



Waupaca County

4-H Forecast

February / March 2019

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SUPER SATURDAY will be held on February 23, 2019, at the High School in Manawa. Super Saturday is a project exploration event where members, leaders, and parents can sign up for a variety of sessions. Registrations are due February 8, 2019 and were mailed and emailed to every family.

2019 WAUPACA COUNTY FAIR DATES: While planning for 2019, please note the Waupaca County Fair dates are August 21-25. Check out the Waupaca County Fair website at <http://waupacacountyfair.org/> for more information.

Inserts

- 2019 4-H Calendar of Events
- Music, Drama, Talent, and Speaking Contest
- Scholarships
- Wisconsin State Fair Interest Form



WELCOME to the more than 78 new 4-H members in Waupaca County 4-H and welcome back to the returning 4-H members! We look forward to a great year of 4-H opportunities and experiences. I encourage everybody, returning members and new members, to ask questions, try new things, set goals for yourself, make new friends, work together, learn, and have fun.

ELECTIONS FOR THE 4-H LEADERS' BOARD will be held at the March Association meeting. If any leaders are interested in learning more about this rewarding experience have them contact a current board member or the UW-Extension Office. The positions the board is looking to fill are Vice President, Secretary, District Representatives (one from each District each year), and two Youth Representatives.



Top 10 Reasons to be a part of the 4-H Leaders' Board

- Learn about other 4-H clubs in the county and how they work.
- Work closely with other leaders who are committed to making the Waupaca County 4-H Program the best it can be.
- There is food and a \$10.00 drawing at each meeting (to help reimburse travel)!!
- You meet a lot of fantastic people and develop life-long friendships.
- You learn and/or practice the proper way to run a meeting following Robert's Rules of Order.
- You have the opportunity to help shape our 4-H program.
- You meet some pretty impressive youth (who may someday be your boss) and learn about things they have participated in and value about 4-H.
- Get the scoop on the latest 4-H opportunities and news.
- Ensure funds are budgeted for items most important to the membership.
- We NEED you to fill some vacancies on the Board!!

Thank you for considering this important role in our 4-H Program!

Penny Tank

Penny Tank, 4-H Program Coordinator



COUNTY NEWS

4-H Broadcast Emails from 4-H Online

One way the UW-Extension Office has been trying to communicate information to a majority of families in the 4-H program is through sending emails from the 4-H Online system. We understand for some, these emails have been pushed to junk email folders. Please add **no-reply@4honline.com** to your list of email addresses that are ok to be accepted emails.



New enrollments after Feb. 1

Reminder: New 4-H members who join after the February 1st new enrollment deadline pay a reduced enrollment fee of \$3.00 and cannot exhibit in the junior fair under 4-H.



4-H Forecast

The 4-H Forecast is the primary way to keep 4-H families up to date on what is happening in Waupaca County, as well as on the district, state, and national levels. The newsletter contains information about upcoming workshops, programs, contests, and registration information. In **many** cases, this is the only way you will receive information about activities and events at the county level. Please read each issue and make note of events your family is interested in.

Each **4-H Forecast** includes county and state level 4-H opportunities and deadlines. These are in addition to your own club's meetings. You are expected to attend 4-H club meetings; however, you are invited to take part in as many county activities as your family schedule will allow. Enclosed is a 2019 Waupaca County 4-H Calendar.



Please honor the deadlines listed. They are established so planning committees can prepare for you. If we do not know you are coming, we can not buy supplies for you, send you more information you may need, or events could be cancelled due to low registration. Every time someone misses a deadline, it may result in a missed opportunity or more work for someone else.

If you need more information about any of the items in the Forecast or about 4-H, call the University of Wisconsin Extension Office at 715-258-6230. Office hours are 8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Our address is: Courthouse, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI 54981. You can also find more at <http://waupaca.uwex.edu/>. Email Penny at penny.tank@ces.uwex.edu

Music, Drama, Talent, and Speaking Contest

This year's contest will take place on Sunday, March 31 starting at 12:00 p.m. with the Music and Drama portion and 1:30 p.m. for the speaking contest. See the inserts for more details and registration forms. This is a great opportunity to practice speaking in front of a group, perfect one of your talents, and work with others by performing a group skit or musical number. You will also learn by watching other youth perform and talking with the judges. If you wish to participate and have a conflict or need to perform earlier or later please indicate this on your registration form or we can discuss other alternatives. We hope to see you there!



Record Book Pages

Record book pages will be available later this month for General Leaders to pick up at the UW-Extension Office. For members, record books are a valuable part of the 4-H experience. They are intended to help you develop lifelong skills such as:

- ⇒ Setting goals
- ⇒ Planning and organizing
- ⇒ Communicating in writing
- ⇒ Evaluating effort and progress



Once completed, members experience personal satisfaction from completing a worthwhile task.

You also have a valuable record of accomplishments that can be used when applying for awards, scholarships, college or a job! Remember to begin saving information for your record books throughout the year and to start filling out the record book pages early. Refer to the guidelines you receive with the record book pages for details about completing your record book.

Record Book Workshops Offered

If you have questions or would like some help starting on your record book contact leaders in your club or the UW-Extension Office at (715) 258-6230. Members of the 4-H Education Committee or Penny Tank would be happy to conduct individual club trainings or a countywide workshop depending on interest. Call to let us know of your interest.

MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES

NEW! Junior Ambassador Opportunity

Are you in 7th grade and interested in learning more about becoming a 4-H Ambassador? Do you want to meet youth from other 4-H clubs and become more involved in the county program? This year we are piloting a Junior Ambassador program for 7th graders. There is a brief interest form to complete by March 1st. The mission of the Ambassador group: Waupaca County 4-H Ambassadors will work together as role models to grow leadership, promote involvement, and inspire learning and fun. Contact Penny at penny.tank@ces.uwex.edu if you are interested in learning more about this new countywide program. The next Ambassador meeting is Sunday, February 17 at 1:30 p.m.

2019 Farm Safety & Equipment Operation for Youth ages 12 & Older

Tractor and Machinery Certification is mandated by Federal legislation for any youth 14-15 years old working on a farm not owned or operated by the youth's parents or legal guardians and who are operating tractors over 20 PTO horsepower and/or certain farm equipment. In Wisconsin, any farm youth under the age of 16 are prohibited from operating agricultural machinery on public roads unless they have completed a Tractor and Machinery Certification Course. A law signed by the Governor in 1998 sets a lower age limit at youth 12 years of age to become certified in tractor and machinery operation.



The registration fee is \$165.15. Farm Safety & Equipment Operation for ages 12 & older will take place at the following locations:

- FVTC Clintonville Regional Center, March 18 to April 15, 4:30—7:30 p.m. Registration deadline is March 14 or when the class is full. Call 715-823-1555 for more information or to register.
- FVTC Waupaca Regional Center, June 10-14, 2019, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (M-Th), scheduled test time (F). Call 715-942-1700 for more information or to register.

Summer Camp

Waupaca, Portage, Marathon, Taylor and Wood Counties will be camping together for summer camp. The dates are as follows:

Junior Camp: June 14-15, 2019 (grades 2-3)

Intermediate Camp: June 9-11, 2019 (grades 4-8)



If you are in 9th grade or above and wish to be a summer camp counselor for junior or intermediate camp please fill out the application included in the last Forecast. Applications were due to the UW-Extension Office by February 2, 2019. If you are still interested in applying, please contact Penny at the Extension Office.

Local Camp Counselor Training will be held on Saturday, April 13 in Stevens Point. More information to follow to counselors.

Camper registrations will be in the next Forecast, along with information about financial scholarships to attend camp and chaperone details.

State Camp Counselor Training Weekend

Register NOW for State Camp Counselor Training!

March 9-10, 2019 OR April 27-28, 2019

This weekend is offered to both beginning and experienced counselors, adult volunteers, and 4-H staff. Counselors will participate in training that builds confidence and provides youth development strategies to be successful with campers. Cost per counselor will be \$30. Meals are part of the conference fee

and start at lunch on Saturday through lunch on Sunday. Lodging is available Friday night at no additional cost.

For more information and to register visit: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/uphamwoods/programs/outreach-programs/public-programs/counselor-training-weekend/>

How will you spend your summer at Upham?

In addition to the Waupaca County summer camp opportunity, Upham Woods will be providing a variety of camp programming this summer open to participants state wide ages 8-13 as of camp dates. Programs are available to 4-H and non 4-H youth and adults. Whether this is the first time or part of a long tradition make this summer a chance for an amazing Upham Woods camp experience. For details on all of our 2019 Summer programs go to: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/uphamwoods/programs/open-enrollment-summer-camp-and-outpost-trip/>

- ◆ Session 1: July 7-13, 2019 (7-Day Camp)
- ◆ Session 2: July 14-20, 2019 (7-Day Camp)
- ◆ Session 3: July 21-24, 2019 (4-Day Camp)
- ◆ Session 5: August 7-10, 2019 (4-Day Camp)



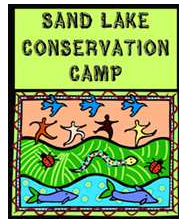
Upham Woods Recruiting for 2019 Summer Nationalist Team

The Upham Woods summer counselor naturalists are the primary programmatic personnel for Upham Woods in the summer season. In that regard this position is responsible for teaching the summer camp and recreational activities for user groups, interacting with 4-H Youth educators and adult volunteers, and care for programmatic, outpost and recreational, equipment which includes the science center animals. Additionally the summer counselor naturalists may sometimes be called upon to lead off and onsite adventure-type programs.

For full Position Description go to <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/uphamwoods/files/2018/11/Summer-Teaching-Counselor-PD.pdf>
If you have any question email Max Myers, Program Director, at max.myers@ces.uwex.edu

Sand Lake Conservation Camp

The annual Sand Lake Conservation Camp will be held June 19-21 at Camp Bird Youth Camp, near Crivitz, WI. This camp is for Wisconsin & Upper Michigan youth attending grades 6-8 in September. It provides positive outdoor experiences, helps foster an appreciation for nature, and introduces a variety of opportunities in natural resources and conservation careers. Topics include wildlife ecology, water quality, fisheries, outdoor skills, and more. \$100 fee until May 22; after May 22 is \$150. Cut-off date is June 3 and space is limited; registrations are on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration forms will be available by end of February. For more information, call 715-732-7784 or visit: <http://www.marinettecounty.com> & search for “Sand Lake” or “Sand Lake Conservation Camp”.



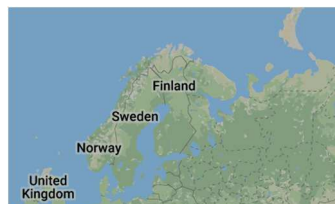
Waupaca County Fairest of the Fair

For those of you that were 18 as of January 1, 2019 – the Waupaca County Fairest of the Fair applications will be released soon and will be due May 28, 2019! More details will be released in the next Forecast or like the Waupaca County Fairest of the Fair Facebook page for updates! Start planning – Would you like to be our next Fairest of the Fair?



Host a 4-H International Teen This Summer or School Year!

Add excitement to your home this summer by hosting a young person for one month from Japan, Korea, Norway/Finland, Mexico, or Costa Rico! Visiting students are generally between 12-18 years old. Apply now! Chaperone hosts also needed for two week periods during July-August. Applications are accepted until all delegates are assigned. For additional information and applications check out Wisconsin 4-H International Programs website at <http://wi4hinternational.org/>; County 4-H Office, or call WI 4-H International Programs at (608) 262-2491 (e-mail wi4hinternational@ces.uwex.edu).



LEADERS' BOARD and ASSOCIATION

The next *Leaders' Board Meeting* will be on **Thursday, March 14 at Manawa City Hall. The Leaders Board starts at 6:30 p.m.** The next *Leaders' Association Meeting* will be **Tuesday, March 26 at 7:30 pm at Manawa City Hall.** Clubs in District IV (Country Pride, Casey Lake, Chain O'Lakes, Dayton Community, and Lind Center Beavers) are asked to report what their 4-H Club is doing and to serve a light snack.

Elections in March

4-H Leaders' Board Members Needed



Youth and Adult Positions Available!

**Meet 6x per year *Learn together*

**Great Opportunities *Have fun & Do good*



All 4-H leaders are encouraged to attend! Plan to attend, vote on issues and be informed, have fun!

VOLUNTEER LEADER NEWS

What is Expected of 4-H Project Leaders?

- ◆ First, make sure you're a certified 4-H leader!
- ◆ Get started now. Member enthusiasm for a project is highest at the time of enrollment. Find out who is enrolled in the project and set up your meeting now.
- ◆ At one of the first meetings of the year, help members set their goals for the project. Be sure members bring their 4-H member's record sheet with them to the meeting.
- ◆ Help members keep a record of what they did or made in the project for the year.
- ◆ Review progress toward the year's goals at your final meeting of the year.
- ◆ Try to organize and conduct at least three to six project meetings per year. Remember project tours or smaller work sessions can be offered to members in addition to group meetings.
- ◆ Involve youth leaders in meaningful ways. They are capable of helping in planning and teaching—not just being the helper or the

clean up crew!

- ◆ Set an example in being prepared, organized, and flexible in working with youth.
- ◆ Seek out additional resources for project meetings.
- ◆ Keep your club's General Leader informed about meetings and other announcements.
- ◆ Call the UW-Extension Office if you have any questions.



Club and/or Project Printouts

With the switch to 4-H Online, club managers have the capability to print club reports/member information for their club. If you need any reports run for your club or a specific project area the Extension Office will gladly print them by request. Please look these reports over as soon as you receive them and get back to Annette with discrepancies. It's much easier to fix now than when fair entries are due!

VIP (Volunteers In Preparation) — New Leader Training

All **ADULTS** who are project and activity leaders in the county / club **MUST** register in 4-H online to be covered by 4-H insurance and be registered in the enrollment system. Waupaca County is committed to safeguarding all young people associated with our program. Thus, we will be joining other counties in the state in continuing the New Leader Orientation. ALL first year adults wishing to serve as volunteers (organizational, project and activity leaders, chaperons, etc.) will be required to attend a two hour orientation / training session, sign a list of volunteer behavior guidelines, and authorize a confidential records check. New Leader Orientation will be offered during Super Saturday, February 23. Contact Penny at the Waupaca County Extension 715-258-6229 or penny.tank@ces.uwex.edu to register. Additional times will be offered in the spring.

PROJECT NEWS

Shooting Sports

All youth registered in shooting sports **MUST** work with a **STATE CERTIFIED SHOOTING SPORTS LEADER** for it to be a 4-H project. Parents or other adult volunteers who wish to be



shooting sports leaders in any discipline need to be 4-H shooting sports certified in each area you would like to volunteer. You also need to go through the county 4-H Youth Protection Program.

2019 4-H Shooting Sports Competitive Shoots:

- **9th Annual Winter Invitational**, March 1-2, 2019,
Central Wisconsin Sportsmens Club, Marshfield, *Archery, Air Pistol, Air Rifle, .22 Pistol, .22 Rifle, Wildlife*
- **Tri-County Tournament** - April 5-6, 2019
Washington County Fair Park, West Bend, *Archery, Air Rifle, Team Competition, Wildlife WHEP Art Contest*
- **9th Annual Lafayette County Archery Invitational**
April 13, 2019 Belmont Community School, Belmont, *Archery*

For more information visit, <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hshootingssports/2018-competitive-shoots/>

Interested in becoming a 4-H Shooting Sports Leader?

To serve as a 4-H Shooting Sports Leader, volunteers must be enrolled in 4-H, complete their county's Youth Protection process, be at least 21 years old and successfully complete at least one state-level 4-H Shooting Sports Certification Workshop.

Certifications Workshops are designed to teach adults how to conduct safe, supervised, shooting experiences for 4-H members enrolled in the project. Adults who are looking for an opportunity to mentor youth and be a positive role model in safely handling archery equipment or firearms are encouraged to enroll in these certification workshops. If an adult leader is not certified, he or she cannot provide hands on or safety instruction without a certified leader being present.

2019 Certification Workshops:

- **2019 Southern Workshop** -
April 5-6, 2019, Winnequah Gun Club, Lodi, *Archery, Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Pistol, Rifle*



A Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports Leader may be certified in archery, coordinator, muzzleloader, pistol, rifle and shotgun disciplines. Leaders may only teach in the discipline in which they are certified. An adult leader cannot provide hands-on or safety instruction without a certified leader supervising the range.

For questions and concerns please contact Doug Thompson at 920-391-4657, Thompson_DA@co.brown.wi.us. For more information visit, <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hshootingsports/certification-workshops/>



Partial financial reimbursement is available from the 4-H Leaders' Association for adult training registration.

Dog Project

The *Waupaca County 4-H Dog Project* will have their organizational and educational meetings on **Tuesday, March 19** and **Tuesday, April 16** respectively.



Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. is the *ORGANIZATIONAL* meeting for dog project members and their families. It will be at the Weyauwega Community Center (City Hall). Paperwork, information about the project and schedules will be discussed and handed out. This meeting will also be a great opportunity to meet other project members and be introduced to the team of dog project leaders. **NO DOGS COME TO THIS MEETING!**

Tuesday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m. is our *EDUCATIONAL* meeting for all dog project members. It will be held at Manawa High School in the Commons/Cafeteria. In addition to educational activities, forms and fees will be collected. **NO DOGS COME TO THIS MEETING!**



****Please note that these meetings are where most of the project information is presented, discussed and distributed, if you aren't able to be there you may be asked to do an alternative activity.**

Training **WITH** your dog(s) begins the end of May. Cloverbuds begin the end of June.

The BEST way to stay in the loop for this project is by finding us on Facebook (Our group is called **Waupaca County 4-H Dog Project**) and requesting to join our group.

Questions about the project can be directed to Dana Nelson at 715-256-9922 (hm), 715-258-6231 (work) or by email rdjjj@charter.net or dana.nelson@ces.uwex.edu.

Large Market Animal (beef, sheep, swine)

Mandatory Meetings will be held on:

February 5, 7:30 p.m., Manawa Elementary

February 9, 8:00 a.m., Dairyland Animal Health
Vet Clinic, Weyauwega

February 14, 7:30 p.m., Waupaca High School
(For the evening meetings, registration begins at 7:00 p.m.)

Members or a parent/guardian **MUST** attend one of the above meetings in order to sell an animal in the Large Market Animal Sale. If you are not present at 7:30 p.m. or 8:00 a.m., your attendance will not be counted.



Large Market Animal Committee Meeting

The next large market animal committee meeting will be May 16, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Weyauwega City Hall.

SMALL ANIMAL EVENTS

Fox Valley Rabbit Club Small Animal Swap

The Fox Valley Rabbit Club will be hosting a Small Animal Swap on April 20 at the Fairgrounds in Weyauwega. The swap will run from 6:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m. The cost is \$2 per person 14 and older to attend. If you wish to use a table for selling there is an additional \$5 fee. Anybody is welcome to attend. Questions??? Call Dennis at 715-467-2272 or email at rexbest@gmail.com.



Small Market Animal (rabbit, poultry, goat)

Mandatory Meetings will be held on:

March 7, 7:00 p.m., Manawa Elementary School

March 18, 7:00 p.m., Courthouse, Waupaca
(registration begins at 6:30 p.m.)

Members or a parent/guardian **MUST** attend one of the above meetings in order to sell an animal in the Small

Market Animal Sale. If you are not present at 7:00 p.m., your attendance will not be counted.



Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)

Continuing in 2019, Wisconsin will utilize YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals), which is an online program with modules geared to age groups. Modules include animal welfare, food safety and life skill development, and it is estimated that youth will spend roundly 60 minutes completing the modules each year. There are also in person class opportunities.

Wisconsin State Fair and other national exhibitions will require certification in YQCA for participation in 2019 events. This is for livestock, dairy, goat, poultry and rabbit youth exhibitors. Additional information will be forthcoming. Two in person trainings will be held in Waupaca County for YQCA—watch for more information about dates and how to register.

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

Youth Livestock Website and Social Media

Subscribe to get email notifications of new information on <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/youthlivestock/> Bookmark this website! On the site are links to like the Facebook, twitter and Google+ accounts for more information and resources.



- 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl & Skillathon Contest will be held together on Saturday, March 2 at UW-Madison Animal Sciences Building. Deadline for registration is February 22. Only emailed registrations will be accepted, mailed registrations will NOT be accepted. Livestock Bowl is a quiz competition where all the questions are about beef, sheep, swine, and meat goat topics. Skillathon contest is made up of a written quiz and learning stations. For more information and registration information, please contact Bernie O'Rourke, UW Extension Youth Livestock Specialist and contest coordinator at (608) 263-4304, borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu

State Fair Updates

In order to help coordinate efforts for showing at State Fair, please fill out the enclosed State Fair Interest Form and return it to the Waupaca County Extension by March 1, 2019 if you have an interest in showing at the 2019 State Fair. Dates for the fair this year are August 1-11.



2019 PDPW (Professional Dairy Producers)

Youth Leadership Derby

Set your high school student's calendar to join the PDPW Youth Leadership Derby for a two-day, overnight educational experience. The program will run April 6-7, 2019 at Kiel High School. Students must be 15-18 years old. This year's program will take us to the Farm Wisconsin Discovery Center, Lakeshore Technical College and LaClare goat farm and creamery.



This is a must-attend program as your child prepares for the next step in securing an education and career in the dairy

industry. Youth Leadership Derby has been designed to allow students to take a deep dive exploration in leadership, science & communication activities, while participating in tours and hands-on breakout sessions that will benefit their future success in either an academic or work place environment. Cost is \$89, go to <https://pdpw.org/programs/youth-leadership-derby/details>

Waupaca County Dairy Judging

Dairy judging is an excellent opportunity to increase your knowledge of dairy cattle and practice life skills such as communication, critical thinking, and decision making. Members have the opportunity to participate locally in practice sessions and then compete at Area Animal Science Day. Please contact Penny at the UWEX office to let us know of your interest in participating in Dairy Judging and your availability or suggestions for practices.



4-H Horse Association Handbook

The 4-H Horse Association Handbook has now been updated for 2019! The Horse Handbook is located at <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-assn-handbook/>

AGRICULTURE PROJECT CONTESTS/STARTER PROGRAMS

Targhee Sheep Association

The Wisconsin Junior Targhee Sheep Association will be awarding a starter flock of three Targhee ewes in 2019 to a lucky Wisconsin youth age 9-17.

Applications are available on-line at the US Targhee Sheep Association website <http://www.Ustargheesheep.org/> and are due no later than April 1, 2019.



Wisconsin Dairy Goat Association Share-a-Kid Contest

The contest is open to Wisconsin youth ages 10-17. The youth write an essay about why they would like a goat and how they are going to take care of her and complete an application. They give

away 4-6 goats per year. Complete contest details can be found at the following link: <http://www.wdga.org/>
Entry deadline is April 1.

HAPPENINGS IN YOUR CLUB

Casey Lake - The club made Christmas cards to give to Crossroads and made ornaments to deliver while caroling. They also made tray favors for the nursing home and played bingo with the residents. They had a group discussion planning yearly program ideas like planting gardens at the Veterans Home with the FFA and Dayton Community.

Country Pride - The club enjoyed a pot luck dinner, had a craft night, played Bingo, went caroling, and rang bells.

Lebanon Cedars - The club installed officers, made ice cream, had a gift exchange, and had a Rural Route Popcorn fundraiser. Some members participated in pumpkin carving.

Lind Center Beavers - The club rang Salvation Army bells, decorated the Cross Roads Nursing Home for Christmas, and decided on a new club t-shirt. The club went to Winter Park in Green Bay by Lambeau field for their winter activity.

Sandy Knoll - The club had a pot luck, gift exchange, and sang Christmas carols. Awards were also handed out to club members.

Wolf River Rascals - The club made holiday cards for veterans at the Veterans Home in King, enjoyed pizza and hot chocolate, and played some holiday games.

Woodland Badgers - The club went Christmas caroling and made cards. A visit was made and gift given to the club's adopted grandmother Irene.

OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Secretaries Report

Please remember part of the secretary officer duties, besides keeping accurate records of club business, is to turn a copy of the minutes into the UW-Extension Office. This can be done by mail, fax (715-258-6232) or email:

penny.tank@ces.uwex.edu The club minutes are important for 4-H records and highlights from the minutes are also shared in each 4-H Forecast.

CONGRATULATIONS

Youth selected to be Ambassadors and participating in state organized Educational Experiences:

Ambassadors: Brooklyn Butzin, Elizabeth Enoch

Citizenship Washington Focus: Twyla Alix, Anna Rustad, Alex Lederer - *alternate*

Leadership Washington Focus: Elizabeth Enoch, Jessica Flocker, Allison Knoespel - *alternate*

State 4-H & Youth Conference: Allison Knoespel, Melody Taggart

American Spirit: Nicole Kirchner, Frances Walsh

Space Camp: Carolyn Backes, Calleigh Beyer

THANK YOU

- All youth who turned in Ambassador and Educational Experience applications and adults who helped with interviews, Amber Acker, Gloria Bigalke, Dawn Nelson, Deb Schneider.
- All of the county committees who have been working on many Waupaca County activities.

Don't forget to say THANKS...please remember to acknowledge all awards received whether at the County Fair, Achievement Night, Leaders' Banquet or during the year. Call the UW-Extension Office or your general leader if you have a question about who sponsored your award. Sponsors give because they believe in 4-H and YOU! Show them how much their support is appreciated by sending them a thank you note.

Renewing Your License Plates? 4-H Plates Now Available

Contact the Wisconsin Department of Transportation or go to www.wisconsin.gov/Documents/formdocs/mv2969.pdf for more information.



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