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Reminder: Don't forget your:

Club Charters (Due November 1st)

Annual Financial Reports

(Due September 1st-to extension office)

Contact Seth with questions

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Announcements & Upcoming Events

Leaders Federation Meetings-

September 8

October 13- ALL LEADERS

Fair Board Meetings

September 15

October 20

AFR Due

September 1

Re-Enrollment opens!

ONLY!!

September 8th- November 1

Fall Family Fun Day

September 14

Shooting Sports Leaders Certification

September 13

National 4-H Week

October 5-11th

Arts Camp

October 4-5

RECORD BOOK DATES

To club leader-September 15

To Extension-October 1

Reviewed by Leaders Fed. October 13

Fall Dairy Meeting

October 22 (ADS 7:30)

Officer Training

October 27

Fall Forum

October 31-November 2

Club Charters Due

November 1

Livestock Meeting Dates-See Pg. 3

4H Awards Banquet

November 8

Discovery Day

December 29

YQCA

December 29

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CLUB NEWS Club News CLUB NEWS Club News

Neillsville Lights 4-H Club

Monthly Secretary's Report

The Neillsville Lights 4-H Club met at Schuster Park on July 29th. The meeting was called to order by Alaina M at 6:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Wesley J, and the 4-H Pledge was led by Lylah Q. Roll call was answered with the question "What's your favorite thing to do at the fair," 34members were in attendance. The treasurer's report was given by Abigail B. Balance on hand is \$4.571.48.

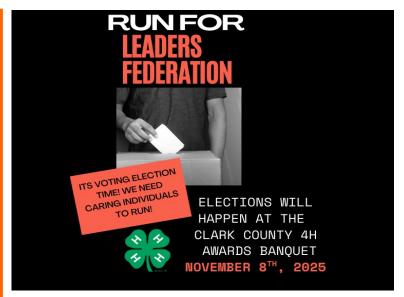
Old Business Discussion and Action

- 1.Dairy breakfast volunteer report
- 2.Mt Olympus trip report

New Business Discussion and Action:

- 1.Fair Tags
- 2.Raffle basket- Ericksons
- 3. Record book night
- 4. Animal stall fees reimbursement
- 5. Fairgrounds cleanup, August 2nd, 8:00 AM, lunch at 11:30 AM
- 6.Pre-Fair Olympics, August 2nd after the fairgrounds cleanup
- 7. Parent planning meeting discussed
- 8.Use of incentive points for 2025 stall fees- Passed
- 9.Lylah, Cami, and Alaina talked about their camp experience

It was moved by Brennan W to adjourn. Motion seconded by Wesley J and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 PM. The next meeting will be held on August 18th at Cappadoras, being a parent meeting starting at 7:00 PM. Recreation/Education/Social Activity: Shared fair projects! Date: 7/28/2025 Signed: Iris Vine, Secretary



Romadka 4H meeting

August 17th 3:00pm

- Live stock banquet August 27th
- Pie sale Granton Fall Fest September 7th at 9:00 A.m set-up.
- September 14th County corn maze at 1:00 to 3:00 all clubs are welcome.
- September 15th record books due to Kelly E.
- Brynleigh Vine motioned to adjourn the meeting
- Lane Elmhorst seconded it, All In favor, motion passed
- Next meeting at Turnpike at 3:00 P.M on September 21st with corn maze after.

Reminder from Extension!

• Re-Enrollment for 4-H Online opens **September 8th– November 1st only**! Be sure to re-Enroll during this period to be able to participate in any 4-H activities.

Directions for enrollment and re-enrollment can be found online at:

https://clark.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-online-forms/

The BIGGEST thing to remember for RE-ENROLLMENT -

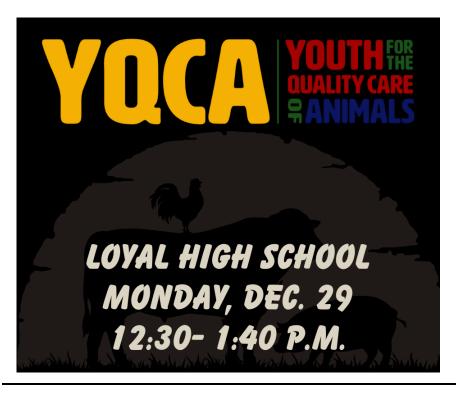
DO NOT CREATE A NEW FAMILY.

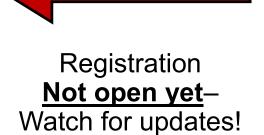
If you can't remember your password, contact the Extension Office and they will be able to help you or you can click on the "reset password" button.

If you have questions please call the Extension Office at 715-743-5121

LIVESTOCK UPDATES

Species	Date & Time	Location
Sheep	Sunday 9/14/25 7:00 PM	Loyal City Hall
Swine	Wednesday 9/24/25 7:30 PM	Loyal City Hall
Beef	Wednesday 10/1/25 7:00 PM	Loyal City Hall
Goats	Wednesday 10/1/25 7:30 PM	Loyal City Hall
Rabbits	Wednesday 10/1/25 7:00 PM	Loyal City Hall
Poultry	Wednesday 10/1/25 7:30 PM	Loyal City Hall
General Livestock Meet- ings	Wednesday 10/1/25 8:00 PM	Loyal City Hall







~ IT'S RECORD BOOK TIME ~

Record books are required this year for specific awards. Members can submit applications for the following awards:

- Citizenship
- Leadership
- Achievement
- Intermediate Achievement
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Applications can be found online at: https://clark.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-awards-2/Applications (and record books) are due by SEPTEMBER 15 to your club leader.

Record Book review

Leaders Federation
Meeting on
October 13th–
6:00 PM
Loyal City Hall

Record Books

Reminder to make sure that you are completing your record books! These are required if you want to receive a scholarship down the road.

Club Reminder: Record books are due to Extension office by October 1st

Record book pages can be printed from the Extension website located at:

https://clark.extension.wisc.edu/annual-record-book-pages/





YOU'RE INVITED

4-H Awards Banquet

DATE:

NOVEMBER 8TH, 2025

TIME:

DOORS OPEN 6:30 PM MEAL AT 7:00 PM AWARDS CEREMONY AT 7:30

LOCATION:

GREENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
CAFETORIUM

RSVP TO EXTENSION BY NOVEMBER 1ST



Thank you to all clubs that participated in the green thumb challenge

Woodgrove Workers
Loyal Lads & Lassies
Neillsville Lights
Reseburg Ramblers
Lucky Clovers
Town & Country Clovers
Happy Valley
Rock Creek Rangers











We Asked our graduates- "what does 4H Mean to you?" and the response we received from one youth is below:

My name is Laela Scott,

When I think about what 4-H means to me, I think about more than just projects, ribbons, and meetings — I think about the roots of who I am today.

I've been in 4-H for 10 years, and during that time, it has been more than an extracurricular activity — it's been a family, a teacher, and a place where I've grown into a leader. From my very first year, nervously showing my project at the fair, to now confidently guiding younger members, 4-H has shaped my values and character.

Through 4-H, I've learned the importance of responsibility — whether it was caring for an animal before school, finishing a project on time, or helping organize a club event. I've learned dedication — pushing myself to improve when things didn't go as planned, and celebrating the hard work it took to reach my goals. And I've learned leadership — how to speak up, work with others, and encourage people to be their best selves.

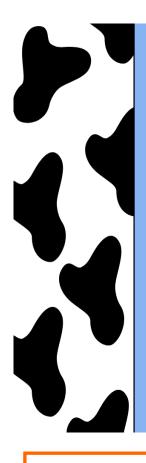
But 4-H has taught me something even deeper: that our community is strongest when we give back. I've seen how a kind word, a helping hand, or a shared skill can make a real difference. That's why, as I move forward, I plan to take what 4-H has given me and pour it right back into my community. Whether that's volunteering at local events, mentoring younger 4-H members, or simply being someone others can count on — I want to be the kind of leader 4-H helped me become.

4-H has given me confidence, compassion, and a sense of pride in where I come from. And for that, I will always carry its values with me — in my work, in my relationships, and in the way I serve my community.

Thank you.







DAIRY MEETING

OCTOBER 22, 2025 ADS, GREENWOOD 7:30 PM

4-H on the Air Schedule for 2025

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

September 13- Neillsville Lights October 11- Romadka November 15- Woodgrove Workers December 13- Happy Valley



HERDSMAN-SHIP RESULTS

Poultry

- 1. Town & Country Clovers
- 2. Neillsville Lights
- 3. Chili 4-H

Rabbits

- 1. Loyal Lads & Lassies
- 2. Chili 4-H
- 3. Loyal FFA

Sheep

- 1. Greenwood FFA
- 2. Town & Country Clovers
- 3. Neillsville FFA

Swine

- 1. Town & Country Clovers
- 2. Loyal Lads & Lassies
- 3. Loyal FFA

Horses

- 1. Neillsville Lights
- 2. Rock Creek Rangers
- 3. Thorp FFA

Dairy (Large Herd)

- 1. Maplewood Badgers
- 2. Jr. Holsteins

Goats

- 1. Greenwood FFA
- 2. Lucky Clovers
- 3. Loyal Lads & Lassies

Beef

- 1. Maplewood Badgers
- 2. Chili 4-H
- 3. Owen-Withee FFA

Dairy (Small Herd)

- 1. Reseburg Ramblers
- 2. Happy Valley
- 3. Thorp FFA



UPCOMING EVENTS





Calling Discovery Day Session Leaders

7th grade and up are invited to lead a session! Youth need to be accompanied by an adult







Wood Working



Cake Decorating



Culinary/Cooking







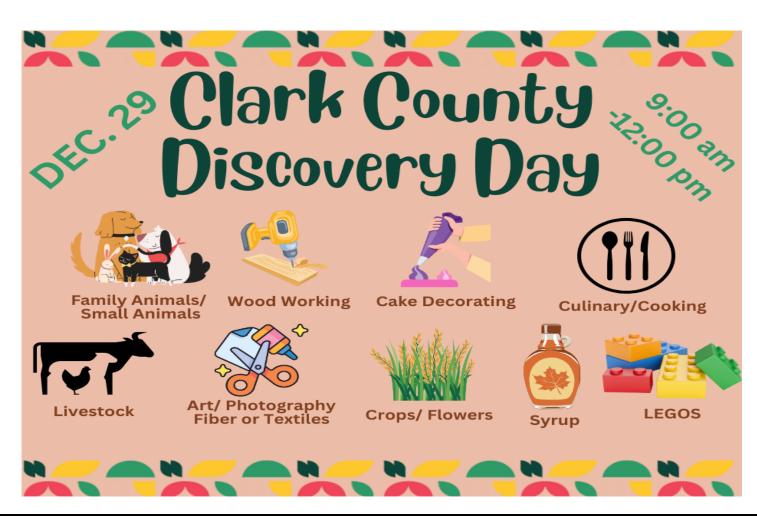
Crops/ Flowers



LEGOS

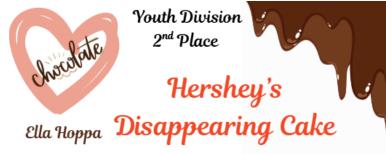
Syrup LEGOS

Please Email Seth if you are interested leading a session at Discovery Day









INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup butter, melted
- 1/2 cup baking cocoa
- 2 cups sugar
- ½ cup sour cream
- 1 1/4 cups flour
- 2 tsp. vanilla extract
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1-12 oz. bag chocolate chips
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

DIRECTIONS

- · Heat oven to 350 degrees
- · Grease a 9x13 cake pan.
- . In a large mixing bowl add melted butter and cocoa, mix well. Add sugar and mix well. Add eggs one at a time. mixing well after each one. Add sour cream and blend well. Add flour, vanilla and salt, stir just until combined. Stir in chocolate chips and nuts. Spread in greased cake pan
- · Bake 40-45 minutes until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.
- · Let cool before cutting

INGREDIENTS

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/4 cup shortening
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 2 eggs
- ¾ cup cocoa
- 1 3/4 cups flour
- 34 tsp. baking powder
- 34 tsp. baking soda 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 34 cups milk

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Generously grease and flour 2 9 inch round or one 9 x 13
- 2. Cream butter and shortening, sugar, and vanilla until fluffy. Blend in eggs.
- 3. Combine cocoa, flour, baking powder baking soda, and salt
- 4. Add milk and flour mixture alternately to batter. Blend well and pour into pans. Bake at 350 degrees for 30-35 minutes or until cake tests done. Cool 10 minutes and remove from pans. if using round pans. Frost with you favorite frosting.

Notes:

- · Cake is very heavy.
- · Origin: Hershey Disappearing Cake Recipe Food.com





Youth Division





INGREDIENTS

Crust:

- 1 1/4 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 3 Tbsp. sugar
- 1/3 cup butter, melted

Fillling:

1/3 cup milk

3 ox. cream cheese, softened 8 oz. tub cool whip

Large or XL Hershey Bar

· The larger the Hershey bar, the more chocolatey the bars

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Make the graham cracker crust by combining graham cracker crumbs, sugar and melted butter in an 8x8 baking
- 2. Make the filling by melting the chocolate bar and milk in a small saucepan until just melted and smooth. Add the softened cream cheese and whip together until smooth Fold in cool whip. Spoon into crust.
- 3. Freeze overnight.
- · Best served chilled or frozen with a cold glass of milk.
- · If you like almonds, you can use an XL Hershey Bar with Almonds

2025 Chocolate Dessert Recipe Contest

1st . 2nd and 3rd Place Youth Division Chocolate Dessert Recipe contest! Thank you for all who participated! Come back next year to try again.

If you would like a copy of the full list of Adult & Youth participants and recipes for both adult and youth, please contact: Val or Courtney at the Extension office.

715-743-5121 Courtney.becker@co.clark.wi.us Valerie.wood@co.clark.wi.us



My name is Sierra Bakke, and for the past three months I've had the pleasure of serving Clark County 4 -H as an AmeriCorps member. I live in Unity and graduated from Owen-Withee High School. I'm currently attending the University of Wisconsin–River Falls, where I'm majoring in Agricultural Marketing Communications. It's been a rewarding experience supporting local youth and helping grow 4-H programs in our community!











Sierra Bakke Clark County 4-H AmeriCorps Member

WHO DO WE WORK WITH?

This summer we collaborated with the Wells Farm Learning Center, Sunset Pines Resort, Fannies Supper Club, Clark County Fair, and Owen-Withee and Loyal School Districts to provide educational programs. The events welcomed a total of 62 4-H youth.

BECAUSE OF EXTENSION'S WORK...

Because of Extension work, I have been able to experience how engaging activities can positively impact youth in Clark County. Through my AmeriCorps service, I supported 4-H programming that connected youth of all ages to new opportunities for learning, leadership, and fun. Extension provided me with the chance to grow professionally and contribute to meaningful programs that give young people a place to belong.

WHAT DO WE DO?

This summer I organized a variety of hands-on programs for Clark County youth. My first program was the Sew It Yourself Workshop, where 8 youth in grades 4–6 learned the basics of using a sewing machine and each created their own pillowcase. Following that, I organized the Fair Olympics during Fair Cleanup Day. A highlight of this event was the strong youth leadership, an older 4-H member proposed the idea, and I supported them in bringing it to life while they took the lead. This program was designed as a reward for youth who volunteered their time preparing, cleaning, and setting up the fairgrounds. Participants of all ages completed a fun obstacle course and enjoyed a cold treat afterward. My third program, Clay Creations, was held at Loyal High School in partnership with a local artist. Thirteen youth participated, with younger members hand pottery while older youth learned how to throw clay on the wheel. This workshop was especially popular and revealed a growing interest in ceramics within the county, opening the door for more creative opportunities in the future.





First Annual 4-H Summer Swim Event

On Sunday, August 24 the weather was a bit chilly with a slight breeze but the water was warm!

Thank you to the families that braved the weather and came out to enjoy a couple hours of swimming at the Thorp Aquatic Center.

Admission, hotdogs and water were provided by the 4-H Leaders Federation and the Thorp Tourism Board donated chips, cookies and pop/water to our event.

We have more ideas in mind for next year and we hope to see you again next year.









One Last Reminder

Re– Enrollment Dates
Open
September 8th– November 1st

OFFICER TRAINING

Monday, October 27th, 2025 6:30 PM-8:30 PM Loyal High School Cafeteria

Looking for volunteers to help teach:

- President/Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Reporter/ Historian

Need Volunteers by October 1st or event will be cancelled.

Contact Seth to sign up

Email: seth.harrmann@wisc.edu

September 2025						
	1 Extension Office Closed—Labor Day	2 AFR Due to Extension	3	4	5	6
7	8 Leaders Federation Meeting Re=Enrollment Opens!	9	10	11		13 Shooting Sports Leader Certification Training– Marshfield WI
14 Fall Family Fun Day Penterman Corn Maze 1-3PM Sheep Committee Meeting	15 Fair board Meeting Record books to Cubs	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Swine Committee Meeting	25	26	27
28	29	30				

October 2025						
			Record Books to Extension Livestock & Species meetings (see page 3)	2	3	4 Arts Camp
5 Arts Camp	6 Nat	7 tional 4-H Week–	8	9 & Spread the wo	i0 ord	11
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	Leaders Federation Meeting & Record Book Review	14	19	lo	(7	i8
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26	27 Officer Training	28	29	30	31 Halloween 🕹 Fall Forum starts	

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						1 Last day for Re-Enrollment! Fall Forum
2 Fall Forum	3	4	5	6	7	8 4H Awards Banquet
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23	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving- Extension Office Closed	28 Extension Office Closed	29
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21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve– Extension Office Closed	25 Christmas— Extension Office Closed	26	27
28	29 Discovery Day YQCA- In Person	30	31 New Year s Eve			

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