barrow Show will be terminal.

### **Attention Swine Exhibitors in the Breeding Stock Show!**

The 2019 Rock Co. 4-H Breeding Stock Show will be non-terminal. Exhibitors must have their swine tested. Please consult your local veterinarian.

### **Dog Project Updates**

Dog training continues every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the Craig Center on the Rock Co. Fairgrounds.



Mark your calendars for our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Fun Match on Saturday, May 18. This is a great opportunity to participate in a fun dog show as you prepare for the fair show. The Fun Match is open to the public for anyone who wants to show their dog and find out more about the Dog project. We use the Fun Match as a fundraiser and encourage all members to volunteer and participate.

Please join the Rock County 4-H Dog Project Facebook group. You can learn more about the Dog project and look at the calendar at [www.rockcounty4hdogproject.com](http://www.rockcounty4hdogproject.com).

If you have any questions, please submit the contact form on the website, email [rc4hdogproject@gmail.com](mailto:rc4hdogproject@gmail.com), or you can call or text Katie at 608-302-7101 or Marsha at 608-751-9775.



### Horse & Pony Project Committee



The Horse & Pony Project Committee meets the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

The next meeting, March 7, will be held in Room 135 in the Andrews Building at UW-Whitewater at Rock Co. Location for the meeting on April 4 will be announced; please check our Facebook page. Open to all Horse & Pony members and families.

### Vet Coggins & Vaccination Clinic

On Saturday, March 23 from 1 to 4 p.m., Janesville Animal Medical Center will have a Coggins/vaccination clinic at their facility at 5021 Wright Court, Milton, for Horse & Pony project members. For pricing, please contact JAMC. This is by reservation only, so call JAMC at 608-868-1761 with questions and to make your reservation for your time slot **by Friday, March 8.**

### Horse & Pony Description Sheets and Coggins Results

All description sheets and Coggins test results are due to the UW-Extension Office by **Monday, April 15.** You may drop them off in person during business hours at 3506 N. Hwy. 51, Building A, Janesville, or mail them to UW-Extension, 51 S. Main Street, Janesville, WI 53545, postmarked by April 15. Please staple a copy of your animal's Coggins test results to the description sheet; the form can be found in the Informational Packet or on the Rock County 4-H website. You still have to bring the original test results to the clinics and shows. PLEASE NOTE: You must also have your Premises ID on the description sheet (or the Premises ID of the farm on which your animal is kept). Failure to meet the April 15<sup>th</sup> deadline will result in placing penalties at the Fair Horse Show or Pony Show. Don't miss this deadline!

### Open Arena Practice for Horse & Pony Project Members

Please join us at Shotliff Farm, 9402 N. Berg Road in Evansville, for an Open Arena Practice on Sat., April 6 from 1 - 4 p.m. This practice will be supervised by 4-H Horse & Pony Project leaders. You don't need to be there the entire time, but it's a GREAT opportunity to get your horse or pony off the farm and get some practice at our show facility! Contact Ronda Howard at 608-774-4764 for info.

### Poultry Project Future Meetings

- ◆ Thursday, May 23 at 6:30 p.m. - General meeting/health papers at UW-Whitewater at Rock Co., Room W130, Williams Hall.
- ◆ Saturday, July 13 at 8:00 a.m. - Poultry Barn setup Questions? Contact Ray Reilly at 608-884-3013.

### Rabbit Fun Day

Saturday, June 15

Mark your calendars, bring your rabbits, and join us for a fun-filled ROCK COUNTY RABBIT FUN DAY on Saturday, June 15 at the **Stock Pavilion (NEW LOCATION)** on the Rock County Fairgrounds. **THIS SHOW IS OPEN TO 4-H MEMBERS and FFA MEMBERS INTERESTED IN RABBITS.** Come learn about rabbits and HAVE FUN!!



### Agenda for Rabbit Fun Day:

DOORS WILL OPEN BY 7:00 A.M.

7:30 - 8:00 a.m.: Entries for show and contests taken at registration table.

8:00 - 10:00 a.m.: Classes will be provided on grooming, parts of the rabbit, tattooing, showmanship, general care of your rabbit, understanding your rabbit pedigree, and selecting a quality show rabbit.

10:00 a.m.: Rabbit Fun Show, Showmanship Contest, and Breed Identification Contest start.

### Rabbit Fun Show Details:

The cost to enter the rabbit show is \$2.50 per rabbit.

At the time of entry, each exhibitor will complete a show entry form and remark cards. Assistance will be provided to exhibitors in this process. The breeds of rabbits eligible to be shown are those breeds recognized by the American Rabbit Breeders Association. This is a non-cooped show. Exhibitors must furnish their own carrier/cage, and each cage/carrier must have a solid leak-proof bottom. All animals must be permanently earmarked in the left ear.

**Awards will be given out for Best in Show, Reserve in Show, Best of Breed, Best Opposite Sex, and class placing from first to third; and participation ribbons.**

### Showmanship and Breed Identification Contest Details:

*These contests are free.* Awards will be given out to the winners.

A food counter will be available throughout the day. All proceeds will be used to fund future Rabbit Fun Day events.

**We will have a raffle at the show, so we encourage all exhibitors and interested persons to donate items for the raffle. Proceeds will be used to help cover the costs of hosting this Fun Day and to fund future Rabbit Fun Days and classes.**

For further info, please contact Lynn Galbraith-Wilson at 608-758-0866.



### **County Cat Project Meeting**

Please join us Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Craig Center at the Rock Co. Fairgrounds for our monthly meeting. This will be an informative meeting to learn about showmanship and the Rock Co. 4-H Fun Cat Show. The 2019 informational booklet is available at [fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/4-h-projects/cat-project](http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/4-h-projects/cat-project).



### **Rock Co. 4-H Fun Cat Show**

The Rock Co. 4-H Fun Cat Show (previously known as Pre-Fair Cat Show) will be held Saturday, April 6 in the Craig Center at the Rock Co. Fairgrounds. Check-in time is 8:00 - 9:30 a.m., and the show starts at 9:45 a.m. The entry fee is \$10 for the first cat and \$5 for each additional cat. Entries are limited to four cats.

There are many fun classes to enter like showmanship, poster or display, photography, drawing and painting, decorate a cage, and dress a cat. Cloverbuds are encouraged to enter the special toy cat class as well as any other non-animal classes.

Remember that vaccines must be current by Saturday, March 16 to take part in this show. Please see the entry form in the informational booklet available at [fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/4-h-projects/cat-project](http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/4-h-projects/cat-project). The entry deadline is **Friday, March 22**—don't miss it!

You may sign up online using this link: <http://tiny.cc/Ouz51y>.

**ALL 4-H members are welcome to participate. You do NOT have to be a member of the Cat project to enter your cat in this show!**

For any questions or concerns, please contact:  
⇒ Angie at [amscvt20@yahoo.com](mailto:amscvt20@yahoo.com) or 608-931-7143, or  
⇒ Ariel at [arielstefanczyk@gmail.com](mailto:arielstefanczyk@gmail.com) or 608-774-5075.  
Project members and parents, please join the Facebook page at Rock County 4-H Cat Project.



### **Upham Woods "Woods Writings"**

Find out all the news from the Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center in their monthly newsletter at [fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/woods-writings-newsletters](http://fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/woods-writings-newsletters)!

### **Upham Woods Camp Counselor Training**

If you are interested in working together to prepare youth to excel in their summer camp counselor roles, you are invited to attend a Camp Counselor Training Weekend at the Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center Saturday to Sunday, April 27-28.

The training is applicable to beginning counselors (as participants), experienced counselors (as leaders), adult volunteers, and 4-H staff.

Cost is \$30. Please see [fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/programs/outreach-programs/public-programs/counselor-training-weekend](http://fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/programs/outreach-programs/public-programs/counselor-training-weekend) for details and how to register.



### **4-H Shooting Sports Competitive Shoots**

A number of Competitive Shoots are open to Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports members across the state. Check them out at [fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingssports/events](http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingssports/events).

### **Attention All Rock County 4-H Archery Members**



Archery practices, open to all Rock County 4-H Archery project members, are held at Hunt-N-Gear, 4336 Milton Ave. #140, Janesville, for a reduced fee of \$5 per session per member. For information on the Archery project or upcoming practice times, please ask to join the Rock County 4-H Archery Facebook page, email [huntngearplus@msn.com](mailto:huntngearplus@msn.com), or call Carrie at 608-743-4327.

**YOU MUST HAVE YOUR EQUIPMENT INSPECTED BEFORE PARTICIPATING.** We do have some compound bows available for use during the project, but they are limited, so get in touch with Carrie (see above) as soon as possible.

For those returning Archery project members, please be advised of the changes for this year's Lot numbers. If you have any questions or need help picking the lot number, please use the above contact info for Carrie.

If there are any other Archery leaders that would like to open up their practices to the whole county, please use the above contact information so we can get that out to the members.





### **Shooting Sports REQUIRED Leader Certification**

A Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports Leader may be certified in archery, coordinator, muzzleloader, pistol, shotgun, and rifle disciplines. Leaders may only teach in the discipline in which they are certified. An adult leader cannot provide hands-on or safety instruction without a certified leader supervising the range. All leaders must first complete one 12-hour workshop to be certified. After that, you may be eligible to attend a Saturday, 8-hour range workshop to receive an additional discipline certification. If three years lapse before adding an additional certification, the full 12-hour certification must be repeated. Only one certification may be obtained at any one certification workshop.

The next certification workshop will be held Fri.-Sat., April 5-6 at Lodi. Disciplines offered are archery, muzzleloader, rifle/air rifle, pistol/air pistol, and shotgun. Registration deadline is Friday, March 29; <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hshootingandsports/certification-workshops> for details.



### **Mechanical Sciences Rockets and Planes Available**

If you are interested in building a model rocket, kits are available at the Thursday, March 21 and Sunday, April 7 Mechanical Sciences meetings. Kits are also available at the UW-Extension Rock County Building, 3506 N. US Hwy. 51, Building A, Janesville. Limited quantities of these rockets (along with three engines) are available for \$10 each: Alpha, Comet Chaser, and Viking. Balsa spot landing airplanes are also available for \$1 each.

### **Mechanical Sciences Workshops at the Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds**

#### **Thursday, March 21 – 6:00 p.m.**

Workshop for Rocketry, Bicycles, Models, Aircraft, and Small Engines. Come learn more about each of these areas!

#### **Sunday, April 7 – 1:00 p.m.**

Hands-on Workshop! Bring your rocket, model, and aircraft kits to the Craig Center for a hands-on workshop. We will help you as you work on building your rocket, model, or aircraft! We will also have a Q&A session about the Mechanical Sciences project. A smaller version of the mini-drone course will be available for practice as well, so bring those drones!

Bring your kits and don't miss it!



### **Market Livestock Identification**

Exhibitors wishing to exhibit market steers, market barrows, and market lambs at the Rock County 4-H Fair will need to self-identify their animals with an official Rock County 4-H Fair RFID identification tag in addition to submitting an official DNA hair sample and the official Rock County 4-H Fair RFID forms to the Fair Office by the May 3, 2019, deadline date. RFID identification tags, identification documentation forms, and DNA sample submission envelopes will be available for pick up starting **March 5, 2019, at the Rock County 4-H Fair Office.**

### **Royalty Candidates Information**

**April 5** – Candidate applications are due to the Fair Office by 5:00 p.m.

**May 4** – Interviews at Blain Supply, Janesville

**May 19** – The Rock County 4-H Fair Royalty Coronation Ceremony for royalty selection at the Rock County Fairgrounds

**July 23** – Rock County 4-H Fair Royalty Ceremony for crowning of the King and Queen

### **2019 Fair Entry Information**

This year, the Rock Co. 4-H Fair will use *FairEntry*, a computer program that integrates with 4HOnline. This system will be more user friendly. When a 4-H member logs on, the fields will automatically fill with the following information: family's e-mail, last name and address as well as member's 4-H age, age division, grade, first name, last name, date of birth, gender, e-mail, phone, cell phone, cell phone carrier, parent names, club, and projects. This will save time—especially in families with multiple exhibitors! More information about *FairEntry* will be included with the 2019 Premium Books.

### **Job Opportunity:**

ROCK COUNTY 4-H FAIR INTERNSHIP PROGRAM – Please go to the fair website at [www.rockcounty4hfair.com](http://www.rockcounty4hfair.com) for more information and the job application. If you have any questions, contact Mary at the Fair Office at 608-755-1470.



### MARCH 2019 CALENDAR

For more info about these events, visit [fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock](http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock) and click on "4-H Calendar".

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| 1     | DEADLINE for 4-H members to add/drop Rock Co. 4-H Fair projects on 4HOnline<br>DEADLINE for 4-H Leader enrollments on 4HOnline in order to be eligible for discounted fair pass<br>DEADLINE: 4-H Fair Alumni Association scholarship applications due<br>DEADLINE: Dairy Youth scholarship applications due<br>DEADLINE: Rock Co. Ag Scholarship applications due |
| 3     | Junior & Senior Volleyball Tournaments, Parker High School, Janesville  |
| 5     | DEADLINE: April Cloverpatch submissions due to <a href="mailto:cloverpatchrockco@gmail.com">cloverpatchrockco@gmail.com</a><br>RFID tags, ID forms, and DNA sample envelopes available beginning today at Fair Office, Rock Co. Fairgrounds<br>YQCA face-to-face training, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.                                 |
| 7     | Dog project meeting and setup for Tervuren Club dog show, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 6:30 p.m.<br>Horse & Pony project committee meeting, Room 135, Andrews, UW-Whitewater at Rock County – 7:00 p.m.   |
| 8     | DEADLINE: Horse & Pony Vet Coggins & Vaccination Clinic reservations due by phone call to JAMC  |
| 9-10  | 4-H Dog project Great Lakes Belgian Tervuren Dog Show, Rock Co. Fairgrounds<br>Camp Counselor Training, Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center, Wis. Dells   |
| 12    | Dairy Judging Kickoff Meeting, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.   |
| 14    | Dog project training, continues every Thursday thru the fair shows, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 6:30 p.m.  |
| 15    | DEADLINE: Pork Fest club fundraising requests due by phone call to UWEX Office<br>DEADLINE: Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarship applications due   |
| 15-16 | 4-H Art Beat! at Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells   |
| 16    | DEADLINE: Cat vaccines must be current by this date to participate in Rock Co. 4-H Fun Cat Show   |
| 18    | Jr. & Sr. Council Executive Board mtgs, UW-Extension Building, 3506 N. US Hwy. 51, Building A, Janesville – 7:00 p.m.   |
| 19    | Cat project meeting, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 7:00 p.m.   |
| 21    | Mechanical Sciences workshop, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 6:00 p.m.  |
| 22    | DEADLINE: Rock Co. 4-H Fun Cat Show entries due<br>April Cloverpatch available at <a href="http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/newsletter">fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/newsletter</a>  |
| 23    | Horse & Pony Vet Coggins & Vaccination Clinic, Janesville Animal Medical Center, Milton – 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.   |
| 25    | Junior Council meeting, Room 6 in Hyatt Smith Building at UW-Whitewater at Rock County – 7:00 p.m.<br>Senior Council meeting, Room 23 in Hyatt Smith Building at UW-Whitewater at Rock County – 7:00 p.m.   |
| 29    | DEADLINE: Shooting Sports Leader Certification registrations for April 5-6 workshop due   |
| 31    | Magnolia 4-H Club Ham and Turkey Dinner, St. John's Lutheran Church, Evansville – 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.   |

### ~ Cloverbud Word Search Puzzle ~


*Cloverbuds,  
What will you exhibit  
at the fair this year?*

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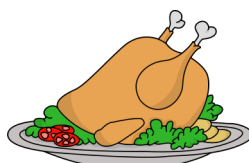
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|  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>APRIL 2019 CALENDAR</b><br/> <i>For more info about these events, visit <a href="http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock">fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock</a> and click on "4-H Calendar".</i></p>   |
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| 2-15  | Wis. 4-H & Youth Conference registrations open on 4HOnline  |
| 4   | 4-H Dog project training, continues every Thursday, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 6:30 p.m.<br>Horse & Pony project committee meeting, location TBA – 7:00 p.m.  |
| 5   | DEADLINE: May Cloverpatch submissions due to <a href="mailto:cloverpatchrockco@gmail.com">cloverpatchrockco@gmail.com</a><br>DEADLINE: Rock Co. 4-H Camp staff applications due to the UWEX Office<br>DEADLINE: Royalty candidate applications due to Fair Office, Rock Co. Fairgrounds by 5:00 p.m.<br>Setup for Rock Co. 4-H Fun Cat Show, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 6:00 p.m. |
| 5-6   | Shooting Sports Leader Certification Workshop, Winnequah Gun Club, Lodi   |
| 6   | Rock Co. 4-H Fun Cat Show, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds<br>Horse & Pony Open Arena Practice, Shotliff Farm, Evansville – 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.  |
| 7   | Mechanical Sciences Hands-on Workshop, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds - 1:00 p.m.   |
| 9   | Rock County 4-H Fair Alumni Association pig roast social/fundraiser at Hodge Farm, Janesville – 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.   |
| 11  | DEADLINE: VIP Training registrations due by 5:00 p.m. by phone call to UWEX office  |
| 13  | DEADLINE: Cat vaccinations must be current by this date to show at 4-H Fair Cat Show<br>VIP Training, UW-Extension Building, 3506 N. US Hwy. 51, Building A, Janesville – 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.  |
| 15  | DEADLINE: Horse & Pony description sheets and Coggins tests results due to UWEX Office<br>Jr. & Sr. Council Executive Board mtgs, UW-Extension Building, 3506 N. US Hwy. 51, Building A, Janesville – 7:00 p.m.   |
| 16  | 4-H camp staff applicant mandatory selection workshop, location TBA – 6:30 p.m.<br>Cat project meeting, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 7:00 p.m.  |
| 18  | DEADLINE: 4-H Fair Cat Show entries due to Fair Office, Rock Co. Fairgrounds by 5:00 p.m.   |
| 20  | Rock County Beef Producers Spring Show, Rock County Fairgrounds   |
| 22  | Junior & Senior Council Meetings, location to be announced – 7:00 p.m.  |
| 26  | May Cloverpatch available at <a href="http://fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/newsletter">fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/newsletter</a>   |
| 27-28   | Camp Counselor Training, Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center, Wis. Dells  |

**Join the Magnolia 4-H Club for a  
Ham and Turkey Dinner**



Sunday, March 31, serving 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.  
 St. John's Lutheran Church, Evansville  
 Menu includes: Baked Ham, Turkey and Gravy,  
 Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad Bar,  
 Dinner Rolls, Dessert, and Beverage

Adults \$10.00 (age 12 and up), Children \$5.00 (age 5-11)  
 Carry-out meals are available!  
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or find us on Facebook  
by searching "Rock County 4-H"

**Rock County 4-H Bad Weather Cancellation Policy**

Winter weather may force cancellation of some 4-H events. The official cancellation policy of UW-Extension Rock County requires posting on the WCLO/WJVL cancellation website. Project leaders must notify the UW-Extension Office of cancellations by calling 608-757-5066. Cancellations of night functions must be made by 4:30 p.m. Thank you for your cooperation.

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