

4-H ECHO

The source of 4-H news in Grant County



**4-H GROWS
LEADERS**



August 2018

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Good Luck
to all the exhibitors at the
Grant County Fair
August 12-19
2018



4-H grows confident, capable, and caring kids with the life skills to thrive in today's world and succeed in their boldest dreams for tomorrow.

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- 2-12 Wisconsin State Fair; West Allis
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- 7 4-H Dog Practice; 5:30 pm & 7:00 pm; Open Show Barn; Fairgrounds, Lancaster
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- 24-25 Fennimore Jr. Fair; Fennimore High School
- 27 Out of State Meeting; 7:30 pm; North Room; Youth & Ag Center, Lancaster
- 28 Executive Board Meeting; 6:30 pm; Conference Room; UW-Extension Office, Lancaster

September 2018

- 3 Labor Day – UW-Extension Office Closed
- 7-9 Platteville Dairy Days
- 8-9 State 4-H Horse Gymkhana; Wisconsin State Fair Park, West Allis
- 11 4-H Countywide Leader's Meeting; 7:00 pm; South Room; Youth & Ag Center, Lancaster
- 14-16 State 4-H Horse Expo; Wisconsin State Fair Park, West Allis
- 15 **DEADLINE** ECHO articles
- 19 Grant County Fair Livestock Auction Buyer's Appreciation Social; 7:30 pm; Youth & Ag Center, Lancaster
- 24 Jr. Leader's Meeting; 6:30 pm; Conference Room; UW-Extension, Lancaster
- 24 Out of State Meeting; 7:30 pm; North Room; Youth & Ag Center, Lancaster
- 26 Committee Night; 7:00 pm; Youth & Ag Center, Lancaster
- 28-30 State 4-H Dog Show & 4-H Dog Agility Show; Amherst Fairgrounds

Club News

Cassville Country Buddies 4-H Club by Irelyn Brinkman

Our club has decided to “give back” to our community of Cassville by making cookies for Christmas in Cassville. We donated \$150 to St. Charles school fuel fund and donated 3 books to the church for use of the school for winter meetings. At this time, we are preparing our projects for Blake’s Prairie Fair and Grant County Fair. Our next event is a club potluck and kickball night planned for August 24th at 7 pm at the ball diamond in Cassville.

Dairyland Diamonds 4-H Club by Courtney Spease

Our next meeting is Sunday August 26th. Our club is going to Lambeau field on July 27th. We will be having a pool party at the Platteville pool on August 10th and all clubs are welcome. The pool party begins at 8:30.

Merry Mixers 4-H Club by Christina Buttles

At our meeting we finalized our menu for the Walker’s food stand. We also reimbursed the members of our club who went to 4-H camp for the first time. Everyone showed us what they are working on for fair. We will not have a meeting next month.

Plum Valley Boosters 4-H Club by Matthew Winch

Plum Valley Boosters 4-H Club met on June 9, 2018. During the meeting we talked about the Mt. Hope parade, and decided to be in it. The club decided to go to Jellystone and do activities throughout the day on July 23rd. The club also talked about the Fennimore Fair and every family is to donate a pie. The club will also be running the food stand. Our farm tour will be July 19th. The parents met and talked about livestock to discuss ideas. Members were reminded to start working on their record books. For demonstrations; Reid showed how to make string art.

If you have any information for the ECHO, please contact us by the 15th of each month:

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Shooting Sports Practice & Competition Shoots for the Summer!

All shooting sports members must attend two practices to participate in competition shoots for the fairs.

Scheduled practices:

- * August 9 - Grant Cty Fair Competition Shoot at Bloomington Area Sportsman's Club at 4:00 pm
- * August 23 - Fennimore Fair Event at SWTC Public Safety Complex at 5:00 pm

For more information contact Dave Vosberg at 943-8492 or Rhonda Hughey at 778-8415 or Amy Linneman for details about the Fennimore Fair Event.



Projects & Activities

2018 Grant County Horse & Pony Schedule

In order to exhibit at the Grant County Fair, each exhibitor must attend **one** county horse project meeting and **two** riding practices or clinics with their designated horse/pony.

Practice Rides:

August 1st 6:00-8:30pm; Vesbach Arena

- *Horsemanship
- *Halter
- *Trail

August 8th 6:00-8:30pm; West Grant Saddle Club Arena

- *August Meeting – Finalizing Grant Co Fair plans
- *Trail Obstacles
- *Member Choice – What do you need help with?

Show Opportunities

September 8-9: Wisconsin State 4-H Gymkhana

September 14-16: Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Expo

Club Activities

September 23rd: Potluck/Trail Ride & meeting

October 6th: Grant County Gymkhana

November 18th: Meeting & Elections

Field Trip Opportunities

Sept 8-9; Carriage Classic, Prairie Du Chien

High School Rodeo; Lancaster or Dubuque

Wisconsin State 4-H Gymkhana: The 31st Annual Wisconsin State 4-H Gymkhana will be held at the WI State Fair Park, West Allis, September 8 & 9. 4-H members must be enrolled in the horse and pony project and be in grades 6-13. Classes include barrels, flag race, plug race, pole bending, LT special and key race. Entry fees are \$10 per class and \$40 stall fee. Members must bring a copy of a negative coggins test taken within the current year and all members are required to wear SEI approved helmets. For a complete listing of rules and regulations contact the UW-Extension Office. Entry forms must be turned into the Grant County UW-Extension Office by Monday, August 13.

Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Expo: The 53rd Annual Wisconsin State Horse Expo will be held at West Allis on September 14-16th. 4-H members in grades 3-13 are eligible to participate in the educational events. These events include: clothes horse, woodworking, drawing, art, horse judging, model horse, vet science, photography, poster, creative writing and team problems with a \$6 entry fee for each exhibit. 4-H members wishing to compete in the horse show must be in grades 6-13 and must have received a blue ribbon at the Grant County Fair in at least one of the classes they are entering. Entry fees for the horse show are \$10 per class. For a complete list of rules and a class list, contact the UW-Extension Office. Entry forms must be turned into the UW-Extension Office by Tuesday, August 14.

Grant County Fair

Grant County Fair Times for Animals

Dairy

All dairy must be in place by 5pm on Thursday
Junior Class – 9:00am on Friday
Open Class – 9:00 am on Saturday

Beef

Weigh in from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm on Thursday
All beef must be in place by 5:00 pm on Thursday
Junior Class – 10:00 am on Friday
Open Class – to follow junior show

Swine

Weigh in **9:00 am-Noon** on Wednesday
All swine must be in place by **Noon** on Wednesday
Junior Class – 9:00 am Thursday
Open Class – to follow junior show

Sheep

Weigh in from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm on Thursday
All sheep must be in place by 3:00 pm Thursday
Junior Class – 5:00 pm on Thursday includes all classes
Open Class – to follow junior show

Goats

Weigh in from **9:00 am-Noon** on Wednesday
All goats must be in place by **Noon** Wednesday
Junior Class – 6:00 pm Wednesday

Poultry

All poultry must be in place by 4:30 pm Thursday
Junior Class – 6:30 pm Thursday

Rabbits

All rabbits must be in place by 4:30 pm Thursday
Junior Class – 6:30 pm Thursday for Showmanship
Junior Class – 11:00 am Friday for all other classes

Other livestock shows

Auction – 1:00 pm on Saturday
Master Showmanship – 11:00 am Sunday
Kiddie Showmanship – 1:00 pm Sunday
Dairy Parade of Champions – 2:00 pm Sunday

Exhibitors of Swine

Reminder to all those that are bringing swine to the fair. Don't forget your health papers upon arrival. All livestock exhibitors need to have a copy of all required health certificates for inspection. The swine need to be examined at the farm stating that the entire herd of origin was inspected on the farm within 30 days before the show and showed no signs of disease.

Exhibitors of Sheep and Goats

Please make sure that when filling out your Animal ID & Vet Check Information paper that the Type of ID and Identification number is the scrapie tag number only. The state inspector will not accept any other ID numbers besides the scrapie tag number. So to be in compliance with the state we need that number as their identification number on the ID form.

Vet Check In Time For The Grant County Fair

Wednesday 9am to noon for swine, goats, poultry and rabbits only
Thursday 8:30am to 4:30pm for beef, dairy, sheep, poultry and rabbits

GRANT COUNTY FAIR CARCASS SHOW SCHEDULE

August 22, Bloomington Meats (Open House), 2:30-5:30 pm
August 22, Butcher Shop, Fennimore, 2:30-5:30 pm
August 22, Weber's Processing, Cuba City, 7:00 pm

This is open to the public to come and view the carcasses for evaluation of the quality animals.

Grant County Fair Master Showmanship Contest: Sunday, August 19 at 11:00 am, Dairy Show Barn. Everyone's welcome to attend the Master Showmanship Contest. Come see the top senior showmanship winners in sheep, goat, beef, dairy & swine go head-to-head.

Announcements

4-H Family Project Day Entries - If you made a project at the February Family Project Day and will be entering it in the Grant County Fair, you can enter a drawing for a \$20 gift certificate. The Family Project Day Committee will draw 5 winners. When placing your entry during Fair, please fill out an entry slip which will be provided. The winners will be announced at the Clothing Revue on Saturday, during the fair. This drawing is sponsored by Dewey's Tire Repair.

Donate project supplies for the Silent Auction at the Grant County Fair: The 4-H Leader's Association is once again sponsoring the Silent Auction at the Grant County Fair. Members, leaders or clubs can donate 4-H projects, project supplies, or other equipment to be auctioned. Perhaps you have leftover supplies from a project you are no longer involved with (clippers, show clothes, anything slightly used), or maybe you made a craft project (woodworking article, jewelry, crafts items, aprons) you would like to donate. Proceeds from the auction benefit the overall Grant County 4-H program through the Leaders Association. Items will need to be brought into the UW-Extension Office by Wednesday, August 8. Please call the UW-Extension Office at 723-2125 to register an item.

Help Needed!

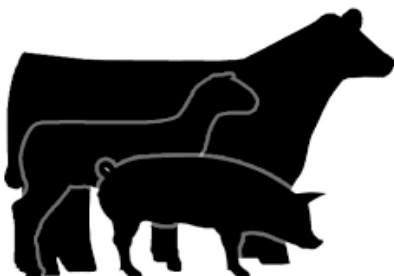
The Grant County Livestock Trust food stand located in the Livestock Building is in need of workers throughout the Grant County Fair. Adults and kids 12 years and older are asked to volunteer just 2 hours any day of the fair. The proceeds have purchased such items as a defibrillator machine, added wash racks, bleachers, light fixtures, poultry and rabbit cages, tables for the Youth & Ag Building, a scale for the goat, sheep and swine projects and the open show barn. The Grant County Livestock Trust was able to donate \$40,000 towards the new swine building. This is a very worthwhile cause as all fair-goers benefit. Please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c4faaad29a3f49-grant> to sign up for a time slot or contact Jenny Harms at jaharms@hotmail.com or call 608-778-1468. Thank you to all of you who have helped in the past. We truly appreciate all the help.

The Grant County Livestock Trust Food Stand Committee

Grant County Fair Junior Livestock Auction

All Livestock Auction consignors must be available to have pictures of livestock taken during their designated times. Any exhibitor needing an alternate time must discuss this with the superintendent at check-in. The exhibitor must be in the picture. If an exhibitor fails to have their picture taken with their animal, an additional 2% per year for each year the picture is missed will be added to their commission taken from the exhibitors check. Following is a list of when pictures will be taken.

Swine	Thursday, following the Show	At Swine Barn
Goats & Sheep	Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	At Livestock Pavilion
Small Animals	Saturday, 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	At Livestock Pavilion
Beef & Dairy	Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	At Livestock Pavilion



Buyer's Appreciation Social Save the date - September 19

The social is a time to thank the buyer(s) of your animal sold at the Grant County Fair. If you sell an animal at the Grant County Fair Livestock Auction please plan to attend.

Announcements

Adult and Youth Leaders - Mark Your Calendars for Fall Forum and Hall of Fame Celebration

Don't miss out on a great statewide workshop for youth and adult leaders!!! "4-H Grows True Leaders!"

Keynote Speaker: John-Paul Chaisson-Cárdenas, Iowa State 4-H Youth Development Program Leader

What: Fall Forum and Hall of Fame Celebration

When: November 2-4, 2018 (starting with registration at 6:00 p.m. Friday, November 2 and ending 11:00 a.m. November 4)

Where: Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake

Who: Each county is encouraged to send a delegation of youth and adults

⇒ 7th - 13th grade youth

⇒ Adult volunteer leaders

Cost: The Grant County Leader's Association has funding available to help with the cost of the workshop. Contact Charisse at the UW-Extension Office for more information and about registering and funding! Register through 4HOnline beginning September 5. Registration will end September 26.

All youth participants need to have a chaperon who has completed Youth Protection identified when they register.

The program kicks off Friday evening with over 15 interactive sessions. Saturday offers more than 20 workshops to choose from. Top off the night with a special celebration where 10 people will be inducted in to the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame. An evening of circle dancing and table games will follow the celebration. Sunday morning brings a high energy program that you can use at the club or community level.

Top Ten Reasons Youth and Adult Leaders Will Want To Attend!

1. 15+ interactive sessions Friday night... food & plant sciences, games, origami.....
2. 20+ sessions Saturday from science and service to leadership and team building
3. Hear how 4-H is making a difference!
4. Meet youth and adults from around the state!
5. See youth adult partnerships in action!
6. Network and share ideas!
7. Be part of Wisconsin's largest university youth outreach program!!
8. Get ideas and projects to take home to use in clubs, schools and community settings!
9. Have fun!

Celebrate Wisconsin 4-H and learn more about Growing 4-H in Wisconsin!

This program is partially funded by the WI 4-H Foundation.

Wisconsin State Dog Show

The date and location have changed for the State 4-H Dog Show. It will be held September 28-30 at Amherst Fairgrounds. The entry deadline is August 10th. It will be held in conjunction with the State 4-H Agility Show. Please get this information out to your 4-H Dog Project members, so they don't miss the registration deadline. This is the link to the page on the 4-H Website where the registration booklet can be found: <https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/state-4-h-dog-show/>. Good Luck and have a great State 4-H Dog Show!

Announcements

4-H Club Charter Financial Forms: Financial forms are due into the UW-Extension Office in August. The 4-H fiscal year runs from July 1 - June 30 each year. Club Charter Financial forms must include a copy of the club's bank statement dated June 30 or close to that date.

State Fair Projects - If your project went to 2018 Wisconsin State Fair, you can pick up your items at the UW-Extension Office after State Fair is over.

Nominations for Grant County Leaders Association Board: At the September 11 4-H Countywide meeting, the board will be taking nominations for open offices: President-Elect, Treasurer, Lancaster Adult and Youth Delegates and Alternates, and Platteville Adult and Youth Delegates and Alternates. These terms are for two years, except President Elect is only a one year term. The board meets about 10 times a year, interviews youth for state and national trips, and addresses other issues that may arise. This is a wonderful opportunity for youth and adult leaders to get involved in leadership within the Grant County 4-H program. If you know of someone that would be interested, contact the Extension Office or your district representative **before the September 11 meeting.**

Nominations for Leaders Awards: The 4-H Leaders Association is asking for your help in nominating leaders for the John Edge Memorial Award, Meritorious Award and Volunteer of the Year. The John Edge Award is presented each year to two adult leaders with 10 years or less of service to Grant County 4-H. The Meritorious Award is presented to individuals and businesses who have given an extended period of exceptional service to the Grant County 4-H program. The Volunteer of the Year Award goes to leaders who have gone above and beyond to help 4-H. If you have someone you would like to nominate, call the Extension Office or contact your district representative before the September 11 meeting.

4-H Committee Night, September 26: Project committees will all meet on Wednesday, September 26, starting at 7:00 pm. The committees will be making suggestions for fair changes and decisions on project related 4-H events. If you would like to join a project committee, please come, meet new people, and have a voice in 4-H project decisions. This will also be a time for you to request funding from the Leader's Association for your project areas.

Current committees include: Aerospace, Arts & Crafts, Cats, Child Development, Computers, Home Environment, Clothing, Cloverbuds, Communication & Cultural Arts, Dairy, Dog, Exploring, Foods, Goats, Horse, Knitting/Crocheting, Legos/Knex, Livestock, Mechanical Sciences, Photography, Rabbits and Poultry, Robotics and Shooting Sports. If there is a project area not on the list that you think is important, contact the Extension Office. Members in grades 6 and over, parents, leaders and fair superintendents are encouraged to take part.

Fennimore Fair - August 23-25, 2018. Fennimore Fair Shooting Sports Competition will be held August 23 at the SWTC Shooting Range, 5:00 p.m. Fair books are online at www.fennimore.k12.wi.us or you can pick up a copy at the UW-Extension Office. For questions, please call Mrs. Mitchell at (608) 822-3245 ext. 3205.

Platteville Dairy Days - September 7-9, 2018. Visit <http://plattevilledairydays.com> for events, times and details.

Opportunities

Record Book 100% Completion Club Award - The 4-H Leaders Association voted to award clubs for having 100% of their club members complete a record book. Each member has to score 40 points or more on their record book to be considered completed. If you have 100% completion rate, your club will receive \$100 towards a recreational activity. Encourage your kids to be working on their record books now. If you need additional record book forms, you can find them on grant.uwex.edu or contact the UW-Extension Office.

32nd Anniversary Pullet Surprise Youth Contest: In an attempt to promote the breeding and exhibition of purebred poultry among Wisconsin's youth, the Wisconsin International Poultry Club invites interested youth to apply for the Pullet Surprise. The winners in each of the two categories will receive the following prizes: a pair of show quality purebred fowl, an incubator, a standard cage, feed, a copy of the *American Standard of Perfection*, a one-year membership in the WIPC, and a poultry carrier. All awards will be presented at the 2018 Wisconsin International Poultry Club Show. The birds awarded will be provided by the members of the Wisconsin International Poultry Club. Each applicant must submit an entry of 500 words or less on one of the following topics: *Why I Want to Raise Exhibition Poultry*, *Raising Poultry—It's a Family Affair*, *My Most Memorable Moment in Poultry*, *An Original Poultry Poem*, *Exhibition Poultry: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow*, *A Collection of Poultry Wit: 3 original poultry jokes, riddles, or words of wisdom (minimum 200 words)*. Applicants must send their entry along with their address, phone number, email address, birth date, and a parent's or guardian's signature postmarked by August 20, 2018 to: Barbara Gromacki Wisconsin Jr. Poultry Association Advisor, 27225 Ketterhagen Road, Burlington, Wisconsin 53105.



Avian Quiz Bowl Competition- September 29: The Avian Quiz Bowl will consist of three- or four-member teams. Teams will be quizzed on various aspects of poultry and eggs from hatching to management to cooking, competing against other teams in a game show format. There will be both a junior (under 14 yr) and senior (14-18 yr) division. Senior division winners will represent the State of Wisconsin at the 4-H National Poultry & Egg Conference held in Louisville, KY. Participants must be 4-H members. Advanced registration is due by September 1, 2018. More information can be found at: www2.ca.uky.edu/national4hpoultry/AvianBowl.html

Cedar Crest Ice Cream 4-H Flavor Contest - Cedar Crest Ice Cream, Cedarburg, Wisconsin, and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation have teamed up again to present the "Cedar Crest Ice Cream 4-H Flavor Contest" for Wisconsin 4-H clubs. More than 1600 clubs are eligible to create and submit a flavor 'recipe' with the top clubs named as finalists, and the top flavor produced for summer 2019. A link for more information and the entry form are available at www.Wis4HFoundation.org. Entries are due by October 1, 2018. The winner will be announced in December 2018.



2019 Advanced Space Academy / Advanced Robotics Academy

Two unique opportunities will be available for youth this winter: Advanced Space Academy and Advanced Robotics Academy. These week long educational travel opportunities are open to youth grades 10th -12th who have an interest in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). Registration is August 1-12. There is very limited space available and registration will be on a first come first serve basis. Contact the UW-Extension Office for more details.

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