

Oconto County 4-H Friday Notes

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In memory of Kathy Kasten

Kathleen M. Kasten, age 77 of Gillett, passed away at her home on Sunday, October 1.

Kathy enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and was especially proud of their accomplishments in athletics and showing livestock. Raising cattle on the family

farm and helping her children, grandchildren, nephews and numerous 4-H exhibitors with their beef projects was important to her. For family enjoyment and competition she enjoyed teaching others how to can dill pickles, salsa and make homemade jams. Kathy was also instrumental in bringing the livestock auction to the Oconto County Youth fair. Kathy was an adult 4-H leader for 33 years.

Visitation will be held at St. John's Catholic Church in Gillett on Thursday, October 5, 2017 from 2:00 pm until the Mass of Christian Burial at 6 pm.

Online condolences can be expressed at www.gruetzmacherfuneralhome.com.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established.

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.

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.

No Club articles were submitted this week.

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!

Exceptional Fair Project Award Winners

The following individuals were awarded special "pencil awards" at the Oconto County Fair this year by our panel of 4-H youth judges. The judges were instructed to choose those projects that were unique, interesting or especially creative. These projects will be on display at the Achievement Banquet on November 11th. Congratulations!

Victoria Athey	Southern line	Catherine Kramer	Lena Rocketeers
Kaylee Avery	Southernline	Caitlyn Krejcarek	Southernline
Tristen Bierhals	Morgan Badgers	Rori Lemerond	Brazeau Eagles
Bryce Bohm	Morgan Badgers	Kyrie Piaskowski	Hintz
Dane Comins	Lena Rocketeers	Mallory Pienta	Willing Workers
Bunny Cramer	Northern Riders	Abby & Natalie Portier	Morgan Badgers
Michaela Crandall	Morgan Badgers	Isaac Raddatz	Christy Brook
Zander Davis	Hintz	Macie Reed	Northern Riders
Courtney DenRuyter	Lena Rocketeers	Trinity Remic	Northern Riders
Delaney DeBauch	Christy Brook	Chloe Schroeder	Northern Riders
Jacob Gander	Pasture Pirates	Nathan Seitz	Morgan Badgers
Croix Gardebrecht	Willing Workers	Hannah Soletske	Brazeau Eagles
Alaina Herzog	Willing Workers	Emilee Tachick	Brazeau Eagles
Victoria Hull	Northern Riders	Madison VandeVelde	Northern Riders
Felicity Jahnke	Little River	Bailey VanEperen	Wilderness
Jada Janiak	Brazeau Eagles	Julia Vassallo	Little Seedlings
Kaitlin Kramarczyk	Willing Workers	Savannah Ziehms	Hintz



Beginner Sewing Group Sessions Schedule

The beginning sewing classes organized through the Oconto Falls library. Classes are limited to six, adults or teens (younger participants are welcome but must be capable of using the sewing machine and should have an adult accompany them to aid them in the class). Beginning classes are free and all supplies are provided. Each class is set up so you get to take home a completed project at the end of the session. (Projects all ready for the fair!)

October 7, 9:30am will be a standard pillow case

October 12, 6:30pm will be Christmas stockings

October 24, 6:30pm will be a hobo bag or bag.

The final date for October has not be set yet, a free Saturday will be available for you to bring in projects to sew or ask questions if you need some help.

Call the library at 846-2673 to sign up.



4-H Achievement Banquet, 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.

There will also be door prizes and an iPad will be give-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. 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.

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

- 1) Click 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. Consider signing up for a particular job. The jobs range from helping with setup, to decorating, registration and cleanup.



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.

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 6. 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.

3rd Annual Apple Day Canning Workshop October 14th

Learn how to make apple butter, apple pie filling & applesauce during this all apple workshop. This event will be held at Hillside Assembly North, Pound from 9:00am-1:00pm and is open to youth, ages 12 & up and adults.



This is a great opportunity to get started on some projects for next year's fair!

See page 7 for a flyer with all the details.

TrEx Committee Meeting, October 11th

The next meeting of the TrEx Committee will be held on October 11th, 7:00pm at St Clare Hospital in Oconto Falls. This meeting is open to everyone.

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.

4-H Adult Volunteer Orientation, Oct. 16th

If you are an adult who would like to volunteer in the 4-H program, whether in your club or county-wide, we need to get you involved! The first step in that process is to enroll in www.4honline.com as an adult member and then attend this adult volunteer orientation on October 16th, 6-8 pm at St Clare Hospital in Oconto Falls.

Working with youth in the 4-H program is a special role and this orientation will help you learn what to expect and what you can do to help provide a positive environment for all our members.

Please RSVP by 12pm on October 16th to 4h@co.oconto.wi.us or 920-834-6846

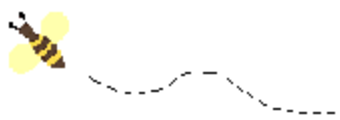
Leader's Association Meeting, December 14th

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.





2017 Honey Bee Poster Contest, October 25th

2017 Theme: Honey Bees – Where They Live: Sponsored by Wisconsin Honey Producers Association (WHPA), www.wihoney.org.

Divisions: 2nd grade and under, 3rd-5th grades, 6th-8th grades, 9th-12th grades.

Prizes for each Division: 1st – \$35, 2nd – \$25, 3rd – \$15.

Rules: 1. Size 11" x 14" poster board, 2. Print clearly on back: Name, Address, Age and Grade. 3. Include theme in design. 4. Posters become property of WHPA. 5. Most bees live in bee hives. Paper wasps live in nests hanging from a tree branch. Not bees.

Mail by October 25, 2017 to: Sharon Pufahl, W6432 Hwy O, Mauston WI 53948, 608-847-4407

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

Attention youth leaders in grades 6-8 and adult 4-H volunteers! Don't miss your chance to participate in the 2018 East Metro Region Winter Leadership Camp. 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 be 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.

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 soon if you are interested. Counties will be notified on Monday, January 22, 2018 if additional delegates have been selected.

See page for a flyer.

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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Food Preservation Education: Canning Workshop: 3rd Annual 'Apple Day'



Workshop is for all levels of interest:

- Want to learn about new research-tested equipment, recipes, and safety— register for this workshop.
- Apple Butter, Apple Pie Filling & Apple Sauce
- Cost to attend: \$5.00

*Get recipes and answers to your canning questions
& learn what the UW-Extension has to offer!*

Saturday, October 14th 9:00a.m.-1:00p.m.

Hillside Assembly North, Pound

Sponsored by Hillside Assembly & UW-Extension, Oconto County

Presented by Family Living Agent, Jill Cholewa & Master Food Preserver Volunteers

To registration contact: 920-834-6848

Email: jill.cholewa@ces.uwex.edu



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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

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.)



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