



The Cloverleaf Crier

Dear 4-H families,

Starting new, creating something different and participating in the unknown can be very challenging or even scary. September is a time of beginnings. The kids start a new grade in school. The leaves are beginning to change color. And we are underway of a new 4-H year.

Looking ahead at our new 4-H year, we have the chance to make change, if we see it necessary. It is one of the reasons why 4-H is over 100 years old. Along with keeping our traditions, we've also adapted and changed with what was going on around us.

This is the time when committees are forming, bylaws and budgets are being reviewed and the calendar is being set. As you are all working on this, take the time to think about why you are doing something. Is it because this is how it has always been done? Is it going to further the education and skills of the youth in the program? Is it potentially a risk of whether or not the youth will participate? By asking questions and looking for feedback from the rest of the group, you will be able to help the committee/project/club grow even stronger.

As members, this is also your time to try something new. Join a committee that you had questions about or an interest in. Or, take a new project this year to learn about. This is your time to gain skills that you can take with you into the future.

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is process; working together is success."
– Henry Ford

Linda & Sarah

SEPTEMBER 2015

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4HONLINE

Re-Enroll Members/Leaders

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OVERVIEW

This document explains the process of a family re-enrolling members and leaders in 4HOnline.

GETTING STARTED

To get started with the re-enrollment process, log into 4HOnline with your family email and password.

On the family home screen, click on the orange button labeled **Continue to Family**.

On your Member/Volunteer list, find the family member you wish to re-enroll and click on Edit next to their name.

RE-ENROLL

At the bottom of the next screen, click on the button for **Enroll for 2015-2016**.

If the youth is over 17 years old, a box will appear asking if you wish to enroll as a youth or an adult. If the youth is graduating from 4-H and wants to continue as an adult leader, then choose **Enroll As Adult**, otherwise select **Enroll as Youth**.

You will now see the Personal Information that you entered when you first enrolled. Look over the information and make any corrections. If the youth was in 12th grade last year, you must select the grade for this year, either **Post High School Education** or **Not in School**. When you are done, click on **Continue**.

Next is the Additional Information screen where you will need to accept the agreements and answer the Photo Release and Accommodations questions. Click **Continue** when done.

The Health Form for members is optional at enrollment, but you could be asked to complete it in the future if you attend any events that require one. Click **Continue** when done.

If you are an adult volunteer and see the Volunteer Screening page, then it has been 4 years since the last time a background check has been completed. You need to check over the answers to the questions and correct as needed. This page will only appear every 4 years. Click **Continue** when done.

On the Participation -> Club screen, confirm the correct club is listed. If you serve in a volunteer role (but not as a project leader) click on **Edit** and select the volunteer type. Click on **Update** to save the change. Click on **Continue** when done.

On the Participation -> Projects screen, confirm all the projects you are enrolled in are listed. Add any missing projects. If you are dropping a project, click on **Edit** for that project and then click on **Delete**. After making sure all your projects are listed correctly, click on **Submit Enrollment**.



September 2015

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| | | <p>1 Swine Weigh-In, 3-7 pm, Fair Park</p> <p>H & P Stall Cleaning & Decorating, 6-8 pm</p> <p>Arts Camp Registration Due</p> | <p>2 Club Booth Setup, 1-3 pm, Fair Park</p> <p>Club Booth Judging, 3-7 pm, Fair Park</p> <p>Beef & Sheep Weigh-In, 4-7 pm, Fair Park</p> <p>2nd Fair Judging Day, 4-7 pm, Fair Park</p> <p>Youth Building Display 4-8 p.m.</p> | <p>3 Fair</p> <p>Western Drill Team Practice, 4 pm, Plymouth Fair Park</p> <p>Meat Animal Sale, 7 pm</p> | <p>4 Fair</p> | <p>5 Fair</p>  |
| <p>6 Fair</p> <p>4-H Dog Exhibition at Fair, 8 am setup</p> | <p>7 Labor Day - UWEX Office Closed</p> <p>4-H Day at the Fair</p> <p>Blue Ribbon Small Animal Auction, Showcase of Champions, 4-H Anything Goes</p> <p>All of the above are in the Coliseum, Fair Park starting at Noon</p> | <p>8</p> | <p>9</p> | <p>10 Carcass Contest, 7 pm, Newton Meats, Newton</p> | <p>11 All Meat Animal Sale Thank You Letters due to UWEX by 4:30 pm</p> <p>All Livestock Proj. Trophy/Medallion Sponsor Thank You Letters due to UWEX by 4:30 pm</p> | <p>12 State Gymkhana</p> |
| <p>13 State Gymkhana</p> | <p>14</p> | <p>15 Ambassadors, Mtg., 6:30 pm, Youth Bldg., Fair Park</p> <p>Ldrs. Assoc. Budget Review, 5:30 pm</p> | <p>16</p> | <p>17 H & P State Expo thru Sept. 20</p> <p>Dairy Proj. Trophy/Showcase of Champions Thank You Letters due to UWEX by 4:30 pm</p> <p>Cat Proj. Brd. Mtg., 6:30 pm</p> | <p>18</p> | <p>19</p> |
| <p>20 Dog Proj. Cleanup Fundraiser, Fair Park, 3 pm</p> | <p>21 2015 Fair Review/4-H Ldrs. Assoc. Mtg., Spotlight—Older Youth Trips & Experiences, 6/7 pm</p> <p>Dog Proj. Brd. Mtg., 7:15 pm</p> | <p>22 Livestock/MAS Year in Review Mtg., 7 pm</p> | <p>23</p> | <p>24 4-H Open House, 6:30 pm, Fair Park</p> | <p>25</p> | <p>26</p> |
| <p>27</p> | <p>28 Horse & Pony Committee Mtg., 6 pm - Youth 6:30 pm - Full</p> | <p>29</p> | <p>30</p> | <p>Please call 920.459.5908 for meeting cancellations or changes due to inclement weather. Most meetings will be held on the UW Sheboygan Campus, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan unless an alternate location is listed. Please call if you have any questions...459.5903.</p> | | |

October 2015



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| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 MAS Mtg., 7:15 PHS Ag Room | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| National 4-H Week | | | | | | |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 Club Officer Training, 6:30 pm Cat Proj. Brd. Mtg., 6:30 pm | 16 | 17 Enchanted Forest, 1—3 pm, Camp Riverside |
| 18 | 19 4-H Ldrs. Assoc. Exec. Brd. Mtg., 7 pm Dog Proj. Brd. Mtg., 7:15 pm | 20 Project Award Interviews, 4:30 pm Youth Assoc./ Ambassadors, 6:30 pm | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 Horse & Pony Committee Mtg., 6 pm - Youth 6:30 pm - Full | 27 | 28 | 29 Fall General Ldr. Training, 6:30 pm New General Leader training, 6 pm | 30 | 31 |

GENERAL INFORMATION

4-H OPEN HOUSE

We will be holding our annual Open House on Thursday, September 24th in the Youth Building at the Sheboygan County Fair Park in Plymouth from 6:30-7:30 p.m. We hope to reach youth from throughout the county at one great event!

We need clubs, project leaders, members, and families to join the fun. We are looking for hands on activities for youth and families to learn more about 4-H and the opportunities available to 4-H members and their families. Please call the Extension Office at 459.5903 to sign up for a club or project table or return the registration form at the back of the September Crier!

Invitations to the Open House will go to all Sheboygan County elementary schools and need to be delivered by the first week of September. *Would you be able to help?* Packets of invitations will be available for pickup at the County Fair in the Youth Building office. After the fair, they can be picked up at the Extension office. If you are able to help with delivery, please contact Sarah Tarjeson at 920.459.5915 or sarah.tarjeson@ces.uwex.edu.

NEW MEMBERS IN 4-H

Now is the time to talk with your friends and family about joining 4-H. A personal contact from you is always the best method. 4-H Brochures are available at the Office and why not invite them to our 4-H Open House on September 18th. Let's all work together to let others know about our exceptional program.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK OCTOBER 4 -10, 2015

It is never too early to begin making plans for your 4-H club and family to be involved in National 4-H Week. National 4-H Week is dedicated to 4-H promotion around the country and here in Sheboygan County.

There are so many ways to spread the good news about 4-H...

1. Have your club put together a window display in a local community business place. Registration blanks and information are with your General Leader Packets. The displays should be in place by October 1st.



2. Form a club "Promotion" Committee to plan and design your own promotion and recruitment efforts.

3. Get involved personally (this is always the best way) in recruiting new 4-H members. Talk to your friends, tell them about 4-H and show them how rewarding it can be to be involved.

Get creative and join in the promotional fun! Please let us know if you will be doing a Window Display by filling out the Registration Form from your General Leader by October 1st.

4-H GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

4-H graduation signifies the successful completion of a 4-H career. Members must meet all club rules and guidelines for achievement for their last year of 4-H in order to graduate from 4-H.

- ❖ 4-H graduation occurs in October following the 4-H member's graduation from High School.
- ❖ Optional 4-H graduation will be granted (to 4-H members who so desire) one full year following High School graduation.

STATE 4-H POLICIES

Below is an overview of some important Local and State 4-H policies.

- ❖ The 4-H year is October 1 - September 30, with the fiscal year running July 1-June 30.
- ❖ **Enrollment is allowed anytime during the 4-H year.** Anyone exhibiting in the Sheboygan County Fair, **must be enrolled in his or her projects by March 1st.** If Fair exhibition is not a goal, then enrollment can occur at any time.
- ❖ 1st and 2nd graders will be Cloverbuds. Clubs may decide to accept K5 youth into 4-H as Cloverbuds.
- ❖ Youth may choose to graduate from 4-H the year they graduate from high school OR they may choose to stay in 4-H the year following their graduation from high school.
- ❖ County, State and District event enrollment will be based on the member's grade level. National events will be based on age.
- ❖ **Home-schooled youth enter 4-H activities according to their declared grade.**
- ❖ When switching clubs after March 1st, all records and fair entries will reflect the old club info!



4-H Enrollment and Event Registration

4HONLINE ENROLLMENT

The Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development Program thanks you for your flexibility as they rolled out our new online enrollment program which provides all of the information our previous enrollment system offered and so much more! Families will once again be able to enroll in our Sheboygan County 4-H Program with the ease and convenience of online access starting September 8th.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ENCHANTED FOREST

We need volunteers! Please consider lending your time and talents to help organize 4-H's largest community service project. Contact Shannon at 694-0849 or schurshan@gmail.com if you are willing to help out.

ENCHANTED FOREST DONATIONS

The Camp Riversite Committee is asking for food donations for the Enchanted Forest on October 17. They are looking for individually wrapped cookies, bars, trail mix bags or cash donations to help defray their costs. If any club is interested in donating any of the above, please fill out the form you were sent or contact Barb Scholten at [920.980.4219](tel:920.980.4219). Thank you!

ENCHANTED FOREST "PUMPKIN PLEASER CONTEST"

The Enchanted Forest Committee would like to announce a "Pumpkin Pleaser Contest" to be held in conjunction with the Enchanted Forest scheduled for October 17th at Camp Riversite. The Pumpkin Contest can consist of carved, decorated, or painted pumpkins. Use your imagination! Pumpkins will be judged by visitors to the Enchanted Forest.

Any club, 4-H individual or families may participate. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. There is no need for registration this year. Please bring your pumpkins to Camp Riversite by 11:00 a.m. on October 17th.

SCARECROW CONTEST

We would like to bring back a scarecrow contest this year to be held with the Enchanted Forest. This is a family friendly contest. Scarecrows should be whimsical, humorous, mischievous or lovable--NOT FRIGHTENING! The scarecrows can be traditional, fairytale, humorous, fantasy, or celebrity! Let your imaginations run wild!! Use of bright colors and unique materials is encouraged!

Set up can be either of Friday Oct. 16th between 5-7 pm or Saturday Oct. 17th starting at 9 am. Registration form is in the crier!

RECOGNITION



HATS OFF TO:

*All of our WI State Fair Participants and Chaperones. Once again, Sheboygan County was well represented at the WI State Fair...from projects to performances, from rabbits, chickens and sheep to dairy, beef, sheep and swine, Sheboygan County received several merit awards and honors. Thank you to all of our hard working youth and to their parents and leaders!

*Skeeter DeGroff, Amy Mason, Julie Carbaugh, and everyone who helped with the Youth Building Display! It really looks great for the Fair and we truly appreciate all of your hard work and creativity. A special thank you to everyone who came to assist in the display; your extra help and support was much appreciated.

* Our FANTASTIC Superintendents and Judging Assistants! Each of you helped to keep things running very smoothly on our 2 Judging Days. We appreciate your flexibility and willingness to help others. Over 600 youth had a positive judging experience and over 2500 projects were judged in just 6 hours! Thank you for all your hard work.

*To all of the parents, leaders and members who are helping to get the word out about our 2015 4-H Open House. Thanks to you, every 2nd-4th grade student in the county will personally receive an invitation.

*Bridget Neu for her leadership, time, and dedication to making our #1 fundraiser, the Fair Foodstand, a complete success. The hours spent ordering, planning, receiving shipments, troubleshooting, advising and working have not gone unnoticed! Thank you!

*The Sheboygan County Fair Foodstand Breakfast Crew for helping to provide a great start for our animal project members and other early birds at the fair. This breakfast is a great addition to our foodstand and is a service in addition to a fundraiser. Heidi Widder, Donna Jeske, Lisa Lillesand, Mary TerMaat, Dale Robson, Toni Kreif, Jim Hand, Liz Haag, Richard Koller, Julie Schleicher, Nancy Henschel, Jaimie Simon, Nancy Schleicher, Jeff Wunsch, Joanne Schroeder, Tim Talen, Jamie Froh-Tyrrell, Kathy Froh and Judi Bogenschutz. Thank you!

*The special volunteers who served as crew chiefs and shift leaders as well as shake machinists throughout the Sheboygan County Fair. Crew Chiefs: Mark Breunig, Kathy Froh, Rich Koller, Mary Woodke, Donna Berndt, Dennis Tarjeson, Jessica Ford, Kent Olson, Cheryl Barrett, Lisa Lutzke, Ellis Robson, Kelly Rauch, Tim Krahn, Maria Jesinski, Jackie Samse and Bridgett Neu.

* Kent Olson for helping the Fair Foodstand in this transition year. Kent's help in training our Shake Machinists, receiving product and helping us get off to a great start was invaluable!

* Morgan Johanning, Lauren Rabe, Olivia Rabe, and Savanna Ridge for helping to set up and take down for fair judging day.

JUNE DAIRY MONTH POSTER WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Sheboygan County Dairy Promotion Association announces the winners of the 2015 Dairy Poster Contest:

Taylor Boenisch – Hingham Hand Helpers
Sarah Mechenich – Madison All Stars
Collin Zimmermann – Herman Cheerios
David Foerster – Lima Lites

Ian Kolste – Ourtown Orioles
Morgan Boenisch – Hingham Handy Helpers
Kevin Rauch – Ourtown Orioles

Each of the participants received a monetary award for a job well done. *Posters may be picked up at the Extension Office at any time.

LEADERSHIP

CLUBS CHANGING LEADERSHIP

If your club is planning on changing General Leaders this fall, please notify the 4-H Office as soon as possible. The sooner we know about the change, the more help we can provide to make the transition as smooth as possible. Also, the sooner we know, the sooner we can update our mailing lists so the new leader gets all the information needed!

*NOTE: There will be a NEW General Leader Training on Thursday, October 29 at 6:00 p.m. prior to our Fall General Leader Training at 6:30 p.m.

2015 FAIR EVALUATION and LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEETING UW Extension – Wombat Room Park in West Parking Lot and Enter at Acuity Technology Center (Library) Entrance

Help to maintain and strengthen our relationship with the Sheboygan County Fair Board and keep this end of the 4-H Year Celebration a positive experience for our youth. A fair evaluation and discussion will take place on September 21st at 6:00 p.m. (an hour before our All Parent and Leaders Association Meeting). Come share your highlights and suggestions to make the best better! We have typically held this discussion in conjunction with our All Parent and Leader Meeting, but wanted to make sure we had adequate time to celebrate and share.

The September 4-H All Parent & Leader Meeting will be held on Monday, September 21st at 7:00 p.m. at the UW Sheboygan Wombat Room.

Agenda items will include:

- * Updates to 4H Online Enrollment Process!!!!
- *County Fair Food Stand Report
- *Approve 2015-2016 Budget

- *Election - NEW Executive Board Members
- *Enchanted Forest Information
- *Spotlight on 4-H trips and awards

Don't miss this meeting! Enrollment information for the 2015-2016 4-H year will be shared with clubs. Club Secretary and Reporter Books, Window Display Forms, and Club Achievement Award Sheets can be dropped off at the meeting. Please make every effort to have a parent and/or leader from your club represented. A lot of important information will be shared!

4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTIONS

With the start of a new 4-H year right around the corner, the Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association is accepting nominations for the 4-H Leaders Association Executive Board. Executive Board members provide leadership and direction for the overall Sheboygan County 4-H Program. If you are willing and able to run for the Executive Board, please send a short bio to Nancy Meyer at nancy.meyer@ces.uwex.edu by Wednesday, September 9th. All bios will be e-mailed to all 4-H families prior to the All Parent and Leader on September 21st with elections being held at the All Parent & Leader Meeting.

4-H AMBASSADOR UPDATE

Tuesday, September 15th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. will be our next meeting and it will be dedicated to planning our 26th Annual Open House. We will meet at the Fairgrounds in the Youth Building.

Our 2015-2016 Sheboygan County 4-H Ambassador Program Kick-Off will be held on Tuesday, October 2th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Extension Office. We are looking for outgoing, outstanding, adult and youth leaders to join the fun! 4-H Ambassadors are a special team of 4-H members and leaders that promote 4-H throughout the county; sharing 4-H information and opportunities with others. Being a Sheboygan County 4-H Ambassador is a great honor and a terrific leadership opportunity. To join the team, plan to attend the Ambassador Kick-Off Meeting on October 20th or call 459.5903.

4-H YOUTH ASSOCIATION FALL PLANNING – No September Meeting!

If you've become a little bored with 4-H and are looking for a new avenue to use your talents and share your skills, the Sheboygan County 4-H Youth Association is the place for you! Step out of your comfort zone and join other youth leaders (grades 7 and older) from around the county in planning activities and events for 4-H. From the Older Youth Lock-in to Younger Member Night and Anything Goes, the Youth Association plans something fun for everyone!

The Fall Youth Association Planning Meeting and elections will be held on Tuesday, October 20th at the UW-Extension Office beginning at 7:30 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity to get involved. If you are unable to attend the meeting, but are interested in running for an office or for a position on the Leaders Association Executive Board, please contact Linda at 459.5903 or linda.lueder@ces.uwex.edu.

4-H VOLUNTEER LEADER CERTIFICATION ORIENTATION

Thursday, November 19

10 am – noon & 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 28

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Are you interested in helping young people learn and grow in their 4-H experience? Why not become a Sheboygan County 4-H Volunteer Leader...we need YOU! Becoming a 4-H Leader is simple...you must complete the 4-H Volunteer Leader Application Form, Volunteer Behavior Expectation Form and must attend a Volunteer Leader Certification Orientation. Both forms and the training are necessary for the required Youth Protection Volunteer Leader Orientation Program that was implemented in 1995 to protect our 4-H volunteers and members.

4-H CLUB OFFICER TRAINING
Thursday, October 15, 6:30 pm
UW-Extension Office, Sheboygan

Mark your calendars and plan on attending this year's 4-H Club Officer Training! The training has been revamped and reorganized with more leadership training and FUN!

Being elected a club officer is an honor; along with the honor goes responsibility. This year's training will include specific information/ideas to help you serve in your elected position. Plan now to attend! Get the help you need to prepare for your office! Learn what your duties are, how to perform your duties and ask any questions you may have on how to carry out responsibilities.

A sign-up sheet is in the September General Leader Packet or you can e-mail or call the Extension Office to register.

ANIMAL SCIENCES

HORSEY HAPPENINGS

It's hard to believe 2015's fair is past. It has been a learning year as we have become more technically savvy. We hope that you and your project have grown and developed with all that 4H has to offer. 04H teaches such wonderful life skills such as leadership, integrity, responsibility, fun, positivity and relationships. The horse project still has some fun things to participate in or watch. We have State Gymkhana, State Expo and The Betsy Rohde Memorial Fun Day Show. So get out and have some fun and cheer others on at our fall events!!

We extend a big THANK YOU to the volunteers, leaders, committee members, parents and youth for all of your help this year. We are so lucky to have the great support system to make this project so successful. We had super advice and ideas that we tried to implement throughout the year so keep the ideas coming. Thank you also to the nominees that have offered up their time to help run the project next year.

SEPTEMBER:

- Thursday 9/3 through Monday 9/7 –Sheboygan County Fair
- Saturday 9/12 and Sunday 9/13 – WI State 4-H Gymkhana, State Fair Park, West Allis, WI. Must have been pre-registered by August 15th
- Thursday 9/17 through Sunday 9/20 – WI State 4-H Horse Expo – State Fair Park, West Allis, WI. Register at meeting on Sunday morning of fair 9/6..
- Monday 9/28 – H&P Committee meeting, everyone welcome! 6PM Youth Meeting, 6:30PM Regular Meeting, UWEX

OCTOBER:

- Sunday, October 3- Betsy Rohde Memorial Fun Day Show. Sheboygan County Fairgrounds. 9:00 am until the dust settles. Contact Heather Leinen (920)912-2483 or Julie Kummer (920) 627-3960
- Monday 10/26 – H&P Committee meeting, everyone welcome! 6PM Youth Meeting, 6:30PM Regular Meeting, UWEX

4-H Horse Handbook Cover Contest

Are you talented in the art field? Please share your talents by helping the 4-H horse and Pony Committee by designing the 2015 4-H Horse and Pony Handbook Cover. The cover should be designed on an 8 ½ " x 11" letter sized paper, portrait layout, which is easily reproducible. Black and white is necessary, no color please. Designs can be hand drawn or designed with a computer. Designs should be submitted to the Extension office by Friday, October 9th. The Horse and Pony Committee will select a winner at the October 26 meeting. The winner will receive a Horse and Pony Sweatshirt. The 2nd runner up designs will have their design show cased on the June Show Book Cover and Fair Book Cover. For more information contact Brenda Knutson 920-528-8697 or Brenda Binder 920-838-1327.

DAIRY MOOS & NEWS

Don't forget thank you letters for County Fair Dairy trophy winners are due to UWEX by Thursday, September 17th. Failure to submit original thank you letters stamped, address and return address will result in not being eligible to show at the 2016 County Fair Dairy Show. Thank you letters are vital to helping solicit quality awards each year!

ELECTION TIME FOR LARGE ANIMAL COMMITTEES

Nominations are now being accepted for positions on the 4-H Dairy Committee, 4-H General Livestock Committee and the Meat Animal Sale Committee. Youth nominees for the Dairy and Livestock Committees must be ages 14-17 to complete the term. Elections will occur during the first part of October.

If you are interested in running for any one of the positions on the Dairy Committee, please contact 4-H Dairy Committee Chair, Heidi Ridge at 467.4241.

If you're interested in the Livestock Committee, please contact the Livestock Committee Chair, Ann Hand at 920-912-2817, if you're interested in running for the Meat Animal Sale Committee, please contact Meat Animal Sale Chair, Jonathan Wimmeler at 920-980-2274. We are always looking for new committee members to help move our projects and programs forward. If you have ideas and are committed to making a difference, why not consider running for a position.

MEAT ANIMAL SALE EVALUATION MEETING

The Meat Animal Sale Committee will be holding its end of year Meat Animal Sale Evaluation Meeting on Tuesday, September 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the UW-Extension Office. All 4-H Livestock Project Members, Parents and Leaders are encouraged and invited to attend. The Meat Animal Sale Committee is committed to providing a quality Meat Animal Sale for youth involved in the Livestock Projects and they would like to hear any new ideas, thoughts and or concerns to improve the sale.

The Meat Animal Sale Committee will be discussing the following topics at the Evaluation Meeting...

- * 2015 Meat Animal Sale Review
- * Meat Animal Sale Committee Elections
- * Meat Animal Sale Contract Review

The Meat Animal Sale Committee would like to thank all the youth and adult volunteers who helped throughout the year to make this year's sale a success; the time committed to raising quality animals and promoting the sale makes a difference. A special thank you to Donna Jeske and the Pre-Sale Meat Committee for all their hard work and dedication!

Dog Project

Great job at the County Show on Aug. 15! We had a good day demonstrating what the kids and dogs have learned this year. The judges provided some excellent tips for working with and showing our dogs. Photographs can be seen at www.photographybypeterjames.com.

Thanks to the parents and friends who helped out at the County Show and throughout the training season. We would not be able to have this project without your involvement.

Thanks to our trainers: Jackie Filipiak, Kaye Bennett, Robin Baake, Theresa Theobald, Angela Buesing, Katy Lancour, Kristi Hopkins, Katy Vergeront, Colleen Kodet, Becky Gartman, Amy Daul, and Taylor Perronne. We appreciate the commitment you make to our program, and the time you spend with the kids and dogs throughout the summer.

We will be doing a demonstration at the Sheboygan County Fair on Sunday morning, Sept. 6. Meet at 8 AM for setup in the Coliseum, show starts at 9. Dogs must leave the fairgrounds right after the demonstration. Everyone is welcome to participate, the more the merrier.

As a fundraiser, we will be cleaning up after the All-Breed Dog Show on Sunday, Sept. 20. Meet at the Little Free Library at the Sheboygan County Fairgrounds at 3 PM. You can come early and watch the show, if you like.

We will have a display at the 4-H Open House on Sept. 24. This is a chance for new families to check out the 4-H program. If you'd like to share your enthusiasm for the dog project with prospective members, we'd love to have your help! Please email Katy Vergeront (kathryntait@yahoo.com) or Sarah Britt (ozzy.britt@gmail.com) to get involved.

Ballots for Dog Board Elections will be mailed out in September.

Next Board meeting will be September 21, 7:15 PM at UWEX.

4-H AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

An Evening of Celebration and Appreciation at Acuity Corporate Headquarters

We are looking forward to a phenomenal 4-H Awards and Recognition Program to be held at the Grand Acuity Insurance Building. Clover, Project, Community Builders, Secretary, Reporter Awards, Trip and Key Award Announcements and Leaders Recognition will be included in this wonderful evening on Monday, November 30th. Beverages and Hor d'oeuvres will be served starting at 6:30 p.m. with the program beginning at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in helping with this epic celebration...please let your 4-H Staff know by calling 920.459.5903!

A HUGE packet of information has been put together to better help 4-H members and their families understand the process and opportunities available for awards, trips and recognition. Individual applications can be found online <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/current-programs-registrations/>

This packet includes all of the information that you would need to take your 4-H experience to the next level of opportunity and recognition and is available from your general leader. All of the opportunities in this packet are recognized in one way or another during our 4-H Awards and Recognition Celebration on November 30th at Acuity. Pay close attention to the varied deadlines and interview dates for these applications.

| Award Name | Grade/Age Eligible | Deadline | Interviews |
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| Project Awards | 6th grade and up | October 1, 2015 | October 20, 2015 |
| Friend of 4-H/Meritorious Service Award | Typically Adults | October 16, 2015 | N/A |
| Clover Awards | 3 rd grade and up | October 16, 2015 | N/A |
| Cloverbud Achievement Awards | 2 nd grade only | October 16, 2015 | N/A |
| Trips/Experiences | | | |
| 4-H Space Camp | 6-8 grade | No County Application/Interview Necessary! | |
| WI 4-H & Youth Conference | 7 - 10 grade | November 1, 2015 | November 17, 2015 |
| National 4-H Conference | 10-12 grade | November 1, 2015 | November 17, 2015 |
| American Spirit | 8 -10 grade | November 1, 2015 | November 17, 2015 |
| Citizenship-Washington Focus | 10 -12 grade | November 1, 2015 | November 17, 2015 |
| Wisconsin 4-H Key Award | 11-12 grade | November 1, 2015 | November 17, 2015 |
| National 4-H Congress | 11-12 grade | November 1, 2015 | November 17, 2015 |

All applications should be returned to the UW-Extension Office, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081 by the printed due date.

Applications for the County Project Awards are available on-line <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/current-programs-registrations/>

Please be sure the application and direction sheets you have say Rev. July 2015 on them. All members who have **completed 6th grade** or above are eligible to apply for these awards. Use the grade you were in this past school year, not the grade you will be in when school starts in September.

Each person may apply for a maximum of three awards. You must submit a separate application for each award category you want to apply for. Please include only the information related to the award category you are applying for. Example: If you are applying for Communication Arts, Leadership and Overall Achievement, you should be submitting 3 separate application forms. The Communication Arts applications would only include information related to the Communication Arts category including leadership in the communication arts area. The Leadership application should only include leadership activities. This would include your leadership in the Communication Arts area as well as all of your other 4-H leadership activities from the past year on both the club and county level. The overall achievement application should tell us what you have done in your project areas including what you learned this year. It should also include community service and leadership activities as well as any other club, county, and state 4-H sponsored activities you took part in during the past year including trips, fundraising and recreational activities.

****DON'T FORGET:** Members applying for leadership or overall achievement need to have a general leader signature. Please allow enough time for your General Leader to read your application and sign it so it can be turned in on time.

Applications must be dropped off at the Extension Office or postmarked on Thursday, October 1st. Only project work and activities from the current 4-H year (after the 2014 County Fair through the 2015 County Fair) should be included on the application. Please read the instructions carefully and follow them.

Interviews are scheduled for Tuesday, October 20th. Members unable to attend the interviews, such as those away at college, are still eligible to apply. Please indicate your reason for not being at the interviews on your application.

SECRETARY & REPORTER AWARDS

The Sheboygan County 4-H Leader's Association annually provides awards to Club Secretaries and Reporters. In order to be considered for this optional opportunity for recognition Jr. and Sr. 2014-15 Awards, your Club's Secretary and Reporter Books need to be brought to the Extension Office by October 1st. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Nancy at 459.5903!

COMMUNITY BUILDERS

The Community Builders Awards are an optional opportunity for club recognition. Community Builder reports are due at the Extension Office by October 1st. The Sheboygan County Form should be used as a guide to submit your report. A Form is included in this month's General Leader Packet.

The Community Builder Awards will again be given at the Clover Award Ceremony on Monday, November 30th. Take the challenge and share your club's Community Service Activities for 2014-15.

FRIEND OF 4-H AND MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Want to nominate someone for the Friend of 4-H or Meritorious Award? Look over the criteria below and submit the nomination form found in this month's Crier to the Extension Office by October 1st!

Criteria for Friend of 4-H Award: An organization/individual who has made...

- contributions to the 4-H program on the county level.
- contributions that are significant in nature and have a positive impact on 4-H program goals.
- contributions that represent continuing support over time.

Criteria for Meritorious Award: A certified 4-H leader on the club, county or state level who . . .

- has made exceptional contributions to the Sheboygan County 4-H program that go above and beyond the normal, in their club, at the state level or in the community.

Final decisions for awards will be made by the officers of the Sheboygan County 4-H Executive Board. These awards may or may not be given out every year; the decision is made at the discretion of the committee.

CLOVER AWARDS

Another spectacular year in 4-H is coming to a close. As you take time to reflect on your accomplishments, also take time to apply for one of the most outstanding 4-H awards...the Sheboygan County 4-H Clover Award.

Applying for a Clover Award is simple! All you have to do is complete a Clover Award Application (be sure you are using a July 2015 revision dated application,) have your General Leader check it over and drop it off or mail it to the Extension Office by October 16th.

Clover Awards are earned by taking part in 4-H activities throughout the year on a club, county, state and national level. There are five award levels and points towards the Clover Award are earned by taking part in a wide variety of 4-H opportunities. If the Clover Award is new to you, and you would like to find out more about it, ask your club leader or call the Extension Office.

CLOVERBUD ACHEIVEMENT AWARD

Sheboygan County Cloverbud members currently in 2nd grade of the current 4-H year are eligible to apply for this county-wide special recognition program. The Cloverbud Achievement Award is designed to recognize 4-H Cloverbuds for active participation during their 2nd grade Cloverbud year. The award can only be received once. All forms are due on October 16th.

TRIPS AND WISCONSIN KEY AWARD

Check out the great opportunities to travel, make new friends and grow with 4-H. More information can be found at <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/current-programs-registrations/>

- 4-H Space Camp, Huntsville, Alabama (6-8 grade)
- WI 4-H & Youth Conference Madison, WI (7 - 10 grade)
- American Spirit New England States (8 -10 grade)
- National 4-H Conference Atlanta, GA (10-12 grade)
- Citizenship-Washington Focus Washington D.C. (10 -12 grade)
- National 4-H Congress, Maryland (11-12 grade)
- Wisconsin 4-H Key Award (11-12 grade)

Applications due November 1st. Interviews will be held November 17th!

NEW THIS YEAR!!!
Outdoor Fall Project Day
October 3, 9 am – noon
Camp Riversite

Check your email for registration form after the fair or contact the UWEX Office.

4-H Open House
September 18, Fair Park, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Name: _____

Club/Project: _____

Email or phone #: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Circle number of tables needed: 1 or 2

Other equipment needs: _____

Return to: 4-H Open House, UWEX, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081.

Enchanted Forest Scarecrow Contest Entry Form

Group Name or Person: _____

Contact Person for Group: _____

Phone No.: _____

Email: _____

Mail to: UWEX, 4-H Youth Development, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081 by
October 9th.

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The Cloverleaf Crier

THE CLOVERLEAF CRIER is published monthly for members, leaders and friends of 4-H to inform them of coming events and activities.

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