



Pepin Pacer

Pepin County 4-H Newsletter



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Summertime— by Tanja Tlusty

Summertime is here!

I'm letting our a great Cheer!

Sunshine and flip flops,
Ice cream and tank tops.

Summertime is here!

Let's all give a great Cheer!

Swimming and trips to the park,
It's late in the night with it gets dark.

Summertime is here!

Let's all give a great Cheer!

Summertime is an awesome chance for families to spend time together and enjoy the outdoors. In addition to being a time for relaxation, summer can also be a time for learning and growth. Summer can be a time to explore new interests, develop new skills, or take on a new project. Summer provides an opportunity to enjoy the warm weather and the longer days. Whatever your plans for the summer, take some time to enjoy the season.

I hope your summer is off to a great start. Take some time to read the 4-H Pacer. The County Fair will be here in 35 days. I can't wait to see all of the exhibits you have been working on!

Every month we will hide a special symbol somewhere in that **month's Pacer**. If you are the first person to call (715) 672-5214 or email (gwen.prom@wisc.edu) the Extension Pepin County and tell us where that symbol is found you will win \$5 and be named in **next month's Pepin Pacer as the "4-H Fast Finder"**.

Good Luck Hunting!

This is this month's symbol :



DISCOVER 4-H CLUBS

Chippewa 4-H Club
Meets 2nd Sunday of the month.
Contact Club Leader for Information



Lima Lads & Lassies 4-H Club
Meets 3rd Sunday of the month.
11:00 a.m., Durand City Hall.



Yes, 4-H and Extension is open...to ALL people.

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Pepin County 4-H Parent/ Leader Federation Meeting **August 15, 2023 @ 5:00 - County Board Room,**

ALL Pepin County 4-H Parents, Leaders, and Youth Leaders you are welcome to attend the Parent/ Leaders Federation Meetings. Decisions are made at these meetings which affect all members and parents within our 4-H organization. Meetings are held in February, April, June, August, October and December, normally held at the Government Center Board Room in Durand.

Take part in determining how the money raised is spent and what activities Pepin County 4-Hers will participate in. Your voice will be heard.



4-H Fast Finder for the Month:

KRISTIN WAYNE

Congratulations for being our
4-H Fast Finder this month!

We hope you enjoy the
Pepin Pacer !



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DATE: October 21, 2022
 TO: 4-H Members, Families, Leaders, and Volunteers
 RE: 4-H Program Educator Transition

First, I want to thank all of you for your dedication to the Pepin County 4-H program. It is you who make the 4-H program a success.

As you know, Marie Ritscher has retired after a 38-year career working with the 4-H program in Pepin County. Although we will miss her, Pepin County and the University are committed to filling Marie's position. Our timeline is to have a new 4-H Educator on board around the first of the year. In the meantime, I hope the transition plan below will provide you with the basic information you will need during this transition time. Gwen Prom be the main contact person for your general 4-H questions or concerns.

Issue/Task	Responsible Person
4-H Online & Enrollment and Approvals	Gwen will be managing enrollment and approvals. Any questions should be directed towards her.
VIP (Volunteer in Preparation)	Gwen will be sharing training opportunities through the usual channels.
Volunteer/Member Challenges	Contact Pat Malone (patricia.malone@wisc.edu)
Leaders Association Questions	Gwen will be the key contact. She will also be sharing statewide opportunities through the usual channels.
Leaders Association (Agenda, Notice, Zoom)	
Statewide 4-H Programs CWF, National 4-H Congress, Space Camp	
Event Approvals	Gwen will be doing the approvals.
Emergency Contact	Pat Malone (715-530-0014)
General 4-H Questions or Concerns	Gwen will serve as first point of contact.

The effective date of the above plan is November 4, 2022. Our team will be working hard to get an outstanding 4-H Program Educator hired to keep the Pepin County 4-H program moving forward.

Sincerely,

Patricia L. Malone
 Area Extension Director Area 9: Pepin, Buffalo, Trempealeau, and Jackson Counties
 Cell: 715-530-0014

Pepin County 4-Hers were out and about this past weekend participating in community events. Saturday morning started out early with the Pepin County Dairy Breakfast at Churchview Dairy. The Lima Lads and Lassies provided games for kids to entertain themselves. We also were handing out goodie bags to all kids that were provided by the Pepin County Dairy Promotion Council. Members from the Chippewa Club were in the dairy wagon handing out ice cream bars and bottles of water to guests that were touring the barn area. Sunday afternoon members from both clubs walked along side the dairy wagon in the Funfest parade handing out cheese sticks to people that came out to see the parade. Both days had terrific weather and our clubs were very happy to participate in both community events.

Photos:

Top: This young man was enjoying his tractor ride.

Bottom Left: Members from the Lima Lads and Lassies and the Chippewa 4-H clubs posed for a photo before handing out cheese sticks in the Durand Funfest parade.

Bottom Right: Sarah Poeschel and her kids, Sami and AJ, handed out goody bags to kids as they played with the games.



Lima Lads and Lassies 4-H Club

Music in the Park was the place to be last Wednesday evening. The White Sidewalls were performing and the park was packed with people listening to the music and getting up for a dance or two. Our club had been busy baking and were selling desserts and snack mix to satisfy your sweet tooth. Thank you to everyone that bought from us and supported my club.

This past Sunday we had our monthly meeting at the City Hall. We had a business discussion going over our activities from last month and what's coming up this month. The majority of our time was planning our booth and barn decorations for the Buffalo/Pepin County fair. Some of us had seen on Facebook that there is a lady in Mondovi that started a "Roscoe the snake rock" in Mondovi. She painted a rock to look like a snake head and laid it along the sidewalk in her yard. She has invited any and all to paint rocks and add them to her snake. So far 126 rocks have been added and for our meeting project we decided to paint rocks to make her snake grow. I am hoping to add them to her rock this week before people gather in Mondovi for the Fourth of July celebration they have.



Photos Top to Bottom: Leah got her face painted at Music in the Park when she was taking a break from selling goodies; Wendy, Jodi, Hannah, Leah and Nick are set up and ready to sell desserts; AJ, Leah and Nick are concentrating on their rock designs; "Roscoe the snake rock" rock additions; Sarah, Vicky and Bella are almost done painting their rocks.



**Cast your vote for the
Pepin County 4-H T-Shirt Design
before July 6 at :**

<https://forms.gle/ACCDWVWCXFjJY8fu5>

KAPOW!

REGISTER NOW!

4-H CLOVERBUD CAMP

POW!

LOCATION: TOURIST PARK MONDOVI, WI

DATE: JULY 20, 2023 FROM 9:00 AM - 3 PM

WHO: BUFFALO/PEPIN COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS
IN GRADE K-2

COST: \$10/PER YOUTH

  UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

Join us for hands-on 4-H project experiences with a superhero theme!
Register for this Event via your family [4HOnline](#) account.
Deadline to register is June 30th. The Parent Leader Federation will contribute
50% of Pepin County 4-H members with funding, contact
gwen.prom@wisc.edu or 715-672-5214 for more information.

STEAM Discovery Day!
 Register Now!
 Science - Technology - Engineering - Art - Math
 July 18 - 19, 2023 \$20/per student
 Mirror Lake Park Bring a cold, peanut-free lunch
 9:00am - 3:00pm
 Join us and come create hands-on STEAM projects with friends entering K-6 grades!
 Early drop-off and late pick up may be available
 REGISTRATION AVAILABLE NOW!
 GAMES-PROJECTS-FUN

STEAM Discovery Day!
 Register Now!
 Science - Technology - Engineering - Art - Math
 July 25 - 26, 2023 \$20/per student
 C-FC School Bring a cold, peanut-free lunch
 9:00am - 3:00pm
 Join us and come create hands-on STEAM projects with friends entering K-6 grades!
 Early drop-off and late pick up may be available
 REGISTRATION AVAILABLE NOW!
 GAMES-PROJECTS-FUN

STEAM Discovery Days Registration Open

Join us and create hands-on STEAM Projects with friends entering K-6! This event is open to all youth not just 4-Hers.

Click [HERE](#) to visit our STEAM Discovery Days Webpage to learn more! Register for this Event via your family account on [4HOnline](#)

Deadline to register for either location is June 30th.

The Parent Leader Federation will contribute 50% of Pepin County 4-H members with funding, contact gwen.prom@wisc.edu or 715-672-5214 for more information.



TELL YOUR 4-H STORY YOUR WAY



Presentation/Format (pick one):

- ~ Booklet (handwritten or computer generated)
 - i. One sided pages only
 - ii. Maximum 8 written pages, maximum 10 additional pictures/drawing pages
- ~ Power Point – maximum 15 slides or maximum 8 minutes
- ~ Video - MP4 format with maximum 8 minutes run time
- ~ Traditional record book

Submitted on a
USB drive with
your name and
grade on it

Age groups

Cloverbud (Format can be halved – 4 pages, 5 additional; 7 PPT slides; 4 minute video)
3rd – 5th grades; 6th – 8th grades; 9th – 13th grades

Record Books will be judged on content (1 through 5 of the criteria below) as well as creativity.

Due to your 4-H Club Leader by August 15

Include in your story:

1. 4-H Member Profile – (Name, club, grade, picture(s) of you)
2. Your 4-H Goals (you can select project(s), it can be taking a leadership role/expanding a leadership role(s), it can be travel opportunities, community service, etc.)
 - a. What do you hope to learn?
 - b. What do you plan to accomplish?
3. Your Reflections – the BIG picture

Examples:

 - a. What did you learn?
 - b. How did you grow?
 - c. What would you do different?
 - d. How has being a 4-H member helped you set goals and develop new interests?
 - e. How has 4-H influenced your future goals (personal and/or career)?
4. Outreach - How did you help your club and/or county grow? (Community service, team work, leadership, etc.)
5. Value
 - a. Money made, personal time, personal value, etc.
 - b. What are you most proud of and why?
6. Parent and/or 4-H Club Leader Statements – Please have your parent and/or 4-H Club Leader write a few sentence about their thought of your 4-H journey this year. The statement should be signed by the Parent or 4-H Club Leader.

NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS

UNFORGETTABLE PAST **INNOVATIVE FUTURE**



The purpose of the National 4-H Congress experience is for youth in 9th-12 grades to gain life skills and leadership experience through hands-on activities, workshops, large group seminars, and youth networking time. This experience begins with travel via airplane on Friday, November 24, 2023 and ends upon arrival back in Wisconsin on Tuesday, November 28, 2023. The event is held in Atlanta, GA with lodging in the Hyatt Regency.

National 4-H Congress is an experience like no other! While at Congress, 4-Hers will have had the opportunity to expand their knowledge about the world, the United States, and network with others from across the country. They will gain many new connections that will last a lifetime.

Registration via 4HOnline for National 4-H Congress opens July 1, 2023 and will run until August 1, 2023. You can find more information about National Congress here:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/national-4-h-congress/>



There is no better way to kick off a special event than with a talented Wisconsin 4-H'er singing the National Anthem! YOU could be that singer!

We are looking for a singer to kick off the WI 4-H Foundation Governor's Blue Ribbon Meat Products Auction on Tuesday, August 8. The event is held at the Wisconsin State Fair in West Allis. The performance can be live, in-person, or a playback of a high-quality recording.

Have you dreamed of singing the National Anthem for a crowd? Then submit an audition video! The anthem should be no longer than 1 minute and 45 seconds long.

Auditions will be accepted from now through July 5, 2023. Submit your audition here: <https://go.wisc.edu/558o59>

Your audition will be considered for other Wisconsin 4-H events, too!
Thanks so much for sharing your talents!



BUFFALO COUNTY FAIR
In Affiliation with Pepin County

August 3-6, 2023

COUNTY
 This Year's Theme
BARN IN THE USA

For the most updated Fair information see the Buffalo County Fair contact sites:



Website:

<https://www.buffalopepincountyfair.com/>

Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/BufaloCountyFair>

Phone: (608) 863-0381

Email: buffalocountyfair@gmail.com



2023 Summer Pre-Fair Events

Foods Revue & Decorated Cakes Contest
 Wednesday, June 28 - Marten Center

Clothing Revue
 Thursday, July 13 - Marten Center

Cat, Small Animal, Dog, & Exotic Animal Shows
 Saturday, July 15 - BCF Fairgrounds

Horse Show
 Saturday, July 22 -
 Midnight Riders Arena



2023 Buffalo County Fair Judging Schedule

Wednesday June 28, 2023 (Roger Marten Center) – 6:00 pm Foods Revue
 Thursday July 13, 2023 (Roger Marten Center) – 6:00 pm Clothing Revue
 Saturday July 15, 2023 (Fairgrounds) – 10:00 am Cat Show
 Saturday July 15, 2023 (Fairgrounds)– Following the cat show Small Animals
 Saturday July 15, 2023 (Fairgrounds)– 11:00 am Exotic
 Saturday July 15, 2023 (Show Arena At Fairgrounds) – 1:00 pm Dog Show
 Saturday July 22, 2023 (Midnight Riders Arena) – 9:00 am Horse Show

Thursday August 3, 2023

9:00 am Clover bud
 2:00 pm Poultry
 5:00 pm Flowers and Houseplants
 5:00 pm Plant & soil science - Crops
 5:00 pm Plant & soil science - Garden
 5:00 pm Natural Science
 5:00 pm Swine
 5:00 pm Clothing
 5:00 pm Animal Science
 5:00pm Woodworking and Electricity
 5:00 pm Animal & Vet science

Friday August 4, 2023

9:00 am Beef Fairgrounds, Mondovi
 9:00am Rabbits
 9:00 am Family Living & Child Development
 9:00 am Knitting and Crocheting
 9:00 am Photography
 9:00 am Mechanical Science
 9:00 am Cultural Arts
 9:00am Communications
 9:00am Health, Social & Political Science
 9:00 am Demonstrations & Communicable Arts
 9:00 am Youth Leadership
 9:00 am Booths
 9:00 am Computers
 12:30 pm Meat Goats & Dairy Goats
 1:00 pm Sheep

Saturday August 5, 2023

9:00am Dairy

Tuesday August 8, 2023 (Gunderson Food Service, Mondovi) – 9:00 am Carcass Judging
 Wednesday August 9, 2023 (Gunderson Food Service, Mondovi) – 7:00pm Carcass Show



YQCA – The Buffalo County Fair in affiliation with Pepin County Junior Fair Rules require: All Dairy, Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Poultry & Rabbit exhibitors to complete the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training each year to be eligible to exhibit their animal(s) at the Buffalo County Fair.

Must be complete by July 1st.
Visit the [YQCA Page](#) for details.

Meat Animal Educational Credit – All meat animal exhibitors planning to exhibit at the Buffalo County Fair in affiliation with Pepin County, must earn one meat animal educational credit in addition to the YQCA training during the project year. Following the session, exhibitors must complete the Meat Animal Educational Credit online form. The Meat Animal Educational Credit form submission is due by the Friday before the Fair begins. Educational sessions may be approved in-person events or online courses.

For further information see the [MEAT ANIMAL EDUCATIONAL CREDIT PAGE](#).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July 16 - Torsten Davidson - Chippewa

July 18 - Leah Brion - Lima Lads and Lassies

July 21 - Isabella Wayne - Lima Lads and Lassies



**2023 Wisconsin
 Farm Technology Days
 Baraboo, Wisconsin
 July 18-20 / 9AM - 4PM
 \$10-12 Per Person CASH/CREDIT
 (12 and under are free)**

[S3347 Sand Rd, Baraboo, WI 53913](#)

<https://www.wifarmtechdays.org/>



Explore fun, educational activities and learning experiences for kids and teens to do at home.

Check out the resources found at the National 4-H Site at

<https://4-h.org/about/4-h-at-home/>

Check Out These Event Calendars

The calendars below show events available in surrounding areas and statewide. To filter by county or event type, use the check boxes on the left to narrow the results.

* To find 4-H specific events see this site

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/calendar/>

* To find workshops, classes and other events hosted by University of Wisconsin-Extension see this site:

<https://extension.wisc.edu/events/>

Supporting You(th)

Supporting youth and their mental health needs have been a growing concern for some time, and the pandemic only amplified the staggering needs of youth struggling to cope. have been increasing, and In response to the increasing rates of anxiety, depression, and self-harm reported by young people, Extension has developed a series of fact sheets for parents, caregivers and other adults who live or work with young people. Each fact sheet is research-based, easy to read, and provides practical strategies to support youth mental health. See Title link above for how to support youth toward better mental health.

Badger Talks is pleased to present a LIVE series of talks on topics that intend to inspire, delight, and pleasantly distract in a time we are all needing positive experiences. Tune in to hear experts on a variety of interesting and engaging topics. For more information see:

<https://badgertalks.wisc.edu/badger-talks-live/>



Join the Biotechnology Center every Wednesday night for Wednesday Nite @ The Lab! Each week features a speaker teaching about different science topics. These talks are available statewide and will be held on Zoom for the foreseeable future. Come join us!

See <https://science.wisc.edu/wednesday-nite-at-the-lab/> for the schedule of topics and registration links.



Activity Page

