The Clover Connection

Polk County 4-H May, 2022



CLUB REPRESENTED WHEN THE MONEY GETS SPENT?

The Polk County 4-H Leaders Federation Board of Directors is an Important Group for the Polk County

4-H Program. This Board Oversees the Program and Makes Important Decisions About How and Where the Financial Resources of the Program Are Spent. They Also Provide Direction for The Educational Programs. Each Club Can Send One Adult and One Youth Member as Representatives to The Board. Youth Have an Equal Voice at The Table. The Board Meets Six Times a Year.

> MAY 23, 2022 7PM AT THE 4-H BUILDING, POLK COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS.



THE NORTHWEST 4-H GOLF CLASSIC is back

and ready for you to enjoy a great day of golfing with friends, good food, and fundraising for 4-H. Please see the brochure in the 4-H newsletter. 4-H Clubs are asked to provide an item for the silent auction. This could be a gift basket or gift items from local artisans or craftsmen to combined with objects from other donors to make up a prize.



If you would like Lindsay to attend any club or project meeting, please let her know!

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Polk County Ambassador Meeting! May 16th, 6pm! Located at the Justice Center in the Community Room.

WHAT'S UP WITH YOUR CLUB?

Would you like your Club featured in the next Clover Newsletter? It's simple! Write up a short article telling us just how fun your club's event was and make sure to include a picture with the names of the members featured. Let us and other clubs know the good work you are doing in the community! To share your clubs story please email Kerry at: <u>kerry.hill2@wisc.edu</u>



Dear 4-H Families,

Spring is finally almost here! Although we may jump right into summer with the way the weather has been behaving, but that's okay with me! With summer quickly approaching, our 4-H calendar is filling up with lots of educational events and activities that youth will have an opportunity to participate in. An event that I'm super excited about is the return of overnight 4-H camp!

4-H camp is full of great experiences, new friends, and an opportunity to explore something that may be a little more out of their comfort zone, especially after all the Covid protocols of the past few years. Research shows that like other projects and activities, 4-H camp is centered on the idea of providing youth a fun, hands-on environment to build and strengthen valuable life skills. According to a large research study by the American Camp Association, summer camps positively affect children in the following ways:

- •Children become more confident and experience increased self-esteem.
- •Children develop more social skills that help them make new friends.
- •Children grow more independent and show more leadership qualities.
- •Children become more adventurous and will try new things.

This year's camp is sure to be full of fun, challenging new adventures. Please consider signing your child up for this great event. You will find more information and registration forms in this month's Clover Connection. It is first come, first served, so make sure to act fast!

Thank you all for your commitment to the youth of Polk County 4-H!

Sincerely,



Lindsay Spindler 4-H Program Educator

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1 Horse ABC Clinic, Laugh- ing Horse Ranch, 1:30pm -4:30pm	2	3	4	5 Lego Robotics EV3 Workshop, 6:30-8pm, First Presbyterian Church of SCF	6	7 YQCA Training , 9am, Justice Center
8	9	10	11	12	13 ~Dino Hunt, 6pm-8pm, Bal- sam Lake Rod & Gun Club ~Both Camp Registrations Due	14
15 Rabbit Work- shop, 2pm at the Polk Coun- ty Fairgrounds	16 4-H Ambas- sador Meet- ing, 6pm at the Justice Center	17	18	19	20	21 Lego EV3 & Sphero Ball Workshop, 9- 11am, First Presbyterian Church of SCF
22	23 Polk County 4-H Leaders Federation Meeting at 7pm, 4H	24 Golf Classic Registration Due	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

May

1: Horse Project ABC Clinic

- 5: Lego Robotics EV3 Workshop (Advance Registration is Required) Thursday 6:30-8pm, First Presbyterian Church of SCF
- 7: YQCA Training , 9am, Justice Center
- 13: Dino Hunt, 6pm-8pm located at the Balsam Lake Rod & Gun Club
- 13: Registrations for Po-Croix-Bar Camp are due to the Polk County Extension Office
- 13: Registrations for the 4-H Outpost Camp are due to the Polk County Extension Office
- 15: Rabbit Workshop starting at 2pm at the Polk County Fairgrounds.
- 16: 4-H Ambassador Meeting, 6pm at the Justice Center
- 21: Lego EV3 & Sphero Ball Workshop (Advanced Registration is Required) Saturday 9-11am, First Presbyterian Church of SCF
- 23: Polk County 4-H Leaders Federation Meeting at 7pm. Location: 4H Building at the Polk County Fairgrounds.
- 24: Registration due for Golf Classic

June

- 11: Lego EV3 & Sphero Ball Workshop (Advanced Registration is Required) Saturday 9-11am, First Presbyterian Church of SCF
- 13: Golf Classic, Kilkarney Hills, River Falls WI. Starting at 10:30am
- 15: Area Animal Science Days, Sheboygan, More Information to Follow
- 17: Area Animal Science Days, Chippewa, More Information to Follow
- 18: Polk County Pre-Fair Shoot starting at 9am at the Balsam Lake Rod & Gun Club
- 23: Modeling Workshop on Thursday. Time and Location TBD
- 25: Pre-Fair Robotics Run-Off! Saturday at 1pm at the First Presbyterian Church of SCF (All Entrants Need to Register In-Person at 12:30)
- 27: Clothing Review, Starting at 6pm at the St Croix County Extension Office
- 30: Pullorum Typhoid Testing. Polk County Fair Grounds, 4pm-8pm.

July

1: Fair Signs need to be up on private land with owners permission

10: Pullorum Typhoid Testing . Polk County Fair Grounds, 4pm-8pm

28-31: POLK COUNTY FAIR!

WI 4-H AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS

Registration Open!

SHEBOYGAN - JUNE 15TH

CHIPPEWA - JUNE 17TH

SEE THE POST FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE EVENT AND HOW TO REGISTER







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Registrations are open for the 2022 Area Animal Science

Day! We hope your team is going to join us for a day of competition, learning, and fun! For more information about the event and registering, visit:

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/ opportunities/statewide-eventsand-opportunities/area-animalscience-days/



We are Excited to Announce that we will have TWO OVERNIGHT Camping Experiences this summer for our 4-H youth!

OPTION 1 2022 PO-CROIX-BAR 4-H CAMP!

We are excited to bring back the **OVERNIGHT** 4 -H camping experience, June 7-9 (Tuesday-Thursday) at the beautiful Camp

Kiwanis, in Marine MN. This camp is for youth who are currently in grade 3 through grade 6. The cost is \$120, but the Polk County 4-H Leaders Federation will cover half this cost, and it will include transportation to and from the camp. Camp space is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Registrations will be accepted until Friday, May 13th to the Extension Office. The camp registration form is located in the back of this newsletter.



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are you up to the challenge of 3 days / 2 nights of outdoor adventure and fun! This action-packed camp experience is offered to7th & 8th graders. Tent

camping, fire cooking, canoeing, swimming and hiking are just a few of the exciting experiences that await campers at OUTPOST Camp! There will also be team building and leadership development along with fun and games throughout camp...don't miss out. 4-H OUTPOST Camp will take place during the same dates at the PO-CROIX-BAR 4-H Camp. The same transportation will be used for both camps. OUTPOST Camp will be held up the road from the Kiwanis Camp at William O' Brien State Park. Please note that these two camps will have separate locations, schedules, and activities.

DINO HUNT SCHEDULED FOR MAY 13TH,

FRIDAY NIGHT FROM 6:00 TO 8:00PM AT BALSAM LAKE ROD AND GUN CLUB

Because dinosaurs are such a terrible threat to the agriculture industry in Polk County we are offering all Polk County 4-H'ers ages eight (Explorers) to 12 and do not have a Hunter's Safety Certificate the opportunity to participate in Polk County's 4-H Shooting Sports Dinosaur Hunt. The 4-H Shooting Sports Program will supply the B.B. guns and ammunition for this event. There will also be an Archery Event.

If you have questions about the Dinosaur Hunt, please call Chad & Stacey Lutsey at 715.268.4241

Or Dave & Carolyn Peterson at 715.857-5897.

Parents are encouraged to attend with their children

Polk County Fair Sign Contest 2022 The Polk County Fair

Board is sponsoring an outdoor sign contest to promote the Polk County Fair. The sign must be at least four feet by eight feet (4x8). Each sign must include the Polk County Fair Dates(July 28,29,30,31, 2022) the location (St Croix Falls) and your club name. Signs should be up by July 1st and MUST be placed on private land with permission from landowner.

Submit by mail a color 8x10 photograph of your sign with the location by July 13th to:

Judy Bainbridge 2267 170th St. Luck, WI 54853 Phone: 715-553-0801



Judging will be based on creativity and advertisement value. Judging will be done by the Polk County Fair Board. Only new signs will be judged for the first place award of \$200.00, or the second place award of \$100.00. ALL clubs that submit a photo will receive \$50.00 for their one sign.

Signs should be taken down by August 5th

The theme for this years fair is: 160 Years of Polk County Tradition

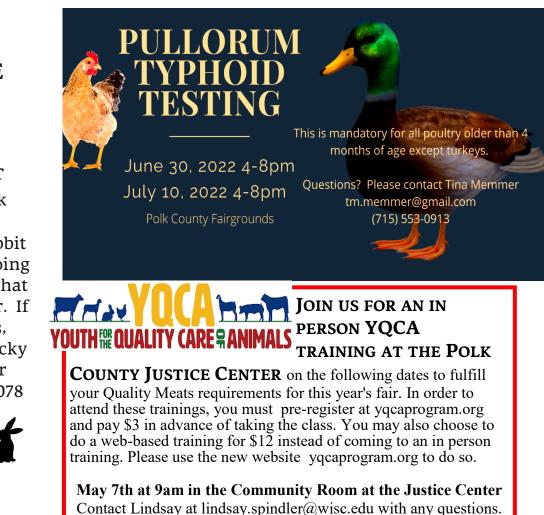


THERE WILL BE A RABBIT WORKSHOP ON MAY 15 STARTING AT

2PM located at the Polk County Fair

grounds behind the rabbit barn. We will be tattooing and weighing rabbits that are entered for the fair. If you have any questions, please reach out to: Becky Larson-715.294.2830, or Carol Suckut-715.410.5078





PLEASE SIGN UP NOW FOR THE FOOD STAND at the 2022 Polk County Fair.

We want to get the schedule made out so everyone gets a copy in the July newsletter. Everyone taking a 4-H sponsored trip must take a shift at the Food Stand either with your club or as an individual. We need at least eight youths per shift and you must send three adults for your club's shift. When your club decides, which shift you would like to work, please contact Kerry at the Extension Office, Kerry.hill2@wisc.edu or call at 715-485-8600. All shifts need to report 15 minutes early for on-the-job training

Wednesday	y <mark>, July 27th</mark>	<u>Friday, July</u>	<u>7 29th</u>
11am-3pm	1)	10am-2pm	1)
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Sunday,	July	31st
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2pm-4pm		1)









Deronda Diplomat members made and delivered tie blankets for dialysis patients at Davita Dialysis Clinic in Amery.

Cushing 4-H Club held their annual "Club Rush" at their April meeting. This event gives the opportunity for youth to teach their peers about a project they have worked on in the past, as well as giving members a chance to see what new projects they may be interested in trying. It was a lot of fun to see and hear all that 4-Hers have been working on, learning, and growing through their preparation to bring exhibits to the fair.





4-H Camp will be held at the beautiful Camp Kiwanis on the St. Croix River, just ten miles north of Stillwater, Minnesota.

This site has all the accommodations for an exciting camping experience: well-maintained buildings, spacious lawns, ample equipment, accredited staff and a safe environment away from major highways.

Recreational facilities at Camp Kiwanis include: 30' x 60' outdoor swimming pool, basketball and tennis courts, sand volleyball court, tetherball area, canoeing, large campfire circle, craft building, wilderness hiking trails, and softball diamond.

PO-CROIX-BAR 4-H Camp features:

- Fellowship and friendship from a four-county area
- A 1/7 counselor/camper ratio. Counselors are high school youth who have been screened and trained
- Terrific food
- An adult staff of Extension Educators, volunteers, and college students

PO-Croix-Bar 4-H Camp 2022:

 Base Camp (for campers in <u>currently</u> in grades 3-6) June 7-9 (Tuesday-Thursday)
Cost: \$120 (Polk County 4-H Leaders Federation will cover half of this cost) Camp Space is limited. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.
Registrations are accepted until Friday, May 13, 2022 to your county extension office.

Transportation to Camp: Several bus stops will be available. The bus cost is included in the camp fee. A letter containing transportation information and preparation details will be sent from the Extension Office prior to the start of the camp program.

Camp Location Camp Kiwanis 15987 St Croix Trail N Marine on St. Croix, MN 55047

For questions contact:

Barron County: 715-537-6250 or sara.waldron@wisc.edu Polk County: 715-485-8607 or lindsay.spindler@wisc.edu St. Croix County: 715-531-1930 or heather.vierling@wisc.edu

Information on Health Forms, transportation and what to bring to camp will be mailed to you prior to camp.

Mail completed form and registration fee to: UW-Extension Polk County 100 Polk Plaza, Suite 190 Balsam Lake, WI 54810

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Name:			MaleFemale
Address:		_City:	Zip:
Grade (current):	_County:	4-H Club:	
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Na	me:		
Daytime Phone:		Evening Ph	one:
E-Mail Address:			
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	ietary needs, please describ		child have a more positive
Select your bus pick up	and drop off location (plea	ase check one sto	p)
Baldwin	Four Corners (Hwy 63,	64, & 46)	New Richmond
Barron	Turtle Lake		St. Croix Falls
Registration Forms are	due Friday, May 13, but rei	member camp is fi	rst-come <u>, first-served so</u>

register early!

Make Checks Payable to: <u>Polk County 4-H Leaders Federation</u> (Cost to Polk County 4-H members is only \$60. Leaders Federation will cover the other half of the cost)



PO-CROIX-BAR OUTPOST 4-H Camp features:

- Tent Camping
- Outdoor Cooking
- Canoeing / Swimming
- o Outdoor Survival Skills
- o Hiking
- Survival Skills

PO-CROIX-BAR OUTPOST 4-H Camp:

- o June 7-9, 2022
- For campers presently in grades 7-8
- Cost: \$100.00 (Polk County 4-H Leaders Federation will cover half of your cost, so you are only responsible for \$50)

<u>Parents: Enroll your children in camp according to their current grade in school (grade just completed).</u> <u>Camp space is limited to 16 youth.</u> <u>Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis – no later than</u> <u>Friday, May 13. Don't delay!</u>



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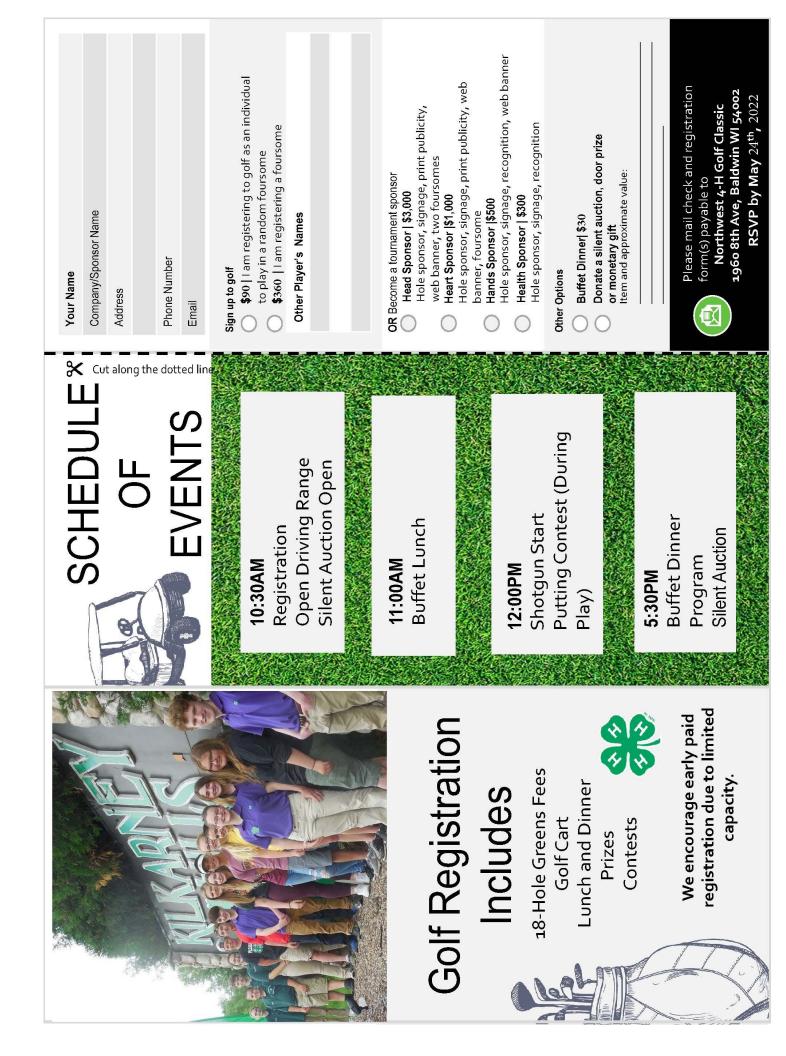
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Regi		n Form		
Name:				Male Female
Address:			City:	Zip:
Grade:	County:	4-H Club	:	
Parent(s) Name:		Daytime Phone:	Ev	ening Phone:
experience:		, please describe here to help ation (please check one stop)		more positive overnight
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Phone: (715) 485-8600 Balsam Lake, WI 54810 100 Polk Plaza, Suite 190 Polk County Office University of Wisconsin - Extension

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