

Burnett County

4-H Bugle

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A Note From UW-Extension

Mary Pardee's office is empty now and we are all missing her, as many of you are. But rest assured, all of us in the Burnett County UW-Extension office are here to support your good work for our local 4-H program. Until a new Youth Development Educator is hired, we will do our best to fill the void!

We want you to be aware of the process of hiring a new Youth Development Educator. Marilyn Kooiker, Family Living Agent and Burnett County UW-Extension Department Head, is doing her best to encourage re-filling the position at 100%. The Natural Resources Committee of the Burnett County Board of Supervisors has approved refilling the position at that level, but the Administration Committee has tabled the final decision until their March 15 meeting. If you have any questions or concerns about the refilling of the Youth Development Educator position, please call the UW-Extension office at 715/349-2151. Also, please feel free to email Peggy Tolbert at ptolbert@burnettcounty.org.

As of this writing, the final proof of the 2010 Plat Book is being reviewed and the book will go to press once the go ahead has been given by the 4-H Leaders. The book is definitely overdue, but it looks gorgeous. The cover photo by Laura Formanek captures the wonder of winter in Burnett County.

Throughout this issue of the Bugle there are reminders of upcoming 4-H events - Winter Fun Day, the Cultural Arts Festival and the Food and Clothing Revues as well as notices of new events. Stay busy and Spring will be here before we know it!

Also, don't miss the deadline for submitting applications for Burnett County 4-H scholarships. Applications must be received in the UW-Extension office no later than Friday, February 26.

Thanks for your patience during this time of transition.

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Marilyn Kooiker and Peggy Tolbert

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.

4-H Calendar

- February** 1 - Jr. Leaders Meeting - 7 pm
9 - Leaders Meeting - 7 pm; Hosts: Orange
26 - Project grant applications due
28 - Winter Fun Day - 1-4pm, Wilderness Fellowship, Frederic
28 - Jr. Leaders Meeting - 4pm after Winter Fun Day
- March** 5 - Cultural Arts registrations due
6 - Back up Date - Winter Fun Day
9 - Leaders Meeting - 7 pm; Hosts: Wood Creek
20 - Cultural Arts & Communications Contest, Siren School
- April** 1 - Food & Clothing Revue - 5:30 pm, Siren School F.A.C.E. Room
1 - Central Burnett County Fair Horse Kick-off meeting - 6 pm, Government Center
5 - Jr. Leaders Meeting - 7 pm
13 - Leaders Meeting - 7 pm
25 - Amazing Race - 2-5pm, Grantsburg
- May** 1 - Cloverbud Day Camp - 10 am - noon, Crooked Lake Park, Siren
- June** 6 - Rocket Launch



Calling all Cloverbuds!

**Cloverbud Day Camp
Saturday, May 1
10am - noon**

Hosted by the Jr. Leaders, this year's Cloverbud Day Camp at Crooked Lake Park in Siren will be a morning of fun focused on nature and recycling. A scavenger hunt, games, crafts and snacks will provide an opportunity for Cloverbuds to learn about the great outdoors!

Registration is encouraged. Please call the UW-Extension office at 349-2151 to sign up. For more information about this fun event, please call Deb Wampfler at 349-5092.



Don't miss the AMAZING RACE Sunday, April 25, 2-5pm in Grantsburg. Food, prizes and more! Call Lane Anderson at 689-3232 for more information. Adult volunteers are needed.

Don't Forget These Upcoming 4-H Events

Winter Fun Day - Saturday, February 28, 1-4pm



Don't miss out on an afternoon of Winter Fun at Wilderness Fellowship (21897 Spirit Lake Road, Frederic). Cost is FREE! Bring your own sled, enjoy games, yummy bars and hot chocolate. Bring a friend along to share the fun. The Jr. Leaders meeting will follow Winter Fun Day at 4:00 pm. (Back up date for the event is March 6)



Cultural Arts Festival - Saturday, March 20, Siren School

Arts & Crafts, Communication, Demonstration, Drama and Photography contests offer 4-H'ers an opportunity to show off their projects and compete for cash prizes! Information on all contests and registration forms for the Arts & Crafts and Photography contests were in the January Bugle and can be found on the Burnett County 4-H website at <http://burnett.uwex.edu/4H>. Pre-register for the Communication, Demonstration and Drama contests by calling the UWEX office by March 26.

Food and Clothing Revue - Thursday, April 1



The Burnett County Food and Clothing Revue will be held on Thursday, April 1 in the Siren School F.A.C.E. room. The Clothing Revue will begin at 5:00 pm and the Food Revue at 5:45 pm. All 4-H'ers are welcome to attend and cheer on your friends! If you did not register for a food or clothing project on your enrollment form but would like to add it, you may do so by notifying the UWEX office. Download the rules and specific entry information at <http://burnett.uwex.edu/4H> or call the UWEX office. To register your entry, call the UWEX office at 715-349-2151 by March 26. If you have questions about the Food and Clothing Revue, feel free to contact Jodi Schinzing at 463-5109 or Sheryl Stiemann at 653-4140.

Report from Winter Camp Report

Winter Camp was very fun this year. We learned about the renewable energy source of wind. We got paired into groups and we got to make our own miniature wind turbines from a kit. We made the turbine and put in a generator. We also had to design the blades. At the end, we all tested our wind turbines to see how many volts we created. Jared's team won this competition. Then, we hooked all the turbines up to a large circuit board and saw how many volts we created all together. This was a very fun experience. We made apple pie and my group made the "prettiest pie!" Olivia enjoyed broomball, but wished there had been more crafts. Remember, if you are 14 or over, this is something you should try to apply for and attend next January. Thanks to Phil for chaperoning and driving us safely home in the snowy weather.

Lucas Stiemann

Calling all aerospace and rocketry project members

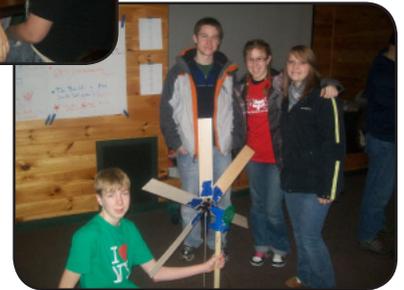
It's time to get started on your rockets for the Annual 4-H Rocket Launch scheduled this year for Sunday June 6.

Please call Craig Bowman at 715/463-2684 or 715/220-6459 to arrange for model kits and construction workshops so you can be part of this exciting event. Rockets as big as 6 feet will be a launched all afternoon!

Phil Stiemann, Lucas Stiemann, Olivia Kopecky & Jared Anderson at Winter Camp



Renewable Energy was the focus of Winter Camp activities. Campers constructed mini wind turbines.



Wood Creek News:

We had our annual Christmas/monthly meeting on January 3rd at 3:00 at the Siren School. We had a cake/cookie walk, a present exchange, and a potluck dinner. At our meeting we talked about the Communications Contest and who is going to Winter Camp. On January 8th at 3:30 our club held a Cloverbud sewing meeting. Jacob and the older kids in the club taught the Cloverbuds how to sew beanbags. Each of the Cloverbuds made two or more beanbags, kept one, and donated one to the Family Resource Center. They will meet again and make hats soon. We also have a fun Winter activity planned for February. Our next meeting is March 7th at 4:00, held at the Siren School.

Respectfully Submitted,
Allie Webster and Emily Stiemann



Sewing Bean Bags and Hats with the Cloverbuds!



More Opportunities for 4-H Youth

March 6, 10am - noon - Meat Animal Quality Assurance training for youth in livestock projects (beef, sheep & swine) at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 1790 Scribner Street, Spooner. For more information, contact Beth Johnson, Washburn County UWEX, 715/635-4444

March 27, noon - 2pm - Northern Elite Show Pig Sale, Amery. Breeders - Tyler Benning and Rusty Kiser. A silent auction where 60-70 early January to early February pigs will be offered. Lunch will be served! For information and directions, call 715/410-6024 or 608/553-7391

April 24-25 - IW2K! Science, Technology and Engineering Camp, Upham Woods. This is a statewide opportunity for youth grades 6-8. For more information, a registration form, flier and press release go to <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/set/science.cfm>



BURNETT COUNTY 4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION

January 11th, 2010 Meeting Minutes

The January meeting was called to order by President Donald Strabel at 7:05 P.M. The pledges were said. Those in Attendance at the January meeting were: Craig Bowman, Deb Wampfler, Jodi Schinzing, Fran Krause, Kristi Melin, Deb and Lane Anderson, Charlene and Donald Strabel, Amy Kopecky, Mary Pardee, Marge Peterson, and Phil Stiemann. Temporarily present was Jacob Stiemann.

Jacob Stiemann thanked the leaders association and shared a bit about his trip to Atlanta this past November. Written thank you was also passed.

Craig Bowman brought the attention to a mistake in the spelling of "Ms. Bowman" of discussing factual statistics with board members; in November minutes.

Motion was made by Phil Stiemann and seconded by Marge Peterson; to accept the November secretaries report. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Craig Bowman, and seconded by Jodi Schinzing to accept the November treasurer's report. Phil Stiemann commented that the Audit meeting went well.

Extension notes:

Bills submitted: Property Tax \$104.59, Washburn County 4-H leaders: \$300.00 for Winter Camp; WI Dept of Justice \$140.00 for annual background checks, 4-H foundation \$159.00 for annual program support. \$30.00 was received (\$15.00 each for Kopecky and Stiemann for winter camp), waiting for \$15.00 for Jared Anderson. Motion was made by Craig Bowman and seconded by Phil Stiemann to pay the bills submitted.

Enrollment Forms – If clubs have any outstanding enrollment forms get them to Mary ASAP. We are at 121 members now but may have a few unofficially dropped. Please notify office if know of dropped members to take them out of the database.

Charter Renewal Forms – Have Wood Creek and Jr. Leaders; need the rest.

Plat Book – Red Barn is sending final draft this week, committee needs to be prepared for an impromptu meeting to give final say; Marilyn will oversee the ordering, etc. It was suggested by Mary that the secretary send Jason Towne a thank you for all the time and effort put into checking the maps over.

Winter Camp – Jan 22 – 24th Phil Stiemann will be chaperoning; campers are Jared Anderson, Olivia Kopecky, and Lucas Stiemann.

Club Reports – Jolly H – had Display in park, went Caroling, is going sledding and planning their annual fishing contest. Orange - had a potluck and gift exchange, went caroling at Red Cedar manor, has ten more kids enrolled, gave two Thanksgiving dinners to needy families, and made decorations giving some to the lions to decorate trees; next meeting is planned for Friday. Wood Creek – Sang and decorated a tree for Christmas festivities in Siren, Had a Christmas party, sewing meeting at the school for clover buds, and have planned a tubing day. Wood River Beavers – Rang the bell for Salvation Army, Having a Christmas Party soon, planning walk for Diabetes. Junior Leaders – Took a tour of the inter county leader newspaper, had Christmas party, planning the County Winter Fun day.

Old Business: Annual Meeting and Banquet – Charlene Strabel asked opinion of holding it at the Kozy Kitchen again next year; response was favorable – (good food and space)

Music Contest – Response was that it was small, but with good variety, nice and enjoyable; there is plans to find a new date for next year. (May be too close to beginning of year for good attendance)

New Business: Grants are due February 26th (in bugle), Fran Krause donated a check for \$25.00 to add to the Maxine Stone grant.

Winter Fun Day – sledding will be held at the Wilderness Fellowship, both indoor and outdoor fun is planned, information is in the bugle. If questionable weather, call Deb Anderson or Deb Wampfler that morning in case of cancellation.

Cultural Arts and Communications Contest – registrations are due March 5th, will be held on March 20th, at the Siren School. Forms are in the bugle, and will be placed on website. There were changes made in the Photo category.

Food and Clothing Review – info in bugle and website,

Any Other:

Membership Cards were passed out to general leaders along with blanks for new enrollments.

Bad weather plan: It was suggested by Don Strabel that if the Siren school has an early dismissal or closed due to weather on the day of the planned monthly leaders meeting; we postpone the monthly leaders meeting for one week.

Webster Representative is still needed on the Awards & Recognition Committee.

2010 Calendars and 2010 Committees listings were passed out.

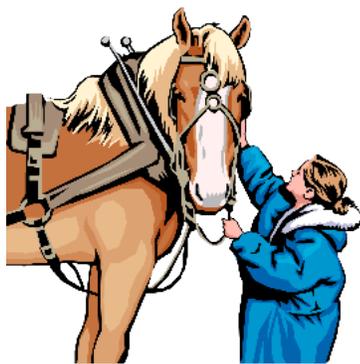
Deb Wampfler asked for thoughts on having a county photography workshop meeting; a few suggestions were made including contact Tim Spielman.

Mary Pardee announced her leaving her position here in Burnett County to take a position in Barron County, assuring us that Peggy in the extension office will be available to assist us with many needs. She has assisted with many activities here in Burnett County including Youth on the County Board, AODA Coalition and Alternative Learning Center which in addition to 4-H warrants the need a fulltime position to be filled. Thank You and Good Luck gifts were presented to Mary and Farewell Cake was shared.

Next meeting will be held on February 9th, hosted by the Orange club

Motion was made by Phil Stiemann and seconded by Lane Anderson to adjourn the meeting.

Secretary- Debbie Wampfler



The Central Burnett County Fair Horse Kick-off meeting will be held April 1, 6-8pm, Room 162/163 Burnett County Government Center. Call Angela Smith at 715-689-2132 for more information! Watch for Horse Camp Forms in the next issue of the Bugle or go to <http://burnett.uwex.edu/4H>.

Don't miss the February 26 deadline for submitting Burnett County 4-H Grant applications to the UW-Extension office! Forms were in the January Bugle!

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Burnett County Government Center, Siren

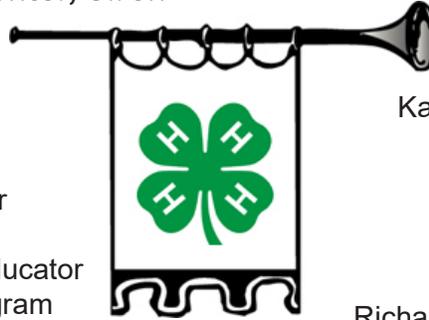
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