



Oconto County 4-H Friday Notes

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



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Fair Premium Checks

If you have not received your check for premium awards from this year's fair, be sure to contact your 4-H club Advisor before calling fair board members. The club Advisor may have not had a chance to get your check to you, especially if you have not attended a meeting recently

We Are Giving Away an iPad! November 11th

The Oconto County 4-H Achievement Banquet will be held on Saturday, November 11th at St. Anne's Church gymnasium, 221 E. Main St., Lena. The banquet is a celebration of everything our members have accomplished throughout the year.

Individuals will receive their membership year pins and project pins. Leadership awards will be given out to those involved in Teen Court, Summer Camp, County Committees and Board of Directors. 4-H graduates will receive a \$50 check and choice of sweatshirt from 4-H Mall. The outstanding Secretary and Reporter awards will be given out. Our Adult leaders will be recognized for their milestone membership and many other awards.

Many of the clubs will have baskets they created as door prizes and an iPad will be given away, but you must be present to win. Registration will begin at 5:00pm, dinner at 5:30pm. Dinner will be potluck so please bring your favorite dish to pass (there are usually about 100-120 people present). Chili, Sloppy Jo's, milk and water will be provided for everyone. Watch for your letter in the mail in October.



In order to make the banquet a complete success, we're using SignUp.com to help organize the tasks we need help with. Consider signing up for a particular job. The jobs range from helping with setup, to decorating, registration and cleanup.

Here's how to volunteer to help in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Go to this link to see Oconto County 4-H Achievement Banquet on SignUp.com: <http://signup.com/go/GdVM2C>
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact Kim Kamke at kim@frgf.com and she can sign you up manually.

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.

Little river Tours Seneca Foods Bean Cannery

Submitted by Grace Jahnke, Secretary



Hi! My name is Grace Jahnke, I am 14 years old and the secretary of Little River 4-H.

On September 14th, 2017, our club, Little River 4-H, went on a tour to Seneca Foods Bean Cannery in Gillett. First, our guide showed us the machinery they use to harvest their product which is green beans, this is the only type of bean they can. They start canning in spring, then shut down the first week of October until next year.

Seneca Foods harvests locally, within a 1 hour radius of Gillett. While there we learned that the state of Wisconsin is the #1 (or #2 depending on the year) green bean producer in the nation.

Our guide showed us how they use machines to lift the trailers off the trucks that bring in the beans and slowly dump them on a conveyor belt. As the conveyor belt rolled along, things like weeds and sticks were picked out of the beans. Then the beans went through a washing system.

After that, the beans traveled along the conveyor belt under the watchful eye of a robotic sorter. The robot scanned the beans and compared them to an image of the bean they wanted in the can, that way it can check for any misshapen parts of the bean (say lumpy looking or twisted), then the robot knocked the bean off the conveyor belt with a little puff of air. What was really amazing was the speed of the conveyor belt, it went really fast! After the sorting, the beans were blanched.



Next, the beans went into already prepared cans and were topped off with water. Seneca Foods has 3 can sizes: 14 oz., 1/2 gallon and gallon. The cans that they make have bottoms that fit perfectly when you stack them. After the lids were sealed, a machine whisked the cans up and around the ceiling above our heads (on which we wore hair nets and hard hats).

Then there was the GIANT pressure canner, where the cans went through very slowly on a conveyor belt. The pressure canner was 8-9 feet tall, and as long as a trailer house. After the cans went through the pressure canner, they were stacked on a pallet about 6 feet high. A forklift came and stacked pallet upon pallet to take out to the warehouse. We were amazed at the skill of these workmen because we were told that if they stacked the pallets off by even a couple inches, the whole tower would tip over! After the tour, Seneca Foods gave everyone their own can of beans to take home.

This is the process of the Seneca Foods Bean Cannery that we got to see in action.

Hintz 4-H Organizes Oconto County 4-H Change for the Hurricanes, Oct 15-Nov 15

Hintz 4-H is collecting CHANGE FOR THE HURRICANES from Oct 15 to Nov 15. All money donated will be sent to the

Red Cross for Hurricane Relief. Hintz is challenging other local 4-H groups in this fundraiser. Only the pennies collected will be counted with no penalties for other donations.



To participate in the challenge, report your club's total pennies collected, along with your club name, contact person and phone number, to Jean Frank, (920) 855-2430 or jeanfrankfarm@gmail.com. Remember to list your club name, Change for Hurricane Relief and that all donations will be sent to the Red Cross on any container you use to collect your donations. The club with the highest total of PENNIES will receive a \$25 gift certificate from Gillett Handiworks store, donated by owner Wendy Vorpahl.



4-H Travel Experiences

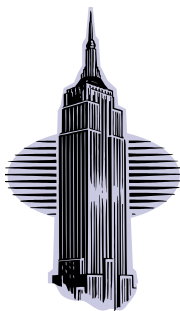
This is a new section of Friday Notes that is dedicated specifically to Travel Experience opportunities in 4-H. The promotion of these TrEx opportunities are the result of the hard work of the TrEx Committee and funded from the profits of the food stand sales at the Oconto County Youth Fair.

Deadline to apply: November 13th

4-H American Spirit, June 13-21, 2018

The American Spirit travel experience is geared towards 4-H members in 8-10th grade that have a love or passion for American history. Participants will be immersed in American history and heritage in this 8 day trip. The itinerary for last year's trip included:

- An Indiana Amish farm tour and buggy ride
- Team Building Workshop in Ohio
- Tour of Valley Forge National Park
- Dinner at King of Prussia Ma in Pennsylvania
- Immigration Experience Workshop
- Tour of Philadelphia
- Visit Empire State Building Observation deck in New York
- Dinner and shopping at Macy's
- Double Decker Bus night tour of New York
- Group photo at Battery Park
- Ferry ride to Ellis Island and Statue of Liberty
- Lunch at Battery Park
- World Trade Center Memorial Site
- Subway ride to Central Park
- Dinner at Cracker Barrel in Connecticut
- Tour Plimoth Plantation in Massachusetts
- Visit Plymouth Rock & Mayflower II
- Oceanside Lunch
- Chinatown tour in Boston
- Minute Man Visitor Center in Lexington
- Lunch at Burlington Mall
- Whale Watch cruise in Gloucester
- Lobster dinner
- Boston Freedom Trail walking tour
- Lunch at Quincy Market
- Fenway park tour
- Niagara Falls (Canada side)
- Dinner Theatre
- Niagara Falls light show



This trip requires a valid passport

Participants are required to utilize what they learn by teaching during segments of the journey.

The TrEx Committee would like to send **three** 4-H members as representatives of Oconto County on the American Spirit trip this year. These members would need to be in good standing with their club, be responsible and have a desire to learn and participate in all aspects of the trip

The cost of this year's trip is \$1200 and includes all transportation, lodging and entrance to site and activity costs. \$15 is usually allocated toward meal costs if meal is not included in activity.

The TrEx Committee will put **\$600** towards each qualified participant's trip costs leaving \$600 for the participant to fund. To apply please contact the UW-Extension office at 4h@cp.oconto.wi.us or (920) 834-6846



4-H Winter Leadership Camp, February 9th-11th

Attention youth leaders in grades 7-8! Don't miss your chance to participate in the 2018 East Metro Region Winter Leadership Camp. Only 3 delegates will be chosen from those interested in going. All expenses are paid. You must provide your own transportation. Carpooling is a possibility.

It is always a great weekend full of leadership development and fun! From teambuilding, group facilitating, and goal setting to sledding, night hikes, and campfires, there will be something for everyone! Mark your calendars now for a terrific time...this year's 4-H East Metro Region Winter Leadership Camp will

held February 9-11, 2018, at Camp TaPaWingo near Mishicot, WI.

Older youth from throughout the East Metro Region will come together at 4-H Winter Leadership camp to work on improving their leadership skills through hands-on, interactive leadership sessions. Youth will gain a better understanding of what it means to be a leader and how to apply being a youth leader in their club, county, and school. Along with leadership learning, youth will have opportunities to participate in a variety of recreational activities that may include sledding/tubing, snowshoeing, crazy games, and other outdoor activities and establish new life-long friendships.

Adult leader volunteers are also needed as chaperones to support youth in learning leadership skills and experiencing the great outdoors.

A few points to consider when considering this learning experience:

- Youth can only attend this camp once. So if you attended previous years, consider letting other members know what a great time you had and encourage them to go this year.
- 7th and 8th grade students are often best equipped for and prepared to capitalize on this intense learning experience. However, 6th graders are also welcome, if the child, parents and local county feel they are ready for this experience.
- Each county is allotted 3 confirmed delegate spots, with a maximum of 2 female delegates. Additional recommended delegates can be listed on the waiting list, in ranked order. So contact the UW-Extension Office at 4h@co.oconto.wi.us or (920) 834-6846 by November 17th. Chosen delegates will be announced in Friday notes on December 3rd.

See page 10 for a flyer.



Enroll Today!

<https://co.4honline.com>

4Honline
4-H Enrollment and Event Registration



4-H Re-Enrollment Time Open Now

Our 4-H year will be ending soon so that means it is time to re-enroll. Each year in September every individual that would like to participate in 4-H for the next year must sign-in to www.4-honline.com and re-enroll. There are no exceptions to this requirement (I have to re-enroll too).

The process is pretty simple and complete instructions are located on page 7. If you have forgotten your password just choose forgot password and a temporary one will be emailed to you or contact me and I will reset it for you.

When providing your email address in 4-H Online, please use an address you check regularly. We use this email to send important announcements, the Friday Notes newsletter and other items that may be time sensitive. We do not share your email with anyone and use it only to send those items that we feel are important to our 4-H families.

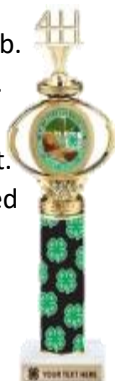
Feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Arvilla Rusnak, arvilla.rusnak@co.oconto.wi.us, 920-834-6846.

Outstanding Secretary & Reporter Awards

Each year each club advisor is allowed to nominate their club Secretary and Reporter for the Outstanding Secretary and Outstanding Reporter trophy. To be eligible for the nomination you must put together a compilation (binder, power point, video, scrapbook, etc.) of the work you did as the Secretary or Reporter for your club. These are due to the Extension Office by October 30th. A judge is then appointed to choose the winners. The winner is announced at the Achievement Banquet. The winners receive a trophy with their name engraved on it.

The Secretary's submission should include a separate report for each month. Items required for the report would be meeting minutes, newspaper articles and pictures. This should be neat, organized and creative.

The Reporter submission should include a separate report for each month. Items required for the report would be copies of newspaper articles, pictures and items sent to Friday notes. This should also be neat, organized and creative.



Board of Director Meeting, October 29th

The Board of Directors will meet on October 17th, 2:00pm at St Clare Hospital in Oconto Falls. We will be establishing our educational plan for the year, (charter calendar) and finalizing plans for the achievement banquet. This meeting is open to everyone.

TrEx Committee Meeting, November 29th

The next meeting of the TrEx Committee will be held on November 29th, 7:00pm at St Clare Hospital in Oconto Falls. This meeting is open to everyone.

Leader's Association Meeting, December 14th

The next meeting of the Oconto County 4-H Leader's Association will held on Thursday, December 14th at 6:30pm at the Gillett Community Center Building. Agenda items include:

- Board of Directors Elections
- Voting on by-law changes

This meeting is open to everyone.

Poetry Contest Announced, November 1st

Oconto County 4-H is having a poetry contest and all 4-H and Cloverbud members are invited to participate. You just need some writing technology, (a pencil and paper would work too) and your creativity. Cloverbuds can ask a parent or sibling or anyone willing to write their poem down for them.

Here are the requirements:

- 1) Poems must be Subject or Imagery poetry (examples are located on page 8)
- 2) The poem must be about 4-H
- 3) The poems must be at least 8 lines but no more than 24
- 4) All poems should include author's name, phone number and club name.
- 5) Poems need to be submitted by November 1st to 4h@co.oconto.wi.us or to the UW-Extension office:

UW-Extension 4-H Poetry Contest
301 Washington St
Oconto WI 54153

The winning poem will be announced at the Achievement Banquet on November 11th. Watch Friday Notes for an announcement of prizes.

**Thank you to adult volunteer Corri Jepson
from Hintz 4-H for the great idea!**

Club Basket Door Prizes for Achievement Banquet

The Leader's Association Board of Directors would like to invite each club to create a basket to be given away as a door prize at the Achievement Banquet on November 11th. They encourage clubs to create baskets that represent the club or area where the club is located. Maybe there are beekeepers or dairy farmers or cheese factories or craftsmen in your area. Or perhaps your club is focused on a particular activity or project area in 4-H.

Sign your club up to bring a basket at <http://signup.com/go/GdVM2C>



Please bring the baskets to the Achievement Banquet. We can have fun trying to figure out what basket goes with what club.



Equity Scholarship Opportunity, Nov 27th

Equity Cooperative Livestock announces the 2018 scholarship program. Equity will award ten \$1,000 scholarships to college students in each of the Cooperative's 10 districts, as well as two \$750 scholarships specifically for students earning degrees from technical colleges or short courses.

Click [here](#) to see eligibility requirements or see page 9. Candidates must meet these requirements and send in an official transcript and three letters of reference **by November 27, 2017**, to be considered. Award winners will be named in January 2018. Call 800-362-3989, ext. 152 with any questions.

Click on "More" under scholarship form below to access and submit the scholarship application. Print a copy for yourself, as there is no way of saving the completed document to your computer. Once submitted and authorized, you will receive a confirmation email from jschvinck@equitycoop.com

This opportunity shared with you by:



Sesquicentennial & Century Farm/Homes

The Century Farm and Home Program began in 1948. There are currently 9,208 Century Farms and Homes nestled throughout the Badger State with another 785 Sesquicentennial families.

Applications are now available for the 2018 Award, a prestigious award given to families who have dedicated their life to Wisconsin farming for 100 or 150 years.

To qualify for the award, families are required to provide proof of continuous family ownership of a property in the state of Wisconsin for either the last 100 or 150 years. All property owners will be honored at a special Century and Sesquicentennial Farm and Home Award Program held in conjunction with the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair.

Honorees will receive complimentary Fair admission tickets, an invitation to the awards breakfast, a commemorative photo, a certificate and an outdoor display sign.

Applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2017. To request a copy of either application, contact Jill Albanese, Director of Competitive Exhibits, at 414-777-0580, or write to:

Century or Sesquicentennial Farm & Home Program: 640 S. 84th Street, West Allis, WI 53214

4HONLINE

Re-Enroll Members/Leaders

GETTING STARTED

To get started with the re-enrollment process, log into 4HOnline with your family email and password.

On the family home screen, click on the orange button labeled **Continue to Family**.

On your Member/Volunteer list, find the family member you wish to re-enroll and click on Edit next to their name.

RE-ENROLL

At the bottom of the next screen, click on the button for **Enroll for 2017-2018**.

If the youth is over 17 years old, a box will appear asking if you wish to enroll as a youth or an adult. If the youth is graduating from 4-H and wants to continue as an adult leader, then choose **Enroll As Adult**, otherwise select **Enroll as Youth**.

You will now see the Personal Information that you entered when you first enrolled. Look over the information and make any corrections. If the youth was in 12th grade last year, you must select the grade for this year, either **Post High School Education** or **Not in School**. When you are done, click on **Continue**.

Next is the Additional Information screen where you will need to accept the agreements and answer the Photo Release and Accommodations questions. Click **Continue** when done.

The Health Form for members is optional at enrollment, but you could be asked to complete it in the future if you attend any events that require one. Click **Continue** when done.

If you are an adult volunteer and see the Volunteer Screening page, then it has been 4 years since the last time a background check has been completed. You need to check over the answers to the questions and correct as needed. This page will only appear every 4 years. Click **Continue** when done.

On the Participation -> Club screen, confirm the correct club is listed. If you serve in a volunteer role (but not as a project leader) click on **Edit** and select the volunteer type. Click on **Update** to save the change. Click on **Continue** when done.

On the Participation -> Projects screen, confirm all the projects you are enrolled in are listed. Add any missing projects. If you are dropping a project, click on **Edit** for that project and then click on **Delete**. After making sure all your projects are listed correctly, click on **Submit Enrollment**.

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Poem Examples for Poetry Contest (Page 1)

Subject Poetry:

This can be done on any subject you wish. All you do is make a list of what you learned.

Hawaii

Sandy beaches

Beautiful islands

Sugar cane, pineapples

Deepest blue water

Necklaces of orchids

Black sand

Kilauea volcano

Lush, green, bright flowers

Macadamia nuts,

Graceful dancers

Hula

Top

By: Daniel

Imagery Poetry:

The point of this is to encourage imagery and careful word choices. The images are an instrument that the poet uses to express his or her intentions or feelings. Understanding the use of images means understanding the essential meaning of the poem. Think of images as useful "tools" that the poet uses in order to reveal or explain the meaning that is in the poem. The Poetry Pals Club decided to choose animals for their imagery.

Examples from Poetry Pals Club:

When I am in my yard
I am like a Cheetah.
Running and pouncing on my
Prey.
When I am tired
I lay in the yellow sun...
And rest!
By: Shaina

EQUITY COOPERATIVE LIVESTOCK SALES ASSOCIATION

College & Technical College Scholarship Program

ELIGIBILITY: Any student who has not previously received an Equity Cooperative Livestock Sales Association scholarship. Any student who has completed two or more semesters at an accredited college or university, or any student who has completed at least one semester at a technical college. The student must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or above, on a 4.0 scale. Either the student or their parent(s) must be an active shipping member of Equity Cooperative Livestock Sales Association.

PLEASE INCLUDE:

1. An official transcript of your college, university, or technical school and a copy of your spring course schedule, if available.
2. Three letters of reference sent prior to November 27, 2017.
At least one reference should be completed by someone outside of the educational field. Letters can be sent separate or together from the applicant, or come directly from the reference contact.

AWARDS:

Ten winners will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship.

(One in each of Equity Cooperative Livestock Sales Association's districts.)

Two winners will be awarded a \$750 scholarship for a technical college.

Please return completed applications prior to November 27, 2017, to:

Janice Schyvinck, Director of Public Relations
Equity Cooperative Livestock Sales Association
P.O. Box 1003
Baraboo, WI 53913
phone: 800-362-3989 • fax: 608-356-0117 • email: jschyvinck@equitycoop.com



on the farm ~ in the market ~ working together

You are invited to

4-H WINTER LEADERSHIP CAMP

- * Do you like having fun?
- * Do you want to develop your leadership skills?
- * Do you want to make new friends from other counties?

Then apply to be one of your county's 4-H Winter Leadership Camp delegates!

Come join the learning and fun!



*Friday, February 9, 2018, starting at 7:00 p.m. thru
Sunday, February 11, 2018, ending at 11:00 a.m.*

Camp TaPa Wingo, near Mishicot in Manitowoc County

Cost: \$75.00

(Please check with your county 4-H program for possible funding assistance.)



The East Metro Region 4-H Winter Leadership Camp is a great opportunity for youth in grades 6-8 to improve their leadership skills. With hands-on, interactive leadership sessions, youth will gain a better understanding of what it means to be a leader and how to apply being a leader in their club, county, and school. Along with leadership learning, youth will have opportunities to participate in a variety of recreational activities that may include sledding/tubing, snowshoeing, crazy games, and other outdoor activities.



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