



4-H Leader Line



Winnebago County 4-H Leaders' Bi-Monthly Update

June 2017

Greetings 4-H Leaders! The Leader Line was started in April of 2016 to increase communication between bi-monthly newsletters to Organizational Leaders. This month we are adding all Leaders (Organizational, Project and Key) to the distribution of the Leader Line. Youth members do not currently receive this communication. Please share news found here at your next club/project/committee meeting! We welcome feedback on continuing to improve this resource. Contact Jody, Sarah or Carol with ideas and suggestions.

Chris Kniep is retiring!

Chris Kniep (UW-Extension Department Head and Family Living Educator) is retiring after 33 years of service to our office and the people of Winnebago County. Chris is a huge advocate of the 4-H program and has contributed to making our program great in countless ways over the years. Anyone who would like to share their well wishes with Chris are invited to her retirement party on Tuesday, June 27 from 2 – 4 pm at the James P. Coughlin Center (JPCC).

Adult Chaperones needed for Camps

Adults chaperones help make camp a great experience for campers by participating in activities with them, encouraging youth to try new things, offering a listening ear, providing a sense of safety and security and supporting youth counselors who lead activities. Come be part of the fun! Call the Extension Office to sign up.

- **Summer Camp July 5-8**
Upham Woods, Wis Dells
- **Cloverbud Camp Overnight July 12**
JPCC (July 12 8:00pm – July 13 8:00 am)
Adult volunteers are also invited to join us for dinner and activities starting at 5:30pm July 12

Swimming/Deep Water Activities Require a Lifeguard

With summer comes lots of opportunity for fun water activities. If your club/group is planning a swimming or similar water activity, remember that State 4-H policy requires a lifeguard be present for any swimming/water activity including home pools, hotel pools, tubing, etc. Call the Extension Office if you need more information.

Annual Leader Training

We are continuing to offer dates for volunteers to complete this year's annual training. Clubs are required to send at least one leader to this training, so if your club has not yet attended, please call the Extension Office to sign up. New volunteers are also required to complete this training. Anyone else who is interested in refreshing their volunteer knowledge is also welcome to sign up. Topics in this year's training include learning about Cooperative Extension and how volunteers contribute, reporting child abuse & neglect, how to create safe learning environments and discussion of the four cornerstones of 4-H Youth Development: Essential Elements, Life Skills, Experiential Learning and Youth-Adult Partnerships. Upcoming dates:

- **Thursday June 15: 6:30pm to 8:30pm, JPCC**
- **Friday June 16: 12:30pm-2:30pm, JPCC**

Leader Training Requests

Do you have a great idea for future leader training? Please share it with us. We would like to offer leader training throughout the next year at the county level as well as to individual clubs/projects/committees. Let us know what you're interested in learning about or what would help make your job as a volunteer easier! We are able to take requests to meet individual group's needs.

Club Charters

Organizational Leaders, it is that time of year to start thinking about what you will need to complete your club charter for 2017-2018. We will be sending out the financial form for the Charter in July, to be completed and returned by the end of August. This includes a copy of your end of year (June 30, 2017) bank statement. Please call Jody with any questions on Charters.

Meet Jody!

If you have an upcoming meeting or event you would like Jody to attend, please contact her. She is interested in meeting 4-Hers' and seeing what's happening around the county.

Record Books

Youth learn important life skills from completing record books. In addition to basic book keeping and record keeping skills that are used throughout life, record books help youth reflect on what they've learned. Reflection is part of the Experiential Learning model used by 4-H to enhance teaching and help reinforce learning. Encourage youth to complete a record book this year! Visit <http://winnebago.uwex.edu/4-h-record-book-forms/> where you can view, save, and print PDF and Word Document versions of ALL record book pages. Don't forget - Outstanding Record Books will be recognized at the county level in the fall.

Ambassadors

Look for the 4-H Ambassadors at several local parades this summer. If you are interested in walking in a parade to help promote 4-H, please contact Joe Kuehnl 920-836-1736. Upcoming Parades:

- **Clayton Fest Parade:** Saturday, June 10
- **Parade of Lights, Neenah:** Monday, July 3

Winnebago County Dairy Breakfast on the Farm

Come out to the Omro Dairy **June 11** for Breakfast on the Farm. Anyone interested in helping out with the Commodity Carnival in the youth education tent should contact Sarah.

Cloverbud Camp Registrations Available

4-H Cloverbud Camp will be taking place July 11-12 at the Oshkosh Town Hall. Camp includes a potluck dinner with families and an optional overnight on July 12. Children who are currently enrolled in kindergarten-second grade are encouraged to enroll for these days of games, crafts, songs and fun. Registration Form: <http://counties.uwex.edu/winnebago/files/2010/09/Cloverbud-Camp-application.pdf>

Lego Club

Build, explore and learn through hands-on LEGO WeDo and NXT Mindstorm programs. Free to all youth.

Thursday, July 20 6:00-7:30pm at JPCC

Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA) Date

- June 28- 7:00 pm at the JPCC

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UWEX Website: <http://winnebago.uwex.edu/>

<https://www.facebook.com/4hwinnebagocounty/>

Fair Volunteers Needed!

- During Expo judging (Monday & Tuesday), we need help with: recording names and entries, hanging/ displaying entries, helping with ribbons and more. Contact the Extension Office.
- 4-H clubs are also asked to help monitor the expo building and exhibits throughout the fair. Watch for more detailed information about schedules in upcoming communications.

Dipper Club Schedule

County Fair is just two short months away and the Dipper Schedule is now available. The schedule was sent to club leaders at the beginning of June. Want to help with the Dipper outside of a club shift? We have lots of ways people can volunteer/support the Dipper. Please contact Scott Richter: 920-420-4955 or e-mail at richter.scott17@gmail.com.

Basket Raffle

The annual basket raffle will be held during the Winnebago County Fair in August. We need the support of all 4-H clubs to make this year's raffle a success. All clubs are encouraged to donate a theme basket that is in a container of some kind – basket, tote, bucket, cooler, etc. – and should be wrapped in cellophane or a clear plastic bag. Any other 4-H (or non-4-H group) wishing to donate a basket is welcome to do so as well! Funds raised through the basket raffle help support 4-H in Winnebago County, including county-wide programs, trips, camps, & scholarships.

2017 Winnebago County Fair News

Fair Entry for 2017 is now open. Entries are due June 22 by 4:30pm. No late entries will be accepted! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Julie Barthels: 920-426-5811, 4grandmajulie@gmail.com

Entrance into the Fair is free on Monday, July 31 and Tuesday, August 1. Gate charges begin at 9:00 am from August 2-6. For information on fair passes/tickets, see the Winnebago County Fair Website at www.winnebagoountyfaironline.com

Dates to Remember:

- Breakfast at the Fair, Sat, August 5
- 4-H Awards Ceremony, Sun, August 6, 11:00 am
- County Fair Awards, Sun, August 6, 3:00 pm



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