Teamwork

What is the definition of teamwork? Teamwork is the cooperating effort of a group of people who work to achieve a goal or work on a project.

Rock Co. 4-H members, volunteers and families are an an amazing team who accomplish a lot every year! As a 4-H team member, you are a valuable part of the "4-H team." Your "4-H team" may be your club, a county committee, a project, etc. As a person on a "4-H team," it's important to do your part and to learn and grow, and feel the success (or failure) of working together. Volunteer to be part of a "4-H team," you are valuable!

To understand how valuable one person is to a team, please read one of my favorite stories below about the importance of "one!"

**STORY OF MY OLD TYPEWRITER**
By Ernie Delfin

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But it doxs rxally makx a grxat diffxrxncx bxcaux any successsful organization to bx xffxctivx rxquirxs the activx participation of xvxry mxmbxr. So thx nxxt timx you think that you arx only onx pxrson and that your xfforts arx not nxxdxd, plxasx rxmxmbxr my old typwritxr and start telling yoursxlff:

“I AM A KXY PXRSON IN OUR PROGRAM AND I AM ALSO NXXXD XD VXRY MUCH.”

You are a key person in our 4-H Program and you are also needed very much. I hope that you'll volunteer to be a valuable "4-H team" member multiple times this year!

-Laura Vander Veen
Leadership

Senior Council Meeting
submitted by: Mike Farrey

The Senior Council will meet on Monday, November 25, 7:00 p.m. on the UW-Whitewater at Rock County campus. Look for the signs! There will not be a meeting in December. Meetings are open to all interested adults involved in Rock County 4-H. We would love to welcome individuals from every club at all Senior Council meetings! The officers of Rock County 4-H Senior Council are here to serve you—the adult leaders! Please contact us if you have any questions or just need someone to listen! You can contact Senior Council president Mike Farrey at mikefarrey75@gmail.com.

Activities

HeatWave Sign-up
Deadline: December 2nd
submitted by: Liz Kasprzek

As the HeatWave season draws to a close, it is time to start thinking about joining HeatWave 2020! Whether you sing or dance or would like to learn, HeatWave is for you.

Do you like to entertain?
Do you enjoy applause?
Are you looking for leadership opportunities?
Do you want to learn about staging a show or how to choreograph?
Are you interested in making new friends?

HeatWave does not hold auditions. The group's basic requirements are two-fold:
1. You must be in 7th grade or up as of Oct. 1, 2019.
2. You must be a 4-H member in Rock or Walworth County.

In addition to the basic requirements, HeatWave members also must:
* take part in a short interview process;
* have a willingness to learn;
* be enthusiastic and cooperative; and
* be responsible and committed to hard work.

For more information on Rock & Walworth County’s 4-H Show Choir check out: https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4hrock/4hactivities/heatwave/ and https://www.heatwave4h.org/

Sign-up directly at: https://forms.gle/Js9NgbY5ugPKQwF47

2019 4-H Achievement Celebration
Saturday, November 23rd 7:00 p.m.
Milton High School Auditorium
submitted by: Kathy Farrey

The theme for the 2019 Achievement Celebration is “What’s your 4-H Super Power?”. Congratulations to the 100+ Rock County 4-H members who will be awarded Clover, Project/Activity, and other awards!

PLEASE NOTE: Park behind the school in the northeast lot between the school and the football field, NOT in the front of the school.

Bowling Bonanza
December 26
submitted by: Lexi Farrey

Rock County 4-H Junior Council invites all 4-H members in grades K5 through 13 to their 2019 Bowling Bonanza on Thursday, December 26, from 1:00 until 3:00 p.m. at RiversEdge Bowl in Janesville. The cost is $5 per member (due at sign-in the day of event) and includes two games, shoes and a door prize. Registration is due Friday, December 6 at https://tinyurl.com/y4nx3b4o

Please use a new form for each member.

Adult 4-H Leaders are needed to help chaperone. If you are interested, please sign up on the registration form. We need at least one 4-H Leader for every 10 youth in attendance. Questions? Contact lexi@rockriverconsulting.com

4-H Arts Camp
submitted by: Lexi Farrey

4-H Arts Camp took place at Camp Upham Woods the weekend of October 5-6. The theme this year was “Art Through the Decades.” Middle-school age campers experienced activities in Dance, Digital Arts, Musical Arts, Photography, Spoken Word/Poetry and
visual arts. thank you to lexie farrey for serving as a camp counselor!

rock county attendees included:
- soren beck, newark beloit 4-h
- annika ahlstrom, consolidated 4-h
- katy farrey, turtle 4-h
- thomas peters, newark beloit 4-h
- emma steinke, consolidated 4-h

**1st annual county bonfire**
submitted by: lexie farrey

the first annual county bonfire was held on saturday, october 19th at gibbs lake park. we had about 35 4-hers, in middle and high school, that joined us for s’mores, campfire songs and games!! if you missed it, we’re already planning next year’s event!! hope to see you then!!

**horse & pony project steering committee**
submitted by: jenna elliott

the horse & pony project steering committee meets the first thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. all members, leaders, and parents are invited to attend. the next meetings are:

- thursday, november 7 (election of officers and setting 2020 calendar), held in the public meeting room at hedberg public library.
- thursday, december 5, held in the public meeting room at hedberg public library.
- thursday, january 2, held in the public meeting room at hedberg public library.

please note that the 2020 horse and pony show will be a one day show--the committee is putting together a class schedule to allow for members to still show horse and pony. more details will be available at the annual informational meeting. updates will also be posted on the facebook page. if you have questions or concerns, please contact any leader or committee member.

**animal science**

**horseless horse project**
submitted by: sheila martin

love horses? don’t have one but want to learn more? joining the horseless horse project will include you in all the horse project activities: fun nights, clinics, shows. newly expanded project categories include display or model horse display! did you know that your project can be exhibited at the state horse expo in september for additional awards? horseless horse members can participate in all state equine educational events including judging, team problems, photography, vet science, art, and many more. you may even be able to partner with a horse project member and work with a horse or pony. for more info, contact sheila martin, srmartin724@gmail.com, or 608-289-4313.

**poultry project general meeting**
submitted by: ray reilly

the poultry project will have a general meeting from 10:00-11:30 a.m. on sat., dec. 14 at uw-whitewater at rock county, 2920 kellogg ave, janesville. all first year poultry members should attend.

**cavy & hamster project**

new members welcome!
submitted by: kathy farrey

do you own a small pet such as a guinea pig or hamster? have you ever thought about showing an animal at the fair but thought you couldn’t because you live in the city? well then, the cavy & hamster project may be for you!!!

cavy is the scientific name for the familiar guinea pig. caviess and hamsters shown at the fair can be from a pet store, an adoption or rescue, or from a breeder. they don’t need to be purebreds as we also have a pet class division for those of mixed breeds. members can
show up to four animals total in any combination of cavies or hamsters. They can also exhibit in showmanship for each species as well as with posters and displays. Don’t worry! Your animal won’t have to stay at the fair all week. They will only need to be there on judging day.

You must have your animal(s) in your possession by May 1, 2020, to show at the 2020 fair, which means you will still have plenty of time to decide what animal would be right for you. Our first couple of meetings will be held this winter, and we will discuss animal selection as well as the care and health of your pet.

If you would like more information, please contact Kathy/Mike Farrey at kfarrey@ticon.net or 608-754-0139.

**Youth-Adult Partnership**

How do you define "youth-adult partnership”? It's only two words after all, since the accepted rule is that compound words count as one. Still, the space represented by the hyphen, in many ways, is the most difficult part. “What does it mean?” we asked at the Annual Training for 4-H Club Leaders. To you? To Rock County? To 4-H and its role in Positive Youth Development? Most importantly, how can we as individuals and as a program create and maintain the connection between youth and adults represented by that hyphen?

Adult Volunteer Annual Training for 4-H Leaders began the conversation around those questions. Based on the conversations during the training, Rock County’s path towards youth-adult partnership lists the following goals and the number of participants that selected each:

- **Authentic Decision-making**—Youth are involved in meaningful decision-making: 12
- **Natural Mentors**—Adults intentionally support relationships with youth to help them develop: 9
- **Reciprocity**—Youth and adults work together as partners: 7
- **Community Connectedness**—Youth are engaged in communities: 4

As facilitators of the Annual Leadership Training, we would like to express our thanks for the sincere participation and critical thinking problem solving of each participant who attended the training. If you have further interest in youth-adult partnership educational content sessions for your 4-H club or community organization, we are excited to work with you further.

Please read the November Youth-Adult Partnership Spotlight in its entirety at [https://fvi.extension.wisc.edu/4hrock/youth-adult-partnership-spotlight-november/](https://fvi.extension.wisc.edu/4hrock/youth-adult-partnership-spotlight-november/)

- Erin and Laura

**Essential Elements Online Course**

Belonging, Mastery, Generosity, and Independence are the Essential Elements of the Positive Youth Development standards in Wisconsin 4-H. To learn how these elements relate to your work as an adult volunteer or youth leader, consider taking a free online course through 4HOnline!

- Learn how each element applies to youth from kindergarten to high school.
- Find ways you can develop life skills in youth.
- Build on what you already know to foster the growth of these elements in young people.

The course will require a total of 30 to 45 minutes to complete and contains four modules that you can move through at your own pace. Please follow this link for instructions: [https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2018/08/4HOnline-Essential-Elements-Training-For-4H-Volunteers.pdf](https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2018/08/4HOnline-Essential-Elements-Training-For-4H-Volunteers.pdf)

**Wanted: Presenters for Kids College**

Rock Co. 4-H and Walworth Co. 4-H will host Kids College on Sat., Feb. 1 from 9:00 a.m.-4:10 p.m. at the Walworth Co. Government Center, 100 W. Walworth St., Elkhorn. If you missed Fall Forum, this multi-county opportunity is another great way to get new ideas and share experiences.
Relevant content:

**Did You Know**

**Website Updates**

The website continues to evolve. For your information, here are some of the latest changes.

Wisconsin and National 4-H continue to offer great program opportunities, learning resources and promotional materials to show your 4-H spirit. This information will now be located underneath the RESOURCES tab. As always, any timelines related to these resources will also be included on the calendar.

The Community Service and Service Learning Tab has moved! It can now be found underneath CLUB MEMBERS. The Awards and Achievement Tab can also be found under CLUB MEMBERS. This move is meant to simplify the number of tabs a potential member or volunteer encounters when visiting the website.

Potential community service opportunities or member and volunteer recognitions can also always be shared via the website’s blog. You may submit via the 4-H Information Submission Form.

For example, Sue Fredrich’s submission regarding the Children’s Christmas Benefit can be found at


**Cloverpatch Submission Information**

The Cloverpatch is your newsletter. To ensure that the Cloverpatch continues to contain interesting and timely information, please contribute information using the 4-H Information Submission Form on the Rock Co. Extension website. [https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4hrock/submit-information/](https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4hrock/submit-information/)

Please submit articles/information by Tues., Dec. 3 if you'd like to submit information for the January Cloverpatch.

For the January Cloverpatch, submissions will ONLY be accepted via the 4-H Information Submission Form. This streamlines the publication process and avoids communication difficulties when multiple staff are out of the office.

Our office experienced cuts in both support staffing and office budget for the 2020 year. When submitting, please consider the most appropriate format for the post. If the submission includes only dates, check the calendar submission box. If the information already appears on the website, consider a reminder versus a lengthy article.

**Holiday Gift**

submitted by: Fair Office

If you are looking for a great holiday gift idea for family and friends, please consider supporting the Rock County 4-H Fair Museum and purchase a 2018 Rock County 4-H Fair basket at a discount price of $20.00 or a 2019 Bread Basket for $25.00. (The baskets do not have a year on them, only the fair name is on the metal plate on the front of the basket.) Please stop in the fair office or call Mary at 608-755-1470 for more information.

**Rock County 4-H Fair Association Meeting**

submitted by: Fair Office

The annual meeting for the fair association will be held on Wed., Nov. 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Craig Center on the fairgrounds.
**NOVEMBER 2019**

**Fri Nov 15, 2019**  
**DEADLINE: Horse Bucks Reporting Forms Due**  
**DEADLINE: Wis. 4-H International Outbound Applications Due**

**Fri Nov 15, 2019 - Sun Nov 17, 2019**  
**State 4-H Horse Leadership Conference**  
**Where:** University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 800 Algoma Blvd, Oshkosh  
**2:30pm - 4pm Dairy Quiz Bowl Practice**  
**Where:** Janesville Town Hall, 1628 N Little Ct, Janesville

**Mon Nov 18, 2019**  
**7pm - 8:30pm 4-H Jr. and Sr. Council Exec. Board Meeting**  
**Where:** Extension Building, 3506 N. US Hwy. 51, Building A, Janesville

**Wed Nov 20, 2019**  
**7pm - 7pm Fair Board Meeting**  
**Where:** Rock County 4-H Fair Inc, 1301 Craig Ave, Janesville

**Thu Nov 21, 2019**  
**6pm - 8pm VIP Training**

**Fri Nov 22, 2019**  
**DEADLINE: Summer Camp Lost & Found**  
**Fri Nov 22, 2019**  
**Sat Nov 23, 2019**  
**7pm - 9pm 4-H Awards & Achievement Program**  
**Where:** Milton High School Auditorium, 114 W High St, Milton

**Sun Nov 24, 2019**  
**2:30pm - 4pm Dairy Quiz Bowl Practice**  
**Where:** Janesville Town Hall, 1628 N Little Ct, Janesville

**Mon Nov 25, 2019**  
**7pm - 8:30pm 4-H Junior Council Meeting**  
**Where:** location to be announced  
**7pm - 8:30pm 4-H Senior Council Meeting**  
**Where:** location to be announced

**Thu Nov 28, 2019**  
**Extension Office Closed**

**Fri Nov 29, 2019**  
**Extension Office Closed**

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**DECEMBER 2019**

**Sun Dec 1, 2019**  
**Space Camp registration closes**  
**2:30pm - 4pm Dairy Quiz Bowl Practice**  
**Where:** Janesville Town Hall, 1628 N Little Ct, Janesville

**Mon Dec 2, 2019**  
**DEADLINE: HeatWave Applications Due**

**Thu Dec 5, 2019**  
**7pm - 8:30pm Horse & Pony Project Steering Committee**  
**Where:** Public Meeting Room Hedberg Public Library, 316 S Main St, Janesville

**Sun Dec 8, 2019**  
**2:30pm - 4pm Dairy Quiz Bowl Practice**  
**Where:** Janesville Town Hall, 1628 N Little Ct, Janesville

**Sat Dec 14, 2019**  
**10am - 11:30am Poultry Project: General Meeting**  
**Where:** University of Wisconsin-Whitewater at Rock County, 2909 Kellogg Ave, Janesville

**Sun Dec 15, 2019**  
**2:30pm - 4pm Dairy Quiz Bowl Practice**  
**Where:** Janesville Town Hall, 1628 N Little Ct, Janesville

**Wed Dec 18, 2019**  
**7pm - 7pm Fair Board Meeting**  
**Where:** Rock County 4-H Fair Inc, 1301 Craig Ave, Janesville

**Sun Dec 22, 2019**  
**2:30pm - 4pm Dairy Quiz Bowl Practice**  
**Where:** Janesville Town Hall, 1628 N Little Ct, Janesville

**Tue Dec 24, 2019**  
**Extension Office Closed**

**Wed Dec 25, 2019**  
**Extension Office Closed**

**Thu Dec 26, 2019**  
**1pm - 3pm Bowling Bonanza**  
**Where:** RiversEdge Bowl, 215 S River St, Janesville

**Sun Dec 29, 2019**  
**2:30pm - 4pm Dairy Quiz Bowl Practice**  
**Where:** Janesville Town Hall, 1628 N Little Ct, Janesville
JANUARY 2020

Wed Jan 1, 2020  UWEX Office closed
Thu Jan 2, 2020  
7pm - 8:30pm Horse & Pony Project Steering Committee
Where: Public Meeting Room Hedberg Public Library, 316 S Main St, Janesville

Sun Jan 5, 2020  
Horse & Pony/Horseless Horse Project: Family Potluck & Auction
Where: TBD
2:30pm - 4pm Dairy Quiz Bowl Practice
Where: Janesville Town Hall, 1628 N Little Ct, Janesville

Sun Jan 12, 2020
2:30pm - 4pm Dairy Quiz Bowl Practice
Where: Janesville Town Hall, 1628 N Little Ct, Janesville

Sun Jan 19, 2020
7pm - 7pm Fair Board Meeting
Where: Rock County 4-H Fair Inc, 1301 Craig Ave, Janesville

Fri Jan 17, 2020  
Wisconsin State 4-H Art Lab
Fri Jan 17, 2020 - Sun Jan 19, 2020

Sat Jan 18, 2020
Wisconsin State 4-H Art Lab
Fri Jan 17, 2020 - Sun Jan 19, 2020

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Sun Jan 26, 2020
2:30pm - 4pm Dairy Quiz Bowl Practice
Where: Janesville Town Hall, 1628 N Little Ct, Janesville

Mon Jan 27, 2020
7pm - 8:30pm 4-H Junior Council Meeting
Where: location to be announced
7pm - 8:30pm 4-H Senior Council Meeting
Where: location to be announced