I pledge my head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service, and my health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

October 2019

Happy Fall Everyone!

I would like to thank everyone who has enrolled for the new 4-H year already. If you haven’t yet, please do so as soon as you are able. Also thank you to all of the clubs who completed their annual charter. Although this process may seem tedious when you are completing it, doing so is vital to maintaining our strong tradition of 4-H. The process of chartering ensures the clubs ability to use the 4-H name and emblem and to uphold the mission of 4-H through youth-adult partnerships and educational programming. This process also provides the information necessary to remain a strong non-profit organization within our State and Federal government entities. I greatly appreciate your assistance with this.

I have the unfortunate task of sharing with you that our Program Assistant Jenny Tyczkowski has accepted another position within the County. Her last day with Extension was September 20th. I would like to personally thank her for all of the work she has done for 4-H in Oconto County and for assisting me this past month as I have acclimated to my new role. Although she will be missed tremendously, I know she will be just as great in her next venture. Good Luck Jenny, you will be missed!

With that being said, please make sure to reach out to me directly with anything 4-H: aimee.elkins@wisc.edu or 920-834-6847. I know I have yet to meet with all of you and your clubs and I would love to change that!
Extension Office Updates Continued

I have had the pleasure of seeing some of our great clubs in action out and about at community events. Participating in parades, festivals, and other local events are such great ways to get the word out about 4-H. It promotes the great work you are all doing and ignites interest in others who may not know that much about us. I encourage all of you to consider what may be coming up in your community this next year and use those opportunities to share what 4-H is all about. Also when you are participating in events or even just have some great news/photos from your meetings, please share by sending pictures, articles, etc. to 4h@co.oconto.wi.us. That way we can share with everyone what your club has been doing. It is wonderful to have the opportunity to support and learn from each other!

Some of you may have noticed our new logo, and be thinking ok, what does this mean for me? UW-Extension has fully transitioned under UW-Madison, Division of Extension as of July 1, 2019. UW-Madison is committed to supporting education throughout the state via Extension programming. Having the full support of such a prestigious institution is a wonderful asset for 4-H! Now that we are under UW-Madison we will start to be held to some of the same standards as the university. Areas that are going to likely affect 4-H the most will be around safety, liability, and insurance (risk management). Some changes are already taking place and some are still yet to come. Please keep in mind any changes to procedures are in place with the utmost safety in mind for our youth, volunteers, and staff.

Some of the changes so far include:

- A new version of Volunteer in Preparation Training to reflect the latest information regarding, safety, liability, and risk management.
- The mandated reporting procedure.
- The process of signing contracts and requesting proof of insurance.

I will continue to keep everyone up to date on any new information as it is available. Please always feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. We will all be learning this together!

VIP TRAINING

As much of the information in this course has been updated, I will plan to hold this training as our Annual Leader training for the year. This way all of our new volunteers, experienced volunteers, and myself will have the opportunity to walk through all of this together and be on the same page. I am working on gathering materials and setting dates for this. More to come...

I understand that change can be difficult, but I know we will all get through this together and something beautiful will come of it. As always, thank you all for everything you do to support our youth and our communities. I am really looking forward to connecting with all of you more in this upcoming year. Keep up the great work!

Aimee Elkins
4-H Program Coordinator
# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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<td>UW-Oshkosh Oshkosh, WI</td>
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<td>Oconto County Courthouse Oconto, WI</td>
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<td>National 4-H Congress</td>
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It’s Re-Enrollment Time!

Just a reminder that re-enrollment for the 2019-2020 year is now open. All 4-H members, youth and adult, must re-enroll on 4-H Online each year in order to participate in 4-H club, county, state, national and international activities. Even if you just became a member in August, you must go back and re-enroll for the new year.

It’s easy. Just login to www.4honoline.com and click on the “Continue to Family” button. Choose the family member you want to re-enroll, verify their information and click “Submit Member” at the bottom of the screen. If you have any questions or need any help with the re-enrollment process, feel free to contact the Extension office at (920) 834-6847 or 4h@co.oconto.wi.us.

**MEMBERS AND LEADERS MUST RE-ENROLL EACH YEAR BY NOVEMBER 30th**

- Regular members must be in third grade or older.
- Cloverbuds (children in 5K through 2nd grade) should be listed in your club enrollment. Cloverbuds can participate in club activities. They can exhibit at the County Fair, only in the Cloverbud category, and do not receive premiums.
- New members can join at any time, but must enroll by April 30th to enter in the Fair.
- April 30th is also the deadline to add or drop projects.
- You must be enrolled in a project in order to exhibit at the Fair in that project.

You can also go to the following link for helpful tips on enrolling as a new family, re-enrolling, and club/project leader guides. Click here: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4honline-for-families/

Volunteer Position Descriptions – New for Fall 2019

New in the 2019-2020 enrollment year, all 4-H volunteers will need to have a Volunteer Position Description that aligns with their role. This is necessary to comply with UW-Madison policies concerning volunteers and state liability insurance coverage.

There are six Volunteer types in 4HOnline which have position descriptions.

- **Activity/Event Volunteer**
- **Adult Advisor/Chaperone**
- **Club Enrollment Coordinator** (formerly Club Enrollment and Club Manager)
- **Club Leader** (includes Organizational/General and Co-O rganizational/Co-General)
- **Committee Volunteer**
- **Project Leader** (includes Key Leader and Resource Leader)

These position descriptions can also be found on the blog page – https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hvolunteers/become-a-volunteer/

We annually submit a list of 4-H leaders to the county for liability insurance purposes. To ensure that you remain covered under this policy, please complete your enrollment by November 30th. If you have difficulty with our on-line process, please call the Extension Office for Assistance at 920-834-6847.
Club Updates

Little River 4-H and Lena Rocketeers 4-H club did a great job representing 4-H at Dairy Fest in Lena in September. Little River used their parade entry as an advertisement near the petting zoo area throughout Dairy Fest and Lena Rocketeers hosted the petting zoo. Great job to these two clubs!
Oconto County 4-H Achievement Banquet, November 3rd

You are cordially invited to attend the 2019 Oconto County Achievement Banquet
Sunday, November 3rd
St Anne’s Parish Building, 221 E Main St. Lena

- Registration is from 5:00-5:30 p.m.
- Meal Starts at 5:30 p.m. with skit and awards to follow: Taco/Nacho Buffet (meat and drinks will be provided)
- Adult and Youth gift card prizes and baskets prizes - You must be present to win.
- Each Club is assigned (Taco/Nacho) toppings and a few dozen cookies for dessert. (Bring enough to feed approximately 70-100 people.)
- This year we ask that all clubs sit together as we’ll have tables reserved by clubs.

Clubs RSVP by October 31st (if you can attend OR can’t make it)
Text Heather Rennie at (920) 373-8234 or email heatherjoyrennie@gmail.com

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<td>4-H C.L.O.V.E.R.S</td>
<td>Black Olives</td>
<td>All Clubs: A few dozen cookies to share. (Suggestion: bring 2 cookies per attendee)</td>
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**Achievement Banquet Volunteers Needed!**

The Leaders Association Board of Directors is looking for volunteers to help at the Annual Achievement Banquet on November 3rd. It is important to recognize the people who help keep our 4-H program great and all the members for their special achievements and also, just to socialize as one county organization. This event has been well received in the past and very well attended. Without your help, this event will not happen. Below is a list of needed volunteers.

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<td>Reservation Specialist</td>
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<td>Make reservation with venue before event</td>
<td>Before event</td>
<td>Lorene Johnston</td>
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<td>Key Contact</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Obtain/return keys, open/ before/after close buildings</td>
<td>Before event</td>
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<td>Main Dish</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Make entrée to serve 75-100</td>
<td>4pm</td>
<td>Food committee</td>
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<td>Organize food service</td>
<td>5-6</td>
<td>Set up food tables, serve food</td>
<td>4-5:00pm</td>
<td>Food committee</td>
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<td>Evening MC</td>
<td>1-2</td>
<td>Announce the awards and Recipients</td>
<td>5:30-7:00pm</td>
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<td>Skit</td>
<td>1-4</td>
<td>Entertainment</td>
<td>After meal</td>
<td>Heather Rennie</td>
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<td>Pins/awards</td>
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<td>Order pins/awards, organize and package for event</td>
<td>before event</td>
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<td>Event Program</td>
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<td>Create and print program for the evening</td>
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<td>Decorations</td>
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<td>Create decorations for event</td>
<td>4-5:00pm</td>
<td>Heather, Ann, Lorene, Cheryl</td>
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<td>Door Prizes</td>
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<td>Hand out/collect door prize tickets</td>
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<td>Club Basket</td>
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<td>Organize club baskets for display</td>
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<td>Create PowerPoint/ video</td>
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<td>Create program PowerPoint Vacant and operate during program</td>
<td>Prior to event &amp; program</td>
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<td>Arrange Fair projects</td>
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<td>Set-up</td>
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<td>Set up tables &amp; chairs</td>
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<td>Clean up</td>
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<td>Take down tables &amp; chairs sweeping, etc.</td>
<td>End of Program</td>
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Consider either volunteering for the committee or offering your help in some way. If you would like to keep this event going, contact Heather Rennie by texting (920) 373-8234 or send a message to 4h@co.oconto.wi.us or call the Extension office at (920) 834-6847.
Club Basket Door Prizes for Achievement Banquet

The Leaders 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 3rd. They encourage clubs to create baskets that represent the club or area where the club is located. Maybe there are fisheries, dairy farms, cheese factories or craftsmen in your area. Or perhaps your club is focused on a particular activity or project area in 4-H. Let us know if your club will be bringing a basket by emailing 4h@co.oconto.wi.us or calling the Extension office at (920) 834-6847.

Oconto County 4-H Education Committee

The Oconto County Leaders Association Board of Directors would like to announce the reformation of the Fall Kick Off, January Thaw and Spring Fling Educational programs. The new focus would be organizing and scheduling education clinics for 4-H families in our county. The clinics may focus on Leadership, S.T.E.A.M (Science, Technology, Engineer, Arts, and Math) and animal projects. They are looking for parents, leaders and older youth, grades 9 and up, to come together to develop this program for Oconto County. If you have a passion and want to educate 4-H members in Oconto County, this committee is for you! Please contact Heather Rennie by texting (920) 373-8234 or email heatherjoyrennie@gmail.com

Oconto County Leaders Association Board of Directors Elections

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“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.”- Helen Keller.

The Leaders Association would also like to extend a huge thank you to Jenny Tyczkowski for all the work she has done for the 4-H organization in Oconto County. We wish her well as she moves on to new adventures. Thank you!
Outstanding Secretary & Reporter Awards

Each year club advisors are encouraged to nominate their club Secretary and Reporter for the Outstanding Secretary and Outstanding Reporter award. 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 15th. All compilations will be displayed at the Achievement Banquet and returned to their creators.

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 the 4-H Clover Connect. This should also be neat, organized and creative.

Tractor Supply Co. Paper Clover Campaign, October 9th – 20th

The Fall Tractor Supply Company will be holding a Paper Clover Campaign October 9th – 20th. During the campaign, customers can purchase a paper clover for $1 at checkout to support leadership activities for Wisconsin 4-Hers.

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation is 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.
Travel Abroad with 4-H! Applications due November 15th

Each year 4-H youth can apply for the amazing opportunity to experience life in another country by living abroad with a host family for one month. All programs are chaperoned by a trained 4-H adult volunteer, who remains in-country with the delegation for support and assistance. The countries offered this year are Costa Rica, South Korea, Norway, Japan, Romania, and Taiwan.

Benefits of the Exchange

- Experience a new culture and way of living by experiencing daily life as a member of a family in a different country.
- Better understand yourself and your own culture.
- Become more informed on global issues.
- Increase self-esteem and confidence by learning to adapt to new situations.
- Foster positive cross-cultural attitudes that enhance mutual understanding and acceptance of all people.
- Develop long-lasting friendships and memories that will last a lifetime!

If you are interested in traveling and experiencing a whole different lifestyle, follow the link below for more information!

https://wi4hinternational.org/homestay/

Equity Scholarship Opportunity, December 2nd

Any student who has not received an Equity Cooperative Livestock Sales Association scholarship in the past is eligible to apply. Students needs to have completed two or more semesters at an accredited college or university, and 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.

Please include an official transcript of your college, university or technical school and a copy of your spring course schedule. Three letters of reference are also needed, with at least one completed by someone outside of the educational field.

Application, three letters of reference, and transcript need to be submitted by December 2, 2019. They can be sent separately or all together, however the applicant chooses.

Call 1-800-362-3989 ext. 152 with any questions.

Please go to http://www.equitycoop.com/index.cfm?show=30&mid=57 to submit your scholarship application.
4-H Horse Leader Conference

This year’s 4-H Horse Leader Conference will take place November 15-17th at UW-Oshkosh. Please remember this is a statewide leadership workshop for 4-H Project Leaders, this means youth 7th grade & up and adults. It would be great to have horse project leaders there to represent Oconto County!

This year’s theme is RESPECT. There will be workshop presentations on Drill Team Sessions, Judging, 3 Essential Dynamics of Conflict, and many more…

Please go to: https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-leaders-conference/ for more information.

Registration Deadline is Friday, October 11th.

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Wisconsin Leadership Council Applications Now Open

The Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council (WLC) provides a statewide forum for youth and adult volunteer leaders to discuss ideas and provide input to enhance Extension 4-H Youth Development programs at the state, county and local levels. WLC members:

- Serve as leaders and role models for 4-H youth and adults
- Advocate for Wisconsin 4-H
- Provide input for enhancing the 4-H program
- Provide educational opportunities to 4-H members and leaders
- Connect the county, regional and state levels of Wisconsin 4-H, as well as the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation

Elected at the annual Fall Forum, the WLC helps to plan that annual event, along with the State Youth Leader Conference and UW-Extension Day and Meat Products Auction at Wisconsin State Fair.

Please go to: https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hvolunteers/wi-4-h-leader-council/ to apply.

The completed Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council Application, cover letter and resumé must be received by the State 4-H Office no later than October 1, 2019. Electronic files are preferred.
Volunteer Opportunities

Leaders Association Volunteers Needed!

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Oconto County 4-H Leaders Association Seeking President and Secretary for 2020

We are currently looking for youth or adults that would like to take on a leadership role and be part of the Leaders Association board. The President and Secretary positions will be open starting January 2020, but October will be when the election for these positions are held. To qualify for these positions you would need to be sensitive to 4-H member/family/club needs, have the ability to set priorities, ability to assume responsibilities, and be committed to working in a youth/adult partnership. Adult directors only need to be a certified 4-H leader while youth directors need to be 4-H members involved in youth leadership. If you’re interested and would like more information on the responsibilities, please contact Heather Rennie at heatherjoyrennie@gmail.com or Lorene Johnston Hardie lorene.k.84@gmail.com

4-H Tech Changemakers - Adult Volunteers

The Tech-Changemakers Project is making a big impact in Northern WI, but we could use your support to help it grow. On September 16th an event took place in Crivitz to highlight the partnership 4-H has with Astrea and Micorsoft to promote digital literacy in our communities. Our partners were very impressed with the work that is already being done and are looking forward to supporting more 4-H youth in providing digital literacy sessions to our communities. Participants will lead learning sessions using nationally developed curriculum to help increase adult understanding with computers and the internet.

Oconto County 4-H is looking for 2 adult volunteers to create learning opportunities for Oconto County community members. This program goes until July 2020. Please contact Aimee if you are interested in becoming an Adult Volunteer.
Submissions Wanted!

Did you want to share about a successful 4-H event that you just hosted? Do you have an upcoming 4-H event that you want to promote? Do you have a fun experience or 4-H story to share? Send your news, notes, reports, and articles to us along with a photo, and we'll include in the next issue. See below for our email and mailing addresses.

Deadline: All contributions are due by the 15th of the month to make it into the next publication.

Feedback

Please do not hesitate to provide feedback, both positive and negative to us. Sharing your thoughts, ideas, and observations helps your Extension Office do the best we can to serve you. Please use the attached Care to Share form sent with the newsletter or send us an email so that we can follow up with you!

Oconto Clover Connect

How to Contact Us

Telephone: 920-834-6845 Email: 4h@co.oconto.wi.us
Website: https://oconto.extension.wisc.edu/ Oconto County 4-H

Staff

Aimee Elkins: 4-H Program Coordinator; aimee.elkins@wisc.edu

Oconto County 4-H Leader’s Association Board of Directors

Heather Rennie, President (Pasture Pirates)
Vice President, Lorene Johnston Hardie (Southernline)
Ciara Jarvey, Secretary (Lena Rocketeers)
Ann Sievert, Treasurer (Morgan Badgers)

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This form has been designed to provide valuable input to the Oconto County 4-H program in two ways.

The first is to share ideas and suggestions for all area leaders and youth. We are always looking for new ways to educate our youth. All ideas, no matter if you think we may already be familiar with them, are welcome!

The second purpose is to allow members to express any concerns or problems they may be experiencing. We want to be able to address and correct any problems, but cannot do so if we are unaware of any issues.

Please take a few moments and complete all three sections of this form and sign it. **Forms without all three sections completed and a signature will be disregarded.**

**Care to Share Ideas/Suggestions Section**

**Section 1:** Idea or suggestion: ____________________________________________________________

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**Section 2:** Directions: ________________________________________________________________

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**Section 3:** If possible, please send an example or a photo of the project. Please let us know who is submitting the idea!

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Section 1: Describe current concerns or issues:

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Section 2: Describe the specifics of the problem:

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Section 3: Give your suggestion(s) for a possible solution:

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If the concern or issue is one that needs immediate attention, please make sure you fill out all of the following information. We cannot proceed without verifying the information with you.

Please print:

Name of person completing this form:

Address of person completing form:

Phone number:

Email address

Signature  Date

Please return completed forms to:

Oconto County 4-H
301 Washington Street
Oconto, WI 54153

or Email: aimee.elkins@wisc.edu
Tractor Supply Company is Looking for Local 4-H Clubs to Join them for the Fall Paper Clover Campaign

The Spring Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign is right around the corner, starting October 9, 2019 and running through October 20, 2019. Add $1 at checkout, and your money supports leadership activities for Wisconsin 4-Hers.

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation is offering another way for clubs to participate: if your club partners with your local TSC to promote 4-H at the store, the Foundation will give your club $50. TSC stores with 4-H clubs’ participation have better sales, and, of course, better sales means more money that can be used to help fund leadership programs throughout the state.

There are many TSC stores in Wisconsin, so even if there is not a TSC in your county, you can still partner with a TSC that is closest for you. You must register with the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation before your event because $50 is awarded to only one club per store. In exchange, your club will provide pictures of your event that will become property of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation for use in marketing and social media (please be sure to have all the proper releases).

If you are interested, please 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. Keep in mind that this opportunity is first-come, first-served (one club per store).
**2019 Theme: Respect**

**FEATURED SPEAKER: SARA NOVOTNY**

Sara Novotny is a multi-carded judge who spends her spare time training and exhibiting horses and working with clientele of all ages. Her day job is instructing students at Chippewa Valley Technical College in Animal Science and Agronomy. Prior to that, she spent nearly 8 years as a 4-H Youth Development Agent for UW-Extension. She spent her undergraduate and graduate years at UW-River Falls, where she was a member of and assistant coach of the horse judging team. She holds cards with WI 4-H, WHC, WIHA, and POAC. She especially enjoys working with youth and horses, selecting and training young futurity all around prospects.

**Other workshop presentations will include:**
- Youth-led Drill Team Sessions
- Judging Workshops & Respect for the Horse
- Words, Timing and Audience: 3 Essential Dynamics of Conflict
- Let’s Talk about Bits: The Good, The Bad, and How They Work
- And many more…

Who should attend? 4-H Horse Project Leaders – youth and adult (minimum age - 7th grade)

Website: [http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-leaders-conference/](http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-leaders-conference/)

**Conference Mission:**

1. To offer educational workshops which include both information and hands on activity ideas for leaders to utilize when teaching youth.
2. To provide a forum for strengthening communications relative to the 4-H Horse & Pony project.
3. To provide an opportunity for participants to network and share experiences.

*In 2019, we will focus on Youth and Adult partnerships, connections and interactions with county educators, respect in many forms, and the WI 4H Horse project. Numerous additional workshop topics pertaining to horse health, judging, Ice Breakers, horse craft project ideas, etc. will be offered throughout the conference by invited and volunteer instructors.*

Friday Night will be a demonstration and fun activity at UW-Oshkosh.

Saturday will consist of workshops on campus at UW-Oshkosh.

Sunday Morning will conclude with the 4-H Horse Association Meeting.

Registration Deadline: Friday October 11th

See website for registration instructions, registration form part time rates, & tentative schedule.