

# 4-H Informant

PIERCE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



July/August 2009

Dear 4-H families and Friends,

*My*, oh my where has this summer gone? If any of you are like me you are shocked at how fast this summer is flying by. Camp, project workshops, and explorer fun days, have all taken place; different trips have sent our youth all around the country. This is definitely a busy time of year, with everybody's schedules becoming jam packed, it is easy to become overwhelmed. I'm sure 4-H adds many items to that schedule, but it can also, help you manage through this stressful time.

Try to keep in mind the four H's: Head, Heart, Hands, and Health.

**Head:** It can be difficult to remember everything that you need to do in a day. Stress can increase simply by remembering that there are things you need to remember. Do yourself a favor and utilize a form of organization for your task. This can be as simple as writing a list for the day. The more tech savvy individual may live their life by their smartphone's planner. Whatever your method is, it will take pressure off you to remember and give you some space to think.

**Heart:** It can be easy to fall into a rhythm of doing task from habit. This can be a great thing for brushing your teeth and flossing, but with 4-H projects it can make you question why you are doing the things you are. There was a passion or curiosity that sparked your interest in your projects. When you feel like you are just going through the motions with your projects, try to find that spark that inspired you in the beginning.

**Hands:** The proof of hard work can be found on the hands of 4-H youth and volunteers, whether it is blisters or ink stains. Fair is a time of year when completion is emphasized, but community is a year round focus of 4-H. Offering a *Hand* to others can strengthen your project skills and the community of 4-H as a whole.

**Health:** When time is crunched we often make some substitutions that have a negative effect on our health. We substitute dinner tables for drive thru windows and sleep for coffee. These time saving swaps may be convenient, but they do not measure up to the real thing. Do what you can to stay healthy this summer. If you take care of your body, it will take care of you!

With the right perspective on this summer you can avoid becoming overwhelmed and/or stressed out; focus your energy on having a motivated summer of fun and excitement!!!

Sincerely,

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## 4-H Family Calendar

### July

- 30 .22 Workshop at the River Falls Sportsman's Club, 6:30
- 30 Sportsmanship forms Due for Softball
- 31 4-H Dairy Judging Teams at State Contest, St. Croix Falls
- 31 4-H Ambassador Applications due

### August

- 1-4 Adventure 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Trip
- 1 Poultry Blood testing and Rabbit Tattooing 9-Noon, Fairgrounds
- 1 New Sheep, Goat, and Hog pen Set-up, 10:00 a.m., Drewiske Building-Fairgrounds
- 2 Fair Archery shoot practice, 2:00 p.m., Arena Barn, Fairgrounds
- 3 Open Class Fair Entry Tag Pickup 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Seyforth Bldg  
 Jr. Fair Entry Tag Pickup 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m Extension Office
- 4 Fair Superintendent meeting 6:30pm, Seyforth Building
- 4 Sheep Fitting and Showing Workshop, 7 p.m., Fairgrounds
- 6-16 Wisconsin State Fair
- 6 County Fair Cat Show Set-up, Fairgrounds
- 7 County Fair 4-H Cat Show, Check-in, 1-1:45 p.m., Show starts at 2 p.m., Fairgrounds
- 8 Entries due for Western District Gymkhana
- 8 .22, Shotgun, Muzzleloader Fair Shoot, River Falls Sportsman's Club, Register 1p.m., Contest begins 2p.m.
- 9 Mandatory Horse Barn Meeting, 6 p.m., Fairgrounds; Horse Barn Clean-up begins at 3 p.m.
- 9 2009 State 4-H Dog Agility Show, Kewaunee County Fairgrounds
- 9 Ambassador Meeting, 4-H Foodstand, 7:00 p.m.
- 10 Electricity, Robotics, and Computer Revue, 9:30 a.m. Lower Level Lunchroom PCOB
- 10 Explorer Judging 12 noon to 6 p.m. (See Schedule in Fair Tidbits Section)
- 11 Llama Fairgrounds practice
- 12 Llama Bath Day at Patterson's Farm, Help at Fairgrounds
- 13 County Fair Llama Show, 9:00 a.m., Fairgrounds

- 14 Entries due for 4-H Champ Show in LaCrosse
- 16 Llamas 12:00 noon Parade - tear down/load 4 p.m.
- 19 Carcass Show, Spring Valley High, 7:30 p.m.
- 22 Western District Gymkhana, Fairgrounds NOTE DATE CHANGE FROM JUNE INFORMANT
- 28-30 2009 State Dog Show hosted by Jefferson County
- 29 Invitational 4-H Champ Pleasure Show @ La Crosse County Fairgrounds
- 30 Maiden Rock District Awards Day Planning Meeting, 6 p.m., PCOB-Conference Room C

### September

- 8 4-H Horse Committee, 7 p.m., Seyforth Building-Fairgrounds
- 9 4-H/FFA Livestock Committee, 7:30 p.m., Seyforth Building-Fairgrounds
- 12 The Wisconsin Make It Wool Contest
- 12-13 State 4-H Horse Gymkhana
- 17-20 State 4-H Horse Expo
- 18 Outstanding Member Award Nominations and Record Books DUE
- 27-30 National 4-H Dairy Conference

### October

- 1-4 The North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Form (NCRVF) in Lincoln, NE
- 4-10 NATIONAL 4-H WEEK
- 6 4-H Adult Advisors Council Reorganizational Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Seyforth Bldg.
- 7 4-H National Youth Science Day - "Biofuels Blast"
- 23 ME forms due for 2010 4-H Awards Trips

## 4-H Club News

**Merri-Heirs:** In June they discussed the cancer walk on July 10<sup>th</sup>, as well as the County Dairy Breakfast on June 27<sup>th</sup>. They decided to donate a door prize to the golf tournament. The group heard three demonstrations and a letter was read from the Care Center.

**Olivet Otters:** The club acknowledged Willie for receiving the Adult Advisors Scholarship. They all discussed the softball season, the upcoming food and plant science workshops.

**Maiden Rock Rockets:** The club talked about the Nature Walk that was held at Good Apple and went to Maiden Rock Point. The Memorial Day service was discussed. They talked about the flowers that were planted in front of the Maiden Rock Post office and their planter for the fair. The club also established their plans for Maiden Rock Summer Fest.

**Valley Eagles:** Reports were given on pet therapy and archery camp. The club did some work on a troop box activity and did the sign-up for the food stand.

### 4-H Llama News

All up coming meetings will be at the Seyforth Building

Llama Calendar of Events:

- Aug. 11 Fairgrounds Practice
- Aug. 12 Bath Day at Patterson's Farm, Help at Fairgrounds
- Aug. 13 9:00 Llama Show
- Aug. 16 12:00 noon Parade and help tear down llama stalls and load trailers 4:00 p.m.



Questions??? Contact Brian and Patty Patterson at [tvffarm@dishup.us](mailto:tvffarm@dishup.us)

### Livestock and Dairy News

Livestock Committee

The next 4-H/ FFA Livestock Committee Meeting is planned for Wednesday, September 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Seyforth Building.

#### Dairy and Livestock Bio-security

The following are some guidelines for you to

follow provided by our WI State Veterinarian.  
-It's not possible to restrict public access to animals. Remember that showing animals at fairs has always increased risks for disease transmission.

-Follow animal health regulations! Don't bring sick/injured animals to the fair. They'll be under additional stress there and probably won't get better at the fair.

-When animals return to the farm after the fair, isolate them from other animals, 10 days minimum-30 is better.

-Change clothes when returning home from show to do chores.

-Clean, fresh water is available for all animals.

-Manure and waste is properly disposed of.

-Each animal is housed with adequate space.

-Approved treatment withdrawals are followed.

-Safe, clean transportation is provided.

-Adequate, clean bedding is provided for each animal.

-Animal show preparation includes no practices which cause undue stress.

-Adequate animal washing, preparation, and showing areas are provided.

-Feed is provided for optimal animal function and productivity.

-A veterinarian is on call and makes periodic checks of all animals.

-Adequate ventilation and protection from severe weather is provided for all animals.

As exhibitors, parents, and project leaders, we should know and practice responsible behavior providing for our animals' well being.

### Congratulations Jr. and Sr. Dairy Judging Teams!

Pierce County Dairy Judging Teams represented very well at this year's Area Animal Science Days which was held July 1, 2009 in Ladysmith, WI. The teams have been practicing since the last week in April of

2009 to lend these results: Leadpersons in the showmanship contest: Lukas Weighart-Red, Becky Fesenmaier-Blue, Jessica Miller-Purple, and Amanda Miller-Purple. Jr. Team Members: Cole Mark, Emily Hofacker, Trent Miller, Amelia Kjos, Rachel Coyne, Alex Brand, Paige Nelson, and Kevin Fesenmaier. Oral reasons Girls Team-Blue and Boys Team-Purple. Cole Mark was 2<sup>nd</sup> high individual and Trent Miller 8<sup>th</sup> high individual. The Junior team placed second overall and will compete at the State Contest at St. Croix Falls on July 31. The Junior Coach is Peter Coyne.

Senior team members: Jayne Esch, Matt Linehan, Willie Coyne, and Brian Fesenmaier. Hayden Hauschildt judged as an individual. Senior team results: Jayne Esch Jerseys 2<sup>nd</sup>, Hayden Hauschildt - Jerseys 1<sup>st</sup>, Senior team Ayrshires 5<sup>th</sup>, Matt Linehan 3<sup>rd</sup> Holsteins, Hayden Hauschildt 2<sup>nd</sup>, Sr. team 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jayne Esch 4<sup>th</sup> Guernseys, Sr. team 2<sup>nd</sup> Guernseys, in oral reasoning Hayden Hauschildt 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jayne Esch 1<sup>st</sup>, Sr. team 3<sup>rd</sup>. Overall-Matt Linehan 10<sup>th</sup> high individual, Jayne Esch 3<sup>rd</sup> high individual, Hayden Hauschildt 2<sup>nd</sup> individual. The Sr. team placed third overall and will also compete at the State contest on July 31. The seniors are coached by Bob Traynor and Tom Knegeendorf.

## Sheep

### Youth Sweepstakes offered at Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival

Youth Sweepstakes is an exciting opportunity for youth who participate during the September 11-13<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds.

Any youth who enters any of the events listed is automatically entered in and eligible for Sweepstakes awards. Be sure to pay close

attention to all rules, regulations and participation schedules within each event.

Events included are: Educational - Jr. Showmanship, Skillathon, Judging Contest, Poster Contest and Lead Line. Exhibits - Jr. Breeding Sheep and Jr. Market Lambs.

Age Divisions are (Age is as of January 1, 2009): Beginners 8-10, Junior 11-13, Intermediate 14-16 and Senior 17-19.

Individuals are encouraged to compete in any and all of the events. Points will be awarded based on participation and placing within each event. Overall sweepstakes points will be determined by a combination of total points from an individual's four highest scores; with no more than two of those scores from exhibiting breeding animals or market lambs.

Cash premiums sponsored by Farm Service Agency will be awarded to the Overall Sweepstakes Winner in each age category. 1<sup>st</sup> place - \$75, 2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$50, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place - \$25. An embroidered award will also be presented by Profiles Embroidery to the highest placing individual in each age division. Thank you to Sue and Jim Rupnow for their generous support of this event.

The purpose of Youth Sweepstakes is to encourage youth attending the Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival to take part in educational and exhibition events to broaden their knowledge of sheep production above and beyond the show ring.

The goal of the Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival Youth Program is to offer educational experiences that are high quality and will give youth exposure to and prepare them for future contests. We encourage 4-H, FFA and other youth groups preparing for district, regional or national contests to attend and participate in

any of these events.

Additional resource material on judging wool, identifying meat cuts and contest information can be found at:

[www.wisconsinssheepandwoolfestival.com](http://www.wisconsinssheepandwoolfestival.com) as well as the Youth Livestock Website: [www.uwex.edu/ces/animalscience/youthlivestock/index.cfm](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/animalscience/youthlivestock/index.cfm)

Please contact Todd Taylor at [taylorssheep@yahoo.com](mailto:taylorssheep@yahoo.com).

### Sheep Fitting Workshop

The following summer workshop has been scheduled at the Fairgrounds:  
Sheep fitting and showing: August 4, 7:00 p.m.

## 4-H Horse News

### Horse Committee

The next 4-H Horse Committee Meeting is planned for Tuesday, September 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Seyforth Building. Hope you can make it!



### Invitational Champ Pleasure Show

**Attention** all Horse Project members, Grades 3-13. La Crosse County 4-H Horse Project is hosting a **4-H Champ Show**. On **Saturday, August 29, 2009** at the La Crosse County Fairgrounds, West Salem, 4-H members from across the state who have received a 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> at their County fairs in qualifying classes, are invited to participate. La Crosse County Fairgrounds has exceptional facilities – including indoor show arena, new horse barn with new stalls, on-site camping, food, easy

access from I-90, hotel accommodations and full service campgrounds within one mile of the grounds. Registration materials and class list will be available at the Fair, due date is August 14th.

The purpose of the Show is to provide another opportunity for members to make new friends, enhance your skills and compete with your peers in a positive, friendly, learning environment. We have a great judge and fantastic awards. A professional horse photographer and tack store will be on hand. Questions? Contact Amy Sacia, Show Chair, by leaving a message at 608-769-4381.

### Some Horse Project Reminders Before Fair Begins!

The Equine Fair Request forms were due July 1. The purpose of this form is to declare which horse you have decided to bring to the Fair. It also lets us know whether you plan to stall your horse or bring him on an in/out basis. This is the documentation we use to exempt you from future safety clinics. Please send your form to the Extension Office ASAP. If we do not have a form, we will assume that your horse will not be attending the Fair. Also, if you still have not paid your membership fee or sent in the Coggins papers that were due with your Declaration form in May, please do so immediately.

Remember! EVERY member is expected to work their share of the Fair. The success of the Fair depends on your volunteer time and effort.

We will be going over any changes in rules and schedules at the Mandatory Barn Meeting on August 9 at 6 p.m. If you do not attend, do not complain.

Pierce County is hosting the District Gymkhana show on Aug. 22. We will have a volunteer schedule in the announcers stand for this event as well. There is a potential to have participants from 14 different counties. This is an opportunity to help raise money for our project. So we need as many volunteers as possible to make this show a success!

Finally, if you have not had enough riding time yet, in addition to the District Gymkhana show, there will be an invitational pleasure show in LaCrosse on Aug. 29, State Gymkhana on Sept. 12-13, and State Expo on Sept. 17-20. If you plan to attend any of the district or state shows, please start to get your entry forms ready. They can be found in your handbook update. The La Crosse Champ show info can be found in the last (yellow) Informant and there will be few copies of show forms at the Fair. Watch those deadlines!

If you have any questions about the above mentioned items, please call your favorite Horse Committee member!

### **Notes from Fair Horse Superintendents**

Bill and Lisa Paquet are again the County Fair Horse Superintendents, and they would just like to take a minute to remind everyone that the Fair is fast approaching. Those of you who have been involved in the Horse project for a few years know how much we depend on volunteers to help make these four days a success. For those who are new to the project, please be patient - the first year(s) can be confusing as there is a lot to remember and learn, but it will get easier! I sincerely hope that you have learned new skills this summer by being involved in our Summer Riding Program and Gymkhana program.

The volunteer sign-up sheet is located in the entry stand at the Fairgrounds by the horse arena. Please be generous with your time - it is appreciated! All jobs can be done by all people - they are not hard, but require a commitment of your time. Jobs will be

assigned to parents/members if the slots aren't filled.

The 4-H members will again be assigned "poop patrol" (a tentative schedule is in this newsletter) - we will have the final schedule along with all other Fair information and SRP results at the Mandatory Barn Meeting, scheduled for August 9th at 6:00 p.m., at the 4-H pavilion by the Horse Barn. All who are showing at the Fair must attend! The Horse Barn will be open starting at 3:00 p.m. for cleaning and decorating of stalls. When decorating your stalls, please consider the weather for the week, and don't cover the entire stall so that air flow isn't restricted to your horse.

There are a limited number of Gymkhana practices left, July 30th and 31st, August 6th and 7th. **YOU MUST HAVE ATTENDED FIVE GYMKHANA PRACTICES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GYMKHANA EVENTS AT THE FAIR!!!!** We will not make any exceptions - the practices started in May, so there have been plenty of opportunities to meet the obligation. As well, make sure you use the sign-up sheet in the entry booth to verify that you have attended.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lisa at 715-821-0021 or any Horse Committee member, numbers can be found in your Handbook updates or the Fairbook.. I am looking forward to seeing you all at the Fair!

### **Western District 4-H Gymkhana Show**

Attention all Horse Project members, Grades 3-13. The Western District 4-H Horse Gymkhana Show is planned for August 22 at the Pierce County Fairgrounds in Ellsworth. 4-H members from across the Western District are invited to participate. Registration materials can be found in your Horse Project Handbook update, if you did not receive the update please contact a Horse Committee member - they are kept in the entry stand at the fairgrounds. The purpose of the Gymkhana Show is to provide another opportunity for members to make new friends, enhance your skills and compete with your peers in a positive, friendly, learning environment. Questions?

Contact Kelly Neidermyer, Show Chair, by leaving a message at 715-781-1110 or by e-mail at [pullingfools@yahoo.com](mailto:pullingfools@yahoo.com).

## 4-H Dog News

----2009 State 4-H Dog Agility Show - Information and registration materials for the 2009 State 4-H Dog Agility Show are now on the State 4-H website at <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/DogProjectEvents.cfm>. The Show will be at the Kewaunee County Fairgrounds in Luxemburg, August 9, 2009.

----2009 State 4-H Dog Show - will be hosted by Jefferson County - August 28-30, 2009

### Dog Wash

Martell Rushers will be holding a Dog Wash fundraiser at Flat Penny August 1. Suggested Donation is \$5 for a small dog, \$10 for a large.



## Cat News

### 2009 County Fair Show Info

The 2009 Pierce County Fair Cat Show is Friday, August 7 at 2 p.m. in the Round Barn. Check-in is from 1-1:45 p.m. Don't miss it!

#### Reminders:

Help is needed in setting up for the show at the Round Barn on August 6<sup>th</sup>, Thursday. Please call Meili Engebretson at 612-308-3933 or Sarah Hoffman 715-425-8581 if you can help.

*The Fair Theme this year is "Welcome to the Jungle".*

August 7<sup>th</sup>, Check-in 1:00 - 1:45 p.m. - register and vet check if necessary (have all required papers and

all shots current). Don't forget to have your harness on your cat prior to arriving at the Fairgrounds.

## 4-H Poultry & Rabbits

### Poultry Blood Testing and Rabbit Tattooing Date

When: Wednesday, Aug. 1, 9 a.m.-Noon  
Where: Pierce County Fairgrounds

### Rabbit Show Time Change NEW SHOW INFORMATION FOR 2009

Entry for all rabbits / Cavies Tuesday evening, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Entry for Any other Small Animal Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.

SHOWING-*New time below*-August 12, 2009  
\*\*10:00 a.m.\*\* - Show Order

- Any other Small Animal Classes ( 5 entries)
- To be followed by Cavies ( 9 entries)
- Followed by Little Hopper (13 entries)
- Rabbits breed classes ( 67 entries)
- Rabbit and Cavy Showmanship
- Open class (25 entries)

If you have questions please call Superintendent, Andrea Nthole 426-0775

## 4-H Forms on the Web!

### 4-H Forms

Did you know that more 4-H forms, such as M.E. forms, Record Book Forms, Club Financial Records, etc., are all available right on your computer? Just follow the link: <http://pierce.uwex.edu/4h/> Select the category and print out what you need! These forms are still available from the Extension Office for your convenience.

## Meeting Room Note:

*Committee members you are responsible for booking your own meeting rooms. Room reservations for all meetings must be phoned in by the various committees to the Pierce County Switchboard Operator, Cyndi Kern. She schedules all meeting rooms for all county activities. She may be reached at 715-273-3531. Additionally, when you reserve the Seyforth Bldng you must now get an access code from Wanda Kinneman who may be reached at the same phone number. No meeting rooms are available in the PCOB in the evenings (after 4 p.m.) from July 13-November 15 due to heating and air conditioning work. Thank you.*

## Ambassadors

### County Meeting Scheduled

*Hello, Pierce County 4-H Ambassadors!*

The next meeting date is Sunday, Aug. 9, at 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Foodstand. We will be signing up for parades so bring your calendars.

2009-2010 Ambassador applications are due July 31<sup>st</sup>, to the PCOB, for anyone entering grades 7-12 this next school year. The Ambassadors organization is looking for fun, hard-working, enthusiastic 4-H members to promote the 4-H program.

**Looking for the Ambassador Application form online?**

<http://pierce.uwex.edu/4h/>

The document is called Ambassador Application for 2009-2010. It was also put out to Older Members on the Chris Clover Pierce Facebook page.

## **2009 Parade Schedule:**

Ellsworth Fire Department Parade August 16<sup>th</sup>

El Paso August 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Prescott September 13<sup>th</sup>  
Spring Valley September 20<sup>th</sup>



## Older Members

### Fair Fundraiser

Older Members, the Fair will be here before you know it. Now is a great time to secure donations for the Older Members Silent Auction. We still items for the Older Members Silent Auction which will take place during the Pierce County Fair August 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>. Donations are due to the Extension Office by Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. Try to get donations of \$50 or more. Some ideas include: golf course passes, locker plant processing, bank savings bonds, sporting event tickets, hotel/resort packages, etc. To encourage older members to seek donations, the Pierce County Older Members will be offering an incentive to the 4-H member who collects the 1 SINGLE ITEM THAT BRINGS IN THE MOST INCOME AT THE AUCTION. THIS MEMBER WILL RECEIVE ONE FREE OLDER MEMBERS TRIP DURING THE 2010 4-H YEAR!!!

### 2010-H Award Trips

Are you interested in going on any of the trips that the Pierce County 4-H program has to offer? This is your chance! ME (Member Evaluation) completers have a chance at trips listed below. 4-H Adult Advisors pay 50% of the cost for trip winners. The ME form will help you to organize your 4-H story and accomplishments and help you learn more about yourself. Get involved in the 4-H Award Trips program! Forms are due October 23<sup>rd</sup>. ME forms can be picked up at the Extension Office and are also available at our web-site

<http://pierce.uwex.edu/4h>. The following trips are available:

#### Citizenship Washington Focus

Participate in seminars on citizenship, leadership, government, and civic responsibility. Tour historic sites and meet with Senators and Congressmen.

**Where:** Washington, D.C.

**When:** June / July

**Eligibility:** 16 years old as of Jan. 1, 2009 priority given to 4-Hers in the 11th grade. Member must have completed at least four years of 4-H and must currently be enrolled in 4-H.

**Quota:** Six youth

**Delegate cost:** Approximately \$380 for registration and transportation.

#### State 4-H Conference

4-H members from around the state learn about the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus and take part in seminars to learn more about themselves, future careers, and government.

**Where:** UW-Madison

**When:** June

**Eligibility:** Ages 14-17 as of Jan. 1, 2009

**Quota:** 14 youth (2 adult chaperons required)

**Your cost:** About \$100 for registration and transportation

#### Key Award

This is the highest award for leadership given in 4-H. It is special recognition awarded to 4-Hers who have demonstrated consistent growth in their 4-H program, developed leadership ability and been helpful to members in their club and community.

**Eligibility:** For 4-H members who have passed their 14th birthday on January 1, 2009 and completed 3 years of 4-H

and at least one year of youth leadership.

**Quota:** Determined by enrollment of 4-Hers who are 14 and older.

**Sponsor:** Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation

#### 4-H Service Learning Trip

This trip will be an experience, with 4-Hers traveling to another state or province and learning about a new culture through travel and service. Members must have completed three years of club work and be at least 14 years of age as of January 1, 2009

#### In-State Trip

Planned each year by the trip winners themselves. Past destinations have included the Apostle Islands, Door County, Devils Lake, Wisconsin Dells, Milwaukee and Porcupine Mountains.

## Clothing

### Congratulations to our Clothing Revue Participants!

Congratulations to Larissa LaFavor, Valley Eagles and Mariah Stewart, Helping Hands. Mariah was named Champion and received the Junior Fashion Award; Larissa was Reserve Champion and received an Award of Excellence.

### Make It With Wool Contest

The Wisconsin Make It With Wool Contest will be held on Saturday, September 12 as part of the Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds. The contest is open to youth and adults who enjoy sewing, knitting or crocheting, felting or quilting with wool fabric, yarn or fibers. To get the information on the Make It With Wool Contest, visit [www.wisconsinssheepandwoolfestival.com](http://www.wisconsinssheepandwoolfestival.com) and click on *Competitions* for all the details.

You can also contact MI WW State Director Carol Battenberg for Make It With Wool brochures and entry forms at [batten2@tds.net](mailto:batten2@tds.net) or 920-699-2233.

Wisconsin 4-Hers have been very successful in the Make It With Wool Contests on the state and national levels. Make your plans now to join the fun in September!

## Leadership

### Adult Advisor's Meeting

The next 4-H Adult Advisors Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Seyforth Building. Replacement members are needed for each of our 5 districts! Please consider serving.

### 2009 North Central Region Volunteer Forum Update

The North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Forum will be here before you know it. Mark your calendars for Oct 1-4, 2009. The forum will be at the Downtown Holiday Inn in Lincoln, NE. The steering committee is hard at work. Details are falling into place and will be shared soon. As you answer questions and promote this to volunteers, I have included some points that might be helpful:

- Theme is "Giving Them Our Best"
- Schedule - Optional tours on Oct 1, Oct 2 workshops, speakers, and evening event, Oct 3 workshops, speakers, banquet, and evening learning activities, Oct 4 grab and go breakfast and on your way home.
- Registration Fee will be \$200 for full forum or \$110 per day
- Early bird registration will be open from June 1 to August 15. Late registration will be open until Sept 15 with an additional \$50 fee.

- The workshop schedule is currently available at <http://4h.unl.edu/volunteers/forum.htm>
- The overall draft schedule should be available on the website by May 15.
- Registration information will be at the same website on or before June 1. Registrations will be submitted online, with checks to be mailed in.
- The Downtown Holiday Inn in Lincoln, NE is the site of the forum. Room prices are \$92 per night for 1-4 people. The hotel registration code will be included in the registration information. The room block will be held until Sept 1.
- The hotel is located in the Historic Haymarket District. There are many restaurants, shops, and galleries to explore, especially Thurs afternoon and evening. The hotel is also located 3 blocks from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln campus.
- Parking for the conference is available in the attached indoor garage. No additional parking fee will be charged.

There will be scholarships available for Wisconsin Delegates.

Mari Omann, VIC/Forum Coordinator

Sue Pleskac, Volunteer Leadership Specialist.

## Softball

Sportsmanship forms are due on July 30.

**Congratulations 2009 Champion Teams!!!**

Junior Division: Helpful Workers/ Falcon Falls

Senior Division: Town and Country

## Food Stand

### ICE BAGGING FUNDRAISER BIG SUCCESS

The 4-H Foodstand Committee wishes to extend a thank you to each of you who made this a success. Due to each of your helping hands, a check for \$500 was received to benefit each of you for awards, scholarships, and trips. Great work team!

## Fair News

### Tid-Bits From the Fair Office

#### Entry Tag Info

#### Open Class Entry

Tags can be picked up starting Aug.3: Between 8:30-4:30 p.m. at the Seyforth Bldg.



Jr. Fair Entry Tags can be picked up starting Aug.3: Between 8:30-4:30p.m. at the Extension Office

Each exhibit gets an entry tag, which is used to identify the item (animal, vegetable, or mineral) from the other 10,000 items that are entered in the Pierce County Fair annually. Exhibitors need to pick up their entry tags and display them on their exhibit. In the case of animals, they may be put on a cage or pen BUT MUST be shown to the superintendent or ring steward upon request. Start with picking up your entry tags. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT! IF TAGS ARE NOT PICKED UP, YOU ARE NOT ENTERED AND CAN NOT SHOW AT THE FAIR. Tags may be picked up for Open Class entries at the Seyforth Bldng starting on Aug. 3, between 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m..

Jr. Fair entry Tags may be picked up at the Extension Office starting Aug. 3, between 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

On Saturday August 8<sup>th</sup> tags will moved to and made available at the Seyforth Building on the Fairgrounds during the following hours:

- Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> , 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> , 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> , 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> , 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> , 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
- Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> 8:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
- All entry tags must be picked up by 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. Only items correctly entered may be exhibited.

(NO SUBSTITUTIONS ALLOWED).

Checking in your exhibit - refer to the front of your Fairbook (pgs. 2-4) for specific details on checking in your tagged exhibits.

Superintendents and helpers are only available at certain times for check-in. Do not be late for these times.

Your Junior Fair season pass will be in your entry tag envelope. Do NOT lose it!

#### Exploring and Cloverbuds Judging Schedule

Every year one little Explorer comes to the Junior Fair Office on Wednesday or Thursday wondering where their Exploring project goes. Someone in the Office has to tell them that **judging** for **Exploring** was done on **Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>**.

Please note the schedule below for Exploring judging. All judging is on Monday in the H.G. Seyforth Bldg. and is conference judged. The exhibitor must be present for judging.

#### (Suggested Judging Times)

12:00 noon	Helping Hands, Busy Fingers, Optimistiks
12:30 p.m.	Valley Eagles, Cady Creek Crickets
1:00 p.m.	Royal Rushers, St. Croix Stars
1:30 p.m.	Falcon Falls, Fancy Doers, Cloverleaf
2:00 p.m.	Merri-Heirs, Helpful

2:30 p.m.	Workers, Martell Rushers, Isabelle Creek Country Partners, Green Clovers, Rock Elm Skyrockets
3:00 p.m.	Olivet Otters, River Ramblers, Veritas Seekers
3:30 p.m.	Mann Valley
4:00 p.m.	Town and Country
5-6 p.m.	Anyone not able to make his or her scheduled time

### **Cloverbud Judging**

Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 12-6 p.m.

Members need not be present. All Cloverbuds exhibits will be given participation ribbons and can receive either face-to-face comments from the Exploring judge or written comments.

### **Removal of Exhibits**

REMINDER – FAIR EXHIBITS MAY NOT BE REMOVED BEFORE 4:30 P.M. ON THE LAST DAY OF THE FAIR OR PREMIUMS WILL BE FORFEITED.

### **Presentations Exhibitors Check-in and Judging**

If you are in Presentations (31J Classes E, and F; Speaking & Communications; or Creative Writing) please drop them off at the Seyforth Building (Jr. Fair Office) Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> anytime between 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. OR 8:30 a.m. 11 a.m. on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. The judge will be taking time this year to do advance reading. You may come for conference judging anytime between 1-7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> in the Seyforth Building.

### **Barn Permits**

For those Junior Fair Exhibitors who have animals and are Grade 6 or older, overnight permits may be obtained for the Fair Office **by 8:00 p.m.** each evening. The exhibitors may stay only in the barn where their animal is housed. Separate permits are needed for each night, but can be issued all at the same time. The junior Fair exhibitor's parents or legal guardian must sign regardless of the exhibitor's age. Any unruly conduct such as use of cigarettes, cigars, pipes, illegal drugs, alcohol, abusive language, violent tempers, or intimate physical relations is not allowed. Youth have a

midnight curfew. Disciplinary action for failure to comply with the permit procedure, conduct rule or curfew will result in immediate removal from the Fairgrounds, revoking of further overnight privileges and loss of animal premiums.

### **Feed Drop Off Limited Parking**

Please be considerate of the Fair's limited parking space when loading or unloading feed near the barns. Do not take more than 20 minutes if possible before moving your vehicle to a designated parking spot. This will help with overall traffic flow and allow everyone to enjoy the Fair.

### **Ethics Reminders**

Ethics- What is it?

- Knowing what is right from wrong.
- Moral philosophy and principles that identify actions as acceptable or unacceptable as generally observed by society.

One way to help us decide is the black and white ethical compass- it has key questions that you should ask yourself when making a decision.

The questions are: *Does this practice break Food and Drug Administration (FDA) law?*

*Does the practice harm the animal? Does it falsely represent the animal? Would you need to lie to the judge to cover it up? Would consumers be upset if they knew about the practice? Does the practice make the animal or by products unmarketable? Does the action represent the person you want to be?* **Remember that what you do both in the ring and outside of the ring represents both you and the Livestock industry. People notice your actions and judge the whole industry by them!**

### **Junior & Open Dairy Show Ring Policy**

The following practices are unacceptable in the showing of dairy cattle.

1. criticizing or interfering with the judge, show management or other exhibitors, or other conduct detrimental to the breed or show;
2. Misrepresenting the age or ownership of an animal or the number of calvings and stage of lactation;
3. filling an animal's rumen unnaturally with liquid (tubing);

4. balancing the udder by any means other than by leaving naturally produced milk in any or all quarters;
5. treating the udder internally with an irritant, counter-irritant, or any other substance to temporarily improve conformation;
6. overfilling or over bagging of udders;
7. treating the udder externally with an irritant counterirritant, or any other substance to temporarily improve conformation (allowable practices/substances include sealing and setting teats, but not shrinking/shortening of teats);
8. roping udders and the use of objects to physically improve definition of the suspensory center ligaments;
9. administering epidural anesthesia (blocking tails) and/ or applying any irritant either externally or internally to the perineal (rectum and vagina) area;
10. inserting foreign material/articles under the skin, into the top line or on the feet (administration of acceptable medications is permitted.);
11. performing surgery of any kind to change the natural contour of appearance of the animal's body, hide or hair. Not included is the removal of warts, teats and horns, clipping and dressing of hair and trimming of hooves;
12. draining fluid from hocks unless authorized by a veterinarian at the show;
13. excessive manipulation of hair and/ or the use of any hair not naturally attached to the animal or the use of any substance or material which is intended to resemble or imitate hair.
14. mistreatment of animals;
15. any un-sportsmanship like conduct during the event.

#### **Attention Livestock Exhibitors- Policy for Feeding and Watering**

Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and watering their beef/sheep/swine **throughout** the entire fair. All animals are to be fed by 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily. The Livestock Committee has adopted a new policy known as the 3-strike rule.

This rule (condition of animals is periodically checked and strikes will be issued each time improper care of your animal is observed) regarding feeding/watering will be enforced. After the third strike your premium for this project will be forfeited and you will not be able to show this animal species at the Fair next year. If you have questions about this rule, please contact the superintendent of your species area. Best of luck to all of you at the 2009 Pierce County Fair!

#### **Sheep Early Check-in Option**

There will be an early check-in option for exhibitors in Sheep only from 6:00-9:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, August 13th**. Superintendent John Bazille will be available if you wish to bring your animals early. Feeding and watering of these early check-in animals will be expected and plan to leave your sheep overnight.

#### **.22 Rifle, Shotgun, Muzzleloader Fair Shoot**

It will be held at River Falls Sportsman's Club Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. All must register by 2:00 p.m. Please remember to bring eye and ear protection for all activities. Shotgun contestants must bring their own gun and shells. Muzzleloader contestants must bring their own muzzleloaders and possible bags with powder and shot. If you have any questions, please contact Scott or Peggy Jensen at (715) 425-6782.

#### **Intrastate Health Certificate For Swine**

Remember that all swine must have an Intrastate Health Certificate in order to unload at the fairgrounds. Check with your veterinarian right away to get that taken care of before Fair.

#### **MAQA Certificates**

Livestock exhibitors do not forget your valid Meat Animal Quality Assurance certificates. You will not be able to make the Auction without proof of this required State training.

#### **Auction Animals Must Be Ready On Friday Afternoon**

All 2009 County Fair Auction participants **MUST** have their animals fit and ready to go by 5:30 p.m. on Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Buyers will be arriving shortly before that time and the Committee has

some new instructions for Auction participants to follow regarding entering and exiting the sales ring. Please be by your animal, ready to talk with buyers no later than 5:30 p.m.

### **Carcass Show**

This year the carcass show will be held August 19<sup>th</sup> at the Spring Valley High School, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone will receive their ribbons and oral reasons will be given by the judge. Anyone having a carcass animal needs to attend that evening in order to receive his or her premium.

### **Animal Bedding**

Animal Exhibitors are required to bring your own bedding.

### **Animal Care At The Fair**

- Safe, clean transportation is provided (make sure that all trailers are kept clean and extremely safe.)
- Animals are WELL TRAINED and (if applicable) HALTER BROKEN.
- Clean, fresh water is available for all animals.
- Manure and waste is promptly disposed of.
- Each animal is housed with adequate space.
- Feed is provided for all of the animals.
- Adequate animal washing, preparation and showing techniques are followed throughout the show day. (Make sure blocking and grooming chutes are safe and clean and will not cause injury to the animals.)
- Animal show preparation includes no practices that cause undue stress (absolutely no prodding, kicking, whipping, hitting).
- A veterinarian is on call and makes periodic checks of all animals.
- Adequate ventilation and protection from severe weather is provided for all animals.

### **Booth and Barn Decorations**

Booth decorations can be put up on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 6 p.m. and Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. Barn decorations can be put up on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 6 p.m. and Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Decorations can be taken down **after** 4:30 p.m. on Sunday.

### **Sunday Barn Clean-Up**

The Fair Grounds staff has requested that all animal exhibitors make a special effort to CLEAN UP all stalls, pens and cages before leaving the grounds. All excess manure must be cleaned up or your 4-H club may be charged for cleaning fees.

### **Prepare for Hot Weather at the Fair**



Fans may be a hot commodity during the Fair! If you are working in the Seyforth, Home Ec., or Round Barn, you may wish to bring a fan along to help keep you cool.

### **Attention Grand Champions**

Have your photo taken for the Shopper's Grand Champion edition – a special tribute to this year's Fair winners. All photos taken will be printed in the Grand Champion Edition of the Shopper after the Fair. Helmer Printing and the Shopper and Free Press issue this special edition. Grand Champions only should meet for a photo at the following places with ribbons, trophies, etc. If you have an animal, it can be arranged to meet at the barns if you first go to the sites and talk with the photographer. Do not bring your live animal to the Seyforth Building!! Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. in front of the Seyforth Building and on Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 p.m. at the west end of the arena barn.

### **Conference Judging at a Glance (Exhibitor must be present)**

This is a two-way conversation between the member and the judge. The judge will ask questions about your project, what you've learned, what was the most challenging part, etc? Also, you may ask the judge questions that you may have. The object is for you to learn from your exhibit. Together, you'll discuss your work; don't be afraid of the judge. They are there to help you learn and grow. As you work on your project activities and prepare exhibits for the fair, remember to prepare yourself, too. Conference judging includes an evaluation of both your actual exhibit, and your learning and knowledge of the exhibit. You should prepare for both parts of the evaluation. Think about what you learned in

preparing your exhibit, decisions you made, why you made them, and the quality of your finished exhibit. Knowing and doing the following should help you out:

1. Prepare your exhibit carefully and neatly.
2. Know why you chose this item as your exhibit and how it fits your project.
3. Know how you prepared your exhibit.
4. Know how much the exhibit cost in time, materials and effort.
5. Be able to explain what decisions you made, and why, in preparing the exhibit.
6. Study some background information about the exhibit topic.
7. Be able to explain some of the problems you had making this exhibit and what you might do differently if you did it again.
8. Decide if the results were worth the costs and what you learned.
9. Know what other kinds of exhibits/projects you might be interested in doing in the project area.
10. Don't chew gum during the conference.
11. Look at the judge
12. Be confident.
13. Relax!

**Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 12-6 p.m.**

Exploring.....Seyforth Bldg.  
Cloverbuds.....Seyforth Bldg.

**Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 5 p.m.**

Musical Performances Class P.....Entertainment Tent

**Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 5 p.m.**

Other music entries must check-in no later than 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 1-7 p.m.**

Flower House Plants	Lower Round Barn
Woodworking	Lower Round Barn
Food (Class A-D)	Seyforth Building
Presentations (Class E-F)	Seyforth Building
Knitting, Crochet, Home Furnishings	Home Ec. Building
Health/Political Sci	Home Ec. Building
Youth Leadership	Home Ec. Building
Cultural Arts – Classes: D-G, K-M, X	Seyforth Building

**\*\*\*Important note:**

*Cultural Arts - Dept. 18, non-conference judged items (Classes A-C, H-J, N-W, and Food*

*Preservation Class E & F) are to be checked in, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 1-7 p.m. in the Seyforth Bldg. The Non-Conference Cultural Arts items will be judged on Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9 a.m. The Food Preservation entries will be judged on Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9 a.m. Don't miss your Check-in time on Tuesday for these non-conference judged entries! See pages 2 and 3 of the Fairbook for a reminder of the schedule.*

**Computers, Electricity and Robot Revue**

The 4-H Computers, Electricity and Robot Revue will be held on Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at the Pierce County Office Building. No judging of computer exhibits at the Fair this year.

Schedule:

9:00-9:30 a.m.	Computers
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Electricity
10:30-11:00 a.m.	Robots
11:00-11:30 a.m.	Over Flow

**Archery and Air Rifle Target Contests**

The 2009 County Fair Archery & Air Rifle Target Contests will be held on Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> beginning at **11 a.m.** in the Arena Building (Air Rifle) and Blue Barn (Archery) of the Pierce County Fairgrounds. Please check-in at the Seyforth building no earlier than 10:30 a.m. if you need your entry tags. If you have already picked up your tags, please show up ready to shoot **by 11 a.m.** in the Arena Building. Sign-in at the Arena will determine shooting order when possible.

We are still looking for volunteers to help tabulate scores for the Archery Target Contest. If you can help out please call Sherry Lubich at 273-6466. Good luck everyone!

**PEDAL TRACTOR PULL.**

**Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00 p.m. be a part of a **PEDAL TRACTOR PULL.**

This requested event will be held east of the Seyforth Building with registration starting at 1:30 that day. There will be separate brackets for girls and boys with age brackets of 4 years and under, 5-6 year olds, 7-8 year olds, 9-10 year olds, and 11-12 year olds. Be sure to bring mom or dad

with you to sign up as a waiver form will be necessary to sign. Also age brackets may be limited to the number of participants.

### **Thank you to the people who Adopted A Fair Planter**

Thank you to all the individuals, families, and clubs who adopted a Fair planter this year. Please be sure to look for them during the Fair.

Maxine Schaller (2) Susan Geraets (2)

Linda Donnelly (2) Deanna Hines (2)

Merri Heirs (3) Maiden Rock Rockets (3)

Falcon Falls (3) Christine Arndt (3)

\*If we forgot anyone, please notify us, as we want to have to current list to display during the fair.

### **Camping Permits Required for Camping during the Pierce County Fair**

Beginning Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. you can purchase your camping permits at the Information Booth at the Fair Office in the Seyforth Building for \$40.00. This permit then allows you to camp for the duration of the fair.

**Every person staying in the camper must purchase a season pass (adult and junior fair).**

You can purchase the season passes at the same time you purchase the camping permit or show us the passes you already have. Parents or guardians must apply for all Junior Fair exhibitors overnight camping.

Campers will be lined up along the fence north of the Beldenville Old Car Club building. There are going to be approximately 25 **assigned** camping sites that will be 35 feet deep by 15 wide. Due to the limited space available we ask that you do not open canopies of your camper. With the latest electrical upgrade being done, all spots should have standard power. No air conditioning units will be allowed. No sharing of outlets will be tolerated. **\*Fair ground keeper has final approval of all electrical set up and use. Non-compliance will result in forfeiture of all electrical privileges.\*** Purchasing your camping permit early will help you secure your choice of sites. The camping sites will be assigned first come first served so don't wait too long!

If you have questions contact Ann Webb – Fair Coordinator at **715-273-6874**

### **Lost/Destroyed Jr Fair or Season Tickets**

Visitors and exhibitors are required to show their admission tickets each time of entrance. Transfer or loan of tickets will be considered fraud and will subject the offender to a fine of \$25. A lost ticket will not be replaced without purchase. Unused tickets will not be refunded.

## **PROJECT LOCATIONS**

### **Downstairs Round Barn**

Jr. & Open Flowers & Houseplants

Jr. Woodworking

Jr. Electricity

Commercial Exhibits

### **Upstairs Round Barn**

Jr. Animal & Vet Science

Jr. Exotic Animals (non-animal exhibits)

Jr. & Open Plant & Soil Science

Jr. Natural Science

Jr. Photography

Jr. Mechanical Projects

Jr. Knitting & Crocheting

Jr. Home Furnishings

Jr. Family & Child Development

Jr. Youth Leadership & Self-Determined

Jr. Health, Political & Social Sciences

Booths

School Exhibits

### **Seyforth Building**

Exploring & Cloverbuds

Jr. Cultural Arts

Jr. Foods

Jr. Clothing

Fair Office & Junior Fair Office

Demonstrations and Presentations

### **Poultry & Rabbit Building**

Jr. & Open Poultry

Jr. & Open Rabbits

Jr. Cavies

### **Home Economics Building**

Open Natural Sciences

Open Cultural Arts

Open Photography

Open Foods & Nutrition

Open Clothing

Open Knitting & Crocheting

Open Home Furnishings

**Blue Barn**

Open Class Dairy

**Silver Barn**

Jr. Dairy

Llamas East of the Barn

**Arena Barn**

Jr. Dairy & All Beef

**Drewiske Barn**

Jr. Swine

Jr. & Open Sheep

Jr. Goats

**Horse Barn**

Horses

**Fair Sign Contest = \$25.00**

The Fair Office will PAY your club \$25 for making/putting up a new Fair sign advertising the Fair, and \$10 for an old sign with the dates changed. Make sure you send in a picture and location to the fair office as soon as possible!

**Cash your premium checks**

There are still many uncashed checks for the 2007 and 2008 Fairs. Please cash them.

**Annual Talent Show**

It's that time of year to sign-up for the Pierce County Fair Talent show. The talent show preliminaries will be held beginning at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> in the Family Entertainment Tent. Times along with appropriate contact people for your area are as follows:



4:30—River Falls-Peg Krasin @ 425-2670

5:30—Spring Valley/Elmwood/Plum City-Michelle Schmitt @ 778-5009

6:30—Prescott—Monica Laust @ 262-3610

7:30—Ellsworth/Maiden Rock/Bay City/Hager City—Merry Hines @ 273-3466

There will be two divisions in each competition. The Junior Division is for those entering the ninth grade and under. The Senior Division is for the tenth grade through adult. First and second places will be awarded in each division for each community show. First place in each division will then go on to compete in the finals, which are held

on Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. In the final division, a cash prize of \$150 and \$75 will be awarded to the first and second place winners in each division.

Whether you sing, dance, play a musical instrument, or just want to sit and watch, plan on attending the Pierce County Fair on Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> to support Pierce County's aspiring talents.

**Fireworks To Follow Talent Show**

The Fair Office is excited to once again sponsor fireworks at this year's fair. As a kick off to the Fair, we will be holding a fireworks display in the grandstands at dusk on Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. So after you get all your entries entered or are done watching the talent show, stick around and enjoy the Fireworks show from the grandstands area or anywhere on the Fairgrounds.

**Attention Co. Fair Dairy Exhibitors**

A few reminders as you get ready for the Fair. Check your animal for warts and ringworm. They won't be allowed to stay on the grounds if they have either. For warts, pull them off with pliers and give a shot of wart vaccine available from your vet. For ringworm, the only cure for it is a concoction available at the Pierce Vet. Clinic, which is an ointment of Capton (garden fungicide), alcohol, and Vaseline. A small jar is relatively inexpensive, will last from one year to the next and will cure ringworm. Just apply the paste to the ringworm spots (wear a latex glove), every other day for three treatments. But do it NOW!

Accurate animal numbers are important. If you have an animal that gets sick or injured after the pen numbers have been called in by your leader, please give Bob Traynor a call at 715-778-5807 before July 27<sup>th</sup>. The more accurate our numbers are when we measure barn space, the better it is for everyone.

It worked well last year to have posted hours when the parlor was open. Expect it again this year. Your cooperation is appreciated. Parlor clean up will be at 11:00 p.m. on Saturday night. If you plan to go to the demo derby, either milk your

cows before you go or arrange for someone to milk them for you. All of the parlor clean up is voluntary. So any help when clean up is welcome. It enhances our fair-goers experience to see a clean environment.

Since you will be getting milk checks again this year, please be extremely careful to not add treated milk and spoil the load. All necessary precautions must be taken.

If same animal is shown in Junior and Open Class, you must tell the superintendent at check-in and premium will only be awarded in Junior Fair.

**Attention Livestock Auction Families – No Auction Photographer this Year**

There will not be an official auction photographer this year. Sign boards will be available in the barns for staged photos with the 2009 Fair logo, but no photographer is being provided. Plan ahead to meet your buyer for a photo or take a photo of your own to use with your thank you note.

**Horse Pooper Scooper Schedule**

**Thursday, August 13**

11-4 p.m. Isabelle Creek

4-8 p.m. Olivet Otters

**Friday, August 14**

7-10 a.m. Town & Country and Cloverleaf  
10 a.m.-2 p.m. Country Partners and Isabelle Creek

2-6 p.m. Veritas Seekers, Mann Valley, and Fancy Doers

**Saturday, August 15**

7-11 a.m. St. Croix Stars

Noon-4 p.m. Maiden Rock Rockets and Helping Hands

4-6 p.m. Rock Elm Skyrockets, Cloverleaf, and River Ramblers

**Sunday, August 16**

7-10 a.m. Valley Eagles and Cady Creek Crickets

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Green Clovers and Isabelle Creek

**Fair Helpers Still Needed!!**

This year your help is needed at the 2009 Pierce County Fair. We need helpers in many departments beginning Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. through Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Helping at the Fair provides an excellent opportunity to view other projects for new ideas; listen to judge's comments, suggestions, and meet new people of all ages. Plus, it looks great in your record book or ME form. Please contact Myanna Lansing in the Fair Office at 715-273-3531 Ext. 6599 if you are interested in helping. There's also a form below to fill out which may be returned to the address below. Myanna may also be reached via email:

[mayanna.lansing@co.pierce.wi.us](mailto:mayanna.lansing@co.pierce.wi.us)

Tell your family, friends, and neighbors about volunteering too. Working together, we can keep the Pierce County Fair the ever great event it has always been!

<i>Pierce County Fair Helper Form</i>	
Name(s)	
Daytime Phone Number:	
Area(s) I would most likely be interested in helping in are:	
I would be available to help at this time of day:	
<p><b>Please Return Form to:</b>  <b>Pierce County Fair Office</b>  <b>Attn: Myanna Lansing</b>  <b>412 W. Kinne St., P.O. Box 922</b>  <b>Ellsworth, WI 54011</b></p>	

# Food Stand Work Shifts 2009

**Trip Winners not listed are to be scheduled. Contact Cindy Baird ASAP  
Home 273-5866 or Cell # 715-307-2665.  
Corrections, also notify Cindy Baird. -Thank you!**

<b>Saturday, August 8</b>	
* 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<u>Country Partners</u>
<b>Sunday, August 9</b>	
* 11:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<u>Helpful Workers</u>
<b>Monday, August 10</b>	
* 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<u>Optimistiks</u> Kaylee Hildebrandt, Natasha Lillie, Amy Rinke, Jordan Mark, Chelsey Turner, Jaron Turner,
* 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<u>Busy Fingers</u> Allison Seibel, Kayla White, Danielle Wieser, Emily Hofacker, Derek Donnelly, Alex Donnelly, and Emily Sorenson
* 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	<u>Green Clovers</u> Cora Krause, Danielle Claypool, Lindsey Bridges, Mary Cain
<b>Tuesday, August 11</b>	
* 11:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	<u>Cady Creek Crickets</u>
* 3:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	<u>Hill &amp; Dale &amp; Maiden Rock Rockets</u>
<b>Wednesday, August 12</b>	
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	<u>St. Croix Stars</u>
2:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	<u>Town &amp; Country</u>
6:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.	<u>Valley Eagles</u>
<b>Thursday, August 13</b>	
8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	<u>Mann Valley</u>
2:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	<u>Cloverleaf</u>
6:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.	<u>Fancy Doers</u>
<b>Friday, August 14</b>	
8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	<u>River Ramblers</u>
12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	<u>Town &amp; Country</u>
4:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	<u>Town &amp; Country</u>
7:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.	<u>Merri-Heirs</u> Karissa Seibel
<b>Saturday, August 15</b>	
8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	<u>Helping Hands</u>
12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	<u>Isabelle Creek</u> Lance Westberg, Fay Westberg
4:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	<u>Veritas Seekers – Falcon Falls</u> Lance Westberg, Fay Westberg
7:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.	<u>Martell Rushers</u>
<b>Sunday, August 16</b>	
8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	<u>Rock Elm Skyrockets</u> Sarah Hoffman, Jen Hoffman, Jessica Miller, Quinn Weiss, Ashley Longsdorf, Jenevieve Hartung
12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	<u>Olivet Otters</u>
4:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	<u>Royal Rushers</u>

The club on the last shift will help with clean-up after we close until the end of their shift. The Food Stand Committee will come at 6:30 p.m. to begin cleaning up.

\*\*\*PLEASE RE-CHECK WITH YOUR 4-H CLUB LEADER TO VERIFY YOUR SHIFT. THIS IS OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR THE YEAR, AND A FUN WAY TO BUILD CLUB TEAMWORK. DON'T MISS YOUR 2009 FOODSTAND SHIFT!\*\*\*

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