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**2024 Bruce Mound Event is
Cancelled- We will try for 2025!**

**WHAT KIND OF VALENTINE'S DAY
CANDY IS NEVER ON TIME?**



ANSWER: CHOC-LATE!

Announcements & Upcoming Events

- ◆ Rabbit Committee Meeting-
February 7th
- ◆ Camp Counselor Retreat-
February 10-11
- ◆ Explore WI Registration Due-
February 23
- ◆ Livestock Scholarship Applications Due-
March 1
 - ◆ Performance Arts Festival-
March 2
- ◆ Sewing Project Day - Fannies Supper Club
March 9
- ◆ Food Project Day- Fannies Supper Club
March 9
 - ◆ Volleyball Tournament-
April 6-7
- ◆ Foods Project Day- Fannies Supper Club
May 11
 - ◆ Base/Outpost Camp-
June 6-9
 - ◆ Foods Revue-
June 30
 - ◆ Cloverbud Day Camp-
July 9-11
 - ◆ Explore WI Trip-
July 16-18

**Reminder to Volunteers to please
complete trainings on
4H Online!**

CLARK COUNTY 4-H ALL LEADERS MEETING MINUTES

Monday, Jan. 8, 2024 Trinity Lutheran Church 7:00 pm

1. Call Meeting to Order at 7:05. Members in attendance: Ashley Vine (Neillsville Lights), Alan Buchholtz, Rachel Brost, John Brost (Chili), Lori Hendrickson, Nikki Rueth (LLL), Jarrett & Jillian Rueth, Becca Dorwaldt (RCR), Candy Turnquist (RCR), Brittney Lowry (Happy Valley), Joe and Raiden Jacque, Ella Raatz, Seth Harmann. Via Zoom: Joe and Susan Stiemann (Lucky Clovers), Cindy Kolzow (Maplewood Badgers) and Sheri Jacque (Reseburg Ramblers)
2. **Secretary's Report**- Corrections to last month's minutes: Ashley Vine was in attendance. Fix 4-H members to families for fees that are being covered at Bruce Mound. Rachel moved to approve minutes. Seconded by Brittney
3. **Treasurer's Report** - Amount on hand: \$45,583.28 John moved to approve the treasurer's report. Jarrett seconded
4. **Educator's Report** - Seth gave updates on Discovery Day. Feedback was that volunteers stick around after Discovery Day to help clean up. Seth gave updates on upcoming events. Seth is looking for volunteers that would like to be part of project committees. Reach out to Seth if you are interested or want more information. Watch the newsletter for more information.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. Clark County Leader Federation Year at a Glance and Goals 2023-2024
 - i. Will add planning dates to the year at a glance. We would like to start planning each event at least 2 months in advance. Would like to go back to cans for a cause during the fair.
 - b. Form By-law Review Committee - Amy Gerhardt, Sheri Jacque and John Brost on the committee. They will use the Leaders Federation computer to update bylaws if needed.
 - c. Winter Fun Day Update - January 13- Bruce Mound will be open. Hot dogs, buns and condiments provided. Attendees are asked to bring a snack to share and their own beverages. Non 4-H members are invited with a \$5 charge. 4-H families are free. This event will be tubing only and the concession stand will not be open.
 - d. Discovery Day-Leaders Fed. agreed to reimburse volunteers. Haven't had any reimbursements turned in yet. The Extension office will send out thank you letters to volunteers and leaders. Will send another reimbursement form with these thank you letters. Went well. 80 youth attended Discovery Day and 40-50 youth at YQCA.
 - e. 4-H Experience Scholarships & Clark County Leader Federation Scholarship-
 1. Still waiting for commitment from one family for the American Spirit Trip. Seth will reach out to them.
 2. There was discussion about the expectation of the youth working a shift in the 4-H food stand at the fair for each scholarship they are awarded. The concern is that the kids are busy with fair duties to work one shift per scholarship they receive from the Leaders Federation. Request was made to cap this for kids that are awarded 2-4 scholarships throughout the year. After much discussion, Becca made a motion that any youth that is awarded a scholarship from the Leaders Federation need to work one shift in the 4-H food stand (or help Alan with set-up) per scholarship received. Nikki seconded. All in favor except one person. Motion carried.
 3. It was also noted that if the scholarship kids are having a hard time finding a time during the fair to work their shift, they can reach out to Alan Buchholz and schedule a time to come help set up or clean up the food stand as stated on the updated scholarship application.
 4. Jarrett moved to approve the scholarship forms as presented, Rachel seconded. Motion carried.
 - f. Committee Sign ups - Volleyball, By Law, Summer Fun Event, Awards Banquet, Fall Event and Forms Committee. Contact Alan, Seth or the extension office if you are interested in joining any of these planning committees.
 - g. WLC donation
 - i. Donated \$200 for Clark County members that are on Wisconsin Leadership Counsel
 - h. Any other old business

i. Herdsmanship checks- Lori will look into this and see if the checks have been issued.

6. New Business

a. Volleyball

i. Need volunteers and someone to take over. Brittney said she will help coordinate, but someone needs to be available that day in case Brittney is not able to attend. Referees are needed. They receive \$5 per game.

b. Nominations for the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of fame are needed by May

c. Summer Family Fun Day- Seth will contact Greenwood Lions for a date. It is usually the week after the Little League tournament. Watch the newsletter for more information

d. Any other New Business

i. Brittney reported that there are 3 members up for re-election on the Clark County Fair board if anyone is interested in running. There is some updating that will be happening in a few of the barns. More to come. Fairbook updates are done. Christine Garbisch is Fairbook Head.

ii. Livestock- beef weigh in is Jan 27 9:00-2:00 at Oberholtzers. Please let the extension office know before the week of January 22nd if you plan on coming

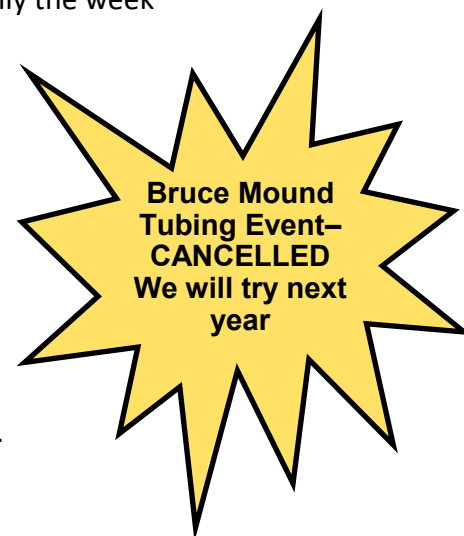
iii. Nikki asked that the extension office sends out the google link to the pictures from the awards banquet to parents so they can print pictures for kids record books

iv. Nikki will get the key to the Loyal City Hall for next month's meeting

Lori made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jarrett Second. Meeting adjourned at 8:48pm.

Next meeting is located at Loyal City Hall Monday, Feb. 12, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Date: 1/8/24 Signed: Ashley Vine, Secretary



ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS **4-H Volunteer Impact Study-** **You May Be Contacted!**

What you do makes a difference! We are excited to share that our state will be participating in the 4-H Volunteer Impact Study of volunteers in the North Central Region.

This survey is being conducted as a part of 12 state effort to document the impact of volunteering.

It will focus on three areas:

- The personal benefit of your volunteer experience
- The impact you have on the organization by volunteering; and
- How your volunteer efforts contribute to your community in which you live and work.

A random sample of volunteers of 1000 volunteers from each state will be surveyed. This study will be conducted through an electronic survey. If you are selected, you will receive an email to let you know you have been selected to participate.

You may be picked!! If you are, please respond. We want to hear from you and learn from your volunteer experiences.

Your comments will be used to qualify the personal, organizational and public impacts of volunteers involved with 4-H Youth Development Programs in our twelve-state region.

Your impact is great, and we want to hear from you!!

WHY SHOULD YOUR CHILD TRAVEL WITH 4H AS A YOUTH??

In 4-H, we use many approaches to help youth build skills that they'll need for success in adulthood. One of those approaches is group travel. While the focus of each travel experience differs, the benefits are consistent. Youth gain Confidence, grow Independence, and build Social Skills during 4-H travel. They get exposed to new cultures, learn flexibility and problem-solving, and practice lots and lots of patience. They travel with caring adults who model all of these great traits, too.

Travel experiences are offered by the county and by the state. Laura Huber, Wood County's 4-H Educator, helped plan and attended Summer Academy and National 4-H Congress.

Let's celebrate the youth who stepped up to participate in these amazing experiences in 2023! By participating, they said "yes" to investing in themselves and their futures.

Romadka 4H



For December, we went Christmas caroling around Granton. Then we went to church and played bingo. We ate snacks and drank hot chocolate.

Submitted by Grace Elmhurst, Secretary

Romadka

January 21, 2024
Meeting held at Stichert's Sleigh Rides

Old business:
-Christmas caroling in December

New Business:
-Volleyball sign up
-Play practice 5:00 Sundays

Submitted by Grace Elmhurst, Secretary



The Neillsville Lights 4-H Club met at St. John's Gym on January 14th. The meeting was called to order by Iris V. at 2:03pm The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kamerynn S, and the 4-H Pledge was led by Jocelynn V. Roll call was answered with the question "What is your favorite winter activity," 41 members were in attendance. The treasurer's report was given by Tori C.

Old Business Discussion and Action

Drama sign-up: Nancy came up with a play, and practices need to be discussed

Sunshine Kid box was passed on

New Business Discussion and Action:

Iris took the kids for an Ice breaker

Cloverbuds were dismissed.

Seth visited and talked about older youth trips

Pizza Fundraiser: Handed out and explained Valentine day cards– Wesley J. moved to spend up to \$50, Fletcher B. seconded

It was moved by Fletcher B. to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Abby B. and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:51pm. The next meeting will be held on February 11 at St. Johns Gym starting at 2:00.



Please make sure to be submitting your club minutes/news by emailing ClarkCounty4H@clark.co.wi.us so that it can be included in the Clover Leaf each month!
Thank you!

Project Revival Initiative

Clark County 4-H is looking to strengthen all project areas around Clark County 4-H. During this process, each project in Clark County will be evaluated and project will be strengthened by the recruitment of new and current volunteers.

In order to become a project volunteer, select the projects you are interested in through 4-H Online or call the Extension Office. The next focused project areas will be as followed: art, painting, drawing, photography, woodworking and LEGO, metal work/welding. The projects that have found new volunteers and leaders are as followed: foods, sewing, flowers, rabbits, and chickens.

If you are interested in helping with these projects, please reach out to Clark County Extension at:

715-743-5121

ClarkCounty4H@co.clark.wi.us



LIVESTOCK NEWS

Livestock Scholarship Applications available!

Due: March 1st

- YQCA training: **April 30, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.**
at **Loyal City Hall**

This is required for all youth in livestock market program or planning to exhibiting animals at State Fair

In person -\$3.00

Online-\$12.00

(Older Youth age 18/19 complete via online only)

To Register: yqcaprogram.org

- Livestock Committee will pay for classes
- Contact Cindy Kolsow at ckolzow@msn.com to get your coupon code
- Each participant gets a different coupon code
- Only one code per person
- **DO NOT USE CODE TWICE– IT WILL NOT WORK**

Rabbit Project Committee



UPCOMING MEETING:

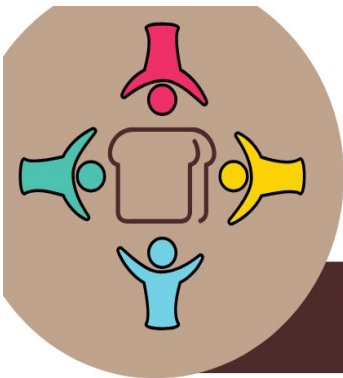
DATE: February 7th, 2024

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: Loyal City Hall

Anyone is welcome to attend.





YOUTH ON THE RISE

Youth on the Rise is a 4-week, virtual series on bread baking, open to youth in grades 3+.

- **Yeast Breads**
- **Quick Breads** (biscuits, flatbreads, muffins, and sweet quick breads).

Sundays: February 25, March 3, 10, 17

Quick Breads: 3:00-4:00pm; Yeast Breads: 4:30-5:30pm

Register at: <https://bit.ly/2024YouthRise>



This 4-week virtual program will give youth an opportunity to learn more about making breads, biscuits, muffins and more! There will be 2 different class options: Quick Breads and Yeast Breads. All youth in grades 3+ are welcome to join.

We will provide the supplies list, lessons, and teachers. You provide the excitement to "learn by doing" and the ingredients.

Each class will have an hour-long weekly Zoom on the following Sundays: February 25, March 3, 10 and 17. Quick Breads will be at 3:00pm each week; Yeast Breads will be at 4:30pm.

Register here: <https://bit.ly/2024YouthRise>

Reach out to

woodcounty4h@woodcountymi.gov

with questions.

Get ready to learn by doing with Youth on the Rise!



4-H on the Air

Schedule for 2024

Airs the 2nd Saturday of each month, and the 2nd 5th Saturday of the year

2024

February 10– Town & Country Clovers

March 9– Horse Project/Dog Project

April 13– Greenwood Satellites/
Seth Harrmann

May 11– Lucky Clovers

June 8– Chili 4-H

June 29– Maplewood Badgers

July 13– Rock Creek Rangers

August 10– Reseburg Ramblers

September 14– Neillsville Lights/
Seth Harrmann

October 12– Romadka

November 9– Woodgrove Workers

December 14– Happy Valley



Wildlife & Woods

Register via 4-H
Online
wi.4honline.com

CAREERS & COMPETITION

VIRTUAL SERIES

NOV. 27, 2023

JAN. 22, 2024

FEB. 26, 2024

MAR. 25, 2024

APRIL 22, 2024

MAY 27, 2024



Contact: Clark County
Extension Office
with questions
715-743-5121

Shooting Sports Announcements

Air Rifle

- \$10 registration Fee
- Must be in **3rd grade AND 8 years old** (Designed as a pre-hunter safety course, but older kids are welcome to participate)
- **Monday nights beginning January 8th through February 12th**
- February 12th will be only used if a make-up day is needed
- Class is 5 weeks long and will run 5:30 PM– 7:00 PM



Archery

- \$10 registration fee
- Must be in **3rd grade AND 8 years old, up to 18 years old**
- **Monday nights beginning February 19th– March 25th**
- March 25th will only be used in a make up day is needed
- Class is 5 weeks long
- There will be a beginner class (5:00 PM– 6:30 PM) and an advanced class (6:30PM-8:00 PM)

Class location:

Black River Sportsmen's Club
201 Mill St. Withee, WI 54498

If interested in signing up or questions, please reach out to Instructors

Justin Kloth (715)465-0041

Heidi Bower (715)512-0557

Sewing Day Event!

**March 9th
9:00 A.M.**

Enroll on 4H Online-watch for notifications
Fannies Supper Club
Ages: 4th Grade and up

We will be sewing Burrito Pillows!
Contact: Dawn Hasz at
haszd@hotmail.com

Only open for first SEVEN signed up!
Sign ups start February 1st!

To Sign up: Call or email Courtney at
715-743-5121
courtney.becker@co.clark.wi.us



CLARK COUNTY FOOD PROJECT EVENTS!

3RD GRADE AND UP

March 9th–Fannies Supper Club
8:00 AM
May 11th– Fannies Supper Club
10:00 A.M.– Noon

Watch for sign up online or call Extension
to sign up
Contact Melissa Hilliard for more infor-
mation at
melissahilliard16@gmail.com





4H VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Date: April 6-7th 2024
Neillsville School District
Field House

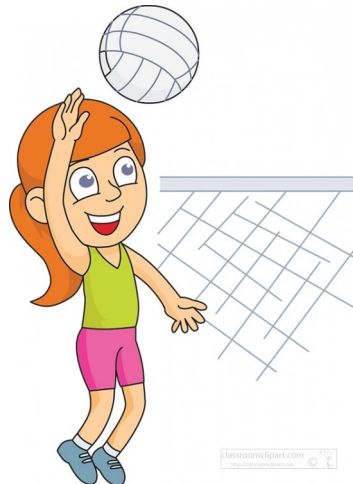
Day 1– 10:00 A.M.– Done
B Team (12 or younger)
C Team (5-10 years old)

Day 2– 12:30 P.M.– Done
A Team (13 and older)

\$20 per team to enter

**REFEREES AND VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**
(REFS ARE PAID \$5/GAME)

Contact: Brittney Lowry for more
information
At (715) 743-4139



PERFORMANCE ARTS FESTIVAL

Date: March 2nd 2024
Thorp Elementary

Starting at 10:00 A.M.

**Volunteers needed to
help at Event!**

Contact Seth at the Extension Office
for more information or if you are
interested in Volunteering!

(715) 743-5121

Or

ClarkCounty4H@co.clark.wi.us

**We are looking for Judges, Please!
Contact Extension if interested!**



**THIS SERIES OF 6
WORKSHOPS WILL HELP
YOUR FAMILY LEARN
ABOUT THE US
EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM
AND OPTIONS AFTER
HIGH SCHOOL.**



FREE

**MONDAYS, STARTING
APRIL 1ST
6:00PM-7:30PM
AT ABBOTSFORD
HIGH SCHOOL**



**DINNER AND
CHILDCARE
AVAILABLE**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER,
CALL JASMINE AT 715-261-1244**



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LOS LUNES EMPEZANDO EL 1RO DE ABRIL 6:00PM-7:30PM EN LA HIGH SCHOOL DE ABBOTSFORD



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PARA MAS INFORMACION O PARA INSCRIBIRSE, LLAME A JASMINE AL 715-261-1244



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2024 Explore Wisconsin

Fifth through eighth graders! Do you want to explore a region in Wisconsin? Well, this is the time for you to do so!

During this program we will sit down in a few Zoom sessions and at least one in person session to plan where to go this year. Last year the group went to Door County. This year we can go anywhere such as Milwaukee, Madison, Oshkosh, Pepin, Wisconsin Dells, Fox Valley, Superior and so many other places in Wisconsin.

Cost: \$300 per youth

(However, once the event gets closer and everything is planned the goal is to reduce the cost!)

- ◆ Payment will be collected in June
- ◆ There will be 1-2 in person meetings and a handful of Zoom meetings scheduled to plan the event and get to know one another before the event!

Travel Dates: July 16-18th 2024

Registration ends Friday February 23, 2024
Register on 4H Online





Grow Green

New Volunteer Orientation Now Available Online!

Volunteers may remember participating in VIP (Volunteers in Preparation), and now we are shifting to a new version of orientation called “Grow Green.” This is a new, interactive orientation that is available online or available in a paper format to be read offline. It is designed to be taken whenever convenient for the potential new volunteer.

A little bit more about Grow Green:

- Offered online at this link:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/training-for-volunteers/grow-green/> Just click on the green “start the Training” button to begin


- Two short, interactive modules– one module is an introduction to volunteering in Extension and Wisconsin 4-H, and a second module that is geared towards a specific volunteer role. Combined , this orientation should take around 45 minutes to complete.
- Lots of practical tips– in the training modules, new volunteers will learn about some of the 4-H guiding principles (Essential Elements, Life Skills Development, Ages & Stages of Youth) and gain some really practical tips to use as a volunteer.
- Start and stop at your leisure– if you start the training and need to step away, you can come back to the website using the safe devise you started with and it wil pick up where you left off.

We are hopeful that this will make orientation more convenient and beneficial! This orientation is required for new



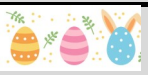
volunteers, but it is available online for all volunteers to take as a refresher.

Thank you to our volunteers for mentoring and supporting the youth in 4-H!


February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 Rabbit Committee Meeting	8	9	10 Camp Counselor Retreat
11 Camp Counselor Retreat	12 Leaders Federation Meeting	13	14  Happy Valentines Day	15	16	17
18	19 Fairboard meeting	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1 Livestock Scholarship Applications Due	2 Performing Arts Festival
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Foods & Sewing Project Day
10  Day Lights Savings Time	11 Leaders Federation Meeting	12	13	14	15	16
17 St Patrick's Day	18 Fairboard Meeting	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 Courthouse Closed	30
31  Happy Easter!						

April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 4H Volleyball Tournament
7 4H Volleyball Tournament	8 Leaders Federation Meeting	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Fairboard Meeting	16	17	18 —————→	19 Space Camp	20 —————→
21 —————→	22 Space Camp	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 VQCA at Loyal City Hall 7:00 p.m.				

May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Juntos at Abbotsford	7	8	9	10	11 Food Project Event
12	13 Juntos at Abbotsford Leaders Federation Meeting	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 Juntos at Abbotsford Fairboard Meeting	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Courthouse Closed	28	29	30	31	