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 9)
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 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.

Lena Rocketeers Participate in Lena’s Dairy fest Parade

By Dane Comins
Club Reporter

On Saturday, September 9th, the Lena Rocketeers 4H Club entered a float in the annual Dairy fest Parade in Lena. This parade welcomes people from a lot of the communities in the area.

Kids from our club decorated a wagon to ride on. We threw candy and encouraged others to join 4H. We had a blast!

Great Job Dane!

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

It has come to my attention that some of the classes listed below are during weekdays when you may not be able to attend, but the classes are not progressive. They are meant to get you comfortable with your machine and sewing simple, straight seams. If you start with the evening class on September 28th you will get the same sewing information that is given in the two classes prior. 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!)

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.

- **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.

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**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](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.
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](http://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.

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**Raising a Thinking Child Workshop Series**

**October 3rd-November 14th**

This workshop series is for parents and caregivers of 4-7 year-olds and will help you guide your child in solving common, everyday problems through better communication. You will learn how to give your children the skills to solve their own problems, think about consequences and help your child learn to care and understand their own and others’ feelings.

This event is free of charge and includes a family dinner, daycare and workshop materials for participants.

The workshop series will be held at Oconto Elementary School with family dinner at 5:00pm; daycare and class sessions start at 5:30pm. See the flyer on page 15 for more info.

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**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 14 for a flyer with all the details.

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**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.

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**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.
Cedar Crest Ice Cream Flavor Contest, Oct. 1st

Cedar Crest Ice Cream of Cedarburg, Wisconsin, and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation announce a contest to create the next Cedar Crest Ice Cream flavor. The top flavor will be produced for summer 2018.

Some Previous Winning Flavors:

**Big Muddy** – Dark Chocolate flavored Ice Cream with a Caramel Swirl and Brownie pieces

**Udder Delight** - Vanilla ice cream with chocolate-covered waffle cone pieces, fudge ribbon and peanut butter cups

**Shipwreck** - Vanilla ice cream with a sea salt caramel ribbon and candied almond splinters

**Jumping Jersey Cow** - Peanut butter flavored ice cream blended with chocolate-coated caramel mini cows and swirled with chocolate fudge

**Elephant Tracks** – Pieces of peanut butter cups and chocolate swirled in chocolate ice cream

Entries will be judged by a panel of ice cream experts chosen by Cedar Crest’s staff. Cedar Crest manufacturers more than 80 flavors of ice cream at its Manitowoc, Wisconsin, plant, and distributes products in five states.

Information and the application are available on Cedar Crest Ice Cream’s website: [www.cedarcresticecream.com](http://www.cedarcresticecream.com) or see page 10.

Tractor Supply Co Paper Clover Campaign, Oct. 4th-15th

The Fall Tractor Supply Company will holding a Paper Clover Campaign October 4th-15th. During the campaign, customers can purchase a paper clover for one dollar at checkout to support leadership activities for Wisconsin 4-Hers.

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation is offering a great way for clubs to promote 4-H and help make the Paper Clover Campaign more successful. We are asking 4-H clubs to partner with their local TSC to promote 4-H at the store. The first club to volunteer at each store will receive $50 from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation.

There are over 15 TSC stores in Wisconsin, so even if there is not a TSC in your county, you can still partner with the TSC that is closest for you. Note that only one club will receive $50 for volunteering in each Wisconsin TSC store.

If you are interested, contact Joanne at the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation at Joanne@Wis4HFoundation.org or (608) 262-1597. The Foundation can provide contact information for the store in your area, then your club and the store can work together to plan your event.

2017 Honey Bee Poster Contest, October 25th


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


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

Tuesdays Oct. 3 thru Nov. 14, 2017
(except 10/31-class will be Mon. 10/30)
Oconto Elementary School
810 Scherer Ave.
Oconto, WI
Time: 5:30-6:30 p.m. (free dinner at 5:00)

If you are a parent of a 4-7 year-old and your child has experienced any of the following:

◆ Temper tantrums
◆ Difficulty making or keeping friends
◆ Impatience or interrupting
◆ Not listening

Then the Raising a Thinking Child workshop may be just right for you! This evidence-based workshop series will help you guide your child to solve common, everyday problems by communicating with your child. Participants will learn:

◆ To give their children skills to solve their own problems and think about the consequences through fun games
◆ How to help kids care about and understand their own and others’ feelings

This program is a refreshingly practical curriculum that helps you help your child learn how to think, not what to think. Through 7 weekly classes, along with interactive, fun activities for you and your child to do at home, you will learn ways to help your child think in new problem-solving ways.

Free: weekly family dinner- 5:00 pm, incentives and free childcare for participants will be provided. Brought to you by Oconto Elementary School, Oconto Head Start and Oconto County UW-Extension.

Raising a Thinking Child Workshop Registration-Oconto Elementary School (Oct. 3 thru Nov. 14, 2017)

Please return this form by Sept. 26, 2017 to:
Barb Truttmann, UW-Extension, 301 Washington Street, Oconto, WI 54153 (920)834-6845 (or to Ms. Pebbles at Oconto Elementary, or to Oconto Head Start).

Adult Name(s): ________________________________
Address: ______________________________________
Phone: _________________________________ Email: _________________________________

How many children will need childcare? _________ Children(s) Ages? ____________

Will you and your family join us for weekly family dinners at 5:00? If so, # adults? _______ children? ________

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For communicative accommodations in languages other than English, please contact languageaccess@oes.uwex.edu
For communicative accommodations based on a disability, please contact oed@uwex.uw.edu
**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  
By: Daniel

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**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
2017 Ice Cream Flavor Creation Contest

Cedar Crest Ice Cream and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation have teamed up to present a Create an Ice Cream Flavor Contest. The contest is open to all Wisconsin 4-H members. Entries are due to Cedar Crest Ice Cream no later than October 1, 2017.

Entry Name ____________________________

Entry Description _______________________

Club Name ___________________________

Club County __________________________

Club Leader Name _______________________

Club Leader Address _______________________

Club Leader Phone Number ______________________ Club Leader Email _______________________

Photos, drawings or stories about the development of the flavor may be included with the entry, but are not required. These items may be used by Cedar Crest and the 4-H Foundation for promotional purposes.

Submit entries by October 1, 2017, using the online form (www.CedarCrestIceCream.com) or via email to kay.schmit@cedarcresticecream.com.

All entries into the Cedar Crest Ice Cream Flavor contest become the sole property of Cedar Crest Ice Cream. Any images, descriptions, photos or other material submitted as part of the contest may be used at the discretion of Cedar Crest Ice Cream and the 4-H Foundation for promotional purposes.