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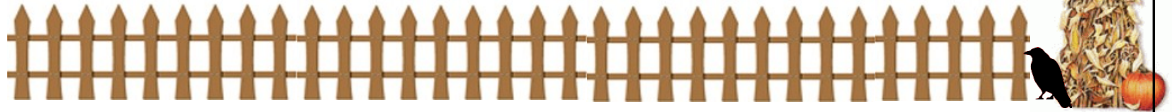


National 4-H Week is October 2-8

Come Celebrate at the Brown County 4-H Open House on Tuesday, October 4

The Brown County 4-H Program is sponsoring an Open House for the public on Tuesday, October 4, from 5—6:30 PM. The event will be held at the Ag & Extension Service Center, 1150 Bellevue Street, Green Bay. Please join us for a fun evening! Activities will include:

- Club displays—talk to 4-H'ers and find out what 4-H is all about!
- “Learn by doing” activities
- National Youth Science Day activity
- CSI Forensic Science activity
- Refreshments



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2011 Brown County 4-H Calendar

A complete 2011 calendar can be found on the 4-H web site at www.BrownCountyExtension.org and click on "4-H Youth Development" and then "Forms & Documents" and scroll down to "4-H Calendars."

October			
2-8	Sunday-Saturday	National 4-H Week	National
3	Monday	DEADLINE: State 4-H Adult and Youth Council Annual Meeting registration date	State
3	Monday	DEADLINE: Nasco Showing and Grooming Contest entry deadline	State
4	Tuesday	National 4-H Week Open House, 5 PM—6:30 PM	County
4	Tuesday	Brown County 4-H Awards Ceremony, 6:30 PM—8:30 PM	County
8	Saturday	Conservation Day at Osprey Point	Area
8-9	Saturday-Sunday	4-H Arts Camp at Upham Woods	State
11	Tuesday	DEADLINE: New Leader Training registration due today	County
14	Friday	DEADLINE: Drama Fest registration due today	County
15	Saturday	DEADLINE: 4-H Educational & Leadership Trip Applications due today	County
15	Saturday	DEADLINE: I Dare You Award Nomination due today	County
15	Saturday	DEADLINE: Key Leadership Award Nomination due today	County
18	Tuesday	New Leader Training	County
29	Saturday	State 4-H Adult and Youth Council Annual Meeting	State
29	Saturday	4-H Robotics Rally—Green Bay	State
31	Monday	DEADLINE: North Central Region November 7 eForum registration deadline	Region
November			
1	Tuesday	Brown County 4-H History Club	County
1	Tuesday	Brown County 4-H Leaders Executive Board & Leaders Association Meetings	County
1	Tuesday	DEADLINE: 4-H Charter Documents due today	County
5	Saturday	4-H Drama Fest	County
7	Monday	North Central Region 4-H Leader eForum	Region
8	Tuesday	DEADLINE: UW-Madison Animal Science Open House registration deadline	State
10	Thursday	DEADLINE: North Central Region November 17 eForum registration deadline	Region
12	Saturday	4-H Club Officer Training	County
15	Tuesday	DEADLINE: North Central Region November 22 eForum registration deadline	Region
17	Thursday	North Central Region 4-H Leader Forum	Region
22	Tuesday	North Central Region 4-H Leader Forum	Region
29	Tuesday	UW-Madison Animal Science Open House	State





This is a very busy time for almost every 4-H family. Learning to readjust school or work schedules and all the activities you and your family are involved in takes a little bit of time and a lot of organization.

Here in the 4-H Office, I am also adjusting to limited secretarial support for the 4-H program as well as some additional responsibilities. As far as I know, no decisions have been made regarding if or when the position vacated by Kathy DeChamps will be refilled. Additionally, budget reductions have impacted everything in the office from copying to postage.

My goal is to make sure these things do not have a negative impact on the 4-H program, but in order to be successful, we will all have to make a few changes in the way we do things.

Let's start with following deadlines:

Throughout the year there are applications, nominations, registrations, scholarships, enrollments, charters, and other documents and events that have deadlines. There are many reasons for these deadlines and this year, more than ever before, it will be important that EVERY DEADLINE is adhered to. Let me share with you some of the situations we've encountered where deadlines were not followed to better explain why they are so important.

- 20 people are registered for an event (meeting, workshop, etc.). The day of the event almost all of the attendees arrive within 5 minutes before the event starts and instead of 20 people, there are 40 people. As a result the room is too small for the event, there are not enough chairs for the participants, and there are not enough handouts. If the presenter is able to make more handouts, the time it takes to do that means that the meeting starts late and is either cut short or goes past the scheduled end time.
- 10 people register for an event. A decision is made on the day of the event to cancel it because of weather conditions. 4-H Office staff call the 10 people that registered, but 3 other people who did not register drive to the meeting location for the event only to find the building locked and a sign on the door saying the event was cancelled.
- 0 people register for an event by the deadline. The decision is made to cancel the event because of 0 registrations. No one is notified because no one signed up. 3 people arrive at the event site, find the building locked, and no sign on the door.
- 1 youth completes a scholarship application that is due at the State 4-H Office by the end of the week. They bring it by the Brown County 4-H Office to get a signature from the me, only to find that I am out-of-the-office and will not be back until after the State 4-H Office deadline.

- 1 youth completes a scholarship application and brings it to the Brown County 4-H Office for the me to sign on the day it is due at the State 4-H Office. The following week, I get a call from the State 4-H Office inquiring as to why the scholarship application is late.

Following deadlines is a valuable skill and is related to other life skills like responsibility, organization, and respect. So this year, please be sure to submit applications and registrations on or before the deadline if it is set by the county 4-H program. If the document needs a signature from me before it is submitted to the State 4-H Office, Wisconsin State Fair, etc. it needs to be at the county 4-H Office at least a week before the state deadline. You may want to even consider making an appointment with me to insure I will be available to review and sign the document.

Newsletter Mailing Changes

Due to the county's budget reductions, effective January 2012 we will be distributing this newsletter by email to all families with an email address. The only families that will continue to be mailed a copy are those that do not have email. This will significantly reduce printing and postage costs, as well as freeing up time for a reduced office staff. More information will be included in this fall's club enrollment packets.

Leadership News



4-H Awards Recognition Ceremony

October 4 Event

This year, the *4-H Award Recognition Ceremony* will be held in conjunction with National 4-H Week. This event will begin at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, October 4, at the UW-Extension Office. All 4-H families are invited to attend this celebration to help recognize all of the youth and adults receiving awards at this ceremony.

The following awards will be presented at this event:

- Cloverbuds that have graduated into 4-H
- Reporter, Secretary, & Treasurer Book award recipients
- 4-H Leaders completing their first year and those celebrating an anniversary year (5, 10, 15, 20, etc.)
- Volunteer of the Year recipient
- Meritorious Service recipient
- Friend of 4-H recipient
- BCHCE Special Needs Award recipient

Abbie Jo Warpinski is chairing the committee that is planning the event. If you have any questions, please contact Abbie Jo at 920-285-5300 or ajwarpinski@hotmail.com, or contact the 4-H Office.





New Leader Training

October 11 Registration Deadline, October 18 Event

If you are thinking about chaperoning any 4-H events this year, leading a project, or serving in another 4-H volunteer capacity and have not completed *New Leader Training*, you will want to attend one of the two sessions offered on Tuesday, October 18. The afternoon session will be from 1 PM—3 PM and the evening session will run from 6 PM—8 PM. Please register for this training no later than October 11. These workshops will be held at the University of Wisconsin-Extension 4-H Office. This training will not be held again until sometime next spring.

State 4-H Adult and Youth Council

October 3 Registration Deadline, October 29 Event

The annual *State 4-H Adult and Youth Council Annual Meeting* will be held on Saturday, October 29, 2011 at the Holiday Inn and Suites, 1001 Amber Ave in Stevens Point, Wisconsin from 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Each of the 72 Wisconsin counties selects at least one adult and one youth 4-H volunteer to actively participate in the Fall Forum. The adult volunteer delegates are considered members of the Wisconsin 4-H Adult Leader Council with a one year term. This meeting serves as their annual meeting. The Forum provides volunteers the opportunity to learn, teach, network, and discuss critical issues and initiatives with the 4-H Youth Development program area staff on policies and direction affecting Wisconsin 4-H. Volunteers practice and demonstrate youth adult partnerships at the highest level through this experience.

The Fall Forum gives each county the opportunity to have a voice in the future of Wisconsin 4-H. Let your voice be heard through attending this year's Fall Forum. During business meetings, ALC will select the ALC Board member and YLC votes on new YLC members. The 2011 Silent Auction profits will go to the Upham Woods Capital Campaign. Upham Woods is the Wisconsin 4-H State Outdoor Learning Center located in the Wisconsin Dells. It's mission is to provide educational opportunities to youth, youth leaders, and adults through programs focused on environmental and leadership education.

If you would like to attend this educational event, you need to register with the 4-H Office by October 3. For more information contact Eileen Rueden at 920-470-5562.



North Central Region 4-H Volunteer E-Forum

There is no better way to recharge yourself than by attending the *North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Forum*, and this year the forum will be right here in the 4-H Office! For the first time ever, the North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Forum is actually an online e-Forum. The dates and times are listed below and each dates includes different topics.

November 7: Positive Youth Development

October 31 Registration Deadline

- *Quality Matters: In Chocolate and 4-H Programs* by Brenda Shafer, University of Minnesota
- *The Teen Brain: A Work in Progress* by Annette Haas, University of Wisconsin-Extension
- *Tools and Techniques for Growing Youth/Adult Partnerships* by Brenda Allen, Iowa State University

November 17: 4-H Program Management

November 10 Registration Deadline

- *4-H Club Basics* by Mary Jo Williams, University of Missouri
- *Keeping Your Cool While Working with Youth* by Pat McGlaughlin & Sheri Seibold, University of Illinois
- *Reducing the Risks of 4-H Club Meetings* by Vicki Schwartz, Ohio State University

November 22: New & Emerging Curriculum

November 15 Registration Deadline

- *Get Connected in Your 4-H World* by Rachelle Vetter, North Dakota State University
- *4-H Science* by Dixie Sandborn, Michigan State University
- *Community Service Learning* by Steve McKinley, Purdue University

There will be a \$5.00 fee per session per person or \$12 for all three sessions to cover the cost of handouts and refreshments. Please make checks payable to the *Brown County 4-H Leaders Association* and be sure to register for each session you plan to attend, at least one week before the event. If there are less than 6 volunteers registered for a session, the session may be canceled.

Club Officer Training

November 4 Registration Deadline, November 12 Event

This year 4-H Club Officer Training will be held on Saturday, November 12 from 9 AM—11 AM. All 4-H Clubs are encouraged to have elections prior to November 1 so that new officers can participate in this event. Please be sure that ALL 4-H Club Officers planning to attend this workshop preregister with the 4-H Office by November 4.

If you would like to make any suggestions on topics to cover, please email me your suggestions no later than October 21.

Volunteers Needed for Club Officer Training

I am looking for older 4-H youth and adults who will work with me to plan and conduct the Club Officer Training on November 12. Please let me know by October 21 if you would like to help with this workshop.

Enrollment Forms

December 1 Brown County Deadline

Once again it's time for every 4-H member and leader to complete their annual 4-H enrollment forms. Here are some tips for completing the forms that will make the process go smoother, not only for you, but for the 4-H Club Leader and for the person inputting the data into the 4HPlus Enrollment database in the office.

Review all of the following information and update if needed.

- Personal contact information
- Residence, race, and ethnicity information
- Parent/guardian information
- Project information
- Publishing images and names and disability accommodation statements

In addition if you are a leader, be sure to review the information above as well as:

- Volunteer role (leader type)
- 4-H Alumni status

All youth need to read, sign and date a copy of the *Brown County 4-H Youth Agreement* and 4-H leaders need to read, sign and date the *Volunteer Behavior Expectations*. New leaders also need to complete the *Volunteer Application* in addition to the *Wisconsin 4-H Leader Enrollment Form*.

Parents, please check over your children's *Wisconsin 4-H Member Enrollment Form* before you give them to the 4-H Club Leader to insure they are correctly filled out. Make sure you get your completed forms and dues to the 4-H Club Leader on or before the club deadline. By doing so, it allows the 4-H Club leader to review the forms before they are submitted to the 4-H Office for processing. By following these steps, the 4-H enrollment process will go smoothly for everyone, and this year is more important than ever before. In the past, there was a lot of time spent during the data entry process following-up with individuals or leaders regarding forms that were not complete or had errors. ALL forms should be submitted to the 4-H Club leader, NOT individually to the 4-H Office.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our 4-H Club Leader or the 4-H Office.



Charter Documents

November 1 Deadline

The 4-H Charter Renewal documents are due in the Brown County 4-H Office no later than November 1. Every 4-H Club and Group (Leaders Association, Horse Association, Livestock and Dairy Auction Committee, and LOT2) are required to complete and submit their charter documents by November 1 this year. Prior to that, each club and group is required to complete the Financial Summary pages of the Charter Renewal, complete an audit, and bring all of their financial records to the 4-H Office for review. The schedule for the date each club and group needs to submit their documents has been emailed to every 4-H club and group. If you did not receive a copy or have misplaced the schedule, please contact the 4-H Office. Please do not hesitate to contact the 4-H Office if you have any questions about the Charter Documents.

Incomplete and/or late Charter Renewals will not be accepted and the club or group will lose it's affiliation with 4-H and its right to use the 4-H name and emblem.

Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

November 1 Deadline

Brown County 4-H members that have demonstrated outstanding community service are encouraged to apply for a Prudential Spirit of Community Award. Any 4-H youth in grades 5-12 is eligible to apply for this award which is sponsored by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principles. Nationwide last year 168 county 4-H programs selected honorees in this prestigious youth recognition program, and sixteen 4-H'ers were among the 102 State Honorees for 2011. This recognition is extremely beneficial to individual 4-H'ers who have performed exemplary acts of service in their communities and to 4-H as a whole.

For more information and complete instructions go to: http://n4h.convio.net/site/DocServer/Prudential_Awards_2011_-_Implementation_Packet.pdf?docID=827

4-H'ers can apply online at: <http://spirit.prudential.com/view/page/soc> but applications must be submitted to me by **November 1, 2011**. Based on our enrollment numbers we can select 1 youth for this award. A state-level judging committee will pick the top youth volunteers in each state and the District of Columbia, who will receive silver medallions, \$1,000 awards, and a fabulous trip to Washington, D.C., for national recognition events. In Washington, a national selection committee will name America's top 10 youth volunteers for 2012. They win additional \$5,000 awards, gold medallions, crystal trophies, and \$5,000 grants from The Prudential Foundation for charitable nonprofit organizations of their choice.

If you have any questions or need a paper version of the application form, please call toll-free 877-525-8491. Additional information is available at the [Prudential website](#).

Animal Science



Nasco Showing and Grooming Contest

October 3 Deadline

Nasco is sponsoring a contest to showcase youth who show animals at shows or expos such as the county fair. Each entry must include a photo (professional photos are not necessary) of the entrant with their show animal and a story (800 words or less) about their relationship with their animal and their experience preparing for the event, plus their name, age, mailing address, phone number, and e-mail address (optional). Entry deadline is October 3rd. More information is available at http://www.enasco.com/page/SG_Contest_0411LP/?utm_source=FarmRanch&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=frcontestjuly11

Dairy Goat Conference

October 21-22 Event

Dairy goat producers, cheesemakers and industry leaders from across the nation will gather at the Fifth Annual Focus on Goats Conference Oct. 21-22 at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. The two-day conference features a wide array of speakers and educational seminars, as well as a cheese tasting reception.

A complete program and registration is at: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wisheepandgoat/> or <http://www.dbicusa.org>. Registration fees (lunch and breaks included) are \$30 for Friday or Saturday only, \$55 for the entire conference, and \$15 for the youth program (Saturday only). A \$10 late fee will be charged on registrations after October 7.

UW Madison Animal Sciences Open House

November 8 Registration Deadline, November 29 Event

The University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Animal Sciences invites high school juniors and seniors and transfer students interested in exploring an education in Animal Sciences to an Open House on Tuesday, November 29, 2011 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with a 9:30 a.m. registration. A registration deadline of a firm commitment is requested by November 8th. High School Juniors, Seniors, Transfers and their parents will gain a firsthand look of the department as they tour campus and facilities and learn of the exciting opportunities available to the major. Faculty and current students will be available for questions.



To RSVP and for more information, download a registration form from the UW Animal Sciences web site www.ansci.wisc.edu. You can also contact Kathy Monson at 608-263-5225 or kamonson@wisc.edu. Register early, seats are limited!!

Agriculture Grants Available

January 12 Grant Proposal Deadline

The 2011 North Central Region - Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program (NCR-SARE) Youth & Youth Educator Grant Call for Proposals is now available. These grants are a part of the Farmer Rancher Grant Program. Their purpose is to provide opportunities for youth in the North Central Region to learn more about Sustainable Agriculture. Sustainable agriculture is good for the environment, profitable, and socially responsible. A total of approximately \$34,000 is available for this program. There are two options:

1. YOUTH GRANTS. These grants are for on-farm research, demonstration, or education projects by youth ages 8-18. Research and demonstration projects are for hands-on efforts to explore Sustainable Agriculture issues and practices. Education projects can involve teaching others about Sustainable Agriculture or attending a Sustainable Agriculture conference, workshop, or camp. \$400 maximum.

2. YOUTH EDUCATOR GRANTS. These are grants for educators to provide programming on sustainable agriculture for youth. \$2,000 maximum.

Interested applicants can find the call for proposals online as well as useful information for completing a proposal at <http://www.northcentralsare.org/Grants/Types-of-Grants/Youth-and-Youth-Educator-Grant-Program>.

Proposals are due by 4:30 pm, Thursday, January 12, 2012 at the NCR-SARE office in Jefferson City, MO. Potential applicants with questions can contact Joan Benjamin, Associate Regional Coordinator and Farmer Rancher Grant Program Coordinator, at benjaminj@lincolnu.edu or 573-681-5545 or 800-529-1342. A hard copy or an emailed copy of the call for proposals is also available by contacting Joan Benjamin. We make slight revisions to our calls for proposals each year, which means it is crucial to use the most recent call for proposals.

Livestock & Dairy Auction Follow-Up

Youth that participated in the 2011 Livestock and Dairy Auction may pick up their checks at the 4-H Office if they have submitted the Animal Summary and a Thank You for the buyer. Please be sure that the thank you is in an unsealed envelope, properly addressed to the buyer and with the correct amount of postage. If you are not sure who purchased your animal or need their contact information, please contact the Auction Committee. Also, once you receive your check, please deposit it or cash it as soon as possible. This prevents checks from being misplaced and allows the committee to complete their financial records in a timely manner.

Arts & Activities



Drama Fest

October 14 Registration Deadline, November 5 Event

The 2011 4-H Drama Fest will be held on Saturday, November 5, at Wrightstown High School. This event is open to every 4-H club, and I encourage all clubs to have at least one entry in this educational and fun event. If you've never participated before, the Cultural Arts Committee is happy to help you or put you in contact with others who can help you prepare for this event. Each club received one copy of the Cultural Arts Packet for 2012 at the September 4-H Leaders Association Meeting. Drama Fest Guidelines and Registration Form can also be downloaded on the 4-H website under "Forms".

Contact Abbie Jo Warpinski if you have any questions. Her telephone number is 920-285-5300 and her email address is ajwarpinski@hotmail.com.

Statewide Robotics Rally

September 28 Registration Deadline, October 29 Event

Brown County is hosting the fall Robotics Rally on Saturday, October 29. This event is open to both 4-H and non-4-H youth as teams or individuals. A minimum of 6 individuals/teams is needed to hold the rally with a maximum number of 12. The registration deadline is September 28. For Information Packets and Entry Forms, please contact the 4-H Office.



Volunteers Needed for Robotics Rally

Approximately 10 volunteers are needed to help with the Robotics Rally on October 29. Volunteers will be needed from 8 AM until about 2 PM. You do not need to be a "robotics expert" to help with the rally. Here are the volunteer positions that need to be filled:

- Registration desk, 2 adults needed
- Practice room supervision, 1 adult needed
- Judges, 3 adults needed that feel comfortable using a scoring rubric
- Judges assistants, 3 youth needed to time each competition and assist the judge as needed
- Runner, 1 adult or youth who serves as the runner between rooms

Concession Stand for Robotics Rally

Is anyone interested in running a concession stand for the Robotics Rally on October 29? Something simple like pizza hot dogs, and beverages would be great. Let me know as soon as possible if you're interested in doing this.

Junk Drawer Robotics

This is a new project that focuses on engineering concepts, yet is designed for youth grades 3 and higher. This curriculum is divided into three levels. The first level involves robotic arms, hands, and grippers. Level two focuses on moving, power transfer, and locomotion. The theme of the third level is the connection between mechanical and electronic elements.

One of the advantages of this new curriculum is that it doesn't require any expensive equipment. Youth learn science, engineering, and technology concepts using things that are readily available. Many of the lessons are about 20 minutes long and the curriculum is designed as a helper's guide. This curriculum can be ordered from the National 4-H Mall.

Reminder—State & County Fair Projects

There are a number of state and county fair projects in the 4-H Office that need to be picked up. Please stop in soon to claim your projects!

Natural Resource



Conservation Day at Osprey Point

October 8 Event

The Brown County Chapter Izaak Walton League is sponsoring a Conservation Day at Osprey Point at the East River Conservancy/Osprey Point on County Highway GV in Bellevue (located approximately one mile south of Hwy. 172). The event is scheduled for Saturday, October 8, from 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM.

Activities will include bird house decorating, fishing (catch & release, bring your own tackle & bait), geocaching, bird viewing, hiking nature trails, pumpkin painting, make a suet feeder, and a marshmallow roast. Demonstrations will be provided by Trout Unlimited, Ducks Unlimited, Taxidermy, Wings Over Wisconsin, and Mammal Trapping. Registration fee includes lunch, fishing, and making a suet feeder. For more information or to register for the event, email gjzwicky@gmail.com no later than September 28.

STEM



SET 4-H Club Volunteers Needed

The Brown County 4-H SET Club needs some new volunteers this year. They are looking for a Robotics Leader, a Power of the Wind Leader, and one or more volunteers that would serve as the 4-H Organizational Leader or Team Leader. Please contact Louise Dahlke at 920-362-4756 or the 4-H Office for more information or to volunteer with this club.

Rocks, Rocks, Rocks.

I LOVE Rocks!

Einstein Brain 2011 by Lena Hosking

Is your sidewalk chalk down to nubs? Did you start a rock collection this summer? This activity uses a love for rocks to see if they contain the ingredient carbonate.

What you'll learn:

Carbonates can be identified by an acid test.

What you'll need:

Chalk or limestone, household vinegar, a large rock or hammer, some small rocks, a small paintbrush, glass jar or dish.

To test for the presence of carbonates in a rock/mineral/chalk sample, scrape off a powder from the specimen being identified. To create powder from rock it will need to be smashed, and the powder remains swept into a glass dish. Add vinegar to the powder to see if it fizzes.

What happened?

Carbonates are among the most common minerals. For example, chalk and limestone are made up mostly of calcite, which is calcium carbonate. Most carbonates can be identified by an acid test. Scientists use dilute hydrochloric acid but household vinegar, a weak acid, will work. When acid is poured on carbonate it will fizz or "effervesce" by giving off bubbles of gas. If your sample fizzes when the acid mixes with it, then one of the minerals in the rock is probably a form of carbonate. Enjoy smashing!

National 4-H Week

October 2-8

October 4—Brown County 4-H Open House

What are you doing this year to promote 4-H? If you're new to the 4-H program you may not be aware that National 4-H Week is always held the first week in October. The week provides an opportunity to recognize past accomplishments of 4-H families, promote 4-H to the public, honor community members that help support 4-H, and recruit new 4-H members and volunteers.

This year, the Brown County 4-H program is sponsoring an Open House for the public on Tuesday, October 4 from 5 PM—6:30 PM. In order to make this event successful however, we need Brown County 4-H Clubs families to actively participate in the event. Here's what you can do to help:

1. Have a club display at the event. This could be a display of projects, fair entries, club activities, etc. You might consider a display where those attending the event can "learn by doing." While a "manned" booth is preferred, if you just want to have a display, that's okay too!
2. Volunteers to help with the National Youth Science Day Activity and the CSI Forensic Science Activity. About 6 older youths and adults would be great.
3. Volunteers to help with greeting visitors, having them sign-in, and providing information on how to join 4-H. All the things you need will be ready for you.

Please let me know by September 29 whether your club will be participating and what type of display you plan to bring.

If you can't help with the 4-H Open House, can you help promote this event? Personal invitations to people you know, new families in your area, co-workers, neighbors, etc. is one of the most effective ways for recruiting new 4-H members and volunteers. Another way you can help is by posting flyers for the event. Just contact the 4-H Office if you need a flyer or would like me to email you a copy of the flyer for you to print.

Bits & Pieces



OMK Hero Packs & 4-H Service Learning

Is your 4-H Club looking for a new or additional 4-H Community Service project or a project that provides youth with an opportunity to learn? Have you thought about Hero Packs? These backpacks which are provided by OMK need to be filled by others before they are given to children of those serving in the military. I have a great OMK Hero Pack Guide that provides valuable information on resources and implementation. Let me know if you are interested or if you would be interested in learning more about this project.

If at least 6 clubs/families are interested, I will be happy to do a workshop on implementing this project.



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Club News

News

4-H Club and Group Communication

Does your 4-H club or group have an email distribution list or a telephone tree? How do you notify everyone when a meeting or event is scheduled or when it is canceled? This is a great topic for discussion at your next meeting. Keep in mind that the 4-H Office does not have the staff to email or call project members or club members when dates, specific to a project or club, are changed or canceled. Don't forget to email club news to me by the 15th of the month.



Agriculture

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Upcoming Area Ag Events

- **November 15—Pest Management Update Meeting,**
Rock Garden, Green Bay

Call 920-391-4653 for more information on these programs, or visit www.BrownCountyExtension.org and click on the “Agriculture” link.

Roundup Ready Alfalfa

Dan Undersander, 608-263-5070, djunders@wisc.edu

The performance of Roundup Ready alfalfa varieties is being evaluated in UW-Madison/Extension alfalfa variety trials according to Dan Undersander, UW-Extension Forage Agronomist. He noted that only seeding year data is available since no one could plant Roundup Ready alfalfa varieties prior to this year due to a court injunction prohibiting such planting.

The highest yielding commercially available variety in the 2011 seeding at Arlington Agricultural Research Station was a Roundup Ready variety in the treatment receiving Roundup. However, due to field variability, alfalfa varieties must have a least significant difference of at least 0.5 t/a to be truly different and several conventional and Roundup Ready varieties were not significantly different from the top variety.

“Roundup Ready varieties were generally in the upper half of the yield range at Arlington,” said Undersander. “This would indicate that alfalfa varieties have no yield drag due to the Roundup Ready trait.”

The trial was conducted both with Roundup Ready varieties planted with non Roundup Ready varieties in a standard trial and treated with the same herbicides. Butyrac 200 and Post Plus were used to control weeds in these trials to minimize herbicide injury. The Roundup Ready varieties were also planted in a separate trial treated with Roundup.

Undersander said, “Yields of the Roundup Ready varieties were not significantly different whether Roundup Ready alfalfa varieties were treated with Roundup for herbicide control compared to those receiving the butyric 200 and Post Plus.” More information about forage variety trial results can be found at <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/forage/alf11.htm>

Farm Liability Insurance: Do You Have Enough Coverage?

Ken Bolton, 715-877-1420, kenneth.bolton@ces.uwex.edu

Do you have enough insurance coverage for your farm? Insurance is only one—but perhaps the most common—tool in your risk management arsenal according to Ken Bolton, UW-Extension, Center for Dairy Profitability.

Although a commonly held belief may be that liability insurance covers claims not covered by other policies, liability insurance serves two main purposes; 1) to make payments on your behalf to an injured party and 2) to defend you against alleged liability by a third party within the scope of the coverage. The extent of your coverage is limited by requirements of the policy, stated exclusions and defined dollar limits. Moreover, for an insured individual to be covered by liability insurance, they must be deemed liable for the damage or injury occurring from a negligent action or lack of action.

“Most farm liability policies cover only liability that occurs in the ordinary course of a farm business,” Bolton said. “Therefore, supplemental coverage may need to be purchased for coverage pertaining to agri-tourism, culture labs, custom farm work, direct market stands off the farm premise, contamination of others milk by your own, pick-your-own customers, and product liability claims.”

UW-Extension, Cooperative Extension, Center for Dairy Profitability, and the National Agricultural Law Center have released a publication, *Farm Liability Insurance* (A3917), that covers risk management, liability coverage, negligence, strict liability, insured individuals, exclusions, legal issues affecting liability, and supplemental coverage. It also includes many case examples to illustrate legal concepts and a glossary of common liability insurance terms.

Legal issues affecting a person’s liability concerning fence law, nuisance, the Good Samaritan Law, users of your land, and an employer’s responsibility for their employees are also addressed. *Farm Liability Insurance* (A3917) is available from local county Extension office or from Cooperative Extension Publishing at <http://learningstore.uwex.edu/>





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Presidents Letter

Louise Dahlke

I can't believe our summer is almost over and fall is here. The state conference this year was held in Onalaska with 12 ladies attending from Brown County, more information on the conference will be in next months letter. We are nearing the end of our year and once again I want to remind all of you where our \$15.00 in dues money goes, \$5.00 to the State, \$1.00 to the District, \$7.00 to the County and \$2.00 for printing. The cost for printing will possibly be going up to \$3.00 which means only \$6.00 to the County (us) for our Leader Trainings. We all enjoy these programs and have had a number of our own members present programs for us at no cost, this is always greatly appreciated. We will once again ask the clubs to submit their ideas for programs, do you have any ideas? Leader Trainings in October are; October 12th "Where did I leave my Coffee Cup" and October 18th "Tour De Pere Outreach", please remember to call Joan and sign up in advance. **Our Fall Association Meeting scheduled for Tuesday October 25th will have a time change!! There is a scheduling conflict and our meeting time has been changed to during the day. We will meet at 11:30 for Potluck and the meeting will begin at 12:30 in Room 114 and 126. Thank you in advance for understanding.** On November 9th we have "Cooking for One or Two" and also added recently on **November 17th** a special interest with Potluck at 12:30 and session at 1:30 arranged by Bea Dimmer "Allouez Historical Society". I want to also thank all the ladies who helped at the Fair Booth again this year, your help is really appreciated by myself and all the Fair Association committee. Have a great fall and hope to see many of you at the Leaders Trainings and Fall Association meeting. Louise

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 2011

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October 12

Leader Training—Where Did I Leave
My Coffee Cup?
@ BC UW Extension office
1:30 pm or 7:00 pm

October 18

Tour of De Pere Christian Outreach
3:00 pm @ 506 Butler Street, De Pere, WI
Hosted by: Janice Coenen, Lucky Pennies

October 25

Fall Association Meeting
@ BC UW-Extension
Potluck at 11:30 am; Meeting 12:30 pm
Please bring a dish to pass

November 9

Cooking for One or Two
@ BC UW Extension
6:00 pm, Pre-registration is required.
Please call Joan at 391-4610

November 17

Allouez Historical Society
@ BC UW Extension office
Potluck 12:30 pm; Speakers after meal
Please bring a dish to pass.

November 24

Thanksgiving Day



December 7

Christmas Banquet
@ The Rite Place
5:30 pm Social; 6:30 pm Dinner

December 13

Executive Board & Potluck
@ BC UW-Extension office; 11:00 am
Please bring a dish to pass.

December 22

First Day of Winter

December 25

Christmas Day





**“Where Did I Leave My Coffee Cup?”
Leader Training**

This will be a fun program that focuses on why we forget things; and what can be done to improve our memory. There will be two sessions, one session will be at 1:30 pm, the other session at 7:00 pm, to be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at the Brown County UW-Extension office. Please call Joan at 920-391-4610.

Make-A-Difference Month—October

Golden House

Paper towels, sugar, flour, bleach, wash clothes, bathroom cleaning supplies and plastic food storage containers (Zip-Lock, Glad)

Tour De Pere Christian Outreach

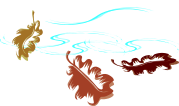
Janice Coenen

Come One, Come All!

Let’s tour the De Pere Christian Outreach facility on Tuesday, October 18th at **3:00 pm**. It is much more than a thrift store. Come and see how the center serves the community. Five members of the Lucky Pennies, volunteer in many activities. Janet Klipstine will guide us, while Janice Coenen and Lois Mc Allister will help. There are many opportunities to make the De Pere Christian Outreach a success. The thrift store is seeking help in sorting, cashier, department heads, maintenance, and recycle, just to name a few needs. So come find out what we can do. Volunteers are WELCOME!

De Pere Outreach Center is located on 506 Butler Street, De Pere, off of Grant Street, across from the Community Center. Refreshments will be served by the Lucky Pennies HCE members. If you’d like to shop, you’re more than welcome. Call Joan at 920-391-4610 by October 15, 2011.

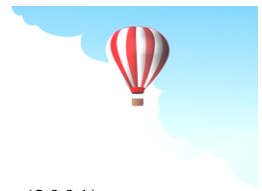
Fall Association Meeting



Please Note TIME CHANGE Due to room availability the HCE Fall Association Meeting time has been **changed to 11:30 am potluck, 12:30 pm meeting**. The date for the Fall Association meeting will still remain on Tuesday, October 25, 2011 at the Brown County UW-Extension office. Members attending the potluck are asked to bring a dish to pass. Please call Joan at 920-391-4610, if you are planning to attend.



**Citizenship
Shirley Nooyen**



October 7

V. J. Day

War on Terror begins (2001)

October 10

Columbus Day

October 13

U. S. Navy Established (1775)

October 17

National Boss Day

October 24

United Nation’s Day

October 27

Navy Day

October 31

Halloween



ASPIRO 2011 Cookies

October—Lucky Pennies



Golden House -Thank You

Dear Home & Community Educators:

Thank you so much for your generous donation to Golden House. Though you may never know exactly how much of a difference you made, the women and children staying here will always remember your generosity. Thanks to you, our residents will have the supplies they need to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Local support is essential for Golden House to continue its services, and we are lucky to reside in such a generous community. We offer 24-hour safe emergency shelter, personal and legal advocacy, education to the community, and support to families affected by violence in their homes. Our mission is to continue these services in hopes of one day breaking the generational cycle of domestic violence.

Again, thank you for your donation of Books. We are so appreciative of your kindness.

Sincerely,
Karen Faulkner
Executive Director of Golden House



Forever Young Senior Festival Presented by SHOPKO

Free admission and parking, free snacks, free entertainment, free screenings on Wednesday, October 5 from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm at Shopko Hall on 1901 S, Oneida St., Green Bay. For more information, call 920.405.1199 or visit www.shopkohallgreenbay.com



Cooking for One or Two Leader Training Session

On Wednesday, November 9, 2011 there will be a training session on Cooking for One or Two, held at the Brown County UW-Extension office beginning at 6:00 pm. Learn how to make healthy, tasty meals that don't serve six or more people. Pre-registration is required as food will be served. If you are interested, please contact Joan at 920-391-4610 to sign-up for this training session.

Allouez Historical Society Beatrice Dimmer



On Thursday, November 17 the Allouez Historical Society will be at the Brown County UW-Extension to walk you through the days of yesteryear. Beginning at 12:30 pm with a potluck, we ask that you bring a dish to pass. After the meal, the Allouez Historical Society will enlighten us with those long forgotten memories. Please come and join us. Please contact Joan at 920-391-4610 if you plan to attend.

Executive Board & Potluck

This will be held at the Brown County UW-Extension office, start time is 11:00 am on Tuesday, December 13, 2011. Please bring a dish to pass. Beverages, plates and utensils will be provided.

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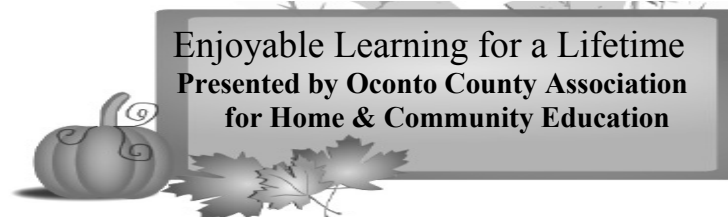
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Attention all Brown County HCE Members:

Marilyn Ourada - East Center Adviser

Mark your calendar. A Christmas Banquet for our group will be held on Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at The Rite Place. The social is at 5:30 pm, dinner 6:30 pm. This year we will be collecting food pantry items, packaged or cans. Entertainment will follow the meal. More information will follow. Hoping to see you all there.



This event is an enjoyable, educational experience that provides all men and women an opportunity to explore a variety of subjects. There are a variety of sessions such as: Apple a Day, Growing Native Plants, Living on Less and much more to choose from the list. Enjoyable Learning for a Lifetime will be held at the Oconto High School on Thursday, October 27, 2011 from 8:30 am - 3:15 pm. Registration dead-line is October 6, 2011. If you are interested, there will be brochures available at the Brown County UW-Extension office, please call Joan at 920-391-4610.

Bookworms™ Tina Fisette



In October we will start our 10th year reading to the Headstart children of Ashwaubenon, De Pere, Howard/Suamico, and Oneida. Thank you girls for all your help getting the books ready. Also, Joan Laehn for all the clerical work you did and Judy Knudsen for your help and support. Good job!!

Check Out Our Blog!

<http://bcuwexhealthyliving.blogspot.com/>

Judy Knudsen, Brown County UW-Extension Family Living Educator, will be regularly updating this online blog featuring recipes, tips, and advice on healthy eating and food safety. Come interact with us... We want to hear your comments and feedback!

Food Preservation Classes

Judy Knudsen

Upcoming food preservation classes for October and November :

- October 4, 2011- Fruit Butters
- October 19, 2011- Meat Canning Class
- November 2, 2011- Pie Filling Class

