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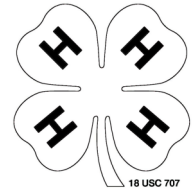
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4-H Focuses on.....

- Decision Making
 - Problem Solving
 - Relating to Others
 - Planning and Organizing
 - Learning to Learn
 - Communicating with Others
 - Leading Self and Others
 - Relating to Change
 - Applying Science & Technology
 - Developing Self
- Mental and Physical Health

Life Skills



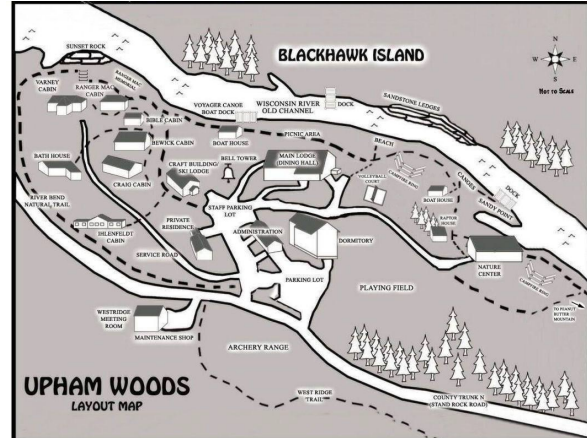
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CRAWFORD, RICHLAND and VERNON COUNTIES

Upham Woods 4-H Camp — July 18-20, 2018

Registration information on page 10 of this newsletter!



Vernon County Dairy Breakfast

Wall-Stone Holsteins

Saturday, June 9th, 2018

Located on Highway 82, ten miles east of De Soto

Cost of breakfast: \$6.00 Traditional Breakfast or \$10.00 Traditional Breakfast + Steak

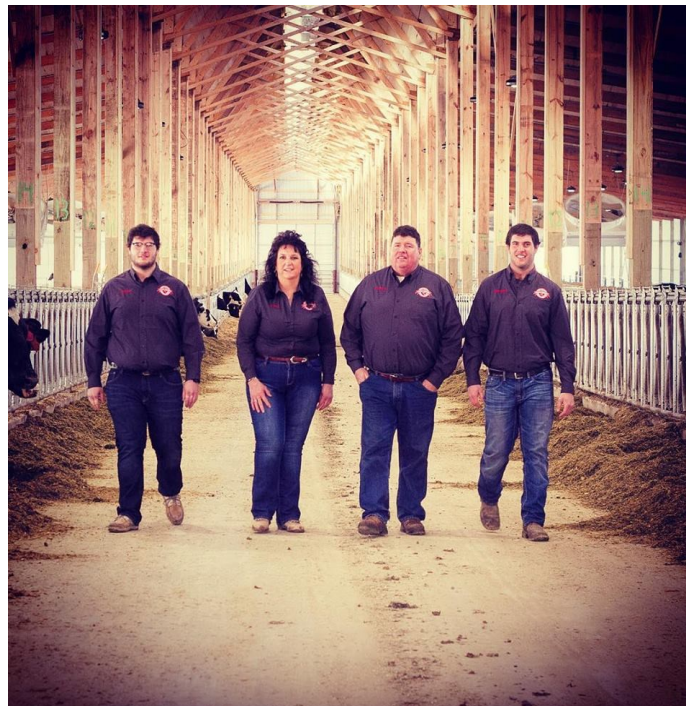


Demonstrations:

Beef Council Recipe Demo

Culinary Arts of Chicago -
Demo of Queso Fresco

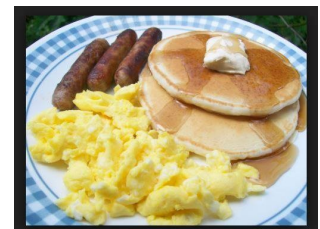
Viroqua Food Coop



Entertainment:

Music by Under Paris Skies
Gypsy Jazz Euro café

Loggers Baseball Players
Signing Autographs



Other Events:

Cheese Grill Off Contest
4-H Clubs promoting
extraordinary grill chees
sandwiches with celebrity
judges and a people's choice
award!

Because every picture has a story to tell... Join us for the Vernon County Dairy Breakfast June 9th at Wall-Stone Holsteins to learn about our family, our farm and it's unique history that has shaped it into the multi-generational diversified family farm operation we are today.

*We will be serving the fantastic breakfast of eggs, sausage, cheese, pancakes and more!
Please visit us on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/VernonCountyDairyBreakfast/>*



4-H Clubs 2017-2018 Officers

Vernon County Nerison 4-H Club Officers

Left to Right

Back Row: President Dominic Falter, Vice President Agnes Falter, Treasurer Evan Bekkum
Front Row: Historians Natalie Jolin, Bridget Palm, Jenna Jolin, Secretary Payton Sawyer.



Vernon County 4-H Club Enterprise Eagles Officers

L to R: Nicole Klum- Secretary
Katy Mislivecek-- President
Morgan Sagler--Vice President
Whitney Mislivecek-- Treasurer











Enterprise Eagles—Nicole Klum






March—Our last meeting was held on March 4th, 2018 at 1:00pm at the Chaseburg Village Hall. 37 members were present and Katie Mislivecek called the meeting to order. Connor and Noah Mathison lead the pledges and I did roll call. Whitney Mislivecek read the Treasurer's report and I read the Secretary's report. Both were approved as read. Then we discussed Old Business which included community service ideas and Dairy Breakfast opportunities. Then we got a leader update from Lisa Servais about how the 4-H Newsletter is now online. Then we moved into New

Business which was park cleanup and our potluck. Sabrina Servais made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jeremiah Wiczorek second it. After the meeting we made mozzarella cheese.



Watch for Vernon County Fair Entry News in May!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 H&P Project Contracts & 4-H Project Enrollment/ Changes Deadline!	2
3	4 Upham Woods Camp Reg. Deadline! Dog Obedience Class w/ Dogs	5	6	7	8	9 Dairy Break fast 
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 H&P Project Clinic 
17  L/P Federation Mtg	18 Tractor Safety 	19 	20 	21	22 AASD— Clark County 	23 H&P Project Trail Ride 
24	25 4-H State Youth Conference	26	27 	28	29	30

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Office Closed 	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 H&P Show 
15  L/P Federation Mtg	16	17	18 Camp Upham Woods 	19	20	21 H&P Trail Clinic 
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



Vernon County 4-H Clubs on the go!

Support our 4-H Clubs Brat Sales At Nelson Agri-Center!

Springville Superstars
April 21st, 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Serving brats, hotdogs,
hamburger, chips & pop

Davis Diggers
Sunday May 6th, 10:00 am.—1:00 p.m.
Club Meeting to follow!

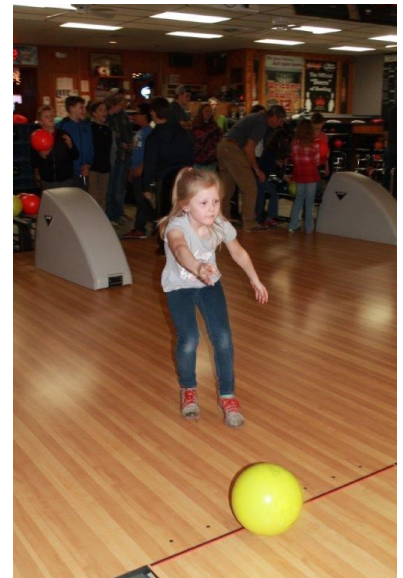
Lucky Clovers 4-H Club Members March Bowling Adventure!

Ellie Tryggestad



Ian Bass

Kaylie Tryggestad



*Thank You Betty Nigh,
Lucky Clovers
4-H Club Leader
for the pictures!*

*Please email pictures and a brief
story of any special club activities
such as: Bowling, skiing, sledding,
community service outings, brat sale
etc., to cdaniels@vernoncounty.org.*

*I hope to make this a monthly
featured newsletter article!*



Harlee Harbaugh

Alex Harnish





Dairy Project News

4-H Dairy Judging Season Soon Here, Are You a 4-H Dairy Project Member?

Vernon County 4-H youth who would like to participate in the Vernon County 4-H Dairy Judging Program get ready to go! We will start practices on May 2nd preparing for the AASD-Area Animal Science Days competition on June 22nd. **Remember you must be an active Vernon County 4-H member and enrolled and in the dairy project prior to June 1st in order to participate on the dairy judging team.** Don't miss this outstanding opportunity! Stay tuned to your email and the Dairy Youth Facebook Page for more details.

Practice Schedule

Dairy judging practice will be held from 7:30-9:00 p.m. at the below locations. Thank you to these farmers for hosting us. We appreciate you!

- May 2nd Steve & Kay Holte - E7166 Tri-State Rd, Westby (Holsteins)
- May 9th Paul & Darlene Buhr – S4166 Orchard Rd, Viroqua (Holsteins)
- May 16 Dean, Pat & Alana Peterson – S3667 Peterson Ln, Viroqua (Jerseys)
- May 23rd Ralph & Sheila Petersheim - E5633A Sag City Rd, Viroqua (Holsteins)
- May 30th (no practice due to possibly June 2nd practice, please see below)
- June 6th Grant & Jenny Rudrud – E7814 Traastad Rd., Viroqua
- June 13th Rob & Gail Klinkner – S7304A State Hwy 27, Viroqua (Jerseys, Ayrshire, Milking Shorthorn)
- June 20th Cary & Joy Moser - 264 Coon Prairie Ave., Westby (Holsteins)
- June 22nd (our competition date-Area Animal Science Days, Neillsville, Clark County)

There may be a Saturday, June 2nd practice in La Crosse County judging Guernsey's! Please keep that date open from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. For more information or if you have questions, please contact Junior Coach Ashley Olson, 608-452-2294.

Go dairy youth!



Vernon County Dog Project 2018 Obedience Classes

Registration night will be Monday, May 21, 2018 at the Vernon County Fairgrounds in the Hanson Arena from 5:30 to 6:15pm **without** dogs. First class will be on Monday June 4th **with dogs** starting at 6:00p.m. Agility practice will start in Mid July.

A pre-registration form is required! Forms are available at the Extension Office and on the website: vernon.uwex.edu. Please bring the completed form with you to the Monday, May 21st meeting. Cost for this program will be \$15 for 4-H member with a maximum cost of \$25 per 4-H family and \$25 for each non 4-H-member.

Save the date!

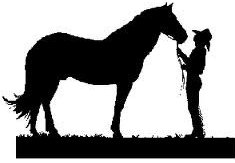
State 4-H Dog Obedience and Showmanship Show

Hosted by Portage County

October 12-14, 2018 at Central Wisconsin State Fairgrounds in Marshfield

Entry Book to be posted when available

If you have questions contact Jenni Miller:606-9600, 625-6224, or 634-7608.



Hello

Horse Project News

Members! Happy Spring!

We had beautiful weather for our March 18th meeting. Attendees were: Kerbie and Emilie Brose, Bethany and Ben Roethel, Alex Harnish, Wynne and Gus Roberts, Lexi Christianson and Karmyn Jarzemski. We also had the privilege of having two new members join us and they are Trent Greteback and Georgia Goede. Welcome!

We started the meeting off with a discussion about Mike Bronson's presentation on hoof care. The main topic of his presentation for those that missed was on horse shoes, iron vs. rubber. The members discussed the pros and cons of both. New Business: Barn renovations will start up again this year. I will be talking with contractors for quotes on new lighting, ventilation and redoing the barn office. The barn committee includes: Sally Brose, Gerry and Corky Roethel and John McClelland. If there are any other parents that would like to be involved or know of a contractor they would like to suggest, please contact Sally. We have finalized the 2018 dates. Please see your email or FaceBook H&P Project page. Contracts were handed out. If you were not able to attend the meeting, please keep an eye out for these in your mailbox! If you have any questions regarding the contract, please contact Sally or Cindy. Cashton Saddle Club has asked us to consider volunteering at the horse shows this year in return they will make a monetary donation to our project. The horse shows are June 10 and August 12. We can do one or both. Please let me know if you are interested in helping out. Congratulations to Lexi Christianson for winning the vote for our 2018 T-Shirt drawing. We had two drawings Bethany Roethel being the other. Thank you to you both! There will not be an April or May meeting. Please keep in mind, the Duck Egg Clean-up will be either April 22 or May 6, watch for this date in your email and FaceBook.

Below ere are the 2018 event dates:

April 22 or May 6: Duck Egg Cleanup
June 1: Contract due

June 9: June Fun Show

Please Note: It has been brought to our attention this is the same day as Dairy Breakfast. Due to this conflict the fun show will be moved to a different day. Watch for emails & postings with the new date!

June 16: Clinician at Fairgrounds (*Watch for further details on project's facebook page & June Newsletter*)
June 23: Trail ride at Rockton (*Watch for further details on project's facebook page & June Newsletter*)
July 14: State Qualifying Show
July 21: Pat Stevenson Trail Clinic
August 1: Requirement Sheet due in Cindy's office
August 18: Pat Stevenson Clinic
September 7: Horse Stalls will be assigned for fair
September 8: Horse Barn open for cleaning and decorating
September 12-16: Vernon County Fair

***Mounted Events Reminder: *COGGINS PAPERS REQUIRED* BOTH THE ORIGINAL AND COPY FOR OUR FILES
The 4-H exhibitor is the only person allowed to ride their animal while at the event. Boots with a 1/2" cutout heel and ASTM/SEI approved helmet, buckled, are mandatory while mounted. NO EXCEPTIONS!***

Sally Brose,
Vernon County 4-H Horse & Pony Project Leader



Vernon County Horse Project Show

Vernon County Fairgrounds Viroqua, WI

TBD— Show Starts 10:00 am Sharp!

Pre -Registration Deadline, TBD

Return registration form(s) and entry payment to Vernon County UW-Extension Office

\$2.00/class or \$15.00 All Day or \$20.00 All Day Family

Exhibitor Name: _____ Address: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____ Grade: Jan.1, 2018 _____ Coggins Copy _____

Please circle the classes that you are entering. *Pony height under 56" -If entered in walk/trot, may not enter canter classes!

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|--|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. Open Pony @ Halter | | 23. Horseless Horse Pleasure | Grades 3-8 |
| 2. Open Horse @ Halter | | 24. Horseless Horse Pleasure | Grades 9-13 |
| 3. Pony Western/Hunt Showmanship | Grades 3-8 | 25. Pony Western Pleasure | Grades 3-8 |
| 4. Pony Western/Hunt Showmanship | Grades 9-13 | 26. Pony Western Pleasure | Grades 9-13 |
| 5. Horse Western/Hunt Showmanship | Grades 3-8 | 27. Pony Stock Seat Equitation | Grades 3-8 |
| 6. Horse Western/Hunt Showmanship | Grades 9-13 | 28. Pony Stock Seat Equitation | Grades 9-13 |
| 7. Horseless Horse Showmanship | Grades 3-8 | 29. Horse Stock Seat Equitation | Grades 3-8 |
| 8. Horseless Horse Showmanship | Grades 9-13 | 30. Horse Stock Seat Equitation | Grades 9-13 |
| 9. Open Bareback (walk/trot) | | 31. Horse Western Pleasure | Grades 3-8 |
| 10. Open Bareback Pleasure*** | | 32. Horse Western Pleasure | Grades 9-13 |
| 11. Horseless Horse Walk/Trot (Hunt/Western) | Grades 3-8 | 33. Open Western Riding | |
| 12. Horseless Horse Walk/Trot (Hunt/Western) | Grades 9-13 | 34. Open Trail Class | |
| 13. Hunt/Western Walk/Trot Beginner * | | 35. Open Egg & Spoon | |
| 14. Hunt Walk/Trot Beginner** | | 36. Poles | |
| 15. Pony Hunt Pleasure | Grades 3-8 | 37. Keyhole Race | |
| 16. Pony Hunt Pleasure | Grades 9-13 | 38. Ribbon Race | |
| 17. Pony Hunt Equitation | Grades 3-8 | 39. Barrel Race | |
| 18. Pony Hunt Equitation | Grades 9-13 | 40. Double Bowtie | |
| 19. Horse Hunt Equitation | Grades 3-8 | 41. Jumping Figure 8 | |
| 20. Horse Hunt Equitation | Grades 9-13 | 42. Sack Race | |
| 21. Horse Hunt Pleasure | Grades 3-8 | 43. Plug Race | |
| 22. Horse Hunt Pleasure | Grades 9-13 | | |

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For more information or if
you have questions, contact:
Sally Brose 606-4756
UW-Ext Office 637-5276

Reminder! Individual entry form needed for **each exhibitor**. You may issue (1) payment for multiple entries.

Total Due: \$2.00 X _____ classes = _____ \$15.00 all day single: _____ \$20.00 all day family: _____
Check # _____ Check Total \$ _____

I, _____ (Participant), acknowledge that I am voluntarily participating at the 2017 Vernon County 4-H Spring Fun Show as a Vernon County Horse & Pony project member and am aware that the above described activities may be hazardous and agree to assume any and all risks of bodily injury, death or property damage and do not hold the Vernon County Horse & Pony project nor the Vernon County Fair responsible.

4-H Members Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature _____ Date: _____

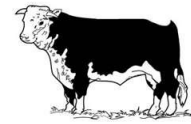
Exhibitor #: _____ (Issued day of show)

Meat Animal News

Vernon County Beef, Sheep & Hog 2018 information updated!

Market animals must be weighed and identified by the meat animal sale committee in order to be eligible for the meat animal sale at the Vernon County Fair.

Steer Weigh-in—Took place April 13-14



Lambs Weigh-in

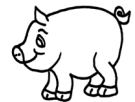
Friday, May 18th, 2018—4-8 p.m.

Saturday, May 19th, 2018— 8 a.m.-Noon



Swine Weigh-in May 18th-19th Canceled!

Per recommendation from the State Veterinarian, we will not be holding a swine weigh-in for 2018 Vernon County Fair.



The method for identification will be the photo with the ear tag in place that was used several years ago. Please follow the below detailed instructions. When taking the photo, please concentrate on a clear photo of the hog's of head with ear tag showing.

STEP ONE: Exhibitors will need to pick up RFID hog ear tags from the Vernon County UW-Extension Office. Each exhibitor can request up to 6 tags each. Anything over that is \$2 per tag. They can be picked up during normal business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

STEP TWO: when picking up the ear tags, exhibitors or parents, will be asked to complete a registration form. The ear tag numbers will be recorded on a form and a copy of it will go with the exhibitor or parent.

STEP THREE: take the RFID tags home OR with you when you pick up your feeder pigs and tag the hogs. The tag will go in the hog's LEFT EAR. If you are buying your hogs, the seller may be willing to help you with the tagging. You will need to use an Allflex tagger designed for the RFID tags. If you do not have a tagger, you will need to purchase one from a local agri-business supplier. They will cost in the area of \$20 each. We do not recommend sharing the tagger between swine herds.

STEP FOUR: take a picture of each hog's head with the tag already in the ear. One picture per hog. Deliver a copy of that picture to the Vernon County UW-Extension Office. Or you can attach the picture to an email or put it into the email message and send it to cdaniels@vernoncounty.org with your name and the ear tag number. **All pigs would need to be tagged and pictures turned in by May 25th.**

Sincerely,

Lloyd Hardy, Vernon County Fair Swine Superintendent



Shooting Sports News

4-H Shooting Sports Project Save The Dates



Event Dates:

Sunday, July 15th —22nd Annual Invitational 4-H Shoot—Coon Valley Conservation Grounds

Sunday, Aug. 26th—Vernon County Fair Premium Shoot—Coon Valley Conservation Grounds

Practice Shoot:

6:00pm: August 5th

Please Note: All practices, 4-H competitions & the Vernon County Fair Premium Shoot will be held at the Coon Valley Conservation Club. Crossbows will not be allowed at practice shoots or competitions. Vernon County 4-H members that participate at the practice shoots, annual competition and premium shoot, can put their name in drawing for a gift certificate toward the purchase of a .22, or a bow.

4-H Summer Camp

Youth Grades 3-8

- Go swimming and play water games in the Wisconsin River with an Upham Woods lifeguard.
- Explore the water and woods through fun nature activities.
- Songs, stories, skits and s'mores around the glowing campfire!
- You will sleep in a cabin with new friends your age and awesome youth camp counselors.
- Black Hawk Island—hang out on the island and see caves and rock formations.
- Peanut Butter Mountain
- Circle dancing!
- Make new friends from 3 counties!

July 18th—20th, 2018
Camp Upham Woods
 Crawford, Richland, & Vernon Counties



Chaperones Essential!

We Need:

- ◆ Camp Nurse
- ◆ Craft Leader
- ◆ Dining Hall Leader
- ◆ Archery Leader
- ◆ Photographer

CAMP COSTS INCLUDE:

- ◇ Transportation from Vernon County to camp and back.
- ◇ Lodging at Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells.
- ◇ Camp t-shirt and name button.
- ◇ All food and snacks.
- ◇ Activity Supplies and equipment.
- ◇ Cost: \$75.00 for Vernon County 4-H members, \$150.00 for non-members.

4-H Camp Registration Form:

Due Monday, June 4th!

Name _____ Grade _____ Gender _____

Email _____ Address _____

Phone _____ City, State, Zip _____

4-H Club Member (*Circle One*) YES NO T-shirt Size: (Youth) S M L XL (Adult) S M L XL

Parent/Guardian Contact during Camp: Name _____ Phone: _____

List any special dietary needs _____

Yes, I'm interested in being an adult volunteer at camp; please send me more information.

Name _____ Address: (*If different than child*) _____

If necessary, please indicate below what accommodation (s) your child would need, and for which activities:

Make check payable to: Vernon County 4-H (\$75 for Vernon County 4-H members, \$150 for non-members)

Mail to: Vernon County UW-Extension Office, 318 Fairlane Dr., Suite 392, Viroqua WI 54665

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2018 Camp Chaperone Application
Crawford, Richland & Vernon Counties
July 18-20, 2018 Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells
Applications Due June 15, 2018

We are delighted you are interested in volunteering at 4-H camp! Please complete and return this form and we will follow up with you.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____ Adult T-Shirt Size: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ County: _____

Please indicate yes or no:

Are you... an enrolled 4-H volunteer? _____ CPR Certified? _____ lifeguard? _____

Archery leader? _____ EMT/LPN/RN? _____

Describe past camp and/or chaperoning experiences _____

What interests you about chaperoning? What are your expectations?

What contributions will you bring to 4-H camp?

Adult volunteers are essential to a successful camp! Please note areas you would like to help:

Please place a checkmark by any position(s) you are willing and able to serve at camp:

_____ Chaperone: Sleeps in cabin with campers, counselors and other adults. Also performs duties at camp as needed during the day.

_____ Craft Coordinator: Assists in the development and supervision of craft activities

_____ Photographer: Take quality picture during camp. Organizes camp, cabin, and county photos.

_____ Dining Hall Coordinator: Is in charge of meal procedure during camp including supervision of set up and clean-up for meals.

_____ Archery: Provide introductory instruction for campers

Please send your completed application to Colleen Pulvermacher, UW-Extension, 318 Fairlane Drive
Suite 392, Viroqua, WI 54665.
Applications Due June 15, 2018

Considerations for Camp Chaperones

*Time commitment: There is a camp counselor-chaperone teleconference (about ½ hour) a week prior to camp. You will be sent connection information. Camp itself is July 18-20, 2018.

*Transportation is provided to and from camp

*Your cost of camp is covered by the leader's associations of our tri-county camp

*Your role is to support the efforts of camp counselors, who are trained for their duties

*Housing: While camp chaperones stay in the cabins, they do have down time each day of camp

*Meals are provided – coffee included!

*Activities: We anticipate you'll want to engage in most camp activities (except the nurse, who needs to stay at base camp).

*You will serve as a role model, for both counselors and campers

*Fun is included!

Expectation Agreement for Crawford, Richland & Vernon County Camp Chaperones

If selected as an Adult Camp Staff I understand and agree that:

I understand that my role at camp is to provide a positive, nurturing, fun environment for campers and counselors.

- I will present a positive role model to campers and counselors at camp
- I will treat other staff, counselors and campers with dignity and respect.
- I will not allow or participate in any kinds of initiation activities (skits, pranks, jokes) during camp that participants have not agreed to in advance.
- I will attend all meals, campfires and evening programs unless assigned other duties by the Camp Directors.
- I understand that the use of alcohol, tobacco or other drugs is cause for instant dismissal.
- I understand that verbal, sexual or physical abuse towards other people; including staff, counselors or campers is cause for instant dismissal.
- I will only use my cell phones for personal use when away from campers and counselors.
- I will remain at Upham Woods during camp sessions, unless approved by Camp Director.
- I understand that decisions made affecting campers or counselors should also be made after talking with a Camp Director.
- I will follow all rules and regulations set forth by Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center.

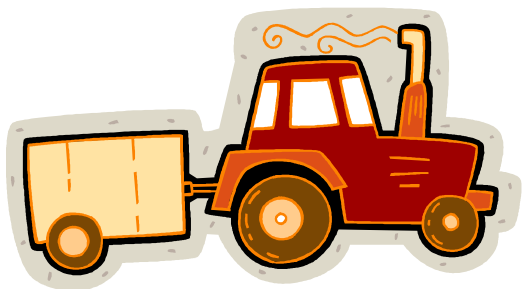
I understand that if I break any of the expectations listed above that my actions could result in:

- ✓ My early departure from camp.
- ✓ Removal as a leader in the Wisconsin 4-H program.
- ✓ Additional county action including inability to participate in some or all county activities.

Camp Chaperone Applicant Signature

Date

Wisconsin Safe Operation of Tractor and Machinery Certification Program



An educational program to enhance the safety knowledge and skills for youth operating tractors and machinery on Wisconsin farms

Please bring a sack lunch. A \$40 fee to cover materials, fuel and other supplies will be charged for each student. First priority is given to students who live or attend school in Vernon County, based upon the age at the time of the training. Older students have higher priority. Please note deadline, who to make the check out to, and where to send it. Class size is limited to 40 participants.

Vernon County UW-Extension, would like to thank the following for their efforts in developing this program.

Vernon Co Vocational Agriculture Instructors:

Lloyd Hardy

Brian Kast

Mike Fowell

Erica Hoven

Mollie Biermier

Hillary Bark

Crawford Co Vocational

Agriculture Instructor:

Kally Bockenbauer

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Portland Implement

Other Volunteers:

Viroqua Police Department,

Viroqua Fire Department,

Tri-State Ambulance

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**TRACTOR AND MACHINERY
CERTIFICATION COURSE
June 18th, 19th & 20th 2018
(Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday)
Vernon County Fairgrounds
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

Name _____

Address _____

City Zip _____

Parent's Name _____

Phone Number _____

Birth Date _____ Age at Time of Course _____

School Name _____ Grade Completed _____

Male Female

4-H Club or FFA Chapter (Circle One)
(If applicable)

Circle Below

Youth lives in or on:

Farm Rural Town (10-15K)

Ethnicity:

White Black American Native

Other: _____

Please include the \$40 registration fee with this form. Make check payable to:

Vernon County UW-Extension

Return to: UW-Extension

318 Fairlane Dr., Ste 392

Viroqua WI 54665

Registration Deadline

Monday, June 5th

(First come-first served with preference to Vernon Co Youth)

The Federal Law . . .
 Since 1970, Part 570 of the Child Labor Regulations, Subpart E-1, has provided exemption related to hazardous tasks for youth age 14 and 15 for employment on farms other than those operated by their family through tractor and machinery certification programs.

The Wisconsin Law Act 455 . . .
 Effective July 1, 1997, no person may direct or permit a child under age 16 years to operate a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry on a public road unless the child has been certified as successfully completing a tractor and machinery certification course. This does not apply to operation of a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry on the road when crossing perpendicular to the direction of the road.

Youth must be 12 years of age to enroll in the training program. What this means . . .
 The law means that youth operating tractors or self-propelled machinery for their own family on public roads will be required to have certification. Persons violating may receive a \$20 fine for the first offense and fines not to exceed \$50 for each subsequent offense. To provide youth with the necessary State and Federal certification, the WI Safe Operation of Tractor and Machinery Certification programs are being offered throughout the state.

Wisconsin Safe Operation of Tractor and Machinery Certification Program

This program will:
 *provide youth 12 years of age with the necessary requirements to be certified for compliance under Wisconsin Act 455.
 * meet the federal requirements for Part 570, Child Labor Regulations, Subpart E- 1 "Occupations in Agriculture Particularly Hazardous for Employment of Children under age 16".

The 24 hour program includes:
 * hands on instruction for tractors and farm machinery operation;
 *hazard recognition and correction;
 *general farm safety knowledge and
 *stresses the importance of a positive attitude towards safety.

To successfully complete the course, youth must:
 *attend 24 hours of instruction and
 *pass written and driving exams.

Wisconsin Act 455 stipulates that the state program is to have the equivalent requirements to the federal tractor and machinery certification. Therefore, this course will be taught at a level for 14 to 15 year old youth.

Who should attend?
 *Youth 14-15 years of age who need the federal certificate of training for employment on farm in accordance with Part 570, Child Labor Regulations, Subpart E-1.,,

- Youth 12 years of age who will be operating tractors or self-propelled farm machinery on public roads for their own family.

Where and When are the programs offered?
 This varies by county. These programs can be offered through the county University of Wisconsin Cooperative Extension office or the local agricultural education instructor. In many counties a program is offered once a year as a cooperative effort between UWEX and the county agricultural education instructors. Program dates vary throughout the state but most are conducted between January and June. To find out when the program will be held in your area, contact your local county UWEX office or local high school agricultural education department. All counties may not offer the certification program but could provide assistance in locating an available program.

Should your child attend this program?
 It is your responsibility as parents/guardians to determine if your child is ready to attend a Wisconsin Safe Operation of Tractor and Machinery Certification program. Some facts for you to consider:

- * 82% of fatalities involving youth under age 16 result from agricultural equipment.
- * Youth under age 14 are involved in nine times as many accidents per exposure hour of tractor n nine times as many accidents per exposure hour of tractor driving than tractor operators 25-44 years.
- * Youth under age 15 have higher accident rates for operating tractors on public roads.

Common factors in these accidents were inexperience and lack of maturity to handle the situation.

Being capable of reaching the pedals will not help if the child can't recognize a hazard or anticipate a danger. Generally, youth under age 14 do not have the ability to anticipate danger, realize the danger and react in order to prevent an accident. Ask yourself the question "Is my child ready to drive a semi-truck?"

Assessing your child's ability to drive a tractor or operate machinery:

- 1. Age of child**
- 2. Physical Abilities**
 - * Can the youth sit securely in the operator's seat and fully
 - * depress clutch and reach all controls?
 - * On seats with seatbelts, the child should be able to reach all controls.
 - * Does the child have the strength needed to shift, steer or hook equipment up to the tractor?
 - *Is the child able to turn and check behind them for traffic and still keep the tractor in control?
- 3. Cognitive Abilities**
 - *Is your child able to recognize dangerous situations like driving too fast or turning too sharp?
 - * Is he/she able to think through situations quickly to avoid hazards?
 - * When given directions does the child follow them?
 - * If the child has difficulty paying attention for 15 minutes in a class, what could happen if his/her mind wanders while driving down the road?
- 4. Emotional maturity**
 - * Does peer pressure cause him/her to show off or attempt things beyond their ability?
 - * Does the child become easily upset when he/she is unable to do something that he/she want to do? Every child is different. Preventing injury to your child may mean saying no and waiting until the child's abilities develop.

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Thirty-four years of teaching youth about horticulture science!

4-H Youth Plant Science Day

Tuesday July 10, 2018

Waushara County Fairgrounds
Wautoma, WI

Registration 9:30 - 10:00 am

Contest & Workshops 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Pre-Registration Deadline June 22^d

Walk-ins are welcome but pre-registration is preferred



Top four participants in the senior event receive the opportunity to participate at the National Contest in St. Louis, MO October 5-8, 2018

Calling all youth plant enthusiasts . . .

Plant Science Day will increase and test your knowledge about plant science. You will also get a chance to meet other plant enthusiasts ages 8 and older

In the morning, regular participants will:

Identify fruits, nuts, vegetables, trees, shrubs, flowers, and houseplants.

Judge and place classes of plants. (As done at local County Fairs.)

Test your knowledge with a written horticulture test.

(3rd & 4th grade participants will have an age appropriate exam)

To prepare for the contest please visit:

<http://www.njha.org/>

and

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/plant-soil-science/>

to learn more. In the afternoon, the following workshop will be offered:



1:00 p.m. — Plant Explore – N - More!!!

Put your knowledge to a practical test as you embark on a plant exploring interactive workshop!!

Your knowledge will be used and you will learn in a hands-on fun experiential way!!

Photography:

Digital - 5 Categories

Still Film - 4 Categories

Poster Contest: Standard Size 8½” x 11” size

Theme - Fruit Bowl

Speaking, Writing, and Demonstrations:

Speech - 7 to 10 Minutes in Length

Demonstration - 10 to 15 Minutes in Length

Writing - Informative, Creative and Poetry

Categories

Silk Floral Arrangement

Location/Registration: Please google the address below for a map -

Waushara County Fairgrounds

513 Fair Street

Wautoma, WI 54982

Or call **UW-Extension 920-787-0416** for directions

Register with your County 4-H Youth Development Agent before June 22rd. A \$10.00 registration/lunch fee will be collected at the event. DO NOT send the fee with your registration.

Please bring a clip board and a #2 pencil!!

DATE	DAY	ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
May 2	Wednesday	Dairy Judging Begins!		<i>See pg 6 of this newsletter</i>
May 18-19	Friday-Saturday	Sheep Weigh-in	4-8pm Fri. & 8am-noon Sat.	Vernon County Fairgrounds, Livestock Arena
May 20	Sunday	Leader/Parent Federation Mtg	7:30 p.m.	1st Floor Conference Rm, UW-Extension Office
May 21	Monday	Vernon County 4-H Dog Obedience Classes Registration-Without Dogs	5:30—6:15	Hanson Arena, Vernon County Fairgrounds
Friday	May 25	Vernon County Fair Swine Registration Deadline	4:30 p.m.	UW-Extension Office
Friday	June 1	Horse & Pony Project Contract Deadline	4:30 p.m.	UW-Extension Office
Monday	June 4	4-H Summer Camp—Registration Deadline	4:30 p.m.	UW-Extension Office
Monday	June 4	Tractor Safety - Registration Deadline	4:30 p.m.	UW-Extension Office
Saturday	June 9	Vernon County Dairy Breakfast	7:00 a.m.	Wall-Stone Holsteins De Soto
Saturday	June 16	Horse & Pony Project Clinic		Watch for further information
Sunday	June 17	Leader/Parent Federation Meeting	7:30 p.m.	1st Floor Conference Rm, UW-Extension Office
Monday	June 18-20	Tractor Safety Program	8:30-4:30	Vernon County Fairgrounds, VMH Bldg
Friday	June 22	Area Animal Science Days		Clark County
Friday	June 22	4-H Youth Plant Science Day—Pre-Registration Deadline		<i>See page 15 of this newsletter</i>
Saturday	June 23	Horse & Pony Project Trail ride		Kickapoo Valley Reserve
Monday—Thursday	June 25—28	State Youth Conference		Madison

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