



October | 2022 | 4-H Newsletter

Calendar

- Oct 1 – Kiwanis Peanut Sale Day (12-3)
- Oct 2 – Club Award Packets are Due
- Oct 2- Fall Forum Applications are due
- Oct 2-8 – National 4-H Week
- Oct 6- BOD Orientation/Meeting at 6:00
- Oct 15 – Pumpkin Chuckin'
- Oct 20 – Horse and Pony Welcome Night
- Oct 22-23 – WI 4-H Arts Camp (Grades 6-8)
- Oct 24- ALA/JLA Meeting at 7:00

To see a full view of our 4-H Calendar, including club meetings, scan the QR Code!



Letter from the Educator

Hi 4-H Families,

I just wanted to share some news from the Extension Office! 4-H is running a new media campaign, with national and local commercials on television, streaming services, Spotify, and social media. We hope that this will lead to an increase in enrollment, so BE READY!

Club Leaders, be sure you are checking 4-H Online for incoming families and reach out to them with club meeting information, a recent newsletter, and affirmation that they are welcome, and you are excited to meet them! -Liz Vazquez



Parent Pop-Up

Hi Parents,

In this Parent Pop-Up, I wanted to stress the importance of participating in our Adult Leaders Association (ALA). The Adult Leaders Association meets every 4th Monday of the month at Ives Grove. I know that this might seem like another commitment to take on, and another THING to add to your calendar, but if you have thoughts or ideas that you think will benefit the county, OR you have something that you don't like about our program, this is the place to make it known!

The ALA is made of parents, volunteers, and regular people who love 4-H and want to make sure that the program is going to be a safe, fun, educational place for youth to grow and thrive in. Speaking of youth, the Junior Leaders Association meets on the same night at the same time! So, while you are discussing the issues, your kids (7th and up) can also be making a difference in their 4-H community, building friendships with members outside of their club, networking, and being presented with more leadership opportunities!

If you want to make the most of your 4-H experience, I really suggest becoming a part of our countywide meetings.

Support Your Clover-Buddies!

⇒ [Ambassador Cookbook Sale](#)

⇒ [All 4 One Egg Roll Sale](#)

October 8th -freshly made, authentic Laotian egg rolls for sale! jennifergjanes@gmail.com

⇒ [Cloverview Wreath Sale](#)

Wreaths will be on sale until October 18th and delivered in mid-November!

DID YOU KNOW?

4-H'ers are...

4X more likely to give back to their communities

2X more likely to make healthier choices

2X more likely to participate in STEM activities

New Families:

ARE YOU AS OVERWHELMED AS I AM?

As some of you know, I am new to this role and new to 4-H, and WOW there is a lot to learn. Right about now, you've been hearing words like **record books, recognition celebration, awards and experiences, elections, ambassadors etc.**

Although these things are at the core of the 4-H experience, right now, **YOUR JOB** is to attend your meetings and encourage your child to explore their interests and support their sparks.

You don't need to know it all right now! Enjoy meeting members and volunteers, attend your club activities, and participate in a fundraiser. Know that when you are ready to add another layer to your 4-H experience, your club leaders and 4-H educator are here to guide you through the next steps.

We are working on our [New Families](#) page on our website. Let us know if there is anything YOU think would be helpful to add!



Reporter Review

The column previously known as Ambassador Alley has been revamped and will now be taken over by our Junior Leader Association Reporter! She will be our roving, 4-H eye, attending events, documenting her time, and writing about all the great events and activities going on in Racine County. You will be seeing her write in the Racine County Newsletter and on our Facebook page! Here is a word from our newest JLA officer:

Hi, my name is Claire Tornow and I am your 2022-2023 county reporter. I have been in 4-H for 8 years and have belonged to the Yorkville Club for all of that time. I participate in Goat's, Chicken's, Leathercraft, Photography, Baskets, Food's, Cake Decorating, Woodworking, and I am going to try Sheep this year. I love working with my animals and working with the other kids in the project. I enjoy helping with events and community service. A few fun facts about myself are I love animals, and I enjoy riding horses. I am excited for this position because I love being involved and helping my community. I also enjoy going to events and reporting about them.

Policies on Parade

Every week we will feature a new 4-H policy or FAQ!

You cannot place text or other images over or on top of the emblem. The 4-H Emblem should not appear screened under words or graphics. No photo, drawing, symbol, or other figure or object may be placed on or obscure the 4-H Emblem.



Shine the Spotlight

This month we will be shining the spotlight on the **RC Cars Countywide Project!**

For those of you who don't know, RC stands for Remote Controlled. I can't be the only one who didn't know that, right? If you decide to join the RC Cars project, you will get a safety presentation, talk about project expectations, AND get drive time! Obstacle courses are set up to practice your driving skills. What if you don't have an RC car? No worries! The RC Car Project has plenty to share. On top of getting to drive RC cars, project members will also get a chance to learn about and use laser engravers, 3D printers, and other STEM equipment. This project meets at the Gateway FabLab. If you want MORE information, you can contact Wendy Usher from the Kan-Do Club at wmucat@gmail.com.

Remember, if you want to shine the spotlight on a volunteer, club, member, or project, you can click the link below for your nomination!

[**SHINE THE SPOTLIGHT**](#)



Last, but not least...

If you would like to be a part of our Adult Leaders or Junior Leaders Association, you can join us every 4th Monday of the month at 7:00 at the Ives Grove Offices!

14200 Washington Ave, Sturtevant, WI 53177

This is a great time to share your thoughts, join a committee, and just a part of the decision making that goes on in 4-H!

I am in need of photo submissions for our November Issue. If you have a photo that features some good Thanksgiving food, please submit your entry below!

PHOTO SUBMISSION

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteers come in so many forms! You can lead a project you are passionate about, sign up to be a chaperone, join a committee, or be an officer!

If you have questions, please contact your 4-H Program Educator,

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