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January Thaw Thank You’s
Thank you to everyone who was involved in the January Thaw project event held on January 6th at Washington Middle School. Everyone did an awesome job helping us deal with the power outage and making sure everyone got home safe.

If you completed a challenge for a January Thaw project and the session was cancelled, please feel free to contact the project leader listed in the January Thaw booklet. They can OK the challenge and you will get credit towards the project pin or bring it to Spring Fling. Because many of the January Thaw sessions were cancelled due to the power outage, these same challenges may be required for Spring Fling.

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To submit an article or information contact Arvila by noon on Thursdays. (920) 834-6846; 4h@co.oconto.wi.us

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Spring Fling
Saturday, April 7th, 9:00am-3:30pm
Washington Middle School, Oconto Falls

Registration will be opening soon!

Board of Director’s Meeting, February 4th
The next meeting of the Oconto County 4-H Leader’s Association Board of Directors will be held on Sunday, February 11th, 2:00pm at St. Clare Hospital, Oconto Falls. Agenda items include:

- Election of new officers

This meeting is open to everyone.

TrEx Committee Meeting, February 7th
The next meeting of the Oconto County 4-H TrEx Committee will be held on Wednesday, February 7th, 7:00pm at St. Clare Hospital Oconto Falls. Agenda items include:

- Setting up the Calendar year
- Art Beat Promotion
- 4-H & Youth Conference Promotion
- Spring Fling Session

This meeting is open to everyone.
Club Articles

Club articles must be submitted by Thursday noon 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 Get Crafty
Submitted By Lydia Klopotic, Reporter
On Sunday, December 10, 2017 the Morgan Badgers 4-H Club held their monthly meeting. The members got to do a fun ice breaker called “This or That” to get to know each other better. The members also got to make two very fun crafts. They got to make a Christmas tree, a snowflake, or some of the members got creative and made up their own design out of Popsicle sticks. The second craft was swirling different paint colors in a clear ornament which made a cool pattern. The members had a great time! Morgan Badgers 4-H meets the second Sunday of every month at 5pm at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Morgan. Please feel free to attend a meeting to see what 4-H is all about!

Team Green Begins Their Competition Year

Team Green members take a moment for a team pic.: Alyssa Langlay, Sierra Seizyk, Aaron Shallow, Alex Radke, Justin Engebretsen, Riley Engebretsen (back)
**Board of Directors**
The Oconto County 4-H Leader’s Association is seeking adults and older youth (8th grade and up) to serve on their Board of Directors. They are looking for individuals that are passionate about 4-H, willing to commit 2 hours once a month to making Oconto County 4-H a growing program and interested in having lively, creative discussions about our 4-H program.

Oconto County 4-H relies heavily on the voice of the board, so be a part of that voice. The Board is currently in need of two adults and four youth. Please consider volunteering for these positions that are so vital to the continuation of our 4-H program. If you are interested in serving as a member of this dynamic panel, please contact Kim Kamke at kimkamke@gmail.com. We would LOVE to have you on board!!

**Volunteer in Preparation (previously known as Volunteer Orientation) Training Dates**
In order to become an adult volunteer in 4-H you must attend a Volunteer in Preparation (VIP) training. The training introduces you to the 4-H program and your role and responsibilities when working with youth in our 4-H program. The next training in Oconto County will be in January during the January Thaw project event.

Saturday, April 7th, 10:00am-12:00pm, Washington Middle School, 102 S. Washington St., Oconto Falls
Registration is required for this session. Registration instructions can be found in the attached January Thaw booklet.

If you have any questions regarding VIP training or on how to become an Oconto County 4-H volunteer, contact Arvilla Rusnak at (920) 834-6846 or arvilla.rusnak@co.oconto.wi.us.

Thank you to those who stepped up and answered the call for assistance on the Volunteer Page.

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Without our volunteers we would not be able to continue this program. You are appreciated, you are needed.
This section of Friday Notes that is dedicated specifically to Travel Experience opportunities in 4-H. The promotion of these TrEx opportunities are the result of the hard work of the TrEx Committee and funded from the profits of the food stand sales at the Oconto County Youth Fair.

Art Beat Registration Now Open!
Can you hear the BEAT? What BEAT? ArtBEAT! What BEAT? ArtBEAT! It is time to start thinking about and planning to participate in our 2018 WI 4-H ArtBEAT!

4-H ArtBEAT! was created for 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their parents and leaders and is the introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H Arts and Communication! ArtBEAT! will be held March 16 and 17, 2018, at our State 4-H Camp, Upham Woods in the Wisconsin Dells. Camp begins Friday evening at 7 pm and ends Saturday afternoon at 3 pm. The weekend will feature a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, and more!

4-H members will explore their own creativity while discovering the great variety of 4-H Arts & Communication experiences available to them now and in the near future. Session leaders will be 4-H older youth, adult leaders and 4-H staff members with a wealth of experience to share. Youth and adult participants will rotate through a variety of sessions, which are hands-on and active and held at various sites throughout camp. Both youth and adult participants stay in the warm and cozy heated cabins! Parents are not required to attend the camp. All adults attending the camp will be considered adult advisors (chaperones) and will be responsible for providing leadership and support for ALL campers not just their own child. As such, all adults who want to attend the camp must complete the requirements to become an active 4-H volunteer before camp.

Interested adults who are not already active 4-H volunteers should contact their county UW-Extension 4-H office as soon as possible for assistance in completing the process to become a volunteer. The process involves training and a background check.

The $50.00 per person fee (youth and adults) will include all materials and supplies (including a very cool ArtBEAT! backpack), overnight lodging and breakfast and lunch on Saturday. The TrEx committee has $250.00 set aside for this cool, fun camp. Register by calling the UW-Extension office, (920) 834-6846 or email 4h@co.oconto.wi.us.

Why not get a whole carload of youth and adults together from your club for some genuine 4-H FUN? Transportation to the camp is NOT provided by the State 4-H Office but carpooling is a possibility.

Come join the excitement of this opportunity available to some of our youngest (and often most enthusiastic!) 4-H members!

REGISTER EARLY! This camp fills up fast and registration is first come, first serve!

Registration Deadline: February 2nd
Webinar for Swine Exhibitors, January 30th
Please reserve Tuesday, January 30th from 7-8:30 p.m. For an update on the swine health rule, animal identification and YQCA (Youth for the quality care of animals).

A new rule has been passed and DATCP will be releasing information on the ruling. DATCP’s news release (when available) will give more details on the rule; when it will be published and enacted. Dr. Paul McGraw, WI State Veterinarian, will be on to give the specifics of the swine rules and details of animal identification and tagging at county fairs. A short follow up to YQCA will end the webinar.

Watch Friday Notes for more information on connecting to the webinar.

Oconto Falls Library Sewing Classes
Sewing classes will again be offered at the Oconto Falls Library. The classes will include a Fabric Basket, Heating Pad, Zipper and Patchwork Tote. All the classes will be held from 9:30am-11:30; $5 per session and open to all ages (interested parties should have the ability to operate a sewing machine or a partner who does). The cost covers all supplies. If you are interested call: (920) 846-2673. See flyer on page 7.

Strong Families Workshop, Feb26-March 5
A strengthening families workshop will be held on Mondays, February 26th & March 5th at Washington Middle School in Oconto Falls.

The workshop targets parenting during the tween years and is for parents tackling the challenges of raising 10-14 year olds.

There is no charge for the workshop. Childcare is available and includes a family dinner.

Learn new parenting skills, strengthen family bonds, learn effective communication and solve problems together.

See flyer on page 10 for registration information.

Community Service Scrapbook Contest
Every year the Oconto County Youth Fair sponsors a Community Scrapbook Contest during the fair. In the past, this has not been a very popular contest and I thought it may be because it isn’t advertised until right before the fair. The scrapbook is a compilation of all the community service projects a club or group is involved in throughout the year and if you don’t find out about the contest until right before the fair, that’s almost too late to get something together to enter. Unless…..you know about it now!

I have seen your club calendars and I know how active in community service our 4-H clubs are each year. We should be proud that and this is great way to show others what we are doing. It is also a great opportunity to promote 4-H and your 4-H club during the fair. So, if there individuals in your club that enjoy creating with scrapbooks, now would be the time to start putting the pages together for the fair. The scrapbook should been created in a three ring binder and should tell the story of a club’s service activities within their community. It is turned in the Thursday of the fair and judged during the fair. The winning scrapbook receives $30 for their club. For more information on the rules and a copy of the judge’s score sheet see pages 11-12.

Announcing YQCA (formerly known as MAQA)
Wisconsin has replaced the MAQA program with the new and improved YQCA (Youth for the Quality and Care of Animals). This new program has several great advantages:

- It is available online
- The content is age related
- The content is progressive for each age group
- Younger participants (8-11) will still have in person training

We are excited about this new program and hope our 4-H members will embrace it also. See attached pages 8-9 for a letter from UW-Extension Ag Educator, Sarah Mills-Lloyd or contact her at or (920) 834-6845.
**State Fair Dairy Promotion Board Scholarship, March 23rd**
The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board is offering $1,000 scholarships to be used during the second semester of the 2018-19 school year.

Third and fourth-year college students pursuing dairy-related or food science degrees at one of Wisconsin’s four-year universities are eligible to apply. Additional scholarships will be available to high school seniors planning to pursue a dairy-related or food science degree at one of Wisconsin’s four-year universities or students studying in a two-year, technical school program related to dairy or food science.

Applicants will be evaluated on involvement and leadership in dairy-related activities, scholastic achievement, and career objectives. Finalists will be interviewed in mid-April, with the recipients to be recognized at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair.


For more information, contact Katy Katzman at 262-903-6727 or katzman@idcnet.com

**Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Now Accepting Scholarship Applications, March 15th**
The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than $10,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing higher education in 2018. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via email by March 15, 2018, 5:00 pm.

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance and future educational goals.

To be eligible for Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships, students must have been a Wisconsin 4-H member for at least one year; have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college or technical school during the 2018-2019 academic school year.

For all the application requirements see pages 13-14

**Wisconsin 4-H Dairy Bowl, February 3rd**
Competition in the 4-H Dairy Bowl encourages 4-H members to develop a more complete knowledge of dairy animals and related subjects. This contest provides an educational dairy program for all dairy project members, including those who may not own a dairy project animal, and provides a way to develop alertness and self-confidence.

The Dairy Bowl is a "quiz bowl" competition where all questions deal with dairy topics. Teams of four members compete with each other in giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Teams receive points for correct answers and may lose points for incorrect answers. The team with the highest final score is the winner.

The contest is organized on a double elimination basis with winning teams advancing into further rounds until a champion team emerges.

Sources of questions are 4-H dairy project literature, Hoard’s Dairyman publications and other dairy resources identified within the references section of this document.

The event will be held on Saturday, February 3rd at the Sewell Social Sciences Hall on the UW-Madison campus. Our Oconto County 4-H Team would need to be registered by January 19th. The cost of the registration would be covered by the Leader’s Association. If you are interested in forming or being on a team, contact the UW-Extension office, (920) 834-6846 or 4h@co.oconto.wi.us. See pages 15-20 for more information.
Oconto Falls Library presents
Sewing Classes

Fabric Basket
Monday, January 8th,
Saturday, January 20th
&
Monday, February 5th

Heating Pad
Monday, February 12th
&
Saturday, February 24th

Zipper Tote
Monday, March 19th
Saturday, March 24th

Patchwork Tote
Monday, April 9th
&
Saturday, April 14th

All classes are $5.00 each
and from 9:30 to 11:30

Sign up today
920-846-2673
December 22, 2017

Livestock Animal Exhibitors,

Wisconsin has replaced the MAQA (Meat Animal Quality Assurance) program with the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) national program. This new and interactive program provides youth options for annual quality assurance certification. Exhibitors of the following species in Oconto County must complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) national program: beef, dairy, dairy goat(s), meat goat(s), poultry, rabbit, sheep and swine and poultry in order to be eligible to sell in the 2018 Oconto County Youth Fair Sale of Champions. In addition, it will count as one of your educational points for the Oconto County Fair, and be required for those who intend to show beef, sheep, swine, goats, dairy, poultry and rabbits at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair.

The YQCA training will provide a common framework for food animal quality assurance programs which will strengthen the youth educational experience, improve the care of food animals, and promote a higher level of consumer food safety. In addition, youth will learn about other species of animals; not just the species they show. Each year, youth will complete one new module in each the following categories: Animal Welfare (basic needs, proper animal handling, biosecurity, etc.), Food Safety (medications, medicated feeds, withdrawal times, avoiding residue, etc.), and Character Education (ethics, goal setting, career exploration, etc.).

The YQCA program was peer-reviewed for content and age appropriateness. It is supported by Wisconsin 4-H and FFA leaders. Youth for the Quality Care of Animals training content and modules will demonstrate a progression of topic knowledge in designated age categories (age as of January 1):
- Junior (8-11 years old)
- Intermediate (12-14 years old)
- Senior (15-18 years old)
- Young Adult (19-21 years old).

The new YQCA training is an effort to provide flexibility to accommodate busy seasonal schedules while providing relevant age-specific food animal quality assurance training. Youth exhibitors will complete three interactive online modules and quizzes which can be accessed according to your schedule. In Wisconsin, face-to-face trainings may be offered in specific counties for juniors (8-11 year olds) only. On average, it will take 60 minutes per year to complete all the required online training modules or in-person training—depending on age.

Maintaining current information, developing creative modules on an online learning platform costs a significant amount of money, and youth exhibitors will pay depending on the training option. Youth completing the online modules will pay $12/person/year, and face-to-face trainings offered for juniors (youth age 8-11) only will pay $3/perso

To complete the YQCA online training or register for face-to-face training, log into http://yqca.org. Follow the step-by-step instructions to create a user identity and password. All payments for either online or in-person training will be made using the YQCA website. Additional material fees (beyond the $3.00 payment to YQCA) for in-person training may apply, and if so will be collected at the time of the face-to-face training.

Two in-person trainings will be offered for juniors (8-11 year olds). The dates and locations of the trainings are listed below. Space will be limited, and registration will be taken only through the YQCA website (http://yqca.org).
In-Person Trainings for Juniors (8-11 year olds) ONLY:

Thursday, April 19—Pound Town Hall, Coleman 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Saturday, May 12—Gillett Community Center, 200 E Main Street, Gillett 9:30- 10:30 am

It is recommended to print the completion certificate at the end of the online session as the ten-digit certificate number will be required on your paperwork for training verification. The certificate and ten-digit certificate number can only be accessed through your account at http://yqca.org.

If you are not YQCA certified, you will not be eligible to sell in the Sale of Champions at the 2018 Oconto County Fair. Training must be renewed every year for YQCA. Exhibitors must complete all online modules, or attend the entire in-person training to be certified. Please choose the option that works best for you!

If you have any questions about YQCA, please contact Sarah at (920) 834-6845. If you know of any new 4-H, FFA, or Scouts members which might be showing livestock this year, please pass this information along to them.

Thank you,

Sarah Mills-Lloyd, DVM
UW-Extension
Agriculture Agent Oconto County
All Parents & 10-14 Yr. Olds

The Tween Years can be challenging...we help parents and youth tackle these challenges!

Don’t miss this opportunity to connect with your youth...

Fun filled activities!

Mondays-Feb. 26 & March 5, 2018
5:30-8:00pm
Washington Middle School, Oconto Falls

Parents Learn to:
- Handle stress -- Find solutions & avoid arguments
- Communicate with youth

Youth learn:
- Listening skills -- Connections with friends and family
- About Making Good Friends & responding to conflicts

Families:
- Build a strong, loving family that works and has fun together

Free!
Childcare Provided for Siblings!
Family Dinner!

Parenting Skills!
Strengthen Family Bonds!
Learn Effective Communication!
Solve Problems Together!

To Register or for more information
Please call 920-834-7006, or email: barb.truttman@ces.uwex.edu

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Community Service Scrapbook Rules

The Community Service Scrapbook should tell the story of a club or organization’s service activities within their community. The scrapbook will be judged during the fair.

Scrapbooks are due to the fair office by 8:00pm on the Thursday of the fair. Scrapbooks need to be picked up during Expo Hal exhibit checkout on the Sunday of the fair. The fair board is not responsible for scrapbooks that are left at fair office after the fair is over.

- Scrapbooks should be contained in a three ring binder.
- It is best to use sheet protectors or lamination to protect the pages from damage and fingerprints (optional)
- Only activities during the current club or organization year should be included
- Scrapbook cover should be creative and incorporate club or organization name.
- First page of scrapbook should include a title for scrapbook, the year and the names of any individuals involved in its creation. This can be creative also.
- Scrapbook can focus on one or many community service activities. (Judging focuses on the presentation, not on the number of activities.)
- Be creative, neat, complete and organized when creating the story of the community service activities.
- Each scrapbook story about a particular community service project should include:
  - Why did your club or organization do this community service project? How did you come up with the idea?
  - Who were the intended audience for the project?
  - Who was involved in planning and executing the project? Include youth and adults
  - Where and when was this activity held?
  - How did you let people know about it?
  - What was the result or impact of the project?
  - Was this project educational for the public?
- Some things to try to include when answering the questions above: photos, drawings, newspaper or newsletter articles, interviews with participants, description of activity, the steps involved in planning and your results.
- Be sure to include captions for all photos and drawings and give credit to photographers, interviewers and authors of newspaper and newsletter articles.
# Judging Score Sheet for Community Scrapbooks

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**Total Scrapbook Points**

Judges comments:____________________________________________________________________________________
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**Total Story Points**

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Judges comments:____________________________________________________________________________________
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**Total Overall Creative Presentation Points**

Judges Comments:____________________________________________________________________________________
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**Total Scrapbook Points**
Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarship Application

Applications must be emailed to scholarships@wis4hfoundation.org. Applications will consist of:

Résumé

Applicant’s name and contact information (including county where the applicant is/was a 4-Her) at the top of the page

Not to exceed one page

No less than 3/4-inch margins and using type no smaller than 10 points

Suggested résumé headings include: Career Goals, School Experience, Work Experience, 4-H Experience, Leadership Experience, Activities Outside of 4-H

Include probable school choice and major on your résumé

Résumés must be submitted as a PDF (preferred) or Word Document, and must be named Applicant Last Name Résumé (example: Smith Résumé) and attached to the email.

Cover Letter

Applicant’s name and contact information (including county where the applicant is/was a 4-Her) at the top of the page

Not to exceed one page

No less than 3/4-inch margins and using type no smaller than 10 points

Cover letters should include information relevant to the application, including how 4-H made an impact and how skills learned in 4-H will be used in the future. The strongest cover letters expand on information on the résumé; they don’t repeat the same information.

Cover letters must be submitted as a PDF (preferred) or Word Document, and must be named Applicant Last Name Cover Letter (example: Smith Cover Letter) and attached to the email.

List of 4-H projects in which the applicant participated

Applicant’s name and contact information (including county where the applicant is/was a 4-Her) at the top of the page

Not to exceed one page

No less than 3/4-inch margins and using type no smaller than 10 points

The project list should be in order of importance to the 4-Her, with the most important projects at the top of the list. This does not need to be a complete list of every project ever taken by the 4-Her.

Project list must be submitted as a PDF (preferred) or Word Document, and must be named Applicant Last Name Project List (example: Smith Project List) and attached to the email.
**One recent photo** of the applicant preferably at a 4-H event or working on a 4-H project

Photo must be 5” x 7” or less and may be snapshots or professional photos

Photo should be clear and, while other people may be in the photo, the applicant must be prominent

Photo must be submitted electronically and titled Applicant Last Name Photo (example: Smith Photo) and attached to the email.

Photo may be used for promotional purposes

Résumés and cover letters with extreme quantities of text will be disqualified – documents with the most words will not receive preference!

Résumés, cover letters, project lists (a total of three pages) and one photo must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via a single email on or before March 15, 2018, 5:00 pm. Applications received after this time (as time stamped in the email), and any USPS mailed applications will not be considered. **Apply early to avoid any confusion.**

**Selection Process**

A panel of experienced youth advisors will screen the applications and select finalists. Applications chosen as finalists will be screened by a second panel comprised of 4-H and youth development experts. The finalist applications will be ranked. The 4-H Foundation will assign available scholarships to the top-ranking applications based on scholarship criteria (example: scholarships are available for specific geographical areas and project areas).

**Notification**

Applicants who are awarded scholarships will be notified by postal letter in May. This letter will include information about how to access the scholarship. Scholarship awardees are required to send a thank-you note to the scholarship sponsor. Scholarship recipients and portions of their application materials (including their photo) may be featured in Wisconsin 4-H Foundation materials.

**Questions?**

Call or email the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation

608.262.1597 or info@Wis4HFoundation.org
WISCONSIN 4-H DAIRY BOWL

Saturday, February 3, 2018 – Madison, WI
Sewell Social Sciences Hall, UW-Madison
10:00 am Registration Opens, 10:30 Contest Begins

Competition in the 4-H Dairy Bowl encourages a 4-H member to develop a more complete knowledge of dairy animals and related subjects. This contest provides an educational dairy program for all dairy project members, including those who may not own a dairy project animal, and provides a way to develop alertness and self-confidence.

The Dairy Bowl is a "quiz bowl" competition where all questions deal with dairy topics. Teams of four members compete with each other in giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Teams receive points for correct answers and may lose points for incorrect answers. The team with the highest final score is the winner.

The contest is organized on a double elimination basis with winning teams advancing into further rounds until a champion team emerges.

Sources of questions are 4-H dairy project literature, Hoard’s Dairyman publications and other dairy resources identified within the references section of this document. The Wisconsin 4-H Dairy Bowl rules are as follows:

ELIGIBILITY
1. Team members must be 4-H members in the county they represent. They need not, however, be dairy project members.

2. Each team must designate a captain and a coach. Each team member should bring their own name card to place in front of them during quiz bowl rounds (a regular size sheet of card stock paper works well for this).

3. Teams should consist of four members. Alternates are encouraged and may be substituted between but not during a match.

4. There will be two age divisions in the dairy bowl contest.

Junior team contestants will be current 4-H members who are younger than 14 including those who will celebrate their 14th birthday during the year of the contest.

Senior team contestants will be individuals who have already or will celebrate their 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, or 19th birthday during the year of the contest.

A mixed division has been designated for teams that are any combination of ages BUT the team must contain at least one youth in each age division.

*Youth who are still enrolled in 4-H but have passed the year of their 19th birthday can compete in the mixed division.

5. Contestants may attend a college beyond high school. However, club members who enroll in or audit a Dairy Science or Animal Science course prior to the 2017 fall term are not eligible for the senior division of the contest. Also, any club member who enrolls in any Dairy Science or Animal Science short
course or satellite course eligible for credits towards a college degree prior to the 2017 fall term is not eligible for the senior division of the contest.

6. **NEW**-Counties may enter up to three teams in each division. There is no longer a county contest requirement to register multiple teams. Please include the number of teams in each category on your county’s entry form.

7. **NEW**-We will not host a Management Contest in 2018. We will host hands-on workshops and seminars based on the resources provided by the 2017 All-American Dairy Show. These workshops are intended to increase youths’ knowledge of management materials and techniques.

8. Teams and individuals that have won district or state contests in previous years are still eligible for competition. However, individuals may compete only once at the North American Invitational 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl therefore these individuals are not eligible to compete as part of a team that qualifies for the national contest. They must either compete in the mixed division or as a separate senior team not vying for the national contest spot.

9. Teams and coaches are not required to send questions for the contest. All questions will be determined by a team created by the Dairy Youth Specialist and will be reviewed by all judges prior to the contest.

10. Registrations are due on January 19, 2018. There is a $10.00 entry fee per team with payment due by the day of the event. Checks should be made payable to the UW-Madison Department of Dairy Science.

PROCEDURES
11. Teams will compete in a series of one-on-one elimination contests until the top team is chosen. Teams will be assigned to the first round of competition before the contest. Some teams may be awarded byes during the elimination as part of the assignment process.

12. ** Answers and interpretations of questions will be the sole responsibility and final recall of the judges. A team member will have the privilege to ask the judges’ panel to verify an answer that he/she feels is correct. Coaches and adults may not challenge the Dairy Bowl officials. Challenges may only be from the youth team members and must be stated immediately after the question is asked. If a coach or a member of the audience disrupts the contest, they will be asked to leave.

In the event of a challenge, the contestant will have 2 minutes to prove their stance on the question using one of the approved sources. Coaches may not help the contestant go through the sources.

If deemed necessary, the judges can choose to replace any question with a new question.

13. Competition between two teams will be in two phases:

Phase 1: Each team member will be asked three general dairy questions in rotation. Each are worth 10 points with no deduction for incorrect answers. No teammate assistance may be offered or received. Questions will not be repeated. Contestants have five seconds to answer the questions. Other teams will remain in isolation until the team in action completes the question.

a. Teams consisting of only 3 members will only receive 9 of the 12 phase 1 questions. The moderator will skip every fourth question in this circumstance.
Phase 2: A total of 16 toss-up questions will be asked, bonus questions will be awarded to a team when three different team members have correctly answered a toss-up questions (see h.).

a. A contestant wishing to answer any toss-up question must activate the signaling device. The first contestant to signal must answer within 5 seconds after being acknowledged by the moderator or lose 10 points.

b. If a correct answer is given, the team will be awarded 15 points.

c. If an incorrect answer is given, the team will lose 10 points. The question will then be reread to the opposing team. Any member of the opposing team must signal to answer the question. If the answer is correct, the opposing team will be awarded 15 points. If incorrect, they will lose 10 points. If the opposing team chooses not to answer, no points are deducted from their score.

d. If a contestant answers a toss-up question without signaling, the answer will be declared invalid (not correct or incorrect) and 10 points will be deducted. The toss-up will then be offered to the opposing team (see rule c. above).

e. If neither team can offer an answer to the question within 10 seconds, the moderator will announce the correct answer, the question will be dropped, and no points will be deducted from either team.

f. When a signal is activated before a question is completely read, the moderator will stop reading the question. That person may answer the question. If correct, the team will receive the credit. If incorrect, the team will lose 10 points and the question will then be completely reread for the opposing team.

g. The only discussion allowed between team members will be on bonus questions in Phase 2. Bonus answers must come from the team captain. Only the number of answers required by the bonus question will be accepted. Example: If the bonus has a four-part answer, the first four answers given by the team will be accepted, any more will not count. Fifteen seconds are allowed for discussion on bonus answers before the moderator will call for the answer from the captain.

h. Bonus questions may be earned in the toss-up round. In order to receive a bonus question, three different team members must correctly answer a toss-up question. Bonus questions are not passed to the other team if not answered correctly or completely. Points are not deducted for an incomplete or incorrect answer to a bonus question. Bonus questions will be asked whenever three team members have answered toss-up questions correctly with the count kept individually for members of both teams within a match. Individual counts of correct answers do not start at zero following award of a bonus question. Eligibility for bonus questions does not carry over to another match.

i. All questions correctly answered, both toss-up and bonus, will be worth 15 points in Phase 2. Partial credit will be given to the portion of bonus answers given correctly. Credit for bonus answers:

2 parts 1 correct - 5 points
2 correct - 15 points
3 parts 1 correct - 5 points
2 correct - 10 points
3 correct - 15 points
4 parts 1 correct - 3 points
2 correct - 6 points
3 correct - 9 points
4 correct - 15 points
5 parts 1 correct - 3 points
2 correct - 6 points
3 correct - 9 points
4 correct - 12 points
5 correct - 15 points

14. Clarification of acceptable answers:

a. Full names of animals: a contestant must use the full registration name of an animal with the exclusion of suffix. If the suffix is used, it must be correct, i.e., ET versus ETS or *TD versus *TM.

Examples: Opsal Finley Correct
Opsal Finley-ET Correct
Finley Incorrect
Opsal Finley-Twin Incorrect
Opsal Finley-ETS Incorrect

b. Names of people: when giving a specific person’s name, the last name only will be acceptable. The first name is not necessary but, if given, it must be correct.

Examples: Maddox Correct
Doug Maddox Correct
Tom Maddox Incorrect

c. ** Volunteering information – if a contestant first gives a correct answer and goes on to add incorrect information, the entire question will be incorrect.

d. ** Correcting Answers – if a contestant gives a complete answer, he or she cannot make a correction. If a partial incorrect answer is given and the contestant makes the correction mid-answer or word, the corrected answer will not be accepted.

15. No notes, video, or audio recordings may be taken by anyone in the audience, including the coaches, during the conduct of the match. Contestants may use the scrap paper provided to them to make notes during the round but may not take these notes with them at the end of the round.

16. The highest total score from Phases 1 and 2 will determine the winning team. In the event of a tie, five additional Phase 2 questions will be asked. There will be no bonuses attached to tie breakers.

15. The first place senior team at the State Contest will represent Wisconsin at the National Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest in Louisville, Kentucky. **NEW** The second place senior team at the State Contest will represent Wisconsin at the All-American Dairy Show in Harrisburg, PA.

a. Youth may participate only once in the National 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest. Participation is defined as actually participating in one or more phases of the contest. Only alternates not actively participating
by taking the written test or being seated during an oral phase of the contest may return a second year to actively compete.

The references for the 2018 4-H State Dairy Bowl are:

ALL SOURCES WILL BE USED FOR QUESTIONS FOR ALL AGE DIVISIONS

Material for All Age Divisions:

- PDCA Uniform Scorecard for Judging Junior Dairy Fitting and Showmanship Contests
- PDCA Dairy Cow Unified Score Card, revised in 2009 (Both PDCA cards available on WI Dairy Youth Website)
- 4-H Dairy Curriculum available at http://www.4-hmall.org/Category/dairy-cattle.aspx?_ga=1.268560241.1603060346.1480964763
  - Mooving Ahead
  - Rising to the Top
  
  ➢ IMPORTANT NOTE ON 4-H CURRICULUM BOOKS: These books contain an outdated version of the PDCA scorecard, please use the updated scorecard from the WI Dairy Youth website

- Showring Ready (Holstein Foundation)
- Showmanship...Leading to Win (Holstein Canada) RECENTLY UPDATED – use version with heifer ear tag #668 on the cover
  https://www.holstein.ca/PublicContent/PDFS/EN/ShowmanshipLeadingToWin.pdf
- Hoard’s Dairyman Magazine - December 2015 - December 2017
- Hoard’s Dairyman Reference Guides (the most current available)
  http://www.hoards.com/bookstore
  - Dairy Cattle Fertility and Sterility (2007 edition)
  - Calf Care and Raising Young Stock (2006 edition)
  - Caring for Transition Cows (2005 edition)
  - Dairy Herd Health (2010 edition)

  ➢ NEW 2017 Virginia 4H Dairy Quiz Bowl Materials
  https://youth.dasc.vt.edu/content/dam/youth_dasc_vt_edu/quiz-bowl/2017vadqb-materials.pdf
  
  ➢ NOTE ON THIS REFERENCE: This is a great source for basic information but please be sure to also use the other sources on this list to help youth gain overall knowledge and make connections between concepts.

- UWEX Resources
  - *NEW! Dairy Workers Training – Calf Management Cards
    https://learningstore.uwex.edu/Assets/pdfs/A4031.pdf
  - The Seven Habits of Highly Successful Milking Routines
    http://learningstore.uwex.edu/Assets/pdfs/A3725.pdf
2018 State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl
Team Registration

*Please fill out online form if possible at https://goo.gl/forms/GKEDUZ3xtrEChc3m2

County: ________________________________________________________________

Contest Division (please check all that apply):
☐ Junior Team ☐ Mixed Team ☐ Senior Team

Does your county have more than one team in any division? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please include how many teams in each division. (max: 3 teams per division)
☐ Junior Team _____ ☐ Mixed Team _____ ☐ Senior Team _____

Coach Name: ___________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

City: ________________ State: _____ ZIP: ______

Home phone: ________________________ Cell phone: ________________________

E-mail: ________________________________________________

2nd Coach Name: ___________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

City: ________________ State: _____ ZIP: ______

Home phone: ________________________ Cell phone: ________________________

E-mail: ________________________________________________

*PLEASE SUBMIT BY JANUARY 19, 2018*
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