

### Meat Animal Quality Assurance Session

It is required that all youth exhibitors of meat animals attend at least one committee approved educational session by July 1st each year.

If you haven't had a chance to attend a session, there will be one held on Thursday, May 19th, 6pm at the Westfield Ag classroom.

Kayla Darr, Westfield FFA advisor, will be hosting the session. If you have any questions, contact Kayla, 608-296-2141.

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# CLOVER CONNECTION

Marquette County 4-H Family Newsletter

May-June 2016

## IMPORTANT DATES

### May

- 7 Cloverbud morning, 9-11am, Services Center, Montello
- 7 Green County Dairy Fitting & Showmanship Clinic, Belleville
- 14 Marquette County Family Adventure Day, Montello
- 14 Rabbit Education and Fun Show Day, Wautoma
- 14 Green County 4-H Goat Fun Show, Monroe
- 19 MAQA session, Westfield High School, 6:00pm
- 26 Fair Board meeting, 7:00pm, Fairgrounds, Westfield

### June

- 11 Washington County Horse & Pony Project Twilight Series, West Bend
- 15 4-H Leaders meeting, 6:30pm, Services Center, Montello
- 21 District Dairy Judging, Portage
- 23 Fair Board meeting, 7:00pm, Fairgrounds, Westfield

### Cloverbud Morning, May 7th

All Marquette County youth in grades K-2 are invited to attend Cloverbud morning filled with hands-on activities and exciting projects. This event will be from 9-11am at the Services Center in Montello.

You are encouraged to bring a friend or two along.

Please register by calling, 608-297-3141 or email [christa.vantreeck@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:christa.vantreeck@ces.uwex.edu).

## Winner of Cedar Crest Ice Cream's 4-H Flavor Contest Ice Cream Party

The Badger Boosters 4-H Club of Washington County was treated to an ice cream party for being the winners of the Cedar Crest Ice Cream Flavor Contest. Their winning flavor features Cedar Crest's Zanzibar Dark Chocolate and Blue Moon, with chocolate chip chunks and swirled with marshmallow cream. This flavor will be available statewide in time to celebrate June Dairy Month in 3 gallon tubs and will be on sale throughout the summer at ice cream parlors that serve Cedar Crest Ice Cream. It will also be available for sale at 4-H food stands. To order, call 800-877-8341.



## Upham Woods History Part 1- Open Enrollment

On August 22, 1941, [Elizabeth Upham Davis and Caroline Upham Keene](#) gifted Upham Woods to the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents for the price of \$1. The 310 acres of land along the Wisconsin River, north of Wisconsin Dells, included Blackhawk Island, and was to be used as an outdoor area to help teach youth. While the first 4-H conservation camp was held in 1935, the land was known forever as Camp Upham Woods, starting 75 years ago in 1941.

*"These lands are to be used as an outdoor laboratory and camp for youth, such as 4-H clubs and other people cooperating with the University of Wisconsin in the advancement of conservation, of agriculture and rural culture."* -The Upham Sisters.

This mission still resonates today, as Upham Woods continues to produce high quality education for youth participating in 4-H, school trips, scouts, youth retreats, and conferences. The Upham Sisters goals helped shape Upham Woods, and we would like to announce a chance for more 4-H youth to experience camp this summer.



Registration is now open in [4-H Online](#) for Open Enrollment Camp here at Upham Woods, July 15th-18th! If you are a 4-H member who is 8-13 years old and has scheduling conflicts with your counties 4-H camp, you have another chance to come to camp. We are currently looking for youth, counselors, and adult volunteers. We also are having an open enrollment out post camp that will be July 14th-18th. For more information contact Max Myers at [max.myers@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:max.myers@ces.uwex.edu).

**Hands-On Fun for the Whole Family!**



**Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 10am-1pm**

**Montello Varsity Gym & Outdoor Park**

**Free admission to all events**

**Win a Youth Bike!**

**Walk around & enjoy many hands-on activities**

**Plus! Scheduled Shows**

**10:00 – Prairie Thunder Cloggers**

**11:00 – Turtles are Special, Kathleen McGwin**

**12:00 – Max Bond Music**

**10:30, 11:30, & 12:30 – Fire Extinguisher Demos**

**Plus Baby Animal Farm, K9 Dog Officers, Door Prizes and more!**



## TREATMENT FOSTER PARENTS AND RESPITE PARENTS NEEDED IN CENTRAL WISCONSIN

SaintA has been providing safe, nurturing foster homes for children with emotional, behavioral or developmental challenges since 1984. SaintA is looking for responsible individuals/couples with a strong commitment to children in need of care to become treatment foster parents/respice parents in Central Wisconsin.

**THE NEED IS GREAT. THE REWARDS ARE GREATER.**

**FIND OUT MORE:**

**(855) GROW-HOPE**

[growhope@SaintA.org](mailto:growhope@SaintA.org)

[GrowHope.net](http://GrowHope.net)



## Photography Review

Photography project leader Keith Wohlfert, is available to meet with individuals or groups of students enrolled in the photography project. He will be happy to help you get started, or to assist in fine tuning your project. Call him at 608-547-7535, or e-mail, [keithwohlfert@yahoo.com](mailto:keithwohlfert@yahoo.com) to schedule a meeting.

## State 4-H Plant Science Day, July 7th Waushara County Fairgrounds, Wautoma



Plan now to participate in the **State 4-H Plant Science Day** event to be held **Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup>** at the **Waushara County Fairgrounds in Wautoma**. Youth in grades 3-13 can test their knowledge about plants while learning how to judge and identify a wide variety of plant specimens. Youth can also compete in photography, speaking, poster and floral arranging contests. For study guide information and to prepare for the contest, see the **National Junior Horticultural Association** website at <http://www.njha.org/>. For additional information, contact Chuck Prissel at 715-485-8600 or [charles.prissel@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:charles.prissel@ces.uwex.edu).

The contest for participants will be held in the morning, an educational workshop in the afternoon concluding with contest results. The event begins with registration at 9:30 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m. Registration is \$10.00, which includes all materials, handouts, and lunch. Walk-ins are Welcome, but pre-registration is preferred for lunch and material count. Send no money now, but fill out the registration form below and mail to:

**State 4-H Plant Science Day, Polk County UW-Extension Office, 100 Polk Plaza, Suite 190, Balsam Lake, WI 54810.**

**Registration Deadline is June 24, 2016.**

## Marquette County Fair Entries

What are you going to be taking to the Marquette County Fair? The theme is, **"Summer Fun!"**

New this year, will be online entries through FairEntry.com. This is compatible with 4hOnline.

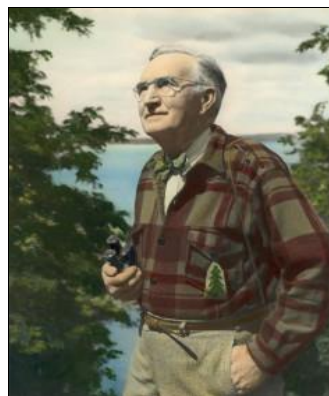
There will be a lot of questions so, feel free to contact our office at 608-297-3141.

Communication will be sent to each family as it is available.

## Upham Woods History Part 2: Ranger Mac

Upham Woods' interactive history series continues as we move closer to our 75th anniversary on September 18, 2016. Make sure to check out our [Website](#) and [Facebook](#) for more information. This installment focuses on Wakelin "Ranger Mac" McNeel, who helped establish Wisconsin's elementary conservation curriculum, along with being the first superintendent of Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center.

*"Statistics are dull. Kids prefer down-to-earth realism."* McNeel



Wakelin "Ranger Mac" McNeel



Ranger Mac Cabin

Ranger Mac grew up in Kilbourn, now Wisconsin Dells, where he spent much of his childhood enjoying the wonder's of the outdoors around him. His upbringing led him to become a renowned educator, teaching at Black River Falls High School in Tomah and teaching science to students in the education curriculum at Whitewater Normal School before being named superintendent of the Fort Atkinson School District in 1912.

The University of Wisconsin-Madison hired McNeel as a professor of agriculture and a forestry extension agent after working for Marathon county 4-h where he promoted youth nature activities. His love for the outdoors led him to help create conservation curriculum, that he broadcasted through his radio program '[Afield with Ranger Mac](#)' which won a National Peabody Award. His program reached close to 700,000 youth during the 30's, 40's and 50's. Listeners viewed him as a Wisconsin Environmental Hero, along with John Muir and Aldo Leopold.

McNeel's passion also led him to Upham Woods, where his influential role helped establish the camp, and he became the 1st superintendent from 1941 to 1956. For 15 years Ranger Mac helped the camp thrive, purchasing 8.7 acres of land from the Brew family, known today as Cabin Hill. In 1954, Columbia County Friends Of Wakelin McNeel presented Upham Woods with Ranger Mac Cabin, where you can still stay in today!

To listen to [Afield with Ranger Mac](#), or read his manuscripts, click the link.

## Green County Dairy Fitting & Showmanship Clinic May 7, 2016

Green County's Junior Holsteins and 4-H program would like to invite you to their co-sponsored Dairy Fitting & Showmanship Clinic. The clinic will be held on Saturday, May 7th, 10:30am-12:30pm at Jeffrey-Way Holsteins, N9385 County CC, Belleville. This clinic is to help new and experienced dairy project members get the basics of showing and fitting calves. Dairy animals will be available for youth to learn the skills of fitting and clipping, as well as to practice showmanship skills. Bring clippers and brushes, if you have them available.

Please pre-register for the fitting clinic by **Friday, April 29th** either at <http://goo.gl/forms/iFt9uHetq1> or by calling the Green County UW-Extension Office at 608-328-9440.

## Rabbit Education and Fun Show Day May 14, 2016

The Waushara County 4-H Rabbit Association is hosting a Youth Rabbit Education and Fun Show Day on Saturday, May 14 at the Waushara County Fairgrounds in Wautoma. Purebred, crossbred and pet Rabbit classes in addition to fun and showmanship classes will be judged. Educational events include breed and DQ identification, rabbit color and breed trivia, demos on DQ, tattoos, trimming nails and wool spinning and a rabbit hopping demo. Please click for [Waushara County 4-H Rabbit Association Education Fun Day Flyer](#) and [Waushara County 4-H Rabbit Show Entry Form](#).

## Area Animal Science Days Registration



The 2016 Area Animal Science Days will be coming to your area again this summer. Dairy, Livestock and Horses are the headliners with some small animal offerings at the different sites.

This year there will be no preliminary registration like in the past, but final registration with payment for meals and registration fees will be due to the host county by **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**. The fees can be paid in one check to the host county. Registration is \$10.00 per participant and meals are \$7.00 each – make sure to include all participants, coaches, parents, leaders, etc. that will be eating. See the registration packet for complete details at: [AASD-Registration-Packet-2016](#).

Dates and Locations are:

June 28 – Outagamie County – NE Area

June 30 – St Croix – NW Area

July 1 – Green County – Southern Area

## Green County 4-H Goat Fun Show May 14, 2016

The Green County 4-H Goat Project would like to invite you to their annual 4-H Goat Fun Show, Saturday, May 14th at the Green County Fairgrounds, Monroe. The show is open to all youth grades 3-13. You do not have to be in 4-H or enrolled in the 4-H Goat project! A copy of the show's class list and entry form are available at: <http://green.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-projects/goats/>. Contact Alicia Kubly at 608-306-3180 or [ar.gordee@gmail.com](mailto:ar.gordee@gmail.com) with any questions.

## Washington County Horse and Pony Project Twilight Show Series

The Washington County 4-H Horse and Pony Project is hosting their annual Twilight Show Series at Washington County Fair Park in West Bend this summer.

Saturday, June 11- Nicki Butler  
Saturday, July 16- Megan Sacia  
Saturday, August 13- Dan Grunewald



The show bill can be found here: <https://counties.uwex.edu/washington/files/2010/06/2016-Twilight-Show-Bill.pdf>.

## District Dairy Judging

Because of major scheduling conflicts with many 4-H dairy participants and the 3 dates that were set for Area Animal Science Days, a 4<sup>th</sup> event for DAIRY CATTLE JUDGING ONLY has been scheduled to be held on **June 21<sup>st</sup> in Portage, WI at the Columbia County Fairgrounds**. This event will not be hosted by Columbia County, but will be hosted by the UWEX Specialist, Beth Heinze, and the Department of Dairy Science at UW Madison.

This event will follow the same dairy judging contest rules as those that are used for Area Animal Science Days and will serve as a qualifying contest for the State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest. The rules can be found at: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/area-animal-science-days/>.

**\*\*Please note that this is not an official Area Animal Science Day as this event will only serve dairy cattle judging and no other species**

**\*\*It is important to remember that this extra contest is a one-time occurrence due to significant number of participants who were affected by the scheduled AASD dates. Although we strive to be inclusive, it is not possible to schedule events that will always work with every individual schedule.**

The registration form on the following link below must be filled out and returned to Beth Heinze by **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**.

<https://blogs.ces.uwex.edu/4hyouthline/files/2016/04/2016-Alternate-District-Dairy-Judging.docx>