

2010 Brown County 4-H Calendar

A complete 2010 calendar can be found on the 4-H web site at www.BrownCountyExtension.org – click on “4-H Youth Development” and then “Forms & Documents” and scroll down to “4-H Calendars.”

January			
1	Friday	State 4-H Adult Chaperone Application Deadline – International Travel	State
4	Monday	Brown County 4-H Club Officer Training Registration Deadline	County
5	Tuesday	Brown County 4-H Leaders Executive Board Meeting	County
5	Tuesday	Brown County 4-H Leader Fest	County
5	Tuesday	Brown County LOT ² Meeting	County
8	Friday	Brown County 4-H Speaking Fest Registration Deadline	County
9	Saturday	Brown County Shooting Sports Orientation & Meeting	County
9	Saturday	Brown County 4-H Mandatory Trip Meeting	County
9	Saturday	Brown County 4-H Club Officer Training	County
9	Saturday	Brown County MAQA & Auction Guidelines Meeting	County
10	Sunday	4-H Family Day at Nordic Ski Hill	Multi-County
14	Thursday	Brown County 4-H Horse Association Meeting, 6PM	County
15	Friday	Brown County 4-H Horse Association Lock-In Registration Deadline	County
15	Friday	State Livestock Quiz Bowl Registration Deadline	County
16	Saturday	Brown County 4-H Volunteer Orientation	County
16	Saturday	State 4-H Groups Application Deadline	State
16-17	Saturday-Sunday	State 4-H Art Lab-West	State
17	Sunday	National Western American Meat Judging Competition	National
22-23	Friday-Saturday	Brown County 4-H Horse Association Lock-In	County
23	Saturday	Brown County Shooting Sports Meeting	County
23	Saturday	State Livestock Quiz Bowl	State
30	Saturday	Brown County 4-H Speaking Fest	County
30	Saturday	State Dairy Quiz Bowl Competition	State
TBA	Saturday-Sunday	State 4-H Horse Association Meeting	State
TBA	Saturday	State 4-H Dog Agility Leader Training	State

February			
1	Monday	Brown County MAQA & Auction Guidelines Meeting	County
2	Tuesday	Brown County 4-H Volunteer Orientation, 2 - 4PM	County
2	Tuesday	Brown County 4-H Leaders Executive Board Meeting	County
2	Tuesday	Brown County 4-H Leaders Association Meeting	County
2	Tuesday	Brown County LOT ² Meeting	County
5	Friday	Brown County 4-H Music Fest Registration Deadline	County
5-7	Friday-Sunday	District 4-H Winter Leadership Camp	District
8	Monday	MAQA Adult Train-the-Trainer Session	State
11	Thursday	Brown County 4-H Horse Association Meeting, 6 PM	County
12	Friday	Brown County 4-H Youth and Adult Staff Application Deadline	County
15	Monday	Brown County Livestock Educational Meeting & Guidelines Meeting	County
20	Saturday	4-H Camp Youth Staff Interviews – Brown County	County
21	Sunday	4-H Camp Youth Staff Interviews – Winnebago County	County
27	Saturday	Brown County 4-H Music Fest, 9 AM – 3 PM	County
28	Sunday	Last day to add or drop projects	County
28	Sunday	Brown County Final 4-H Enrollment Deadline	County
TBA	Friday-Sunday	State Adventures Winter Leader Training	State
TBA	Saturday	State Youth Meats Judging Contest	State

March			
1	Monday	State 4-H Adult Chaperone Application Deadline – Domestic Travel	State
1	Monday	State 4-H Artbeat Application Deadline	State
2	Tuesday	Brown County 4-H Leaders Executive Board Meeting	County
2	Tuesday	Brown County 4-H Leaders Association Meeting	County
2	Tuesday	Brown County LOT ²	County
9	Tuesday	Space Camp Mandatory Teleconference Orientation	State
11	Thursday	Brown County 4-H Horse Association Meeting, 6 PM	County
13	Saturday	Space Camp Optional Workshop - Madison	State
13	Saturday	Space Camp Chaperone Orientation – Madison	State
19-20	Friday-Saturday	4-H Camp Youth Staff Training	County
20	Saturday	Brown County Shooting Sports Meeting	County
20	Saturday	Beef Weigh-In	County
19-20	Friday-Saturday	State 4-H Artbeat North – Eau Claire	State
19-25	Friday-Thursday	National 4-H Conference	National
20	Saturday	State 4-H Dog Obedience and Showmanship Workshop – Ixonia	State
26-27	Friday-Saturday	State 4-H Artbeat South – Wisconsin Dells	State
27	Saturday	Brown County 4-H Basketball Tournament	County



One of the best gifts a parent can give their child is the gift of time. Taking time to be involved in 4-H with your child is not just encouraged, but expected, and there are lots of ways to be involved in 4-H! In fact, when parents are involved

in 4-H right from the beginning, chances are high for a successful 4-H experience for the child involved.

Following are some ways you can be involved in the 4-H program and support the 4-H member in your family:

- Assist your child in selecting 4-H projects he/she can do and will enjoy.
- Read the project manual to find ways you can support your child with the project.
- Serve as a 4-H Project Home Helper. This means you don't do the work for your child but you guide and assist.
- Attend 4-H club meetings and activities with your child
- Read the 4-H newsletter and mail that comes to your home so you know what is going on.
- Encourage your child to attend 4-H meetings and activities, and if you can't transport him/her, arrange for someone else to get your child to the event.
- Offer to assist the 4-H club leader with specific tasks.
- Provide simple, nutritious refreshments for your child's 4-H club meeting when requested.
- Lend your kitchen, backyard, living room, garage or basement for an occasional 4-H meeting.

- Share a hobby, skill, or interest of yours with 4-H club members during a meeting or workshop.
- Assist your child in keeping records on his/her 4-H work.
- Serve as a project leader, chaperone, or resource leader.
- Encourage your child to participate in county-wide, state, or national 4-H events.

Animal Crackers



State Horse Expo Results

These results were inadvertently omitted from the list in our November-December newsletter. Congratulations to all of our Brown County youth that showed at the State 4-H Horse Expo in Milwaukee in September!

Nicole Hettmann

Top 10 Senior Judging Team w/out reasons

Emily Hettmann

Top 10 Junior judging Team w/out reasons

Miranda Possley

Top 10 Junior Judging Team w/out reasons

Top 10 Junior Individual Judging w/out reasons

Jamie Gildernick

Reserve Showmanship

Top 10 Reinsmanship

Top 10 Pleasure Driving

Rebecca Wilbert

Top 10 Showmanship



Livestock and Dairy Auction



If you are exhibiting beef, dairy, poultry, rabbit, sheep, or swine at the 2010 Brown County Fair and plan to participate in the **Livestock and Dairy Auction**, read the following information carefully. Your eligibility for participation in the auction depends on your attendance at the following meetings and educational events.

General Guidelines (One General Guidelines Meeting Required for All) and MAQA (One MAQA Meeting Required for Market Beef, Sheep, & Swine) Required Meetings: New this year will be combined meetings for General Guidelines and MAQA. Those planning to participate in the 2010 Brown County Fair Auction with beef, sheep, or swine need to attend one Guidelines/MAQA Meeting. Those planning to sell in dairy, poultry, or rabbits need to attend one Guidelines Meeting and by attending the MAQA meeting immediately following the Guidelines Meeting will also meet their Educational Meeting requirement. As in the past, three Guidelines Meetings and two MAQA Meetings will be offered at the Brown County Ag & Extension Service Center in Green Bay. The Guidelines Meetings are only offered at the Brown County Office. If you are unable to attend one of the MAQA Meetings at the Brown County Office, occasionally they are offered through neighboring county Extension offices. You will need to contact them in December for their schedule and to make a reservation to attend. If you attend at another location, you will need to provide verification of your participation.

Brown County Ag & Extension Service Center:

Saturday, January 9, from 9-11 a.m.—Combined Guidelines/MAQA meeting
Monday, February 1, from 7-9 p.m.—Combined Guidelines/MAQA meeting
Monday, February 15, from 7-9 p.m.—Combined Guidelines/Educational Meeting: “The Importance of Animal Identification”

If you do not attend one of the three General Guidelines Meetings, **you are not eligible** to take part in the 2010 Livestock and Dairy Auction.

Livestock Educational Meetings (One Livestock Educational Meeting Required for All): A variety of species-specific Educational Meetings are being planned for 2010. All youth who plan to sell a market animal of any species or a dairy basket at the Livestock and Dairy Auction are required to participate in at least one Livestock Educational Meeting. These events will be

announced in future newsletters and on the 4-H web site. You may attend an Educational Meeting in another location/county; however, you are required to submit to the 4-H Office a program from the meeting that has been signed by the program presenter.

While it may be helpful to attend Livestock Educational Meetings related to your animal exhibit, youth will receive credit for attending any of the Livestock Educational Meetings.

All meetings except as noted will be held at the Ag & Extension Center in Green Bay.

Swine Project Members Invited to 'In the Show Ring' Program: *Please note – this program will count as an auction Educational Meeting. To receive credit for attending, EACH participant must bring in to the 4-H Office the agenda or program signed by the presenter of the program within 30 days following the program date.*

The Wisconsin Pork Association is offering a program for youth involved in a 4-H or FFA swine projects called 'In the Show Ring,' which will highlight common topics youth should consider during and after they purchase project animals in the spring. The event takes place January 29 at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells. Parents, project leaders, and others involved in educating youth on swine projects are also invited.

Organizers say selection, weights, feeding, and health topics will all be covered. Registration for this program is required, but is free for youth. For more information on this program, call the Wisconsin Pork Association office at 800-822-7675.

Livestock Meeting Registration: Please register for all General Guidelines, MAQA, and Educational Meetings at least one week in advance of the meeting date. You may register by calling Kathy at 920-391-4654 or by using the online registration form. If you do not register, there may not be adequate space for the number of participants attending or enough handouts or other meeting supplies. Last year, several meetings were canceled due to low registration numbers.

Beef, Sheep, and Swine Weigh-Ins: The market animal weigh-in dates have been scheduled for 2010 and will be held at the Jason Gilson farm, 6535 Deuster Rd., Greenleaf. If you are bringing a market beef, lamb, or hog to the Brown County Fair, you must bring your animal to the weigh-in to determine the initial weight and tag the animal for identification. This year the Beef Weigh-In date is later than normal, bringing it closer to livestock industry standards.

Brown County Livestock Weigh-In Dates:

Saturday, March 20—Beef Weigh-In

Saturday, May 1—Sheep Weigh-In

Saturday, May 1—Swine Weigh-In



Educational Meeting Partial Scholarship: New this year offered by the Auction Committee will be the opportunity to attend a conference or extended educational program. The Auction Committee will assist with expenses for your attendance. You are required to submit the registration information, fees, lodging expenses, and statement on what you plan to gain from the event. Up to three requests will be considered. Please submit to the 4-H Office 30 days prior to the event. Remember, a program signed by the presenter is required.

Questions? Contact the 4-H Office or one of the 2010 Livestock and Dairy Auction Committee members: Mark Cornette, Mary Johns, Dave Kabat, Steve Leiterman, or Theresa Reynders.

MAQA Adult Train-the-Trainer

If you are interested in helping teach Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA) educational sessions for Brown County youth, you need to be certified. This year, the certification will be done through a statewide web-based presentation on Monday, February 8, from 7–9 p.m. In Brown County the training will be held at the Ag & Extension Service Center in Green Bay. This training is for adults including FFA Advisors, 4-H Livestock Leaders, Auction Committee members, veterinarians, and others who are willing to help lead MAQA sessions for county youth. You do not need to be a 4-H leader to participate in this session. Please register by February 1 online at www.BrownCountyExtension.org or by calling the 4-H Office at 920-391-4654.

Lincoln 4-H County Horse Project 2nd Annual Tack Swap

Location: 608 E. Second St., Merrill

Date/Time: Saturday, February 20, 8 am-6 pm

To reserve a space or for more information, contact Dan Ollhoff, Lincoln County Horse Project Youth President, at (715) 218-1487, or Heidi Gronna at (715) 218-4281. You can also check out their website at:

<http://lincolncounty4-hhorseproject.web.officelive.com>



Dairy Quiz Bowl

The Dairy Quiz Bowl contest has been set for Saturday, January 30. It will take place this year at the Portage Middle School, not the High School as it has in the past because of a conflicting event. Watch their website for details <http://4h.uwex.edu/events/State4-HDairyBowl.cfm>

2010 Badger Dairy Camp

The 2010 Badger Dairy Camp has been set for June 13-15 at the UW-Madison campus. Please check their website for more information:

<http://www.uwex.edu/ces/dairyouth/bdcamp.html>

Arts & Activities



Drama Fest Results



Drama Fest was held on November 7 at the Wrightstown High School. Seven skits and plays were performed by a combined total of 84 participants. The top blue ribbon skit performance was by Wrightstown 4-H. The honorable mention blue ribbon skit award went to Lost Dauphin 4-H. Also earning a blue ribbon for their skit was Greenleaf 4-H. Red ribbon skits were performed by Hi-Flyers 4-H and Suamico Beavertails.

The top blue ribbon play award went to Lost Dauphin, and the honorable mention blue ribbon play was awarded to Wrightstown 4-H.

The best individual performance awards went to Matt Coel and Azure Hall from Lost Dauphin 4-H, Megan and Emily Buechel from Wrightstown 4-H, and Sydney Van Zeeland from Suamico Beavertails 4-H.

It was a great day of learning and entertainment for both the participants and the approximately 200 spectators. The two judges, who are theater students at St. Norbert College, complimented our young 4-H actors on their abilities. The judges offered encouragement for those interested in continuing with acting in high school and college.

A big THANK YOU goes out to our volunteers who helped to make this day a success! Thank you, also, to the 4-H Leaders Association for selling booyah and snacks!

4-H Summer Camp

If you would like to do something really fun this summer, and if you are in grades 3-8, you're invited to 4-H Summer Camp! This 4-day, 3-night adventure provides a wide variety of fun and educational activities in a safe, supervised environment. Trained counselors and staff lead arts and crafts, waterfront, nature, and recreational activities that are designed to help you explore new things, learn new skills and develop new friendships. Outpost older campers, grades 7-8, will camp off-site, sleep in tents, and participate in activities such as rock-climbing and canoeing. This year Brown County will be camping together with Winnebago County at Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center in Wisconsin Dells, **July 8th-11th**. Upham Woods is the only camp facility owned by 4-H in Wisconsin and offers an exceptional facility and staff. For more information about Upham Woods, visit the website at <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/uphamwoods/index.cfm>

Additional information, costs, and application forms for youth campers will be available February 1. Since you do not need to be a 4-H member to attend 4-H Summer Camp, we encourage all 4-H members to invite a friend to attend camp with them this summer!

Adult Chaperones Needed for 4-H Summer Camp

In order to provide a safe and fun experience for youth campers and a supportive environment for Counselors and other Youth Staff, we need adults, including parents and 4-H leaders, who are willing to go to camp. If we register the maximum number of campers, we will need 16 adults to serve as chaperones for the 2010 Brown/Winnebago 4-H Summer Camp. The primary role of the adult camp chaperone is to be in a supportive role for the Youth Cabin Counselors and Youth Program Staff. Prior camp experience is not necessary, but all adults must be an enrolled 4-H leader or be willing to be background checked, participate in a 4-H Volunteer Orientation workshop, and sign the Adult Expectation Form prior to camp. A few adult camp positions require specific certifications, training, or experience including the First Aid Coordinator, Archery Leader, and Outpost Chaperones. While adult chaperones must be at camp for the entire camp session, they are not required to attend the Youth Staff Training sessions, but are encouraged to attend and help lead some of the activities. Adult chaperone applications are now available and are due on **February 12** in the 4-H Office.

4-H Summer Camp will be held July 8-11 at Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center in Wisconsin Dells.

4-H Summer Camp Youth Staff Positions

Now is the time to apply to be a 4-H Summer Camp Youth Staff member! If you are in grades 9-13 and have an interest in working with younger youth and developing your leadership skills, this is an opportunity you won't want to miss. This year, there are approximately 22 youth staff positions available including: cabin counselors, outpost counselors, and program staff positions. Youth staff applications are now available and are due on **February 12** in the 4-H Office. Applicants must participate in a face-to-face interview either on February 20 in Green Bay or on February 21 in Oshkosh. Youth selected are required to participate in the Youth Staff Leadership Training workshops scheduled on March 26, April 24-25, May 8, and June 17. 4-H Summer Camp will be held July 8-11 at Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center in Wisconsin Dells, and this year Brown County will be camping together with Winnebago County. Contact the 4-H Office if you have any questions.

Basketball Tournament – ONE DAY ONLY – Saturday March 27

Chris Neumeyer



Please mark your calendars for Saturday March 27! This is the date set for the Brown County 4-H Basketball Tournament at Wrightstown High School. The purpose of this tournament is to have youth from throughout the county join together to have fun, to learn, and to make friendships.

Funds generated from this event support teens from throughout Brown County to go on educational and fun 4-H trips this year. The youth going on these trips and their parents help to organize and run this tournament. Without their help, this FUN activity would not be possible.

We are looking for help in running the tournament. The Youth, who will be attending these trips in the summer of 2010, and their parents, help to run the various areas of the tournament. An organizational meeting will be held on January 9 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Ag & Extension Service Center to organize the various areas that will need chairpeople. The basketball portion is covered. Chairpeople are needed for the Welcome

Table/Silent Auction area, Publicity, Bake Sale, and the Foodstand. Previous chairpeople can help you get organized, so don't be afraid to step up and help. TRIP YOUTH AND PARENTS, please come prepared to sign up for your work shifts and possibly think about chairing one of the areas. Also Brown County 4-H clubs, families, and youth – your help at the tournament is needed and always appreciated. Watch the February newsletter for more details about the tournament!

Videographer Needed! Cultural Arts Committee



The Cultural Arts Committee is looking for a youth or adult who is interested in videotaping the Brown County 4-H Drama and Music Fests. These events are from 9 a.m. until about 1:30 p.m. on a Saturday at the Wrightstown High School. Drama Fest is usually the first Saturday in November and Music Fest is the last Saturday in February. Two DVDs will be needed for the Extension Office's file for each of these events. The cost of the DVDs will be reimbursed. If you are interested, please contact Kathy in the 4-H Office. The DVDs are a great memory of these fun events.

2010 4-H Shooting Sports Steve & Christy Hettmann

The 2010 shooting season is ready to begin! New this year is that all forms will be posted on the Brown County 4-H website – click on “Forms and Documents” and then scroll down to “4-H Natural Resources and Environmental Education.” You can also find the forms by clicking on “Brown County 4-H Clubs” and then selecting “Shooting Sports 4-H Club.” All new shooters are required to attend an orientation. On **Saturday, January 9**, this orientation will be held at the DePere Sportsmen's Club starting at 8 am. After the orientation, the kids will shoot air rifle and archery. Costs are the same as last year. This covers the cost of using the equipment, targets, pelts, and use of the Sportsmen's Club (see the website for cost info).

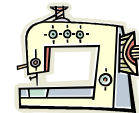
All Shooting Sports members please mark the following dates on your calendar:

- Saturday, January 23** – All members
- Saturday, March 20** – All members
- Saturday, April 3** – All members

More practices will be announced later. Practices will be held on these dates at the DePere Sportsmen's Club.

We will have 2 sessions each Saturday like last year. One will start at 8 a.m., and the other at around 11 a.m.

Attn.: Clothing Project Members Sue Vanevenhoven



Face-to-face judging for clothing projects will be held on Wednesday, June 23, from 2-6 p.m. at the Ag & Extension Service Center. Judging for the Style Revue will be held at the same time. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS! (Cloverbuds, Exploring, and Home Environment members who have sewing projects will have them judged at the Brown County Fair in August.) Members will be able to take their projects home with them after judging on June 23 but must return their projects on Tuesday of the Fair to receive their ribbons and premiums. If you have any questions, please call Sue Vanevenhoven (532-5550), Sharon Faulds (864-7764), or Connie Lenz (338-0097).

Club News

News

Rockland 4-H – November Eric VanDyck, Reporter

This meeting was spent working on one of our community projects. We purchased six different pieces of flannel fabric and created three tie blankets. Everyone joined in and cut and tied the strips and we were done in half an hour. The blankets will be given to Freedom House along with platters of our Christmas cookies. We discussed adopting a family for Christmas and will check with Christian Outreach for a family. Christmas cookies will be made, baked, and decorated on December 12. Our Christmas Party will be December 14 which is when we will sort and package the cookies for distribution to Our Friends of 4-H. Our party will also include bingo, prizes, and pizza. We welcomed 7 new members (4 families) to our club and look forward to sharing 4-H experiences with them.

Morrison 4-H – November Ellie Collins, Reporter

Our club went on a hayride in October. Many of the kids said the hayride was tons of fun and that the games and treats after were, too. During this meeting, Brandon Zittlow talked about his grandpa's homegrown popcorn. He explained to the club how the popcorn seeds are

specific for making popcorn and that once they are fully grown cornstalks, they hand pick them and pop the popcorn on the stove and it tastes delicious! We also talked about snacks and games for the Christmas party.

Lost Dauphin 4-H

Ray Clark, Reporter

November: The Brown County 4-H Drama Fest was held November 7. Lost Dauphin 4-H Club performed the play "Rowdy Kate" which won a blue ribbon and the trophy, while the skit received a blue ribbon and Honorable Mention. A "Thank You" banner made by club members in October was sent to the Veteran's Home in King, Wisconsin, for Veteran's Day. On November 9 the Lost Dauphin 4-H Club had their monthly meeting which involved "New Member Night" where we met our new club members. New members were installed: Chris Amond, President; Matt Coel, Vice President; Cassandra Micolichek, Secretary; Melissa Hrdlicka, Treasurer; Ray Clark, Reporter; Rachael Micolichek, Photographer; Rebekah Wilbert, Asst. Photographer; Jamie Gildernick and Kaylee Coel, Recreation Leaders. We gave out awards to recognize those that did a great job throughout the year. Jamie Gildernick gave a project talk about horses at the State Horse Expo. Members performed the Drama Fest skit.

December: On December 6, the Lost Dauphin 4-H Club had their annual Christmas party. It was held at the Lawrence Fire Hall. The club members donated children's books to



the Brown County Library's "Give-A-Kid-A-Book" program. Members discussed entering the Speaking Fest. Recreational Leaders Jamie and Kaylee organized games to interact with the new members. The 4-H families provided refreshments.

Greenleaf 4-H – November

Chloe Crossman, Reporter

Greenleaf 4-H held their November meeting on Monday the 16th. We started our 2009-2010 year by installing our new officers. But the biggest change of all is, after 5 years of dedicated service, Chris Neumeyer is stepping down as our leader. We thank her for all the time and

energy she put into our club to keep it running successfully. Now our club is going into a whole new direction with Team Leaders. Our new leaders are: Tracy Koltz, program planning and officers leader; Shelby Kussow, organizational and general contact leader; Karen Klister, project and recognition leader; Barb Louis, club activities leader; and Gloria Schroeder, adult advisor. We are looking forward to an exciting year under our new officers and leaders. Our next meeting will be our Christmas party on December 21.

Horse Association – November

The **HORSE LOCK-IN** is scheduled for Friday, January 22, to Saturday, January 23. Times will be 6:30 p.m. check-in on Friday, 7 p.m. meeting, and 10 p.m. pick up for anyone not staying overnight. We are looking for a male chaperone to stay overnight with the young boys. Please pick kids up between 7-8 a.m. on Saturday, January 23. We will not be having pizza; we ask that everyone who is staying bring a snack to pass and bring your own beverages. We are also looking for project ideas to do at the lock-in, so please call Karen at (920) 863-3386 with any ideas you may have. RSVP by January 15 if you will be attending the lock-in by calling Karen at (920)863-3386 or Heather at (920)863-6247.

The 4-H Horse Show has been scheduled for Saturday, June 26, 2010, at 9 a.m. Monthly meetings have been changed to the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. We are hoping with the earlier start time that more youth will attend. The next meeting is January 14 at 6 p.m.



Fair News

Important Fair News!

Kathy Kocken, Brown Co. Fair Exhibits Coordinator

- The Brown County Fair is in need of a Superintendent for the Sheep Department. If you are interested, please contact me at 606-5120 or kathy@browncountyfair.com
- If anyone has any changes they would like considered for the 2010 Exhibitor Handbook, please have the suggestions to me by January 15. I will be meeting with the superintendents at the end of January to go over possible changes for the 2010 Brown County Fair.
- Please note that I have a new email address: kathy@browncountyfair.com Please disregard the old address of: browncountyfair@yahoo.com.