



4-H Leader Recognition Program

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November 12, 2022

6:30 p.m.

Cedar Springs, Manawa

Welcome	Karen Acker 4-H Leaders' Board
Introduction of Guests	Awards and Recognition Committee
Pledge of Allegiance & 4-H Pledge	2022 4-H Graduates
Dinner	
Silence Auction Ends	
Recognition of 4-H Graduates	Awards and Recognition Committee
Key Award Acknowledgment	Waupaca County Farm Bureau
4-H Leaders' Association Scholarships	Awards and Recognition Committee
Volunteer of the Year Award	Awards and Recognition Committee
Salute to Excellence Volunteer Award	Awards and Recognition Committee
Friend of 4-H Award	Sandy Knoll
Distinguished Service Award	Representative Petersen
Recognition of 4-H Leaders	Awards and Recognition Committee
Closing Remarks & Door Prizes	

BANQUET COMMITTEE—Friendly Valley, Town & Country, Wisconsin Workers

AWARDS COMMITTEE

Gloria Bigalke, Deb Desens, Dawn Nelson, Dorothy Paider, Deb Schneider, Jim Zemple

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2022 “FRIEND OF 4-H”

For Years, the Sandy Knoll 4-H Club organized the Town of Caledonia Halloween Party and Easter Egg Hunt in Dale. For both of these events, the Medina-Dale-Readfield Lions contributed large donations to help cover some of the expenses associated with these community events. The Medina-Dale-Readfield Lions hosts Caledonia Fest each September. They open their event to many other groups to also earn money as a fundraiser. Some of these groups include the Readfield Elementary School, Zion Lutheran Church , and of course the Sandy Knoll 4-H Club. The day starts with a parade and the club always has an entry in it. The parade leads everyone to the Caledonia Community Center where there are silent auction baskets, a car show, music, bake sale, and of course food. The Medina-Dale-Readfield Lions members that are in the parade hand out free ice cream cone tickets to the parade-goers. Those coupons are used as a way to encourage people to come down to the Community Center rather than going home after the parade. The coupons are then redeemed at the Sandy Knoll ice cream stand where attendees can also purchase ice cream. At the end of the day, the Medina-Dale-Readfield- Lions reimburse the 4-H Club for the ice cream tickets that are turned in, and they usually round up their payment. The 4-H Club also has children’s games which sometimes included face painting and hair chalk. Years ago, the club decided that we wanted our portion of the events that day to be community service focused instead of a fundraiser and only charge enough to cover the costs. So tickets for the games are on 4 or 5 for \$1.00 and ice cream is only \$.50.

The Medina-Dale-Readfield Lions is a great role model. Everything they do is about giving back to the community and promoting community. The Lions club worked with the town to build a storage building at the town all that is used for their supplies but also the town and three other non-profits get their own rooms with separate locked doors for storing supplies. Sandy Knoll was lucky enough to have one of the rooms at no cost to the club. The club just worked with one of the other non-profits to sell concession at ballgames to count as our contribution. It is great to see that this organization sees a need for not just their group but is always there to look out for others as well. The Sandy Knoll 4-H Club always enjoys the partnership they have with the Medina-Dale-Readfield Lions.

FRIEND OF 4-H” PAST RECIPIENTS

2021 Sarah Tischauser, Marion Advertiser	2016 Weyauwega Star Dairy
2020 Dr. Alan Wegenke and staff at the Clintonville Veterinary Hospital	2015 Dale Fire Department
2019 Art Ebbinger	2014 Dr. John Fountain, DVM
2018 Lisa Jensen	2013 Duane Abrahamson
2017 Jennifer Lamers-Sommer	2012 Union Star Cheese Factory
	2011 Clintonville Elevator

FRIEND OF 4-H" PAST RECIPIENT (continued)

2010	Cindy Hardy, Lind Center Greenhouse	1993	St. Paul's Lutheran Church
2009	McCain Foods	1992	Bob & Jan Niemuth
2008	Bowers Feed & Grain	1991	Grace Kirchner
2007	Radtke Dobberstein Auctions	1990	Waupaca County Bankers Association
2006	Walker Forge, Inc.	1989	Radtke Real Estate
2005	Terry Mares, Mares Produce	1988	Ted Erdman
2004	Festival Foods of New London	1987	Grant Scheller
2003	Bruce Hoeft	1986	Duane Schultz & Valley Bank
2002	First National Bank of Weyauwega	1985	Evan Thoma
2001	Bruce Grassman, WJMQ	1984	School District of Manawa
2000	Maynard Sordahl	1983	Hub Moore
1999	Carley Auction Service	1982	Victor Struck
1998	Farm Credit Services	1981	Scott Turner
1997	New London Press-Star	1980	Dairyland Animal Health
1996	Sherry's Ceramic Giftland	1979	Marvin Timm
1995	Gary Onan	1978	Bud Brown
1994	Drath's Sewing Center		

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

2021	Karen Acker (11-20 years)	2013	Sarah Burmeister
2021	Amanda Zehner (under 10 years)	2012	Mary Kirchner
2020	Garrett Knoespel (11-20 years)	2011	David Bork
2020	Michelle Backes (under 10 years)	2010	Ray Spiegelberg
2019	Melissa Fischer (11-20 years)	2009	Bernice Abel
2019	Ted Bigalke (under 10 years)	2008	Janice Popple
2018	Sara Knoespel (11-20 years)	2007	Cindy Bigalke
2018	Jessica Arndt (under 10 years)	2006	Genny Corwin
2017	Kathy Manske (11-20 years)	2005	Gloria Behm
2017	Angela Eidenberger (under 10 yrs)	2004	Roger Preder
2016	Ruthanne Schroeder (11-20 years)	2003	Neil Schmidt
2016	Karen Zarling (under 10 years)	2002	Dave Magolski
2015	Julia Olsen (under 10 years)	2001	Carol Magolski
2015	Mark Moser (11-20 years)		
2014	Richard & Ann Wehrle		

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

2021	David Bork	2008	Bill & Deanna Stinemates
2020	Denise Schultz	2007	Dave Magolski
2019	Kari Riley	2006	Lynn Zirbel
2018	Myrtle Kutchenriter	2005	Phyllis Bartel
2017	Jennifer Heise	2004	Deb Schneider
2016	Deb Desens	2003	Orin Zirbel
2015	Lois Fischer	2002	Mary Kautz
2014	Gladys Fleck	2001	Virginia Zemple
2013	Dorothy Paider	2000	Vera Frederick
2012	Dawn Nelson	1999	Duane & Delores Bork
2011	Gloria Behm	1998	Arnie & Helen Heise
2010	Neil & Diane Schmidt	1997	Tina Auer
2009	Carol Magolski	1996	Joanne Thoma

2022 4-H GRADUATES



<u>Name</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Years in 4-H</u>
Kylie Clinton	Krossing Creeks	14
Madeline Meyer	Country Pride	13
Cora Lederer	Country Pride	12
Leo Krishnevsky	Sandy Knoll	2
Klara Rosenthal	Wolf River Rascals	9
Amber Fietzer	Friendly Valley	7
Madison Hanna	Diamond Dreamers	10
Frances Walsh	Diamond Dreamers	10
Miriam Shofner	Lind Center Beavers	14
Ashley Loehrke	Lind Center Beavers	12
Allison Olson	Lind Center Beavers	11
Morgan Fritz	Lind Center Beavers	2
Anna Doyle	Peterson Mill	13
Jakob Mills	Tri- County	8
Jalyn Moen	Tri- County	9
Mackenzie Shostak	Town & Country	5

4-H VOLUNTEER LEADERS

BALDWINS MILL (Royalton)

Genevieve Corwin	20	Alicia Stiebs	8
Amber Curtis	18	Randy Stiebs	7
Bobbie Montgomery	9	Michelle Krisher	1

CASEY LAKE (Waupaca)

Kari Riley	29	Ashley Bonikowske	4
Thomas Riley	26	Aimee Postel	4
April Bartel	6	William Postel	4
Nicole Hahn	5		

CHAIN O'LAKES (Waupaca)

Michelle Orr	19
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COUNTRY PRIDE (Weyauwega)

Delores Bork	51	David Bork	24
Duane Bork	51	Anthony Alix	12
Debra Schneider	44	Jodi Alix	12
Dorothy Paider	37	Angelica Johnson	8
Dawn Nelson	34	Elisha Barnett	4
Dean Schneider	30	Vicki Harvey	4
Denise Schultz	25		

DAYTON COMMUNITY (Waupaca)

Haley Nelson	11	Rebecca Liegl	1
Richard Nelson	11		
Michelle Minton	9		
Jason Liegl	1		

DIAMOND DREAMERS (Waupaca)

Ellen Hooker	12	Marcy Farkas	4
Danita Nelms	8	Brooklyn Wepner	2
Shannon Wepner	7	Barb Wendt	1
Chris Hanna	6		

FRIENDLY VALLEY (Manawa)

Virginia Zemple	46	Clint Beyer	18
Ronald Zemple	39	Craig Fietzer	2
Gloria Zemple	28	Melissa Fietzer	1
James Zemple	32		

KROSSING CREEKS (Clintonville/Bear Creek)

Lisa Schmoll	8		
Amy Maas	3	Cynthia Schuelke	1

LEBANON CEDARS (New London)

Ronna Herminath	11	Tamara Janke	7
Amy Stuhr	11	Adam Raisler	4
Angel Drozd	10	Lacy Raisler	5
Jim Drozd	8	Dana Walsh	2
Amy Korth	9	Constance Klotzbuecher	2
Michael Korth	9		

LIND CENTER BEAVERS (Weyauwega)

Susan Berrig	15	Janet Olson	8
Medora Magdanz	15	Daniel Magdanz	7
Rebecca Loehrke	12	Tina Attoe	4
Larry Shofner	11	Keyara Berrig	3
Mark Handrich	10	Cynthia Dietzler	2
Lisa Handrich	8		

PETERSON MILL (Scandinavia/Iola)

Karri Bestul	40	Krista Enoch	7
Connie Bestul	17	Jessica Doyle	5
Scott Doyle	8		

SANDY KNOLL (New London)

Helen Heise	46	Amy Eckelberg	13
Arnold Heise	45	Emily Magolski	12
Carol Magolski	36	Julia Olsen	12
David Magolski	35	Ted Bigalke	10
Gloria Bigalke	32	Steven Elliott	10
Gladys Fleck	31	Jared Manske	9
Jennifer Heise	26	Traci Elliott	8
Daniel Heise	25	Mikayla Wehrle	8
Kathleen Manske	24	Becky Amaral	6
Sara Knoespe	23	Michelle Backes	6
Karen Acker	19	Leslie Flocker	6
Wayne Acker	19	Craig Backes	5
Candith Hoewisch	18	Shaun Cunningham	5
Garrett Knoespe	18	Margaret Elliott	5
Jim Magolski	18	Amanda Zehner	5
Angela Eidenberger	14	Jodi Fiane	1
Ann Wehrle	14	Megan Stueck	1
Richard Wehrle	14		

SUNRISE (Marion)

Deb Desens	29	Sarah Roe	1
Debra Wegner	21		
Amanda Haufe	1		

TOWN & COUNTRY (Manawa)

Joni Steingraber	26	Anyia Bonikowske	3
Sue Johnson	23		
Marcy Wentworth	16		
Belinda Shostak	4		

TRI-COUNTY (Fremont/Weyauwega)

Lois Fischer	44	Jordana Umnus	3
Wanda Borsche	31	Rachel Lohff	2
Wendy Fisher	16	Stacey Boelter	1
Nicole DeCoster	12	Gunnar Umnus	1
Jennifer Hanneman/Moen	5		

WISCONSIN WORKERS (Manawa)

Michael Much	31	Amanda Pockat	8
Cindy Much	29	Sylvia Ramirez	2
Lisa Wettstein	17		

WOLF RIVER RASCALS (New London)

Mark Moser	23
Pamela Moe	1

WOODLAND BADGERS (Clintonville)

Mary Kautz	43	Michelle McAuly	12
Peter Kirchner	27	Amy Zempel	10
Pamela Fenn	27	Cody Zempel	10
Linda Kirchner	19	Tanya Zimmerman	10
Crystal Retzlaff	19	Meredith Paul	9
Sarah Burmeister	18	Austin Retzlaff	7
Paul Kirchner	17	Christina Froh	4
Jason Burmeister	16		
Karen Zarling	13		

LEADERS AT LARGE

Patricia Ritchie	55	Connie Morton	10
Myrtle Kutchenriter	47	Dave Walsh	8
Linda Crushinski	44	Colleen Rae	9
Ann Moericke	27	Ashley Desens	4
Bart Moericke	27	Jack Desens	4
Linda Poth	26	Wyatt Kersten	3
Clinton Danke	21		
Donna Danke	21		
Annette Spieth	20		
Mia Janke	19		

Please remember to thank the Award Sponsors:
4-H Leaders Association
Waupaca County Farm Bureau—Key Award
State Legislature—Distinguished Service
Wisconsin State 4-H Foundation

Volunteers who have been 4-H leaders for 20 or more years are invited to share some information about their involvement & interests. We hope you enjoy reading the following highlights:

55– Years

Pat Ritchie

Pat was the General Leader for the Hobart 4-H Club until it disbanded. Since that time she has been the Waupaca County 4-H Plant and Soil Science Key Leader. When Pat was a club leader, she was the leader for several projects and activities. Pat has served on the Leaders' Board in several capacities, as well as the State 4-H Leaders Council and the 4-H Foundation Board. She has served on many county committees over the years. Pat is the Superintendent for the Jr. Fair Plant and Soil Science committee and the Open Class House Plants and Flowers at the county fair. She is on the State 4-H Plant and Soil Science committee and has helped with the planning and implementation of the State Plant and Soil Sciences day held each summer. She has also helped to plan and worked at the booth for the plant and soil committee for Farm Technology days. Pat is a certified judge in plant and soil science, houseplant and flowers, and exploring.

Pat has received many honors and awards over the years. This includes the Distinguished Service Award 1991, Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Wisconsin Friend of 4-H 1997, Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Outstanding Service Award 2000, State Communication Award 2000, and WAE4-HYDP Award 2017. As a 4-H member, she received the Key Award, County Dairy Award and Houseplant Award.

Pat is also a member of the Waupaca County Master Gardener Volunteers. She has served as a county representative and is on the state and county Master Gardener boards. She also serves on several committees at the local and state level for this group. She is a member of the Paper Valley Garden Club and the Creative Arrangers Garden Club. Pat serves as the District Director for the Fox River Valley District, on the

State Board for the Wisconsin Garden Club Federation and chairs 2 committees on the state level. Pat is a certified Flower Show Judge. Pat is a member of the Royalton Christian Church and serves on the church board. In 2007, she completed the Leadership Waupaca County class. As a member of the Weyauwega Historical Society, Pat serves as their secretary as well as on the board for the Waupaca Christian Connection.

4-H has been a very important part of Pat's life. Pat mentions that she comes from a 3 generation 4-H family and the leadership experience she has gained in 4-H has carried over to all the other areas in her life. Looking back on the 55 years she has been a leader, she can see how much 4-H has changed but has remained the core values of the 4-H pledge of "our Head to clearer thinking, my Heart to greater loyalty, my Hands to larger service and Health to better living, for my club, my community, my country and my world". In closing, Pat says it is a real joy to see the members grow up through the projects and responsibilities that they learn.

46-Years (Virginia)

39-Years (Ronald)

Ronald and Virginia Zemple

Virginia is General Leader for the Friendly Valley 4-H Club and is also a project leader. Virginia is on the 4-H Leaders' Association Education Committee and the Record Book Committee. Virginia has helped with the General Leader Manual and the Waupaca County 4-H Family Guide. Virginia serves on the 4-H Leaders' Board, sold plat book ads, works in the 4-H food stand at the fair, checked record books at the county level and helped at Farm Technology Days. Virginia enjoys working with the 4-H members and leaders, seeing them learn and achieve their goals. She also likes working at the county level and helping at Super Saturday.

She received the 2000 Communication Award for her help on the Family Guide. She also received the Distinguished Service Award in 2001. Virginia attended the 2007 North Central Region Volunteer Forum in Milwaukee. Virginia has received many 4-H project awards and was State Fair Clothing Revue representative for Waupaca County when she was in 4-H. She also received the WBAY award.

Ronald is a project leader for the Friendly Valley 4-H Club. He was on the Leaders' Board for four years, was President of the Leaders' Association, has worked in the 4-H food stand, Farm Technology Days, fundraising committee and rodeo clean-up. Ronald

received awards for being a 4-H leader for 5-39 years. He served as a church elder and trustee.

Ronald and Virginia have 5 children who all graduated from 4-H, Heather, Wendell, Heidi, Melody and Kendell; and 9 grandchildren. They are members of St. Paul Lutheran Church of Manawa and both are greeters there.

46-Years (Helen)

45-Years (Arnie)

Helen and Arnold Heise

Helen joined 4-H in Portage County, starting with cooking, clothing construction, home environment and gardening. These projects continue to be part of our every day life in many ways. At the present time she is involved with Sandy Knoll 4-H. Helen has been active with the Super Saturday event and the Platbook Committee. Helen says that "we have observed 4-H members grow and learn during their 4-H years. Rewards of being a leader happen when 4-H members become adults and use lifetime skills that started in 4-H". Helen is a member of Emanuel Lutheran Church and Ladies Evening Circle, Waupaca County HCE, Pieceful Hands Quilt Guild, and Waupaca County Farm Bureau.

Arnie's 4-H experiences started in Waushara County. He is also a 4-H leader involved with Sandy Knoll 4-H Club including 4-H grandparents. Over the years he was a project leader in sheep, beef and gardening. At the present time he is more involved with the Platbook Committee and Super Saturday, many times being the pick up man for supplies for the various projects or lunch. Arnie and Helen participate in many of the club activities and especially enjoy the Waupaca County Fair. They agree that it is always fun to watch the members show the animals and other projects that they have worked on during the year. The best part of 4-H is watching the 4-H members when they are beginners and see how they grow, improve and advance with their projects. All the friendships they make and carry through life. We have many friendships that started with 4-H.

Arnie is also a member of Emanuel Lutheran Church in New London. Arnie has been a member of Waupaca Co. Farm Bureau. Together they enjoy grandchildren with school and summer sports. They keep busy especially in the summer with their garden, making pickles, canning and the family pet, Gracie.

44-Years

Linda Crushinski

Linda was in 4-H for 10 years showing cattle, crops, and flowers. Upon graduation from 4-H, Linda became a leader and is now a county key leader for the poultry project. Linda has held many club officer positions and some at the county level. She has held committee and officer positions in her church, as well. Linda says that she truly enjoys spending time with the youth by talking and guiding them in a project that they are truly passionate about. Linda continues to enjoy gardening and flowers and shows in open class.

44-Years

Lois Fischer

Lois started 4-H as a leathercraft leader for the previous Wolf River 4-H Club near Fremont along with her husband Dennis. They also held leathercraft classes for members and leaders in Waupaca County and ordered and purchased leather and accessories for many of the clubs in the county. When Tri-County 4-H Club formed in 1979, they worked with both clubs until Wolf River 4-H Club terminated. In Tri-County 4-H Club, Lois was a leader for leathercraft, crocheting, fruits, vegetables, exploring, Cloverbuds, as well as becoming a General Leader. She helped with the music and speaking contest members for her club. In 2015 she received the Distinguished Service Award. Her husband Dennis was a 4-H leader for 30 years. Their children, Rick, Wendy, and Emily graduated from 4-H as well as their grandchildren Bryan Waller and Cian Fischer. Rick was previously a 4-H leader and Wendy is still a 4-H leader.

43 - Years

Mary Kautz

Mary joined 4-H when she was about 8 and has loved it ever since. Mary says that you learn so much from each other, and it is so much fun to share it with others. Growing up, Mary was in the Hillside 4-H Club; and then when our 3 children were old enough they joined Woodland Badgers. Mary became the knitting and crocheting leader for the club. She says that she enjoys the kids and adults both; and loves to help

them develop their skill as they mature to adulthood.

Mary is also a member of the Waupaca County HCE and am the treasurer of the Modern M&M Club. In her church, Mary loves to sing in the choir, she serves on the Church Council, and Mary is President of the ladies C. L. C. Women. Mary does a lot of volunteer work and enjoys helping out when and where she can.

My husband Ron and I are the parents of 3 children; all are married and we have 7 Grandchildren ranging in ages from 25 to 12. Ron passed away 5 years ago, so it's just me now but the kids and Grandkids keep her hopping. Mary says "4-H has taught me so many life-long skills, and I feel very blessed to be a part of this fine program".

32-Years

Gloria Bigalke

Gloria Bigalke has been with the Sandy Knoll 4-H Club for 32 years. Gloria is involved with the Valentine Soup and Sandwich community activity preparing and calling for the delivery list and then delivering the bags. She bakes a lot of items for the Easter Egg Hunt's Bake Sale and helps that day pricing and selling baked items. Gloria and her husband, Ted, serve ice cream for the Readfield Caledonia Fest for 4-H. She goes Christmas shopping for presents for the 4-H Adopt-A-Family children and helps make fleece blankets for local shut-ins. At the county level, she helps with Super Saturday teaching classes and buying the snack foods for the event. She bakes items and helps sell them for National 4-H week celebration at New London's Tractor Supply store. She serves as the Secretary on the Waupaca County 4-H Leaders Board. She helps judge record books on the club and county level. She is on the plat book and awards and recognition committees. During fair week, she clerks for the Explorers and the Visual Arts Department and works at the 4-H food stand.

Gloria retired from Thrivent Financial (AAL) after 47 years. Currently, Gloria is the chair person for the Waupaca County Nutrition Advisory Council and the President for the Wolf River Lutheran Women's Mission Society (LWMS) Circuit, and the Reporter for her congregation at Zion Lutheran Church in Readfield. She is a member of her Women of Faith church group. For the Township of Caledonia, she helps on election days and served on the new park 2 planning commission committee.

Gloria has two children, Sara Knoespel and Paul Behm and five grandchildren. Sara and her husband, Garrett, and grandchildren Allie and Grant are also very much involved in 4-H. I am happy to see they are also very much interested in 4-H. 4-H is a "family affair". You can see that at club meetings, Super Saturday, fair, camps, etc. On entry day and throughout the fair, you can see a lot of involvement with the kids and parents. 4-H provides leadership and educational experiences for our youth today. This comes through, especially when judging record books. It is great looking at the pictures and how 4-H will help them in the future.

32-Years (James)

28- Years (Gloria)

James (Jim) and Gloria Zemple

Jim Zemple has been a 4-H leader with the Friendly Valley 4-H Club for a number of years. Jim is a retired farmer that resides south of Manawa. Currently he transports Amish carpenters. Jim is a member of St. Paul Church and is active in the choir, Men's Club, and the Dart Ball team. He is currently serving on the 4-H Leaders' Board and has been a past president. Jim also enjoys deer hunting with his brother and nephews and fishing

Gloria Zemple is also involved as a 4-H leader with the Friendly Valley 4-H Club. Gloria is retired from Sturm Foods. She is a member of St. Paul Church and is actively participating in LWML, Ladies Aid, and the Alter Guild. She also directs the choir. Gloria has been past president of the Waupaca County 4-H Leaders' Board. She currently is serving on both the 4-H Super Saturday and Fundraising Committee.

31-Years

Gladys Fleck

Gladys had another amazing year with the Sandy Knoll 4-H Club and Waupaca County 4-H Leaders' Association. This year she made Christmas cards for our servicing troops, made Valentine cookies, and other bakery items. She also helped with the club's annual Easter Egg Hunt and made a fleece-tie blanket for nursing homes. Gladys helped judge baked goods for her club members. In addition, she helped clerk at the Waupaca County Fair and worked at the 4-H foodstand. Currently, Gladys is a District Representative for the 4-H Leaders' Association.

Gladys took several bus trips: Shipshewana and saw many Christmas shows last December; went to Madison and toured the capital and other sites. She also went to Rochester, New York and along the way visited Niagara Falls. Later this month she is planning to go to Branson. Even though Gladys is retired, she helps her son with farm chores and does volunteer work with her church and the community nutrition site.

Gladys would like to see more projects at the county fair and would like to encourage parents and leaders to teach and promote leadership to our youth.



29– Years (Kari)

26– Years (Tom)

Kari & Tom Riley

Kari and Tom have served the local and county 4-H in several capacities. They have been club leaders in rabbit, dairy, goat and swine. Also, leaders in home environment, cloverbuds and exploring. Kari is the third generation general leader for Casey Lake 4-H. Kari has served as a dairy fair superintendent for years and continues to be involved in the county dairy project. They are involved in the Waupaca County 4-H Goat project and the Small Market Animal committee.

Tom and Kari have 3 children who have graduated from the 4-H program: Ethan, Elisha and Everlah. Elwood, Auroara and Ember are active members. “It's all about the kids”, our success is measured by what youth have accomplished. I am proud of the many children, not just our own, we have helped encourage, raise and nurture through the 4-H program. Watching members mature and gain leadership skills is rewarding, knowing 4-H will always be an impact on their success in life!

24-Years

Kathy Manske

Kathy began her 4-H involvement as a Cloverbud leader for the Sandy Knoll 4-H Club. She has served as a music and drama, dairy and foods leader. She continues to help deliver soup to the elderly for the club's yearly community service project. She served one year on the Leaders Board and helped with the Activity Committee and Super Saturday for many years. In 2017, she received the Volunteer of the Year award.

Kathy and her husband, Matt, dairy farm full time in New London. Her son, Jared, and his wife, Taryn are 6th generation on Manske Family Farms. Her daughter, Amy, and her husband, Jon, live in DeForest with their son Caden.

Kathy is also active in Waupaca County HCE. She also takes time to spread cheer and acts of kindness in memory of her late granddaughter, Chloe.

23 - Years

Sara Knoespel

Sara grew up in the Waupaca County 4-H program and went directly from club member to club leader. She has been a Sandy Knoll General Leader for 12 years focusing on growing leaders and community service volunteers. Last year, the club had 68 members and 35 leaders. She is also the Foods Superintendent and an Ambassador Advisor. Chaperoning summer camp is Sara's favorite 4-H volunteer activity that she assists with annually. In 2018, Sara received the Waupaca County Volunteer of the Year Salute to Excellence award and in 2019 she received the Wisconsin 4-H Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award.

Sara works fulltime as an Associate Financial Representative at Northwestern Mutual in Appleton. Sara and Garrett just celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary in September. They have 2 kids, Allie (11th grade) and Grant (9th grade). The family is busy with many 4-H events, their pets, soccer games, and track meets. Soccer became the family sport with Allie and Grant almost playing soccer year-round and Garrett and Sara coaching. Their family belongs to Immanuel Lutheran Church in Greenville. Overall, Sara feels that 4-H is the most well-rounded family friendly youth organization that kids can join and loves to work with the youth to become positive role models.



4-H PROJECT WORD SEARCH

You can discover new skills through 4-H projects!
Look for the 4-H projects listed below.

A	F	E	R	D	J	G	D	G
R	R	Z	R	T	N	A	A	P
K	V	T	D	I	L	R	N	I
C	Z	Z	H	E	D	Z	C	H
U	L	S	G	E	Q	S	E	S
Y	I	O	N	N	T	W	P	R
F	S	I	T	N	L	I	T	E
H	N	D	E	H	S	N	B	D
G	S	G	O	D	I	E	H	A
I	C	A	M	P	I	N	G	E
A	R	C	H	E	R	Y	G	L

Archery	Art	Legos	Camping
Clothing	Dance	Dogs	Gardening
Fishing	Swine	Leadership	



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