Rock County 4-H

Cloverpatch



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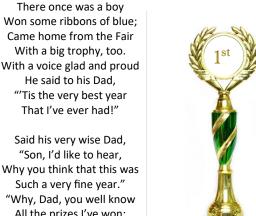
Competition

As the fair approaches, 4-H members feverishly work to finish their entries, work with their animals, as well as seek help and insight from leaders, family, and neighbors. The fair is an opportunity to exhibit a year's worth of work, and on judging day, the judge has the final word. Competition is good because it pushes us "to make the best better." However, competition isn't everything as the poem below explains.

I look forward to seeing you at the fair!

-- Laura Vander Veen, 4-H Program Coordinator

A 4-H Fable



Said his very wise Dad, "Son, I'd like to hear, Why you think that this was Such a very fine year." "Why, Dad, you well know All the prizes I've won; How I've come out on top In most things I've done.

Just look at the ribbons That hang on my wall, And think of the money I've made since last fall From premium checks And a big auction price. You can't help but think Cash and ribbons are nice."

But the man said, "My son, You're not thinking right. Blue ribbons, 'tis true Are better than white; But ribbons will fade And trophies grow old. Money's soon spent And fame soon grows cold.

Patience you've learned In your projects, too, As well as some skills That will always help you. You've learned the fine feeling It gives you to lend A glad helping hand To a stranger or friend.

You've learned to cooperate With majority rule . . . To give in with grace And not be the fool Who always must have His very own way, Be it in club work, In school or at play.

You've learned how to lose Without making a 'beef.' You know the judge judges To his best belief. You've learned how to win Without boasting too loud. A kid can lose friends If he's overly proud.

Those are the things Most important to you. You'll remember and use them All your life through. They'll help you become A mighty fine man. They'll do more for you Than a prize ever can."

Esther Chandler, Lakeside 4-H Club, San Diego Co., CA





The important things, son,

Are not ribbons or pins,

And sometimes it's really

The loser who wins.

Now here are the things

Most important, it's true,

Your 4-H experience

Has accomplished for you.

You've seen how a business Meeting is run. This knowledge will help you In years to come. You've conquered the fear Of addressing a crowd. You've learned how to stand up And talk nice and loud.

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







Next Cloverpatch Submission Deadline

September deadline = Sat., Aug 3

Please send articles to cloverpatchrockco@gmail.com. The new issue will be posted by the 4th Friday of the month at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/newsletter.

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NEW! Cloverpatch Deadline Is the Third of the Month

Our office is striving to provide more notice for your planning. We understand that it's difficult when you find out about events at the last minute. In order to post, print, and mail the Cloverpatch, the deadline for articles, dates of meetings, events, etc. is now the 3rd of the month preceding the next issue. Late submissions may be placed at the end of the newsletter or saved for the next issue.

Exhibiting at the Rock Co. 4-H Fair?

For all projects and entries, please check your current Fair Premium Book for dates, times, requirements, etc., as these may change from year to year. For helpful info and pointers about the three judging methods, please see page 10.

County-Wide Food Pantry Donation Collection

Each Rock Co. 4-H Club is invited to collect food pantry items and bring the donations to the Rock Co. Fairgrounds on Sun., Aug. 11. (Individuals may also drop off donations.) The collection is 12:15-12:45 p.m. (right before the Rock Co. 4-H Campers leave for camp at Upham Woods). Please check the 4-H Calendar at fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4hrock for exact location at the fairgrounds.

Please be generous with your donations of nonperishable food items including cereal, peanut butter, jelly, soup, canned meat (tuna, chicken, etc.), pop-top meals, box meal kits, crackers, etc. You may also donate dish soap, shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant/anti-perspirant, diapers, etc.

Items will be donated to food pantries in Rock County.

Club Photographs Needed

Have you been snapping photos this 4-H year of your club doing activities or projects? If so, please submit them to one of the Junior Council



Media Specialists so they can create a slide of your club for the 2019 Junior Council slide show! Send **by Tues., Oct. 1** to:

- ⇒ Sara Kronberg at sara.kronberg@yahoo.com OR
- ⇒ Hannah Pennycook at hannah.builds@gmail.com.

Rock Co. 4-H Calendar

Check the most up-to-date deadlines and activities on the Rock Co. 4-H calendar at <u>fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock</u>. If you find an error or have an update/addition, please contact Tara Hanley at tara.hanley@co.rock.wi.us or 608-757-5066.

Congratulations to Hannah Wilson of Newark-Beloit 4-H!

We are pleased to announce two statewide 4-H honors received by Hannah Wilson this spring. The Wis. 4-H Foundation has awarded her the \$1000 Harold and Irene Hendrickson Scholarship, one of only 17 awarded by the Foundation in 2019. In addition, Hannah's photo of one of Iceland's largest waterfalls, "Skogafoss," was chosen from 128 submitted photos as one



of the "Top 12" in the annual State 4-H Youth Photo Exhibit. The entire exhibit will be on display Aug. 1-11 in the Wis. State Fair Youth Expo Building. Look for the Top 12 at fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4harts/state-photo-exhibit.

Wisconsin State Fair Non-Animal Entries

During the Rock Co. 4-H Fair, 60 entries will be chosen to exhibit at the Wisconsin State Fair. What type of entries will be selected? Non-animal exhibits will be chosen. (Unfortunately, food entries, tri-folds, standing displays, posters, and large displays will not be considered.) Please note: photo entries will be selected for the 2020 Wisconsin State Fair.

If your entry is selected, please read the information attached to your entry carefully. Entries will be collected on Sunday night of the Rock Co. 4-H Fair and must be packaged before checking them in with the Wis. State Fair Non-Animal Exhibits Rock Co. Coordinator. The Coordinator will transport the entries to State Fair and bring them back to the Rock Co. Fairgrounds where you will pick them up at the Fair Office.

Wisconsin State Fair (Aug. 1-11) "Make Your Day WONDERFAIR"

Plan to spend a day at the Wisconsin State Fair! Look for the 60 non-animal entries from Rock County. Say "Hi and good luck!" to dozens of Junior Livestock Show Exhibitors from Rock Co. Watch *HeatWave* perform! Additionally, there are lots of activities, music, shows, carnival rides as well as food, food, and more food! Make sure you get in line early for the famous State Fair cream puffs! There is so much to do at State Fair you might want to attend more than one day! For more information, please visit https://wistatefair.com/fair/home/ where you'll find everything you need to know!

Wisconsin 4-H License Plate Available

July is county fair time—the perfect time to show your 4-H pride by ordering a Wis. 4-H license plate for a car, truck, or motor home! The specialty plate supports the Wis. 4-H program and bears the "Empowering Our Youth" message. Half of the proceeds return to the county housing the vehicle and half to state/regional 4-H programs! For more info, please see www.wisconsindot.gov/Documents/formdocs/mv2969.pdf.



Rock Co. 4-H Representation at Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference

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of Possibilities

2019 Wisconsin 4-H

& Youth Conference

Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference will take place at UW-Madison from Mon., June 24 to Thurs., June 27. Rock Co. attendees include:

Delegates:

Lauren AdamsJenna MosleyZea BeckerTucker PetersonBaylin CrullErik SchultzEmilie CurtisMaggie SchutSara KronbergMelysa Studika

4-H Drama Company: Lexi Farrey

<u>4-H Communications Team</u>: Jasmine Brown <u>Advisors</u>: Daryl Hansen and Kathy Heider

Art Exhibit:

Lauren Adams: a whimsical and colorful interpretation of her favorite animal, the cat, a drawing & painting entry using mixed media.

Dane Trustem: "The Crane," a recycled entry using welding, over three feet tall.



Newark-Beloit 4-H News

The Newark-Beloit 4-H Club has been preparing for the fair! In our May meeting, we played a game called "Stump the Leader" where people asked the project leaders questions about the fair. Members could ask any questions about the fair or just ask questions to see if the leaders knew as much as they did. Roadside cleanup is scheduled for June 16, and we are hoping we do not get rained out this time! Members were reminded to submit their fair entries before the deadline, June 1. We also are getting ready for our float to be in the annual Shopiere Days parade.

Respectfully submitted by Thomas Peters



Leadership

NEW! Rock Co. 4-H Leaders' Council

The Rock Co. 4-H Junior and Senior Councils are looking forward to forming a youth and adult partnership to ensure a strong leadership team for the Rock Co. 4-H program. This will model the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council. The goal is to engage youth and adults in leadership roles, be advocates of 4-H, provide input to enhance our 4-H program, and provide educational opportunities for youth and adults. Some changes you may notice include combined meetings, upcoming elections for youth and adults, and volunteer opportunities. Please attend upcoming Jr. and Sr. Council meetings to find out more or feel free to ask any officer.

Junior Council Meeting

All 4-H members in **grade 6 and older** are welcome at the Junior Council meeting Mon., Aug. 26, 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds. There will NOT be a Junior Council meeting in July due to the fair. The agenda will include officer elections for the upcoming 4-H year. Each club must be represented for elections, so please send a representative.

Seeking Junior Council Officer Candidates for 2019-20

Have you enjoyed being a club officer? Do you like working with youth and adults? Would you like to help provide leadership in the Rock Co. 4-H program? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please consider running for a Junior Council office! Each candidate for all offices must have been a Junior Council member for at least one year and must complete an application form. These positions are open:

President Parliamentarian

Vice President Media Specialist (2 positions)

Secretary Fair Board Representative (2 positions)

Treasurer (2 positions)

Applications are due to the Extension Office by **Mon., Aug. 19** and will be available at <u>fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock</u> under the Forms & Applications tab. Elections and installation of officers will take place during the August 26th Junior Council meeting.

Club Secretaries and Historians

Club secretaries are to e-mail the minutes of their club meetings to tara.hanley@co.rock.wi.us every month. Club Secretary and Historian Books need to be submitted to the Extension Office in hard copy format by Tues., Oct. 1.

Senior Council Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Mon., Aug. 26, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds. *There will be no meeting in July*. The agenda will include approval of the 2019-20 budget and the election of officers for 2019-20. We will also review the merger of Junior and Senior Councils into the Rock Co. 4-H Leaders' Council. We'll share the key points of the joint organization and how we plan to move forward as a joint group. Anyone interested in running for an adult office should contact Meagen Flood (see next article). Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the meeting. Please be sure your club is represented!

Senior Council Exec Board Candidates Needed

Are you interested in providing leadership in the Rock Co. 4-H program? Volunteer to run for an adult officer position for 2019-20! If you are interested, please contact Meagen Flood at mkflood58@gmail.com or 608-774-0163. Position descriptions are available on the Rock Co. 4-H website at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/club-leaders/4-h-senior-leaders-council-and-exec-board for the positions up for election in August: Vice-President, Secretary, and (1) Fair Board Representative. Don't miss this opportunity to play a key role in the Rock Co. 4-H program!



4-H Club Chair Share

Whether you have years of experience as a Club Chair or this is your first year, you're invited to get together with other Club Chairpersons to discuss what's new, share ideas and resources, and ask questions.

This Chair Share session will be from 6:00-6:45 p.m. on Mon., Aug. 26 at the Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds, before the Sr. Council Meeting.

4-H Awards & Recognition Committee Meeting

The committee will meet at 6:00 p.m., Thurs., Aug. 29 at Hedberg Public Library to wrap up our work. Please see page 9 for info about Rock Co. 4-H Awards & Recognition and watch for new forms to be posted to fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4hrock/forms-and-applications. If you have suggestions before Aug. 29, please e-mail 4hachievementcelebration@gmail.com.

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.

Special Projects & Activities

Cloverbud Fair Judges & Assistants Orientation & Scheduling Session

If you applied to be a Cloverbud Judge or an Assistant at the Rock Co. 4-H Fair, there will be an orientation/scheduling session at the Extension Building on Mon., July 15 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Please come prepared with paper, pencil, and your calendar so you're able to sign up for shifts with confidence!

Scavenger Hunt at the Fair

The Junior Council Fair Activity Planning Committee would like to invite you and all fair attendees to a Scavenger Hunt on Sat., July 27 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Blue Ribbon Pavilion (located between the grandstand and the Fair Office). Cash prizes will be awarded to the five fastest teams.

Attention 4-H Campers!



Soon, you will receive a mailing with camp information as well as forms that need to be returned to the Extension Office. Read all information thoroughly so you know all of the details! Please complete and return the forms promptly.

The camp counselors, chaperones, and directors are busily planning for an amazing camp experience! Camp is Sun., Aug. 11 - Wed., Aug. 14.

Dairy Promotion Reports

The 4-H Dairy Promotion Program, presented by the Dairy Farmers of Wisconsin, is available to 4-H clubs at www.wisconsindairy.org/dairy-promotions/4-h-dairy-promotion-program. Clubs that submit a report and photo(s) online of their dairy promotion and educational activity by the Fri., **Nov. 1** deadline are eligible to receive a \$50 gift certificate for merchandise from the online Wisconsin Cheese and Dairy Gear store.

Rock Co. 4-H Softball Tournament

You're invited to the Rock Co. 4-H Softball Tournament at Schilberg Park, 301 W. High St., Milton on Sat., July 13 and Sun., July 14. The Junior Teams will play Sat., and the Senior Teams will play Sun. Let's fill the stands and support our 4-H members and 4-H volunteer coaches!

Communication & Cultural Arts



Drawing & Painting Judging Day Updates

Judging for the Drawing & Painting project will be 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wed., July 24. This is a change from previous years. Entries will be judged face-to-face and displayed in the Blackhawk Building. Be sure paint is dry and entries are ready to be displayed with

appropriate hangers. Check your Fair Premium Book for more info, as things may have changed from previous years.

Volunteers of any age are needed on judging day to check in entries, hand out ribbons, and create the entry displays. If you can help a couple of hours, please contact Sondra Austin by Facebook or call/text 608-751-3858 with your name, phone number, address, and time when you can help. Thank you!

HeatWave Would Love to See YOU!

The Rock and Walworth Co. 4-H Show Choir *HeatWave* is excited to share a fun-filled performance season with you! Our 2019 program, "The Greatest Show," brings you many favorites from theater and cinema! There is something for everyone.

Come see us at the Rock Co. 4-H Fair in the Food Fair Tent. We'd love to see you!

- ♦ Thurs., Fri., and Sat. at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
- ♦ Sun. at 2:00 p.m.

In August, you can also see us at:

- ♦ Wis. State Fair Youth Expo Hall: Thurs. Sun., Aug. 8 11
- ♦ Walworth Co. Fair on Fri., Aug. 30.

Watch for more info on the Rock Co. 4-H Facebook page and on the *HeatWave* website at www.heatwave4h.org. We look forward to seeing you!



Music & Drama Festival Results

The Music & Drama Committee is honored to congratulate the winners of the 2019 Music & Drama Festival that was held on Sat., May 11 at UW-Whitewater at Rock Co.



The Top Theatrical Performance went to the Talented Turtles from Turtle 4-H for their production of "LIVE: It's Fairy Tale News!" The Top Large Group Music Performance went to the Renegades Rockstars from Renegades 4-H for their rendition of "Music from the Motion Picture Sing!" The Top Small Group Music Performance went to Julia Kasprzak and Sophie Andersen from Badger 4-H for their duet!

Congratulations to the following groups!

- ★ Badger Drama Team (Charlie and the Chocolate Factory), Second Place Theatrical Award
- ★ Badger Showstoppers (Back to the 80's), Second Place Music Award

Congratulations to the following Special Awards recipients! Badger Drama Team, Best Costumes Talented Turtles, Best Script Interpretation Talented Turtles, Best Original Play Renegades 4-H Drama Team, Best Use of Stage Badger Showstoppers, Best Choreography Renegades Rockstars, Best Teamwork Renegades 4-H Drama, Most Efficient Youth Stage Crew Badger Drama Team, Best Use of Props Talented Turtles, Best Theatrical Cast Badger Showstoppers, Best Musical Cast Badger Showstoppers, "Let's Hear It for the Boy," Best Song Julia Kasprzak, Badger 4-H, Best Vocals Alex Doane, Badger 4-H, Best Actor Lexi Farrey, Turtle 4-H, Best Actress Nicholas Steponkus, Badger 4-H, Best Supporting Actor Maddie Rankin, Turtle 4-H, Best Supporting Actress

Thank you to everyone involved that day, especially Newark-Beloit 4-H for the food stand, the Directors, Junior Directors, parents, and club members who helped make the day a great success!

Home & Family

Home Environment and Home Environment Floral Projects

Members and parents, PLEASE note there are changes in times for check-ins for these projects. The times are correct in the Fair Premium Book, but this is a reminder.

Home Environment: Check-in hours will be from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on MONDAY, July 22. After these times, the late entries will get an automatic pink ribbon but can still be judged. If judging for that lot number is completed when the project is brought in, a participation ribbon will be given. We had several problems with this last year, and several 4-H'ers were very disappointed.

Home Environment FLORAL: Judging will be Tues, JULY 23 with new hours of **9 a.m. to 1 p.m. ONLY**. This is face-to-face judging, so you will bring your floral projects in on Tues., and the judge will talk to you directly.

If you have any questions, feel free to call one of the superintendents listed in the Fair Premium Book. Have a great summer!



Premises ID

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

Tips for Preparing and Showing Market Animals at the Fair

If you would like some tips about how to prepare and show your beef, sheep, or swine for the fair, please visit the Weaver Leather website at https://www.thewinnersbrand.com/ to view the videos. If you purchase supplies from Weaver Leather, you can save \$10 on a purchase of \$50 or more by entering the promo code: FREE10 (expires 12/31/19).

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Cloverbud Field Trip Details

If you signed up for the Cloverbud Field Trip to Henry Vilas Zoo in Madison, be sure to board the bus in the parking lot of Blain's Farm & Fleet, 2421 Old Humes Rd., Janesville, at 8:30 a.m. on Tues., July 16. Remember to pack (and label) a lunch and bring along a (labeled) water bottle. Please apply sunscreen before leaving home and bring along a (labeled) raincoat. The bus will return to Farm & Fleet at approximately 2:00 p.m. Contact Lexi Farrey at lexi@rockriverconsulting.com with questions.



Cloverbud Judging at the Fair

Cloverbud entry and judging will be Tues., July 23 from noon to 6:00 p.m. in the Block Building on the Rock Co. Fairgrounds. Your judges will be friendly, older 4-H youth! Cloverbud projects will be displayed in the Blackhawk Building. Please see pages 47-48 in your Fair Premium Book for more info!



Attention Swine Exhibitors at the 2019 Rock Co. 4-H Fair!

- The barrow show will be terminal.
- The breeding stock show will be <u>non-terminal</u>. Exhibitors must have their swine tested. Please consult your local veterinarian.

Sheep Shearing Event

Rock Co. 4-H Sheep project members are invited to bring their sheep to a pre-fair shearing event on Sun., July 21, 8:00 to 9:30 a.m., at the Lux Farm, 6344 E. Lone Lane Road, Janesville. Cost is \$10 per animal. Sheep need to be washed the day before the event. Questions? Call Brian Lux at 608-751-8684.

Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival

The 2019 Festival will take place Fri.-Sat., Sept. 6-8 at Jefferson Co. Fair Park. This event is for sheep enthusiasts and spectators alike with sheep shows, fleece and fiber competitions, a huge Country Store with sheep supplies and products, sheep herding competitions, and much more. See <u>wisconsinsheepandwoolfestival.com</u> for all the info!

Dairy Goat Project Meeting

Plan to attend the Dairy Goat project meeting Fri., July 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sale Arena at the Rock Co. Fairgrounds. Topics to be covered include Scrapies I.D. and identification needed to show goats at the fair, general rules and guidelines, show order, wether auction, pen assignments, and barn layout. Special information will be available for the new Boer goat classes being offered this year. There will also be demonstrations on fitting and clipping goats and basic showmanship. We need people to sign up for the Milk-a-Goat stand and also the "Fun with Goats" event. White show clothes will be available to anyone who needs them at our "Show Clothes – Sell, Swap, Donate." Any questions, contact Kristie Dooley at 608-879-2216 or Tracy Held at 608-295-6912.

Poultry Project News

Poultry Barn setup will be Sat., July 13 at 8:00 a.m. Contact Ray Reilly at 608-884-3013 with questions.

Two Photography Contests



...one for Dairy project members! Entries due July 21.



...one for Poultry project members! Entries due July 23.

See rules for both contests in the June Cloverpatch, page 11, at fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4hrock/newsletter.

Don't wait! Start snapping your photos right away!

Horse & Pony Project Committee

The Horse & Pony Project Committee meets the first Thurs. of every month at 7:00 p.m. The next meetings are July 11 and September 5. Check our Facebook page for locations. All Horse & Pony project members, leaders, and parents are invited and encouraged to attend!

Upcoming Horse & Pony Events

Sat., July 13: 4-H Horse Fair Show and Horseless Horse Judging Sun., July 14: 4-H Pony Fair Show
(We need helpers at the fair shows; please volunteer for a couple of hours!)
Wed., July 17, 6:00 p.m.: State Expo Meeting, including deadline for entries for Expo
Tues., July 23, 10 a.m. to noon: Check-in of Horseless Horse displays for fair week
September 7-8: State 4-H Horse Gymkhana Show
September 13-15: State 4-H Horse Expo

Check the Horse & Pony Project Informational Packet and look at our Facebook page for updates and news! Please read through your Fair Premium Book, and if you have questions, feel free to ask any member of our steering committee. We want everyone to have an enjoyable and successful year!

Dog Project Members...

State 4-H Dog Show is August 9, 10, and 11. Registration forms and payment are **due by June 29** to Katie Becker. This is a great year to attend because it will take place at our own Rock Co. Fairgrounds. Also, families should plan to volunteer throughout the weekend of the show to make sure it is a success.

Wisconsin K9 SOS Search & Rescue will give a demonstration on Thurs., June 27 during our regularly-scheduled practice time in the Craig Center at the Rock Co. Fairgrounds. You won't want to miss it!

The Rock Co. Obedience, Rally, Showmanship, and Dog Related Exhibits Fair Show will be judged Sat., June 29 in the Craig Center. The first dogs will enter the rings at 9:00 a.m. The Fair Agility show will be judged Sat., July 27 in front of the grandstand starting at 8:00 a.m.

Cavy & Hamster Fair Judging

Cavy & Hamster fair judging will be Sun., July 28 in the Sale Arena on the Rock Co. Fairgrounds. Vet check will be 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. There will be NO VET CHECKS AFTER 10:00 A.M.! Judging will begin at 10:00 a.m. starting with showmanship. All Displays and Posters in Class E must be entered in the Craig Center on MONDAY, July 22, between 2:00 and 6:00 p.m. See page 37 of the Fair Premium Book for more info. Exhibitors should plan to enter and exit Gate 4 with your animals. Animals are not allowed outside of the barn areas. Please take them home after the show. Bring your animal in a well-ventilated carrier/cage! Contact Mike/Kathy Farrey at 608-754-0139 or kfarrey@ticon.net if you have questions.



Mechanical Sciences

Check the Fair Book for Info and Rules!

See pages 54-56 of your Fair Premium Book for additional info and RULES for all of the following events! Be sure to refer to the Mechanical Sciences project calendars on the 4-H website at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/4-h-projects as well.

4-H Fair Model Aircraft Judging

The mini aircraft/drone fly is Tues., July 23 from 9:00 to noon in the Stock Pavilion at the Rock Co. Fairgrounds. Spot landing for aircraft is July 23 from noon to 1:30 at the fairgrounds in front of the grandstand.

Spot Landing Rockets

This year's Spot Landing Rocket can be the Alpha, Viking, Wizard, or Comet Chaser (limited quantities available). One rocket and three A8-3 engines cost \$10.00 and are available at the Extension Office (NOT the Fair Office). Don't wait...get your rockets right away!

4-H Fair Rocket Launch

The officially-judged 4-H Fair rocket launch and spot landing contest will be held on Sat., July 13 at Thresherman's Park, 51 E. Cox Road, near Edgerton. Registration will be from 7:30 - 10:30 a.m. Judging and the spot landing contest will be from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Please use the Cox Road entrance to Thresherman's Park. The rain date (only in case of storms) is Sun., July 14.

4-H Fair Small Engine Judging

The Rock Co. 4-H Fair Small Engine judging will be held on Sat., July 13 at 11:30 a.m. at Thresherman's Park, the same location as the 4-H Fair Rocket

Launch. PLEASE NOTE: All engines must be present and registered by 11:00 a.m.

to the park. The engines must be returned to the Rock Co. Fairgrounds on Tues., July 23

Please use the Cox Road entrance

for exhibit and can have no gasoline in them at that time.

4-H Fair Bicycle Tour de 4-H

The 4-H Fair Bicycle Tour will be on Sat., July 20 from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m., rain or shine. The race will begin at the Lions Beach Pavilion parking area, 1401 Palmer Dr., Janesville. Again this year the route will make use of the paved bike trails rather than country roads. All tours will leave at 8:30 a.m. All riders must wear ANSA or Snell approved safety helmets.

Environmental Education

Attention Archery Project Members!

Any Archery project member signed up for the poster or journal entries, please feel free to contact Carrie with any questions on archery equipment parts. She would be happy to show you what they are on a bow and what their purpose is. If enough members are interested in having another poster party night, Carrie can schedule one in July so you can be done in plenty of time for the fair deadline. Call Carrie at 608-743-4327 or e-mail her at huntngear@outlook.com or wisconsinalc@gmail.com.

Upham Woods "Woods Writings"

Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center has a newsletter! fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/woods-writings-newsletters



Photo Boards

Photo boards for entries in the Photography project can be purchased for \$5.00 each at the Fair Office.

Ag Adventure Land at the Rock Co. 4-H Fair

Time is running out for 4-H clubs to sign up to volunteer in Ag Adventure Land during the Rock Co. 4-H Fair! Deadline to sign up is **Mon., July 1** online at https://signup.com/go/svZExOm or by contacting Lauren Metcalf at 608-322-4079 or leave-up-metcalf@brodhead.k12.wi.us. Please see page 9 of the June Cloverpatch for information.

Rock Co. 4-H Fair Poultry, Rabbit & Dairy Goat Scholarships

The Rock Co. 4-H Fair Fur & Feather Committee is pleased to offer up to six \$500 scholarships (two in each department: Poultry, Rabbits, and Dairy Goats) to 4-H and FFA members who currently are high school seniors or in the first year of post-secondary education. The scholarship application is available at www.rockcounty4hfair.com and at the Fair Office and is due Tues., July 23.

2019 Fair Ticket Prices

Ticket prices for the 2019 Rock Co. 4-H Fair are found at www.rockcounty4hfair.com. The last day for discounted pricing is Fri., July 12. Superintendents, Extension Agents, and Fair Board Officers and Directors may purchase a pass to park on the grounds for \$10.00 from the Fair Office.

Rock Co. 4-H Fair Royalty Ceremony

You're invited to the crowning of the 2019 King and Queen on Tues., July 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Craig Avenue Pavilion during the Rock Co. 4-H Fair.





Start Planning/Planting Your Container Garden



The Rock Co. 4-H Fair is sponsoring a Floral Planter/Container Decorating Contest. Each participating 4-H Club will receive a \$20 donation/4-H Club (not per planter) from the Fair Board. Please see page 8 of the June Cloverpatch for all the details!

Rock Co. 4-H Fair Faircrow (Scarecrow) Contest

Enter the 2019 Rock Co. 4-H Fair Faircrow Contest! Entries must be brought to the fairgrounds on Sun., July 21 or Mon., July 22 between 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Winners will be decided by ballot totals. For complete rules and entry forms, please see www.rockcounty4hfair.com under "Things to Do."

Exhibitor Wristbands

Exhibitor wristbands are available:

Sat., July 20 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sun., July 21 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Mon., July 22 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

BANDS WILL BE ON SALE AT THE FAIRGROUNDS AND MUST BE PURCHASED NO LATER THAN 8 P.M. ON MON., JULY 22. After that you will need to purchase a regular-priced ticket at the gate. We understand that, in rare cases, some will be unable to wear the band due to work restrictions when operating machinery. In that case, bring in a current year's school photo (no larger than 2" X 3") that has been laminated into a luggage tag (with heavy laminate) at an office supply store. (Photos that are taped or self-laminated will not be accepted.)

Pre-Printed Entry Tags

All exhibitors must use pre-printed entry tags, available from Club Chairpersons or FFA Advisors, for all exhibits. Handwritten entry tags will not be accepted. There will be a \$2.00 per tag fee for any tags that need to be reprinted.

2019 Carcass Contest - Beef, Swine, and Sheep

Sun., July 7 - Market Steer drop off (4:00 - 5:00 p.m.) at Sorg's, N4290 US-14, Darien

<u>Sun., July 14</u> - Market Lamb drop off (4:00 - 5:00 p.m.) at Sorg's, N4290 US-14, Darien

Sun., July 14 - Market Barrow drop off (2:00 - 3:30 p.m.) at the Rock Co. Fairgrounds Sale Arena. Carcass barrows will be weighed when dropped off, and the Fair will transport all carcass barrows to Sorg's. (This will be the only weigh-in for carcass barrows.)

Thurs., July 18 - Carcass Educational Program at Sorg's

6:00 p.m. - Market Lambs

6:30 p.m. - Market Steers and Market Barrows

Barn Decorating Hours

The fairgrounds will be open for barn decorating on Sat., July 20 and Sun., July 21 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **ONLY** (see pg. 16 of Fair Premium Book). Please schedule your club or chapter decorating during these hours.



Purchase Farm & Fleet Shavings at the Fair

Farm & Fleet of Janesville will sell pine shavings at the 2019 Rock Co. 4-H Fair for \$4.25 plus tax, per bag. The Farm & Fleet truck will be located by Gate 5 at the end of the Swine Barn.

The shavings will be for sale the following hours:

Sun., July 21 - 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Mon., July 22 - 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Tues., July 23 - 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Wed., July 24

Thurs., July 25 \rightarrow 7:30 - 10:00 a.m. / 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Fri., July 26

Sat., July 27 - 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Attention ALL Livestock Exhibitors

It is your responsibility to keep the barn aisles, walkways, courtyard, and roadways between the barns clean, especially of manure, at all times during the fair. Fair patrons should not have to walk through or around a mess that was made by your animals. So grab a shovel or broom and clean up after your animals and help keep the barn area looking clean.

Sunday Parking for Livestock Trailers

Trailer parking on Randall Avenue will start at 11:30 a.m., after church services. At that time the street will be closed, and parking will be on a first come, first served basis. Anyone parking in this area must be at their vehicle by 6:45 p.m. on Sunday for release.

EXHIBIT RELEASE (pages 8-9 in Fair Premium Book)

SECTION 1. Exhibits will be released the last day of the fair at 7:00 p.m. or as approved by the Fair Board.

SECTION 2. Any exhibits, including equipment (ex: all tack including show box, pails, feed etc.) being removed from the barns, buildings, and fair grounds prior to the scheduled release will forfeit all privileges and premiums and be subject to such penalty as the Fair Board may order. Failure to comply may result in award(s) and premium(s) forfeiture, and/or dismissal from the fairground, and or being barred from competition immediately in the department in which the violation has occurred and/or from the departments entered, and/or in the future competition in the Rock County Fair. All barn decorations must stay in place until 6 pm Sunday. ONLY Swine tack (ex: all tack including show box, pails, feed etc.) can be removed 6-8 AM on Sunday. BARN DECORATIONS CANNOT BE REMOVED FROM ANY BARN UNTIL 6 PM SUNDAY.

ATTENTION ALL EXHIBITORS IN MEAT ANIMAL SALE, FUR AND FEATHER SALE, AND DAIRY YOUTH AUCTION

Please remember that before you can receive your sale check on Clean-Up Day, on Wed., July 31, you must bring your completed buyer thank you notes, in a sealed envelope with the buyer's mailing address and a postage stamp. Checks will be available in the Fair Office after clean up, starting July 31. Please read this rule in the Fair Book on pages 20 and 35.



2019 Rock Co. 4-H Fair T-Shirt

An early purchase discount is available through July 5 for the "Flock to the Fair—We'll See Ewe There" fair-themed t-shirts. Please see www.rockcounty4hfair.com/p/tickets for details and order form.

Request for Photos of 4-H Members in Action!



You are invited to take photos of 4-H members working on their entries and e-mail them to ronnaballmer@gmail.com for use in a video loop to be shown during the fair. Deadline is **SUN., JUNE 30.** Please see page 9 of the June Cloverpatch for details.

Rock Co. 4-H Fair Museum

Support the Rock Co. 4-H Fair Museum by purchasing a commemorative bread basket! The honey-colored baskets feature a Rock Co. 4-H Fair name plate on the front and are available at the Fair Office.

The Rock Co. 4-H Fair Museum Committee is looking for Rock Co. 4-H Fair projects from the past to display in the museum

this year. Please contact Ronna at 608-921-1421 with any questions. Please bring projects to the Fair Office between 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon. - Fri.

Multi-generational 4-H photos are needed for the Fair Museum display! Please LABEL with names, year taken, club, and activity. Bring photos to the Fair Office **by FRI., JUNE 28**. Photos will NOT be returned, so be sure to give us a copy and keep the original!

Example:

Generation 1 (1930-40) showing a steer Generation 2 (1950-60) riding on a float Generation 3 (1970-80) modeling a dress in Style Revue Generation 4 (1990-2000) visual arts face-to-face judging Generation 5 (2010-2019) having fun at the fair (Note: These are only examples of "ideas." Be creative!)

There are many events 4-H'ers have participated in. We'd love to see as many pictures displayed from "way back when" as we can! Questions? Call Ronna at 608-921-1421.

ROCK CO. 4-H AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

The Rock Co. 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.

Project/Activity Award Forms:

- Members in K 7th grades can complete a Project/Activity Award Form to be eligible for project/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 gr. 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 continues for youth grades 8 and up! Everything you need to know is in the guide, available on the Rock Co. 4-H website. Award interviews will be scheduled for a date in September TBA. In the event that there is a scheduling conflict, a make-up interview date will also be scheduled and must be asked for in the cover letter. By following the guide, 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 (6th – 8th 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 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+!

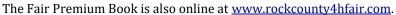
- ♦ All Rock Co. 4-H Award forms and guide will be found at fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4hrock/forms-and-applications.
- ♦ All award forms will be due to the Extension Building on a September date TBA.
- ♦ Dates will be announced on the Rock Co. 4-H Facebook page and on the 4-H website at the above link.
- ♦ Don't wait until the last minute to apply for awards!





DESCRIPTION OF JUDGING METHODS

Check the 2019 Rock Co. 4-H Fair Premium Book to see which judging method will be used for each of your projects.





Danish Judging Method

This judging method is the traditional system whereby all exhibits of the same lot number are presented simultaneously to the judge. The judge evaluates each exhibit but is permitted to give a maximum 25% ribbons within each group (blue, red, white, and pink). Exhibitors do not need to be present for this type of judging.

Conference Judging Method

All exhibits within a lot number are presented simultaneously, evaluated, and awarded ribbons as in Danish judging, but the exhibitor or his/her representative (see below under Additional Information) must be available to present the exhibit. The judge asks questions pertaining to the exhibit and awards ribbons according to the Danish system percentages.

Face-to-Face Judging Method

This type of judging allows for more flexibility on the part of the judge and the exhibitor. Exhibitors will enter all of their exhibits in each department at the time and date specified in the Fair Premium Book and will talk directly to the judge about the exhibits at the time and date specified for judging in the Fair Premium Book; often this occurs on the same date but not always. Be sure to check the Fair Premium Book. Exhibits are <u>not</u> compared with other exhibits in the same lot number but are judged on their own merit. The judge may award the ribbon and premium which he/she believes is appropriate without regard to Danish system percentages.

Additional Information on Face-to-Face/Conference Judging

What if an exhibitor cannot be present at his/her face-to-face or conference judging?

Exhibitors must exhibit their own entries and be present at the time of judging. If a member must be absent because he/she is exhibiting in another area at the same time or for a reason such as illness, the superintendent of the department must be notified and permission received. Only another exhibitor may take his/her place with the exhibit, not a parent or leader. There is no automatic penalty for exhibitors who are not present for their judging. It is up to each judge to determine how the exhibitor's absence will affect the placing awarded.

What happens to the exhibits after they are judged?

All exhibits remain at the fair until the scheduled pick-up time on Sunday.

When are State Fair and Merit Award selections made?

During pre-fair judging, judges will set aside some of the blue ribbon exhibits for further consideration. After all exhibits have been judged, the judges will select the State Fair and Merit Awards from those exhibits that have been set aside.

General Questions You May Be Asked During Face-to-Face Judging

- What do you like most about this project?
- What do you like least about this project?
- What have you learned in this project?
- What would you like to learn more about in this project?
- Where did you get the idea for this exhibit?
- Where/how did you learn to make this exhibit? Who helped you?
- What was the easiest part of making this exhibit?
- What was the most difficult or challenging part of making this exhibit?
- What would you do differently if you were to make a similar exhibit again?

Please note: Exhibitors in the Family & Child Development Department should refer to the Fair Premium Book for specific questions he/she will need to be ready to answer about his/her exhibit.

Other Face-to-Face Judging Tips for Exhibitors

- When talking with the judge, sit up straight and speak with confidence. You are talking about yourself and your exhibit, so you should know your stuff! Look the judge in the eye when talking with him/her. Eye contact is a very important part of effective communication.
- If you don't know the answer to a judge's question, it's better to admit it than to make up an answer.
- Face-to-face judging is meant to be an educational experience, so don't be afraid to ask the judge some questions about the exhibit or project.
- Be courteous and polite at all times. At the end of your discussion with the judge, be sure to thank him/her for his/her comments.



8	JULY 2019 CALENDAR		
Extension	See the online calendar at <u>fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock</u> for the most complete and up-to-date listing of	of events.	
1	DEADLINE: Ag Adventure Land at Rock Co. 4-H Fair Volunteer Sign Up Due		
4	Extension Office Closed – Holiday	<u> </u>	
5	DEADLINE: Fair T-Shirt Orders for Early Purchase Discount	<u> </u>	
7	Carcass Contest Steer Drop Off at Sorg's, N4290 US-14, Darien – 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.		
9	State 4-H Youth Plant Science Day, Waushara Co. Fairgrounds, Wautoma – 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Walk-ins welcome!		
11	Dog Project Training; Continues Every Thursday, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 6:30 p.m. Horse & Pony Project Steering Committee Meeting, Location TBA – 7:00 p.m.		
12	4-H Dairy Goat Project Meeting, Sale Arena, Fairgrounds – 7:00 p.m.		
13	4-H Fair Horse Show, Shotliff Farm, Evansville – 9:00 a.m. 4-H Fair Horseless Horse Exhibit Entry, Shotliff Farm, Evansville – 11:00 a.m. 4-H Fair Rocket Launch and Spot Landing, Thresherman's Park, Edgerton – 7:30 to 11:00 a.m. 4-H Fair Small Engines Judging, Thresherman's Park, Edgerton – register 11:00 a.m.; judging 11:30 a.m. Poultry Barn Set-Up – 8:00 a.m. Junior Softball Tournament, Schilberg Park, Milton		
14	4-H Fair Pony Show, Shotliff Farm, Evansville – 9:00 a.m. Carcass Contest Barrows Drop Off, Sales Arena, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Carcass Contest Lamb Drop Off, Sorg's, N4290 US-14, Darien – 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Senior Softball Tournament, Schilberg Park, Milton		
15	Cloverbud Fair Judges and Assistants Meeting, Extension Building – 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.		
16	Cloverbud Field Trip to Henry Vilas Zoo, Madison – 8:30 to 2:00 p.m. 4-H Camp Staff Team Training Session, Extension Building, 3506 N. US Hwy. 51, Building A, Janesville – 6:30 to 8:30 p.m		
17	Horse & Pony State 4-H Horse Expo Exhibitors Meeting (+ Expo Entries Due), Location TBA – 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.		
18	Carcass Educational Programs for Market Lambs (6:00 p.m.) and Market Steers/Market Barrows (6:30 p.m.) at Sorg's		
20	4-H Fair Bicycle Tour de 4-H, Lions Beach Pavilion Parking Area, 1401 Palmer Dr., Janesville – 8:00 to 11:00 a.m.		
20-21	Barn Decorating, Fairgrounds – 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	(
20-22	Rock Co. 4-H Fair Exhibitor Wristbands On Sale, Fairgrounds – 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (8 p.m. on Mon., July 22)	For all Fair	
21	DEADLINE: Rock Co. Dairy Project Photography Contest Entries Due Sheep Shearing Event, Lux Farm, 6344 E. Lone Lane Road, Janesville – 8:00 to 9:30 a.m.	judging times and project info, refer to the Fair	
23	DEADLINE: Fur & Feather Scholarship Applications Due DEADLINE: Rock Co. Poultry Project Photography Contest Entries Due Fair Royalty Ceremony for Crowning of King/Queen, Craig Ave. Pavilion, Fairgrounds – 7:00 p.m.	Premium Book or Fair website www.rockcounty	
23-28	Rock Co. 4-H Fair – See the 2019 Fair Premium Book for Judging Times!	4hfair.com,	
25-28	HeatWave Performs at Rock Co. 4-H Fair, Food Fair Stage – 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.; Sun. at 2:00 p.m.	or call the	
27	Fair Scavenger Hunt, Blue Ribbon Pavilion, Fairgrounds – 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.	Fair Office at	
28	Rock Co. 4-H Fair Alumni Assoc. Annual Meeting & Social, Craig Ave. Pavilion, Fairgrounds – 9:30 a.m.	608-755-1470.	
31	DEADLINE: Thank You Notes Due at Fairgrounds Clean-Up for Meat Animal, Fur & Feather, Dairy Auction Rock Co. Fairgrounds Clean-Up, Meeting in Stock Pavilion – 9:30 a.m.	Sales	

Extension	AUGUST 2019 CALENDAR See the online calendar at fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock for the most complete and up-to-date listing of events.
1-11	Wisconsin State Fair, West Allis
3	DEADLINE: September Cloverpatch Submissions Due
6	4-H camp staff team training session, Extension Building, 3506 N. US Hwy. 51, Building A, Janesville – 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
9-11	State 4-H Dog Show, Rock Co. Fairgrounds
11	Food Pantry Collection, Rock Co. Fairgrounds—12:15-12:45 p.m. Check online 4-H Calendar for specific location.
11-14	4-H Cabin Camp and Outpost Camp, Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center, Wisconsin Dells
19	DEADLINE: Junior Council Officer Application Forms Due Jr. & Sr. Council Executive Board meeting, Extension Building, 3506 N. US Hwy. 51, Building A, Janesville – 7:00 p.m.
23	September Cloverpatch Posted to 4-H Website at <u>fyi.uwex.edu/4hrock/newsletter</u>
26	4-H Club Chair Share, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds—6:00 p.m. Junior & Senior Council meetings, Craig Center, Rock Co. Fairgrounds – 7:00 p.m.
29	Awards/Recognition Committee Meeting, Hedberg Public Library – 6:00 p.m.

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