

Lincoln
County

4-H Express

October/November - 2019

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Hello All Volunteers, 4-H Youth, and Extension,

Fall has made its presence known and with it preparations for the upcoming events. I look forward to seeing you at this year's Leaders Association Recognition Banquet, October 26th. Now that the Charters have been submitted and the New Year has begun for 4-H, please log in and register with your club if you have not done so already.

During a recent robotics club meeting, I was fortunate to observe how well everyone worked when we had parents step up and help. This small gesture made a huge difference in the success that night. I encourage anyone who has children in 4-H to attend the meetings with them and help when possible. Participation and engagement in your club go a long way to the success of the group and what can be accomplished in a short time. There are many parents that work behind the scenes and do not receive the credit they deserve, for that I thank you!

Wishing you a warm and pleasant fall!

Chad Lashua
4-H Leaders' Association President



Join Us! →

Wisconsin 4-H Town Hall

WI 4-H Volunteers - Check your email for information about the first WI 4-H Town Hall meeting on October 29th from 7:00-8:00 p.m. You will be able to join the meeting via computer or call-in. The meeting will give you the opportunity to hear from some of the new State 4-H Leadership. The first meeting will be an overview of the purpose of the town hall meetings and plans for future dates. We hope you can make the time to join us on the 29th!

Join on your computer via Zoom (teleconference) using this link:
<https://uwextension.zoom.us/j/756676494>

If you are unable to join in, the meeting will be recorded for viewing later.

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"We teach, learn, lead and serve, connecting people with the University of Wisconsin, and engaging with them in transforming lives and communities."



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4-H Enrollment Process for 2018-19

4-H Enrollment process for the 2019-20 began on September 9th. At the beginning of September, everyone in the system was set to "Inactive" in 4-HOnline. When you log in to re-enroll, you will need to update your Personal Information screen (age, grade and year in 4-H automatically increases by 1 year), and confirm the expectation and behavior agreements on the Additional Information screen. Clubs and projects will remain on the Participation screen. You'll just need to add any new projects and delete the projects you no longer want. You will also want to indicate which project literature you want for each project so your club leader knows to order project literature for you. Once you've completely updated your enrollment, you'll click submit and your enrollment will be ready for your club leader to approve and after your club leader the UW-Extension office. More instructions to complete the re-enrollment process are included in the 2019-20 Project Guide which are available now.

For individuals without internet access, paper forms will be available or you can re-enroll by visiting the UW-Extension office located in the Lincoln County Service Center on the lower level (801 N. Sales Street in Merrill) to enroll with 4HOnline during office hours after September 10th. Contact the UW-Extension office at 715-539-1072 if you have questions or need assistance with your 4-H enrollment.

Youth Enrollment Deadlines

Enrollment must be entered in 4honline by the date listed to be considered on time.

November 1st

Deadline for re-enrollments to join 4-H and still be able to exhibit at the county fair in Junior Division as a 4-H member. **if you miss this re-enrollment deadline, you will not be able to exhibit at the county fair in the Junior Division as a 4-H member.** Youth who have been absent or listed as inactive as a 4-H member for more than 12 months, they would be considered a new member upon joining 4-H again. *(Policy change adopted June 25, 2008 by 4-H Board of Directors).*

March 1st

Deadline for new members to join 4-H and still be able to exhibit at the county fair in the Junior Division.

After March 1st

New members enrolling after March 1st may participate in all 4-H programs and activities **except** they are not eligible to show in the Fair in the Junior Division.

May 1st

Last date to change (add or drop) a project. Youth **must** be enrolled in the project by this date to exhibit in that project area at the county fair in Jr. Division.

July 15th

Fair entry deadline, no one may switch enrollment status once fair entries are submitted. Fair entry process and books are available on the Lincoln County Fair website at <http://www.lincolncofair.com>. **(NOTE:** In order to exhibit items at the Lincoln County Fair as a 4-H Member, you must be enrolled by the above date in 4-H through 4-H Online and you must also enter your exhibits through the **SEPARATE** Lincoln County Fair Association's entry process by June 15th or July 15th (depending on Fair dates).





Lincoln County 4-H Annual Meeting

Thursday November 14, 2019
Lincoln County Service Center
Room 165, 6:00 pm



The Board of Directors for the Lincoln County 4-H Leaders Association, Inc. is an organization of adults and older youth who set 4-H program policy, develop the 4-H program budget each year, and assist the County Extension office in planning, implementing and evaluating the Lincoln County 4-H Program.

Each year at the annual meeting — open to all adult and older youth members — the policies and budget for the upcoming year is discussed and voted on. The By Laws for the Association are reviewed and new members for the Board of Directors are elected. In addition, there are presentations from youth and adults who have participated in the many opportunities 4-H offers.

This is the perfect opportunity to help guide the next year of 4-H or just to learn about everything Lincoln County 4-H is doing.

Join us for the Lincoln County 4-H Leader’s Association, Inc., annual meeting.

Calling all 4-H older youth!

Joining the Board of Directors is a great opportunity to help grow Lincoln County 4-H and to ensure the youth of Lincoln County 4-H have a voice in the direction that Lincoln County 4-H takes. Come to the meeting, join the Board of Directors and help make the Best Better!

The Board of Directors for the Lincoln County 4-H Leaders Association was one of the first in the state to have youth members who hold the same participation and voting rights as the adult members?



Share the Love

Grampa's Farm Celebrates 4-H!

Turns out that even cold weather can't stop Lincoln County 4-Her's from having fun! Pumpkins, exhibits and the corn maze after dark. It was a perfect way to kick off fall — and the new 4-H year!



National 4-H Week

October/November 2019



Thank you to everyone who promoted Lincoln County 4-H during National 4-H week!



Merrill Busy Bees
Merrill Sheet Metal



Barnes Creek Buccaneers
Club X to C



Hi Los
Bumper to Bumper, Tomahawk

Anne Frank once said, “How wonderful it is that no one need wait a single moment before starting to change the world.”

Make a Difference Day! November 2, 2019

Over a million Americans in thousands of communities across the country will be taking Ann Frank’s words to heart this fall. **The Merrill Make a Difference Day project will be held on Saturday, November 2. This is one week later than usual and is a week after the national event.**

Hundreds of volunteers of all ages are needed for raking projects around the community. No advance registration is necessary! Just show up! If you can’t help with the raking, but would like to help with registration and other duties inside, or have questions, please contact Linda Becker at 715-873-4564.

Check-in at the Prairie River Middle School cafeteria will be from 8:30 a.m.- 8:45 a.m. Volunteers will roll up their sleeves for raking projects from 9:00 am until noon, with lunch provided afterward.

This is Merrill’s 24th annual Make A Difference Day, sponsored by Merrill Forward Together Healthy Community Initiative (MFTHCI) and the Optimist Club.

If you know of someone who could use help, have them call to register by Wednesday, October 23, For more information, please contact Linda Becker at 715-873-4564.

Working Together—We Can Make A Difference!





**VOLUNTEER TODAY.
INSPIRE FOR
A LIFETIME.**



**JOIN THE REVOLUTION
OF RESPONSIBILITY**



Lincoln County 4-H is full of talented and motivated young adults who are looking to make a positive impact on Lincoln County and the world.

They are just missing one thing:

you!

Needed: Ambassador Leader!

We are looking for an adult volunteer (or two) to lead our 4-H Ambassador program.

As key leader(s), you will assist the Ambassadors in developing their leadership and communication skills by educating area youth. The Ambassadors collaborate as a group to lead educational events, enjoy social activities with other 4-H members, and promote 4-H throughout Lincoln County and beyond.

Previous commitment was monthly meetings and an activity or event several times a year. There is flexibility in the vision for this group moving forward.

For questions, contact Becky Kludy at 715-539-1074 or rebecca.kludy@wisc.edu Becky will be happy to help out and provide assistance as needed!

Do you have a hobby to share?

A skill to teach?

An interest in working with youth?



We're looking for volunteers to host a few workshops for 4-Hers to learn a new skill. Classes could be one time only or spread over a few meetings. Topics and meeting times would be at the discretion of the 4-H adult volunteer(s) leading the workshops.

Ideas: Photography Tips; Canvas or Rock Painting; Knitting or Crocheting; Creating Christmas Wreaths; Snowshoeing/hiking; Candy Making/ Designing; Or ***WHATEVER*** our volunteers would like to share.

Contact Holly if you would like to lead a workshop:
holly.luerssen@wisc.edu or 715-539-1072



October

- 21-----4-H Horse Project—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 22-----4-H Board of Directors —LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 26-----2019 4-H Recognition Banquet — St. Francis Xavier Church, 5:30 pm
- 29-----Wisconsin 4-H Town Hall—Online Meeting, 7 pm
- 31-----Halloween—Have a Boo-tiful Day!

November

- 1 -----Deadline for re-enrollments in 4-H and still be able to exhibit at the County Fair in Junior Division as a 4-H member.
- O' Tannenbaum Registration Due (Mail in)
- Registration opens for American Spirit East Trip (Online)
- Registration opens for Space Camp (Online)
- 1-3 -----WI 4-H Fall Forum, Green Lake, WI
- 2 -----Make a Difference Day—Merrill
- 3 -----Daylight Saving Time Ends—Turn clocks BACK one hour
- 5 -----4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:00 pm
- Winter Family Activity Planning Meeting—LCSC, 5:30 pm
- VIP Training—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 11-----Veteran's Day—Thank a Vet for their Service!
- 4-H Clothing Project—LCSC, 6 pm
- VIP Training—Langlade County Extension Office, 6:30 pm
- 14-----Lincoln County 4-H Annual Meeting—LCSC, 6 pm
- 15-----Multi-County Barn Dance—Aniwa, 7 pm
- Registration opens for Citizenship Washington Focus (Online)
- 18-----4-H Horse Project—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 28-----Thanksgiving Day—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed
- 29-----Black Friday—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed

December

- 1 -----Registration opens for National 4-H Conference (Online)
- 3 -----4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:00 pm
- 5 -----O' Tannenbaum Set up—St. Stephens Church
- 7-8 -----O' Tannenbaum Tour—St. Stephens Church
- 9 -----4-H Clothing Project—LCSC, 6 pm
- 16-----4-H Horse Project—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 24-----Christmas Eve—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed
- 25-----Christmas Day—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed
- 31-----New Year's Eve—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed

January

- 1 -----New Year's Day—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed
- 12-----VIP Training—Langlade County, 6:30 pm
- 1/31-2/2 ---Fire & Ice Winter Camp— WI Lions Camp



**Lookin' around for something to do?
Join the Centennial Celebration!**

Are you an artist, writer, photographer? Do you know everything there is to know about social media? Maybe you want to be on radio or television? Do you want to share your talents with the world?



The Centennial Celebration Committee needs you!

The Centennial Celebration Committee is looking for Older Youth who would like to help spread the word about 4-H! During all of 2020, we would like to make sure everyone knows about the awesomeness of Lincoln County 4-H. We need people to take pictures of events, write press releases and articles, post to social media and talk on the radio or TV.

Interested in helping? Have any other great ideas on how to share the love of 4-H?

Become a 4-H Influencer!

Contact Becky at 715-539-1074 or rebecca.kludy@wisc.edu.
DON'T WORRY! Once you talk to her, she will give you her phone number and you can use text or whatsapp to communicate!

For all the up-to-date information on the Centennial Celebration, visit our webpage: <http://bit.ly/LC4HCentennial>.

We're just starting our planning, but we have some great ideas!

If you would like to be a part, contact

Becky at 715-539-1074 or rebecca.kludy@wisc.edu!



**County Wide Winter
Family Activity**
Planning Meeting
November 5th—5:30-6:15p.m.
At The LCSC

Are you interested in planning a county wide family activity for this winter? Then join us on November 5th. Bring ideas for activities!

See you there!

**Youth 6th Grade
& Older
are invited to
the Barn Dance**

This a multi-county activity for 4-H youth to hang out, play games, snack, win prizes, and of course dance!

Last year a few older youth from Lincoln attended and had a great time. Will you attend this year?

LANGLADE COUNTY 4-H & NORTH CENTRAL SALES AUCTIONS PROUDLY PRESENTS
THE 2ND ANNUAL

**MULTICOUNTY
BARN DANCE**

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 15TH
7:00pm-9:00pm

- 4-H OLDER YOUTH ACTIVITY GRADES 6-12

LOCATED AT 'THE BLOCK' (CORNER OF HWY 52 & 45, ANIWA WI)
Next to Melody Mill Bar & Grill

Multi-county older youth event, come meet other 4-Hers in our area!

\$5.00 PER 4-HER @ THE DOOR
INCLUDES: DANCE,
CONCESSIONS & PRIZES!



PUT ON YOUR BOOTS & KICK THE DUST UP!



Are you interested in traveling?

Registration Opens:

- Nov 1 – Space Camp
- Nov 1 – American Spirit East
- Nov 15—Citizen Washington Focus
- Dec 1—National 4-H Conference
- Apr 2 – WI 4-H Youth Conference
- May 1—National 4-H Congress

Want to learn beyond your county? Check out these amazing opportunities! There is something for youth starting in 6th grade and above – and even for 4-H adult leaders! From a statewide conference at UW-Madison to a trip to the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama, there’s an opportunity for you! Traveling with and meeting other 4-Hers is a wonderful

Educational Experience that you do not want to miss. Register for these amazing opportunities through your family’s 4-H Online account.

Congratulations

Recently, Interviews were held for the 2020 Trip Scholarships, College Scholarships, and Ambassadors. Interviewers were very impressed at the quality of engagement our 4-Hers participate in beyond their 4-H projects and into the community also.

Thank you Pat & Yvette Chieves, and Lori Lemke for participating as the interviewers.
We appreciate you!



**LINCOLN COUNTY 4-H
AWARD & SCHOLARSHIP
SELECTIONS**

Space Camp Scholarship
Kekoa Schuetze
Rouynn Groth

**WI 4-H Youth Conference
Scholarship**
Christian Lashua

American Spirit East Scholarship
Evan Jaeger
Maggie Lashua

4-H Ambassadors
Hunter Borchardt
Kekoa Schuetze
Maggie Lashua

Lincoln County 4-H Scholarship
Anne Herdt



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2020 Winter Camp

North Central Wisconsin 4-H

FIRE & ICE

Friday, January 31 - Sunday, February 2, 2020

\$75

Wisconsin Lions Camp,
3834 County Road A, Rosholt
Youth 7th—13th Grade

Have fun in the **ICE** and snow while setting your **HEARTS** and **MINDS** on **FIRE** for what your **HANDS** and **HEALTH** can accomplish at **HOME**.

Sign up within your 4-H Online Account!

Recreation Opportunities:

- ◊ Tubing
- ◊ Snow-shoeing
- ◊ Outdoor campfire
- ◊ Movie watching
- ◊ Free time
- ◊ Card & Board games

Our 2020 Educational Focus will be centered on youth opportunities we can **KINDLE** in your community.

We will increase our skills in:

- ◆ **Leadership**
- ◆ **Communication**
- ◆ **Teamwork**
- ◆ **Assessment**

Be an expert of your area!

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 Be a part of this awesome event!



Volunteers In Preparation VIP TRAINING

Are you a new leader?

To be recognized as a 4-H volunteer in the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development program, all adults ages 18 years and older must complete the Volunteers In Preparation (VIP) training. The purpose of this training is to ensure the safety and well-being of all participants. VIP training is step 4 of 4 to become a certified leader in 4-H.

Steps to become a certified 4-H leader:

1. Enroll on 4-Honline to become a leader
2. Complete background check
3. Complete the Mandated Reporter training found on 4-H online.
4. Complete Volunteers In Preparation training

*Once you have completed *ALL* of these steps then you are considered a certified 4-H leader.

Returning leaders, consider attending for a refresher.

Upcoming Training Dates

November 5, 2019

6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Lincoln County UW-Extension Office
801 N Sales St, Merrill WI

November 11, 2019

6:30pm to 8:30 pm
Langlade County UW-Extension Office
837 Clermont Ave, Antigo, WI

January 12, 2019

4:30-6:30 pm
Langlade County UW-Extension Office
837 Clermont Ave, Antigo, WI

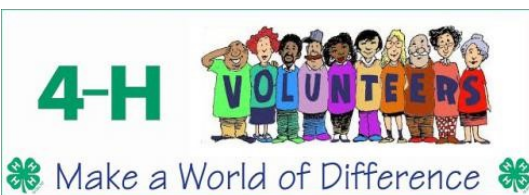
Attend the date that would be convient for you.

Training Highlights:

- *Learn what UW-Madison Division of Extension is: we will talk about the different programs Extension offers. As we look at the different programs, we will also learn about what steps we take to create safe learning environments for youth and adults.*
- *Understand how volunteers contribute to Extension programs: The Division of Extension could not exist without volunteers like you - you help make programming happen. We will talk about the expectations and roles you might be interested*
- *Understand your role in reporting child abuse and neglect: Keeping participants safe is a top priority. We will spend time today learning about the expectations we have of volunteers to report suspected child abuse and neglect, and how we, as staff, are here to help you in that process.*
- *Gain skills and insights on how to work with youth: We'll talk about some of the educational frameworks for working with youth and how those apply in everyday situations.*

Register: Contact your local 4-H UWEX office. Langlade County 4-H 715-627-6236. Lincoln County 4-H 715-539-1072.

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Season's Greetings,

We know it is a bit early to be thinking about the Holiday season, but we are in the preliminary phase of organizing the annual G' Tannenbaum Tour.

The Tour will be held inside the Fellowship Hall at St. Stephen's United Church of Christ at 903 E Second Street, Merrill WI. The Tour will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2019, from 10AM-7PM and Sunday, December 8, 2019, from 10AM to 3PM.

We know how magical the Merrill Christmas Parade is, and hope to enhance the magic as you step into the O' Tannenbaum Tour. The tour takes you through a mystical forest of decorated trees, wreaths and gift baskets.

Raffle tickets may be purchased for all items displayed Saturday and Sunday during the tour hours. The drawing for the winners will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at 3:15 PM. All items will be available for pick up on Sunday from 4:30 PM - 6 PM. All proceeds will go toward Lincoln County 4-H and other community programs.

If you are interested in participating in our O' Tannenbaum Tour, please see the five different options listed below.

- ◆ Decorate a 4' or 6' Tree from topper to skirt. Tree stands are provided.
- ◆ Donate a completed Gift Basket.
- ◆ Donate a decorated Wreath.
- ◆ Donate Money to a 4-H Club of your choice.
- ◆ Make a monetary donation to the committee to defer costs of printing and advertising.



If you are interested in participating, please fill out the attached form. We have limited space for the trees, baskets and wreaths, so you will want to sign up early. Be sure to print your individual or business/ organization's name, address and phone number clearly. This information will be printed in a program to be used by all attendees. If you have any questions about the Tour, please contact Sue Kunkel at 715-536-3209 or Ann Stoeckmann at 715-536-3016.

Happy Holidays!

O' Tannenbaum Tour Committee: Ann Stoeckmann, Sue Kunkel, Cindi Christiansen, Cheryl Buck, Tammy Made, Francine Cieslicki, Tricia Lazare, Debbie Schleif, Katie Taylor, Stacy Biever, Lori Anderson-Maim, Leah Beyer, and Jo Henrichs.



Annual O' Tannenbaum Tour 2019

Name: _____
(Individual, Business or Organization)

Address _____

Phone Number _____

1) **Decorate a Tree** from topper to skirt. The frees, stands, and extension cords will be provided.

Please circle the size of tree you wish to decorate: 4' or 6' tree.

Please provide a theme name and a short description:

2) **Provide .a Gift Basket.** The basket must be completed and wrapped. Please attach a list of items included in your basket.

Please provide a theme name and a short description:

3) **Decorate a Wreath.** Please provide us with the size or shape of your wreath. _____

4) **Donate to a 4-H Club.** You may pick the 4-H Club you wish your donation to go to or we can find a 4-H Club that could use additional funds. Name of 4-H Club _____

5) **Monetary Donation** to help us with our printing and advertising expenses. Please provide us the dollar amount of the donation you wish to make. _____

Note: Decorating hours will be Thursday, December 5, 2019, between Noon and 7PM at St. Stephen's Church Fellowship Hall. You may drop off the baskets and wreaths during the decorating hours. Please use the Second Street entrance as marked.

To ensure that your name appears in the program, please return this form to Cindi Christiansen at 100 W. St Paul St, Merrill WI 54452 by November 1, 2019.

Thank you for your participation!





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Re-enroll in Lincoln County 4-H by Nov. 1

in order to be able to show in the Jr. Division
at the Lincoln County fair!