



May-June 2017

4-H Informant

PIERCE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

Dear 4-H Family and Friends

My name is Lacey Swetlik, for the past seven months I have been serving as the 4-H Program Assistant intern in the office. Through this experience I have had the chance to meet so many amazing young people and leaders. During this experience I have gotten the opportunity to help with and learn about so many different project areas and events.

One of the most amazing experiences I had the opportunity to learn more about was the STEM projects. I would like to thank Troy Klecker for teaching me about the Robotics project. Some of the other opportunities I have been involved in are the Cloverbud days, Farm and Rural Safety Days, Trip and Ambassador Interviews, small animal project, and horse and pony project. One of my favorite projects in 4-H is the horse project. I was so blessed to have the opportunity to judge Horse Bowl at the Northwest Horse Educational Days.

I want to thank all the 4-Hers, ambassadors, and leaders who have helped make my last seven months such an amazing experience. Through this experience I have grown as a leader, educator, and communicator. I have learned how to work on building adult youth relationships and so much more. This experience will help me majorly as an agricultural education major, and I am so blessed to have had the opportunity to have experienced what I have in the past seven months. Lastly I want to thank everyone in the office for making this experience all it has been.

Sincerely, Lacey Swetlik

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Calendar

May

5 State 4-H Horse Speaking & Demo Contest
6 State 4-H Horse Bowl & Hippology Contest
8 Club Treasurer Night
9 State 4-H Youth Conference Orientation
13 Photography Workshop
15 State Fair Youth Expo Entries Due
15 VIP Training, PCOB, Ellsworth
16 MAQA River Falls
18 Club Treasurer Night
20 Rabbit Fun Show & Showmanship Workshop
20 Canoe Outing
20 Gateway Shoot
22 Horse Committee Meeting
30 VIP Training, River Falls Public Library
31 Livestock Committee Meeting

June

1 Area Animal Science Registrations Due
7 Rabbit & Poultry Workshop

8-10 Badger Dairy Camp
9 State 4-H Doy Agility Show
12 4-H Golf Classic, Kilkarney Hills, RF
14-16 4-H Camp
21 Area Animal Science Days-Wood County
22 Area Animal Science Days-Trempealeau Co.
23 Area Animal Science Days- Dodge County
24 Junior Garden U
26 Horse Committee Meeting
28 Clothing Revue
30-July 2 State 4-H Hunter Jumper & Dressage Show & Clinics

July

6 Treasurers Night, Ellsworth
10 MAQA Ellsworth High School
11 State 4-H Plant Science Day
10-14 Gateway Academy, River Falls

August

10-13 Pierce County Fair

Northwest 4-H Golf Classic

Annual Northwest 4-H Golf Classic will be held Monday June 12, at Kilkarney Hills Golf Club, River Falls.

Registration fee includes: 18 hole green fees, golf cart, lunch, and dinner.

See the flyer/registration form at - <http://pierce.uwex.edu> or call the UW-Extension Office and one can be mailed to you.

Questions Contact Sharon Seibel 612-309-1794 or Sharon@jsmachine.com



My Local Deals Coupon Book to Support Service Learning

Service Learning Trip Winners are selling the "**My Local Deals**" coupon books as a fundraiser for the Service Learning trip to Alaska this summer. Coupon books may be purchased at the Extension Office or from the following trip participants: Grace Larson, Kiley Smith, Ben Anderson, and Aaron Daniels.

Club and Committee Treasurer Nights

We are coming up to the end of the 4-H Fiscal Year for 2016-17. Help is available to get a jump on your Annual Financial Report for your Club or Committee Charter. This year, Charters will again be due in October however the Annual Financial Report from the Charter will be due on Monday, July 17, 2017.

As you wrap up your bookkeeping for 2016-17, we will be offering three 4-H Treasurer Help Sessions to assist You AND your Club/Committee Treasurers get things organized and completed by the July due date. Please plan to bring along your Club/Committee bookkeeping notes, bank statements, checkbooks, and your real live youth Treasurers to one of these Help Sessions.

Dates are: Monday, May 8, PCOB, 7:00 PM

Thursday, May 18, River Falls Public Library Board Room 6:30

Thursday, July 6, PCOB, 7:00 PM

Pierce Co. 4-H Facebook

Please go and Like our Pierce County 4-H Facebook page. This page is currently being kept up to date and has the county's upcoming events, event photos, and much more.

This can be your go-to source for getting information and connecting with other 4-H members/leaders on events.



Leader's Corner

All **NEW** volunteers will have to complete "Mandated Reporter" training, done online, and come in for the "VIP Meeting" with our 4H Agent, Frank.

Step One: Enroll in 4hOnline.com, from your individual profile page, click on "trainings" (toward the top middle of the screen). It will take you to a new screen, click on "Sign Up for a Training" and follow the next screens through to take the Mandated Reporter online training.

Step Two: Sign up for one of the VIP Meetings with Frank. **Please call/email ahead to sign up** - at least by noon the business day before the meeting to let us know you plan to attend. We need at least three people to hold the session. They are about an hour long, and will be held on:

May 15 **VIP Training, PCOB, Ellsworth, 7:00 PM**

May 30 **VIP Training, River Falls Public Library, 6:30 PM**

Background Checks for Continuing Adult Leaders

Background checks on continuing 4-H Leaders are now done online. When your name is up, you will receive an email from a company called GIS with a unique link to their website. Enter the information necessary for your background check to be run. If you have questions about this process talk to Frank or Sandy at the Extension Office. Thank you for continuing to be a 4-H Volunteer Leader.

Tid-bits from the Fair Office



Future Fair Dates

2017 - August 10-13 "Butter Than Any Udder Fair"

2018 - August 9-12 "The All County Reunion"

Fair Sign Program

The fair sign program will be offered again for the 2017 Fair. The Fair Office will be paying your club \$25 for putting up a new sign and/or \$10 for each previously used sign if the dates are changed to help promote the Pierce County Fair. Max payment to club is \$25 for one OR two sided new sign and max is \$10 for updated one OR two sided sign. This is open to 4-H and FFA chapters. Sign must be at least 4 feet by 8 feet (standard sheet of plywood) and include "Pierce County Fair", "August 10-11-12-13", "Ellsworth" and your club/chapter name.

Adopt a Fair Planter

For over 16 years Pierce County fairgoers have enjoyed the beauty of flower planters at the Pierce County Fair. We will run the "Adopt a Fair Planter" program again this year. If your club is interested call the fair office at 715-273-6874. Pots will be available for planting in May. Thank you to the people who have kept their pot year after year and just keep refilling them.

FAIR ENTRY FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AND OUT TO LEADERS

Fair entry forms have been sent to all Organizational Leaders. You will be able to pick up entry forms at you May club meeting. **IF YOU MISS THE MEETING WHEN YOUR LEADER PASSES OUT THE FAIR ENTRY FORMS YOU MUST MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO PICK UP YOUR FORM!! It is NOT your leaders responsibility to get them to you if you missed the meeting.**

The fair book is available on line at: http://www.co.pierce.wi.us/Fair/Fair_Main.php .

The 2017-18 Fair Book is in!! Your club leader will have one per family for you at your next club meeting. This is a 2 year fairbook! KEEP this book as you will use it next year also!! There are a few changes to it already and they are listed at the end of this newsletter. Print the last pages out and keep with your fairbook.

Do you have a question on entering projects for fair? Don't hesitate to call the UWEX Office as we are here to help! Asking questions in advance helps with fair time *errors in entry* so when in doubt, just ask!



Older Youth Canoe Outing

Come join us for a fun day on Lake Wapogasset. We will be taking a bus to Camp Wapo, canoeing to various points on the lake including a stop at the park, have lunch, and canoe back to Camp Wapo before our return to Pierce County.

Where: Lake Wapogasset

When: Saturday, May 20, Leave Pierce County at 7:30 a.m. (bus pick ups from both Ellsworth (PCOB) and River Falls (Shopko) . Return: 2-3 PM

Who: 4-H members who are in 7th grade through high school.

Cost: \$ 25 (Includes canoe rental, bus, and lunch) **See registration information at the end of the newsletter. In the event of inclement weather event will be rescheduled for a later date.**

Registration due May 12th!

Gateway Academy

Gateway Academy will be held July 10-14 at Meyer Middle School in River Falls. See the brochure on our website, or call 715-273-6781 to have one emailed or regular mailed to you. This was emailed once already to all eligible members going into 6-7-8 grade in the fall of 2017.

Performing Arts Festival

Congratulations to all our participants in the Performing Arts Festival. Your talent and hard work was exciting to witness.

CHAMPION MINI-DRAMA - Martell Rushers/Elm Valley Patriots

CHAMPION MUSICAL THEATER - Valley Eagles

CHAMPION PLAY - River Ramblers

CHAMPION GROUP MUSICAL - Town and Country

Pierce County's Got Talent Champion:

Michaela Hasapopoulos - Town and Country 4-H Club - Vocal Solo

Other Placing's for Plays, Mini-Drama, Group Musical and Musical Theater:

Plays

1st Blue - Martell Rushers

Blues - Valley Eagles, Town and Country

Red - Maiden Rock Rockets

Musical Theater

Blue - Rock Elm Skyrockets

Mini-Dramas

Blue - Busy Fingers

Red - Falcon Falls

Group Musicals

Red - Olivet Otters



Performing Arts Fest Results Continued -

Individual and Small Ensemble Music: Champions

Ethan Rupakus, Rock Elm Skyrockets, Vocal Solo
Michaela Hasapopoulos, Town and Country, Piano Solo
Daniel Hasapopoulos, Town and Country, Piano Solo
Dehlia Woltman, Town and Country, Vocal Solo
Moses Hasapopoulos, Town and Country, Piano Solo
Michaela Hasapopoulos, Town and Country, Vocal Solo
Jacob Hasapopoulos, Town and Country, Piano Solo
Timothy Hasapopoulos, Town and Country, Piano Solo
Cedric Kosnopfal, Helpful Workers, Vocal Solo
Thaddeus Kosnopfal, Helpful Workers, Violin Solo
John Peter Hasapopoulos, Town and Country, Piano Solo

Clover Oscars:

Valley Eagles - Play (Fairytale Mystery) Lizzy Shafer & Leigha Prudlow
River Ramblers - Play Emily Odegard & Camilla Johnson
Maiden Rock Rockets - Play Emelia Malles & Parker Junco
Town and Country - Play Sean James & Ashley Kleist
Martell Rushers - Play Raye Schmalstig & Eryka Knutson
Rock Elm Skyrockets - Musical Theater Carol Marsh & Ethan Rupakus
Valley Eagles - Musical Theater (Hansel...) Zoe Larson & Julia Larson
Busy Fingers - Mini-Drama Dawson Peters & Kelton Smith
Falcon Falls - Mini-Drama Grant Herfindahl & Samantha Miller
Martell Rushers - Mini-Drama Morgan Hince & Greg Meyers

Photography: Life in Pierce County

Hope Turvaville, Busy Fingers
Meggan Daniels, Town and Country
Sydney Boyer, Olivet Otters

Belle Peterson, Olivet Otters
Jaci Mader, River Rambler
Sydney Boyer, Olivet Otters

Photography Champions:

Sydney Boyer, Olivet Otters
Jaci Mader, River Ramblers
Belle Peterson, Olivet Otters

Dairy Project

Dairy Committee will be scheduling a Fitting and Showing Workshop. Please watch your email for the date.

Badger Dairy Camp

Badger Dairy Camp is an annual camp held June 8th-10th, and is open to youth between the ages of 12 and 18. This camp, held at the University of Wisconsin Madison campus, provides an excellent opportunity for youth to get hands-on experience learning how to fit and show animals. Youth also learn about the purebred cattle industry and attend workshops including "Roaming through the Rumen". Instructors for the camp include dairy industry leaders, graduate students, and UW professors. Each year the camp is open to one hundred youth, and it fills up quick. **Registration is due May 1st, 2017.** For more information regarding Badger Dairy Camp, and the registration application please visit the link below.

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/dairyyouth/files/2011/03/2017-Badger-Camp-Application.pdf>

Dairy Judging Schedule: The dairy judging practice schedule has been sent to all dairy project families, but you do not need to be in the dairy project to participate in Dairy Judging. If you are not in the Dairy Project or you are not sure what this is all about, come to the first couple of practices to see what Dairy Judging is all about. The coaches are great at explaining the concepts and you will have fun learning more about the Dairy Project. Practices start at 7:30 p.m. Please be on time. Coaches are Peter Coyne 715-760-1140, Tom Knegendorf 715-505-1807 and Bob Traynor 715-977-0499. If you have judged previously and know of member s in your club who might be a little shy about trying it, please bring them along.

Wed. April 26- Tony and Marsha Shafer- 715-778-4267, W2614 Cty. Hwy. G, Elmwood, Wi. 54740

Wed. May 3- Leon, Rose, and Jerry Henneman 715-273-3297, N5523 450th St., Ellsworth, Wi. 54011

Wed. May 10- UWRF Dairy facility

Wed. May 17- Matt Brahmer- 715-308-8520- 84 Hwy 29, Spring Valley,

Wed. May 24-- Albert, Peggy, Tom and Kate Knegendorf- 715-505-1807 N8296 30th St., Spring Valley, Wi.

Wed. May 31- Mitch Thompson 715-308-4453 5078 430th St. Ellsworth

Wed. June 7- Phil Linehans- 715-222-7914 888 Coulee Trail, Hudson

Tues. June 13- District Holstein Show at Pierce Co Fairgrounds 10:00 am

Wed. June 14- Eric Bechel at Honeycrest Farms Inc.- 715-977-0499 N6914 Cty Rd. BB, Spring Valley, Wi. 54767

Sun. June 18- Reasons at Bob Traynor's house (Srs. Only) 7:30

Thurs. June 22- Area Animal Science Days- Trempeleau County -Galesville

Mon. July 18- State Judging Contest- Marshfield (if we qualify) Please mark the contest dates on your calendar now and keep them open

Hope to see you at the practices! Thanks; Peter, Bob and Tom

State Plant Science Day 2017

Looking for a fun way to learn about Horticulture? Plan to attend State Plant Science Day, Tuesday, July 11th, 2017 at Waushara County Fairgrounds, Wautoma, WI

State 4-H Plant Science Day will be held Tuesday, July 11th at the **Waushara County Fairgrounds in Wautoma**. Youth in grades 3-13 can test their knowledge about plants while learning how to judge and identify a wide variety of plant specimens. Youth can also compete in photography, speaking, poster and floral arranging contests. For study guide information and to prepare for the contest see the **National Junior Horticultural Association** website at <http://www.njha.org/> For additional information contact Chuck Prissel at 715-485-8600 or charles.prissel@ces.uwex.edu.

The contest for participants will be held in the morning, an educational workshop in the afternoon concluding with contest results.

The event begins with registration at 9:30 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m. Registration is \$10.00, which includes all materials, handouts, and lunch. Walk-ins are welcome but pre-registration is preferred for lunch and material count. *Send no money now, but fill out the registration form and mail to:*

State 4-H Plant Science Day, Polk County UW-Extension Office, 100 Polk Plaza, Suite 190, Balsam Lake, WI 54810

Registration Deadline is June 23, 2017 See registration form at end of newsletter

Dog Project

This is the link to the Wisconsin 4-H Dog project:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/dog/> . There you will find on the right sidebar links to the following information: State 4-H Dog Agility Show, State 4-H Dog Obedience and Showmanship Show, Class descriptions and score sheets.

Dunn County 4-H Dog Project will be hosting a Dog Agility Fun Match on Saturday, June 24 at Smarty Paws Agility in Chippewa Falls, WI. For more information, contact the Extension Office

MAQA

The last two MAQA sessions will be held on:

Tuesday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m. at River Falls High School

Monday, July 10th at 6:00 p.m. at the Ellsworth High School Ag Room

PLEASE NOTE - Members who tested out previously will be exempt from the training. **All** other participants must attend and do the activities as there will NOT be a test-out option this year.

Horse Project

Upcoming Events:

Summer Mounted Riding Practices

Date	Times	Focus	Clinician
Wednesday, May 10 th	6-7:30/7:30-9:00	Flexing/Transitions/Ring Etiquette	Sarah Drake
Thursday, May 11 th	6-7:30/7:30-9:00	Flexing/Transitions/Ring Etiquette	Sarah Drake
Saturday, May 13 th	8:30-10:00 10:15-12:00	Showmanship Horsemanship/Patterns	Darren Mitchem
Wednesday, May 17 th	6-7:30/7:30-9:00	Transitions/drills to do at home	Sarah Drake
Thursday, May 18 th	6-7:30/7:30-9:00	Transitions/drills to do at home	Sarah Drake
Wednesday, May 24 th	6:00-9:00	English Equitation/Over Fences	Candice Aspen
Thursday, May 25 th	6-7:30/7:30-9:00	Barrels/Poles	Bud Dorsey
Wednesday, May 31 st	6:00-7:00 7:00-9:00	Test Out Drill	Pierce County Hors Committee

Thursday, June 1 st	6:00-7:00	Test Out	PC Horse Committee
Wednesday, June 7 th	6:00-7:30	Circles/Pockets- Barrels	Sarah Drake
Thursday, June 8 th	6:00-7:30/7:30-9:00	Circles/Pockets-Barrels	Sarah Drake
Wednesday, June 14 th	6:00-7:00 7:00-9:00	Drill Team Showmanship/Grooming/Pleasure	Jon Miller Annie Crouch/Katie Nelson
Thursday, June 15 th	6:00-7:30/7:30-9:00	Gymkhana	Brooke Teske
Wednesday, June 21 st	6:00-7:00	Serpentines-Poles	Sarah Drake
Thursday, June 22 nd	6:00-7:30/7:30-9:00	Serpentines-Poles	Sarah Drake
Wednesday, June 28 th	6:00-7:30 7:30-9:00	Rollbacks-Key Race Drill Team	Sarah Drake Jon Miller
Thursday, June 29 th	6:00-7:30/7:30-9:00	Rollbacks-Key Race	Sarah Drake
Wednesday, July 5 th	6:00-9:00	General Gymkhana	Marissa Wallace
Thursday, July 6 th	6:00-9:00	Trail/Western Riding/Reining	Annie Crouch & Katie Nelson
Wednesday, July 12 th	6:00-7:30 7:30-9:00	Showmanship/Horsemanship Drill Team	Kelly Neidermyer Jon Miller
Thursday, July 13 th	6:00-7:30/7:30-9:00	General Review	Sarah Drake
Wednesday, July 19 th	6:00-7:30	Handoffs-Flag Race	Sarah Drake
Thursday, July 20 th	6:00-7:30/7:30-9:00	Handoffs-Flag Race	Sarah Drake
Monday, July 24 th	6:00-8:00	Flag Presentation Practice	Jean VanderMarliere
Tuesday, July 25 th	6:00-8:00	Flag Presentation Practice	Jean VanderMarliere
Wednesday, July 26 th	6:00-7:30 7:30-9:00	Review/Ring Spearing Drill Team	Sarah Drake Jon Miller
Thursday, July 27 th	6:00-7:30/7:30-9:00	Review/Ring Spearing	Sarah Drake
Saturday, July 29 th	8:30-12:00	Fair Prep Pleasure Clinic	Allie Rhode
Wednesday, August 2 nd	6:00-7:00 7:00-9:00	Drill Team Mock Show	Jon Miller -----

Sheep and Swine Project

2017 Wisconsin State Fair DNA/RFID Animal Identification

Youth interested in showing market sheep, market swine OR breeding stock (commercial crossbred gilts/wether type ewes & rams) at the 2017 Wisconsin State Fair Junior Show **will need to have their animal projects DNA/RFID identified by the State Fair eligibility deadlines listed below.** This identification system allows animals which are DNA/RFID identified through the Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium (WLIC) County and State Fair program to meet State Fair Identification requirements if the process is completed (all forms returned and samples on file) by the Wisconsin State Fair identification deadline postmarks listed.

Market Sheep and Market Swine DNA/RFID identification deadlines (postmark):

Sheep: Monday - May 8, 2017

Swine: Monday - May 8, 2017

***Breeding stock: crossbred gilts/wether type ewes & rams DNA/RFID identification deadline (postmark):** Wednesday - June 7, 2017 (postmark)

Questions related to the DNA/RFID identification process contact: WLIC helpdesk@wiid.org – 888.808.1910

Questions related to Wisconsin State Fair or entry procedures contact: entryoffice@wistatefair.com or 414.266.7000

Rabbit/ Poultry Project

Members in the Rabbit and Poultry Project planning to show at fair during the summer are required to attend one workshop for the year for your species. If you are enrolled in both the poultry and rabbit projects you must attend one rabbit and one poultry workshop in order to show at fair. Members who have been enrolled in the project for more than 4 years are not required to attend the workshops, but it is recommended that you help. Unless you are selling an animal in the market sale, if so you must attend one workshop within your species.

Mark Your Calendars for the Year

May 20th: Rabbit Fun Show and Showmanship Workshop
Time: workshop 9:00a.m. with fun show to follow at 10:30 a.m.
Location: Fair Grounds

June 7th: Rabbit and Poultry workshops covering showmanship and fair information
Time: 7:00p.m. Location: Fair Grounds

July 15th: Blood Testing and Rabbit Tattooing 9-11 a.m.
Workshop 10-11 a.m. topic TBD Location: Fair Grounds



Goat Project

THE SHEBOYGAN COUNTY 4-H GOAT PROJECT INVITES YOU TO THE ANNUAL MULTI-COUNTY GOAT SHOW

WHEN: Thursday, June 22, 2017

WHERE: Sheboygan County Fair Park, Plymouth, WI

WHO: All 4-H Goat Project Members, FFA and Family and Friends

CHECK IN TIME: 8:00 -9:00 a.m.

SHOW TIME: 9:00 A.M. Showmanship

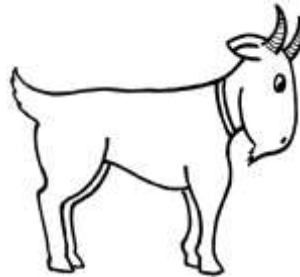
ENTRY FEE -\$2.00 per animal due June 16, 2017 Showmanship classes are free

LATE FEE -\$3.00 after June 16, 2017

Judging will be done using the ADGA and NPGA scorecards

CONTACT LORI KNUTSON AT PARADISEACRESLJK@MSN.COM

OR 414-640-6387 TO REGISTER.



Foods Revue

Congratulations to all our participants in Foods Revue which was held Sunday, April 30. Cloverbud participants were: Emmaline Pechacek-Country Partners, Niki Miller-Falcon Falls, Nevaeh Peters-Busy Fingers and Kassidy Hanson-St. Croix Stars. Good job Cloverbuds!

Blue Ribbon winners included Margaret Pechacek-Country Partners, Samantha Miller-Falcon Falls, Josephine Pechacek-Country Partners, Jocelyn Boyle-Busy Fingers, Kelcey Hanson-St. Croix Stars, Dawson Peters- Busy Fingers, Quinn Emery-Busy Fingers, Claire Anderson-Valley Eagles, Hope Turvaville-Busy Fingers, and Addison Peters-Busy Fingers. Champion Ribbons for this event will be presented at the fair.

Participants are encouraged to look for the Foods Revue poster in the Seyforth Building.



Foods and Nutrition members are encouraged to use the "ChooseMyPlate" website to learn more about the foods they prepare. Check out "Super Tracker" at:

<https://www.choosemyplate.gov/tools-supertracker>

"Super Tracker can help you plan, analyze, and track your diet and physical activity. Find out what and how much to eat; track foods, physical activities and weight; and personalize with goal setting, virtual coaching and journaling."

Clothing Revue



Clothing Revue has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 28 starting at 6:30 PM at the Seyforth Building on the Fairgrounds. Registration materials will be emailed to Clothing, Cloverbud, Explorer, and Knitting and Crocheting members.



Shooting Sports

Pierce County 4-H Shooting Sports Gateway Shoot: May 20

LEADERS: Please pass this info on to all shooting sports members in your club as well!

***Anyone interested in shooting at the Pierce County 4-H Shooting Sports Gateway Shoot please look up registration materials online at:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingsports/events/5th-annual-pierce-county-western-gateway-statewide-shoot/>

Anyone age 9 & over that is enrolled in shooting sports is welcome to attend. You do not have to be signed up for the same disciplines for the fair. However, same rules apply for eligibility. You must be 12 & older to shoot any powder burning events and have successfully completed a certified Hunters Ed course. See more shooting sports summer/fair info at the end of the newsletter.

Tractor Supply Looking for 4-H Clubs

The Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign is right around the corner, starting April 26th and running through May 7th. Add \$1 at checkout, and your money supports leadership activities for Wisconsin 4-Hers.

But, the 4-H Foundation is offering another way for clubs to participate. If your club partners with your local TSC to promote 4-H at the store, the Foundation will give your club \$50.

If you are interested, please contact Joanne at the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation at Joanne@Wis4HFoundation.org or (608) 262-1597. The Foundation will provide contact information for the store in your area, and your club and the store can work together to plan your event. Keep in mind that this opportunity is first-come, first-served (one club per store). Please be sure to contact the Foundation with any questions.

Look for a similar opportunity for the Fall campaign, too!

Wisconsin 4-H International Information

Critical for the success in the 21st century workforce is the knowledge and understanding of other countries, cultures, and languages (U.S. Department of Education, 2012). International exchange programs for youth have the potential to contribute to this most important need by providing authentic experiences for youth that promote the development of culturally aware, global citizens (Arnold, 2014). Wisconsin 4-H is offering that very experience and opportunity for over 50 families this summer! Young people, ages 12-15, from Japan and Korea are looking forward to learning more about 4-H and families in America.

Youth will be coming to Wisconsin, July 22nd through August 19th to participate in a home stay experience. Special trips and tourism are not required to host a delegate, just open hearts and open minds. The young people participating in the exchange are hoping to become a member of a family and build connections and understanding that will last a lifetime.

It's easy to host...trips to the grocery store, chores, 4-H meetings and even a game of cards are activities that will be new and different! Treat this young person as you would treat your own child. The only requirements are that the delegate have their own bed, three meals a day and has adult supervision.

For more information and to complete the online application, please visit

<https://www.states4hexchange.org/>. The world is waiting for YOU to explore! If you have any questions or would like any additional information, please contact Lilly Buchholz, WI 4-H International Programs Summer Inbound Coordinator, at 608.262.2491 or wi4hinternational@ces.uwex.edu.

Robotics

Watch for summer built times to be announced soon.

Area Animal Science Day 2017

Judging Teams and other participants add the following Area Animal Science Dates to your calendar: June 21 - Wood County June 22 - Trempealeau County June 23 - Dodge County
Thanks to these counties for hosting. Rules will be similar to last year. Complete rules and registration information is available at the link:
yi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/files/2014/06/AASD-Registration-Packet-2017.pdf .

June Dairy Month Packets

These packets are made available to 4-H Clubs by the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board. It has things your club might want to use to promote June Dairy Month. All participating clubs receive a \$35.00 gift certificate for WMMB promotional materials. If your club is interested in receiving a kit, contact the UW-Extension Office at 715-273-6781



Older Members Canoe Outing Saturday, May 20th



Join us as we explore Lake Wapogasset and Bear Trap Lake

When: Saturday, May 20th

Departure Time: 7:30AM, Ellsworth, Pierce County Office Building

7:45 AM Shopko, River Falls Departure

Return: About 2:30 PM.

Where: Canoe to various spots on Lake Wapogasset with stops for snacks, lunch and activities.

Cost: \$ 25. Including canoe rental, transportation, and lunch.

Who: 4-H Members who are in 7th grade or older.

Details: We will take a bus from Ellsworth and River Falls to Camp Wapo outside of Amery, Wisconsin. We will be canoeing to various stops on Lake Wapogasset including Lake Wapogasset Park. Lunch and snacks are included

Older Member Canoe Trip May 20th (complete and return this bottom section by May 12th)

Name _____ Grade: _____ Home Phone _____

Parent cell # _____ Member cell # _____

email (please PRINT) _____

Pick Up/Drop Off Location: _____ Ellsworth (Pierce County Office Building)

_____ River Falls: (Shopko)

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Emergency Contact # _____

I would like to Parent Chaperone! Parent Name: _____

Parent Chaperone Youth Protection Completed? _____ Chaperone Cell # _____

Amount Due: _____ \$25 Member _____ \$30 Friend **Please make checks payable to: Pierce County 4-H**

Parent/ Guardian Name (s) and signature: _____

Do you have food allergies? Yes No Health Issues- Yes No

Please list if yes _____

Swim Level (circle) – None Average Advanced Have you canoed before? _____

Pierce County 4-H Shooting Sports Gateway Shoot - May 20th

Pierce County is hosting the 5th annual Gateway Statewide Shoot on May 20th at the River Falls Sportsmen's Club.

~ This is a great opportunity to meet 4-Hers from other counties all over Wisconsin and they already have something in common with you!!

~Open to all 4-Hers enrolled in a shooting sports project that are age 8 and older & in the 3rd grade. However, you are not limited to just the project you are signed up for our fair. For example: If you are an explorer and are only signed up for archery for our fair, you may also shoot air rifle if you have taken the training.

~You must be 12 & have taken a certified DNR Hunter Safety & Education course to shoot any powder burning events such as shotgun, muzzleloader, smallbore pistol or rifle.

~For a complete list of rules & regulations or for registration materials please go to the following link for more information: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingsports/events/5th-annual-pierce-county-western-gateway-statewide-shoot/>

~Volunteers are welcomed. Please contact us at piercecounty4hshootingsports@gmail.com

Summer Shooting Practices

Reminder: Each exhibitor must attend at least one Pierce County 4-H Shooting Sports Committee scheduled practice for each of the following disciplines (powder burning) to be eligible to compete in the Fair Shoots. You only need to attend the disciplines in which you are competing in at the Fair Shoots. Should you not be able to attend a practice, you may submit a letter requesting approval to be excused from the practice requirement. The letter needs to be sent to the Shooting Sports Committee NO LATER than July 5th. HOWEVER, submitting a letter does not automatically excuse you. It must be approved by the committee and you will be given a response letting you know either way.

Letters can be emailed to: piercecounty4hshootingsports@gmail.com or mailed to the extension office with Attn: to the Pierce County 4-H Shooting Sports Committee

*****NO Practices will be held the week of June 26-30th as instructors will be coaching at the National Shooting Sports Championship or July 3-7th in observation of the July 4th Holiday.**

Shotgun:

Thursdays - June 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd 5-8pm River Falls Sportsmen's Club

Smallbore .22 Pistol:

Thursdays - June 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd 6-8pm River Falls Sportsmen's Club

Muzzleloader:

Tuesdays - June 6th, 13th, 20th 6-8pm River Falls Sportsmen's Club
- July 11th, 18th, 25th

Archery:

Thursdays - July 13th, 20th, & 27th 6:30-8pm River Falls Sportsmen's Club

Smallbore .22 Rifle:

Thursdays - July 13th, 20th, & 27th 6:30-8pm River Falls Sportsmen's Club

Practice Fair Shoot for Archery, Air Rifle & Air Pistol:

Thursday, August 3rd 7-9pm Drewiske Building - PC Fair grounds

Fair Shooting Schedules: Dept 16J Classes R-Z

For a complete outline of the Fair Shoots rules, please read your Pierce County Fair Book (Pages 65-69).

Saturday, August 5th - ALL Powder Burning Events & Air Rifle Silhouettes (NEW)

River Falls Sportsmen's Club

Registration & Range times have not yet been finalized. Please be sure to check back in the Fair edition of the 4-H Informant & watch for emails regarding any important information for the powder burning events.

Sunday, August 6th - ALL Archery, Air Pistol and Air Rifle Bullseye target shoots

Pierce County Fairgrounds - Drewiske - Archery Events. Shooting begins at 9am

Arena - Air Rifle and Air Pistol Events. Shooting begins as lines are filled.

Registration FOR BOTH events: 9am-1pm

*****If you are taking events in both barns you need to check in at both barns right away upon arrival. Please do not wait until you finish one before checking in with the other!**

Attending another 4-H Event during the Fair Shoots??

If you are attending another **4-H function** that will conflict with the event you need to be at for the Fair Shoots, special arrangements will be considered, within reason, to allow you to shoot your scoring targets ahead of time. For example, if you will be at the WI State Fair, reasonable accommodations will be considered for exhibitors to shoot their scoring round the week before. These special arrangements **MUST** be requested by submitting a letter to the Shooting Sports Committee NO LATER than July 5th. No exceptions!

Letters can be submitted either by email to: piercecounty4hshootingsports@gmail.com or be mailed to the Pierce County Extension with Attn to: the Pierce County 4-H Shooting Sports Committee. Once reviewed by the committee you will be contacted either way and if approved, arrangements will be made at that time.

For no other circumstance, **other than a 4-H event**, will any exhibitor be allowed to shoot their scoring round at any other time other than the regularly scheduled Fair Shoots.

July 11, 2017 4-H Youth Plant Science Day Registration

County/Chapter: _____

Name	Age as of 12/31/2017*	Horticulture Contest Categories: 4-H, Junior 9-14; Senior 15-20; Youth Open, Adult	Additional Contests <u>Please Designate</u> (Speaking, Demonstration, Poster, Photography, etc.)

*Participation ages for the national contest are based on age at the end of the competition year so please adjust the youth participant's age to reflect this.

Agent/Advisor submitting entry form: _____

\$10.00 Registration fee will be collected at the event and includes lunch. Please do not enclose with the registration form.

If participants require special assistance or have special needs, please call 715-485-8600 or e-mail charles.prissel@ces.uwex.edu.

***Please return no later than June 23 to: Polk County UW-Extension
100 Polk Plaza; Suite 190, Balsam Lake, WI 54810***



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Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. Please do so as early as possible prior to the program or activity so that proper arrangements can be made. Requests are confidential (ADA requirements.)

Pierce County Fairbook corrections:

There have been a few corrections to the new 2017-18 fairbook. PLEASE PRINT OUT A COPY OF THIS PAGE and keep with your fair book.

Page #	Error	Correction
2	JUDGING SCHEDULE 10J – Animal & Vet	Live animal judging presently says Conference Judged on Tuesday. We will notify individual participants IF that changes to Wednesday to match the rest of Animal & Vet.
3	JUDGING SCHEDULE 24J –Mechanical Project	Should read: Class A, <u>G</u> -J, M-O, R judged on Wednesday instead of C-J. C-J is conference judged on Tuesday from 5-6 (see top of page 4)
4	JUDGING SCHEDULE 27J-Knitting/Crocheting 28J-Home Furnishings 29J-Child Development	Judged should be in <u>Kenny Hines Memorial Building</u> not Upper Round Barn
5	JUDGING SCHEDULE 115 – Open Flowers and Houseplants	Check-in time should read: Wednesday noon – <u>4:30</u> pm for both cut flowers & arrangements and container gardening/houseplants
6	PLAQUES Jr. Dairy	13 th plaque down should read: Junior Champion Grade Any Other Breeds Female. Same formatting issues as it but Junior on line above after Peter & Cathie Morrow's name.
8	PLAQUES Jr. Rabbit Plaques Jr. Dog Plaques Other Junior Fair Plaques	Top of page, 3 rd plaque down should read River Valley Cavy Fanciers not Faniciers. 1) 4 th one down should say Grand Champion Dog Pre-Novice through Graduate Novice. (due to formatting Grand appears on line about behind Funk Family) 2) 4 th from bottom – Champion Elementary Dog Agility is sponsored by Town & Country 4-H not County 1 st plaque should say Grand Champion Animal & Vet. Same formatting issues as in dogs. Grand is listed behind “sponsored by:”
32	BEEF Age Classifications	Senior Yearling should read: born between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31 (not Dec. 1)
48	POULTRY Class R – Market Poultry (Second column, rule 2	Auction weigh-in should be <u>arena barn</u> not Drewiske barn
59	CATS Class F – Cage Decoration (column 1)	New <u>2017 & 2018 themes</u> did not replace the 2015 & 2016 themes so watch Informant for future themes. We will get them out as soon as they are chosen.
99	SCHOOL EXHIBITS	Second column – lot 18 should read Paper Collage not College

MAP - On page 10 of your fairbook is the map of the fairgrounds. It was formatted funny and did not all come out so **the map is on the next page.** Print out this page with corrections and the map on the back, and keep in your 2 year fair book!

