

Oconto County 4-H Friday Notes

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Connie Schuettelpelz



Crystal Marofil

Condolences to the Schuettelpelz/Marohl Families

Our 4-H family would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the Schuettelpelz and Marohl families for the loss of Connie and Crystal. Mother and daughter were tragically killed in a car accident on May 13th. Brooke Schaal, Little Seedlings Club Advisor, is organizing a benefit for the family. Families of Oconto County 4-H that would like to contribute can text or email Brooke at (920-604-2369) or (brooklynn248@yahoo.com). Any contributions to them would be greatly appreciated.

Leader's Association Meeting, June 8th

The next Leader's Association meeting will be held on June 8th, 7:00pm, at the Gillett Community Center (next to the library). The following items will be on the agenda:

- Approval of the 2017-2018 budget
- Food Stand Supervision (Arvilla will not be available)
- Food Stand Committee
- Food Stand Schedule/Club Responsibility/Shifts
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This meeting is open to all 4-H members, youth and adult.

Board of Directors Meeting, June 8th

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on June 8th, 6:30pm at the Gillett Community Center. We will be discussing the proposed 2017-2016 budget.

Food Stand Committee Meeting, June 17th

If you are interested in serving on the Food stand Committee for this year's fair, a meeting will be held on June 17th, 9:00am at the Gillett Fairgrounds. Being on this committee counts as your club's extra duty.

Club Articles

Club articles must be submitted by Thursday noon in order to appear in that week's Friday Notes. All articles should be edited for proper grammar and spelling, cover the, who, what, where, when, how and why of the event, include the reporter's name and the club involved. If a headshot of the reporter is submitted, that will be placed alongside the article but is not a requirement.



Morgan Badgers Visit Greenhouse Submitted by Amber Seitz, Reporter

Morgan Badgers 4-H held their monthly meeting on May 8th at DeValk's Greenhouse in Sobieski. Members learned how to properly plant and arrange flowers for a beautiful looking flower pot. Members also got to plant their 4-H fair flower pot that will be on display at the Oconto County Fair in August.



Oconto County Events

Final MAQA Training, June 1st

Thursday, June 1 – Oconto Falls Ag Room, Oconto Falls, 6:00-8:00 pm. This will be the final training offered in the county for youth of Oconto and Marinette Counties before the fair. Exhibitors must attend the entire training to be certified. Pre-registration is requested by contacting either Walter Taylor, Oconto Falls High School Agriculture Educator, (920) 980-7865, or Sarah Mills-Lloyd at the Oconto County UW-Extension Office (920) 834-6845.

Youth may also attend trainings held outside their county in order to satisfy the completion of this requirement. You can view alternative MAQA locations by following this web link:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/maqa/maqa-meetings/>.

Fair Billboard Contest, June 30th

This year's Fair Billboard contest theme is "Fun at the Fair". Application forms must be submitted by June 30th. Contact Nikki Olson: 920-373-3809.

See pages 5-6 for more information and application.

Horse Project Important Dates

All events will be held at the Oconto County Fairgrounds

Showmanship and Show Prep Clinics

June 7th, 6pm

July 9th clinic with Dawn Brandow (details coming soon)

Practices

June 21st, 6pm - English focus. We will JUST ride English at this event. Be saddled up with English tack and ready to go with your horse at 6pm.

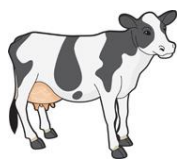
June 28th, 6pm - Western focus. We will JUST ride Western at this event. Be saddled up with Western tack and ready to go with your horse at 6pm.

July 17th, 6pm - English focus.

July 24th, 6pm - Western focus.

Again - for ALL events, please RSVP to Danna by the day prior. Bring your original coggins and a copy to leave at every event. Helmets are required while mounted along with appropriate long pants and boots/footwear.

<http://oconto.uwex.edu/files/2017/04/HANDBOOK-2017.pdf>



Dairy Showing & Fitting Clinic, June 22

A dairy showing and fitting clinic will be held on Thursday, **June 22** at 5:30pm at the Oconto County Fairgrounds, Gillett. Contact Erin Buhrandt for more information at ehbuhrandt711@hotmail.com

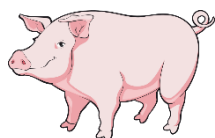
Rabbit Educational Clinic, July 15th

Saturday, July 15th at 4:00pm
Oconto County Fairgrounds, Gillett
For more information, contact Stacie Pienta, stacie.pienta@gmail.com.



Beef Educational Clinic, July 8th

Saturday, **July 8** at 10:00AM
Oconto County Fairgrounds—Gillett
For more information, call Julie Yonker (920) 373-5668



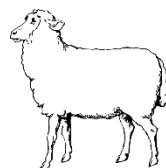
Swine Showmanship, July 11th

Tuesday, **July 11th**, 7:30pm
Oconto County Fairgrounds, Gillett

Poultry Educational Clinic, July 15th

Saturday, July 15th at 5:00pm
Oconto County Fairgrounds, Gillett

For more information, contact Keith Schardt, (920) 590-0397 or keith.schardt@gmail.com.



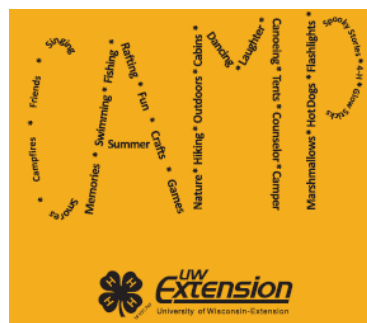
Sheep Educational Clinic, July 22

Saturday, **July 22nd** at 11:00am
Sweet Grass Farm, 8742 Red Bank Rd
Suring, WI 54174
For more information call (920) 590-0432

Amber Seitz, Morgan Badgers

Summer Camp T-shirt Design Winner

Amber Seitz of Morgan Badgers has been announced as this year's 4-H Summer Camp t-shirt design winner. Amber's design, shown at right, was selected from entries across five counties and will be printed on all t-shirts for campers, volunteers, counselors and camp staff. As the winner, Amber has a choice of \$25 off her summer camp registration fees or \$25 in merchandise from www.4hmall.org. Congratulations to Amber!



Breakfast on the Farm Volunteers Needed

For the past three years the Breakfast on the Farm Committee has donated bottled water to our 4-H food stand at the fair. Please consider helping with set-up or signing-up for a shift.

This year's Breakfast on the Farm will be hosted by the John & Katrina Zak family of Rockledge Farms, 7407 Tower Drive Rd, Lena on June 11th.

Volunteers are needed on Friday June 9th, 4:00pm, for set-up, with a pizza party to follow at 6:00pm and the day of the event, Sunday, June 11th. A minimum two hour commitment is requested on Sunday, but you may work as long as you like.

Contact Aprill Flores at (920) 676-6136 or aprillflores83@gmail.com.



State-Wide Events

2017 Youth Tractor and Machinery Safety Training, July 17-26th

Pound Town Hall – Coleman, WI

Mondays & Wednesdays, July 17, 19, 24, and 26, 9:00a.m. to 3:15p.m. each day

Makeup days will be scheduled if needed.

Cost: \$35/person

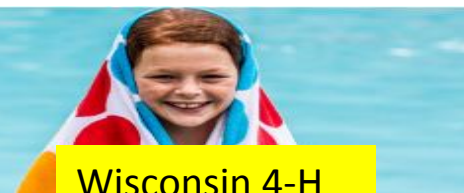
Who Needs To Attend the Training? Any 12 to 15-year old who may need to drive any type of farm machinery on a public road in Wisconsin. Others are welcome to attend the course, but only those older than 12 will receive certification. Those 16 years old and older without a valid driver's license can also utilize this training to be legal to drive farm machinery on public roads.

See page 7 for more information and registration details.



RAISE YOUR HAND

& PAY IT FORWARD



Wisconsin 4-H
is in 10th Place!

Oconto County 4-H Alumni

Raise Your Hand through June 30

Joining is the effort easy:

1. Got to <https://4-h.org/raiseyourhand/> to show your pride as a 4-H alum.
2. Compete for your state – Raising your hand is a vote towards a \$20,000, \$10,000 or \$5,000 award for the states with the most alumni hands raised.
3. Pay it Forward – Tweet, post and share your #4HGrown experience or support and tag fellow alumni asking them to raise their hands for their state at 4-H.org/RaiseYourHand.

2017 4-H Dairy Promotion Program

Presented by the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board

Each 4-H club in Wisconsin is invited and encouraged to participate in the 2017 Dairy Promotion Program, presented by the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board (WMMB).

Please read the information below very carefully to ensure that you don't miss out on the opportunity to earn free dairy promotion merchandise!



- The 4-H Dairy Promotion Program is open to all Wisconsin 4-H clubs in good standing.
- Any 4-H Club who conducts a local dairy promotion activity or event during June Dairy Month and submits a dairy promotion report to the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board will receive \$50 toward merchandise from the Wisconsin Cheese and Dairy Gear online store: www.CheeseAndDairyGear.com. Gift certificates will be issued beginning July 1, 2017 and will expire June 30, 2018.
- All 4-H clubs will submit their own dairy promotion report form directly to WMMB online.
- See page 7 for more details.

The completed dairy promotion report form must be well-organized with a complete event description. All submissions must include a photograph of your activity or event as back-up for your report. The report form and photo(s) can be entered below **no later than December 1, 2017.**

OCONTO COUNTY YOUTH FAIR - BILLBOARD CONTEST

Purpose: To give youth organizations a chance to advertise for the Oconto County Youth Fair.

Eligible: Any 4-H, FFA, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, or other youth organizations that exhibit at the fair.

Theme: This year is the billboard theme is “Fun at the Fair”. Get creative and incorporate the theme into your billboard!

Requirements:

- Billboards must be made on a 4’x 8’ sheet of plywood. ****The sheet can be cut and reshaped but can NOT exceed the 4’x8’ dimensions.****
- Boards must be fastened to steel stakes
- Must be an “all weather” sign
- Billboards must be displayed in a high-traffic area; such as a major highway in the club or organization’s “home area”
- **Billboards MUST be put up by July 1st in order to qualify for prize \$.**
- **DO NOT BRING YOUR BILLBOARD TO THE FAIR, instead please submit an 8x10 photo of your billboard to the Fair Office by Thursday August 17th, 2017 at 8:00pm.**
- It is the clubs responsibility to take down the billboard in a timely manner AFTER the fair is over.

Billboards MUST include the following information:

- Oconto County Youth Fair – August 17-20– Gillett, WI
- Horse Show - Aug 12; Dog, Cat and Small Pets Show - Aug 13
- Theme: “Fun at the Fair”
- FREE ADMISSION
- The fair’s website: www.ocontocountyfair.org
- ****Your club name MUST be on the billboard (or we don’t know who you are!!)****

Judging:*Clubs may enter more than one sign, but only ONE prize will be awarded per club.

- Title & Lettering
 - Must be legible and able to read from a distance
- Message Conveyed
 - All dates and criteria are met; and must be clear and understandable
- Purpose
 - Encourage people to attend the fair
- Creativity
 - Color, design and layout

Prizes: All entries that meet the requirements will receive \$25.00

1st Place-\$300 2nd Place-\$200 3rd Place-\$100 Fairgoer's Favorite-\$100

**The winners will be announced during the Fair.

**Prizes will be awarded after the Fair.

OCONTO COUNTY YOUTH FAIR - BILLBOARD CONTEST

Application Form

This form MUST be turned in by June 30th, 2017 in order to participate

Please mail to: Nikki Olson – 2649 Fisher Lane– Oconto, WI 54153

Or email information to: nichole.olson84@yahoo.com

Feel free to call or email with questions: (920)-373-3809

Club or Organization's Name:

Billboard "Slogan":

Location of Billboard: (please be specific)

Leader/Teacher's contact information:

Name & position:

Phone Number:

Email:

Address:

2017 Youth Tractor and Machinery Safety Training

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Cooperative Extension



*Your county
extension office*

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Legal Review: In Wisconsin, 14 and 15 year-olds who have successfully passed the Wisconsin Safe Operation of Tractor and Farm Machinery Course can legally drive farm machinery on public roads for their parents or grandparents' farms AND can work for other farms and do the same. 12 and 13-year olds who have completed the course can legally drive farm machinery on public roads only when working for their parents or grandparents' farms. If you employ persons under 15 years or who do not have a driver's license, it is highly recommended that you have them attend the training, whether they drive on public roads or not, as this is a good all-around safety training (and you should be collecting a copy of their federal permit from them). You may want to talk to your insurance agent to double-check about requirements based on your insurance policy.

Some Logistics:

- State law mandates 24 hours of training for this program. If participants are not going to be able to attend one of the scheduled days, we will figure out an acceptable make-up day that matches our schedule to allow them to complete the course. **Wednesday, July 26 is testing day and all participants MUST be in attendance.**
- Participants need to bring their own lunches, a refrigerator will be available for storage. Families are welcome to provide snacks, Scott will have water and/or lemonade and/or milk available.
- The course will emphasize hands-on and skill-building exercises, including first aid and fire safety from local emergency response personnel. We will be analyzing machinery for safety aspects, conducting on-farm safety assessments, and dozens of other activities, along with videos and course material review.

Call Scott or Gina at the Marinette County UWEX office, at either 715-732-7510 or toll-free 1-877-884-4408 if you have any questions, or you can e-mail to scott.reuss@ces.uwex.edu

Registration Form - Tractor & Machinery Safety Training- please print

Name(s): _____ Age(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____
City: _____ Zipcode: _____

Emergency Contact Telephone Number: _____

Please complete this form and mail to the following address by July 13, with a check for \$35 per participant and made payable to UW-Extension. OR contact Scott with the above information by then!

Marinette County UW-Extension
1926 Hall Avenue
Marinette, WI 54143



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If you have any questions about the 2017 4-H Dairy Promotion Program, please contact:

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