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County Board Agriculture and Extension Education Committee
MEETING NOTICE
Monday, October 19, 2020
2:00 PM
County Board Room 114
Walworth County Government Center
100 W. Walworth St., Elkhorn, Wisconsin

Brian Holt, Chair        Dan Kilkenny, Vice-Chair
Supervisor Nancy Russell  FSA Representative Sharon Travis
Citizen Member Kathleen Papcke   Citizen Member Jennifer Straus

NOTICE: DUE TO THE CONTINUING PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY,
THIS MEETING IS PLANNED TO PROVIDE FOR REMOTE OR OFF-SITE ATTENDANCE
BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

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County Administrator’s Office at 262-741-4357 on the day of the meeting and at least 15 minutes prior
to the start of the meeting to obtain instructions.

(Posted in compliance with Sec. 19.84 Wis. Stats.)

It is possible that a quorum of the county board or any of its other committees could be in attendance at
this meeting.

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web page (www.co.walworth.wi.us). The agenda packet, including supporting documents,
may be large, depending upon the number of enclosures. Downloading it will require ample computer
memory and may take significant time.

A G E N D A

Note: all agenda items are subject to action.

1. Call to order
2. Roll call of committee members
3. Agenda withdrawals, if any
4. Agenda approval
5. Approval of minutes
   a) July 20, 2020 Agriculture & Extension Education Committee (encl. pp. 1-2)
6. Public Comment
7. New Business
8. Reports
   a) Program and Telecommuting Report- Chrissy Wen
   b) Horticulture Outreach Specialist Educator Report – Julie Hill (encl. p. 8)
   c) Agriculture Educator Report – Jim Versweyveld (encl. p. 9)
   d) 4-H Program Educator Report – Janel Heidelmeier (encl. p. 10)
   e) 4-H Educator Report – Debbie Harris (encl. p. 11)
   f) Human Development and Relationships Extension Educator Report-Amanda Kostman (encl. p. 12)
   g) FoodWIse Coordinator Educator Report – Lisa Krolow (encl. p. 13)
   h) Extension committee report feedback

9. Reports/announcements by Chairperson

10. Set/confirm next meeting date and time
    a) Monday, December 14, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment

Submitted by: Brian Holt, Committee Chairperson of Agriculture-Extension Education
            Christine Wen, Area Extension Director

 Posted: October 15, 2020
Chair Brian Holt called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

Roll call was conducted and the following members were present either in person or by remote attendance: Chair Brian Holt, Vice Chair Daniel Kilkenny, Supervisor Nancy Russell, FSA Representative Sharon Travis and Citizen Members Kathleen Papcke and Jennifer Straus. A quorum was declared.

Others present, either in person or by remote attendance:
County Staff: County Administrator Mark Luberda and Family & Financial Educator Amanda Kostman

On motion by FSA Representative Travis, second by Citizen Member Papke, the agenda was approved with no withdrawals.

On motion by Supervisor Russell, second by FSA Representative Travis, the May 18, 2020 Agriculture and Extension Education Committee minutes were approved.

Public Comment – There was none.

Reports
- Human Development and Relationships Educator Report and UW Extension Outreach and Educational Events.

Family and Financial Educator Amanda Kostman reported their office was working remotely. Kostman presented information regarding items included in the meeting packet regarding Mindful Money Moments and Rent Smart. She said that she and teams from throughout the state were working on the creation of Mindful Money Moments, which are three-minute programs on finance presented via social media. They are also creating an evaluation tool to measure the impact of these sessions.

Kostman explained that Rent Smart is a financial program to assist people in becoming better-informed renters. This in-person training has been converted to an online program via Zoom. The program consists of six one-hour sessions covering a variety of different topics related to renting. Future programs will also be translated into Spanish. A Train-the-Trainer program has also been developed for the curriculum. Kostman is the Rent Smart coordinator in Wisconsin and reported that they recently received an award for this curriculum.

Kostman said they have continued working with the Walworth County Community Alliance (WCCA), to bring agencies together to better address challenges facing our communities. She also reported they will conduct the Point-in-Time head count for the homeless next Wednesday and said they will also use outreach measures to bring services and opportunities to try to address identified problems.

Kostman said they are currently performing financial coaching with five people and provided an update regarding the upcoming Taking Care of You program and its conversion to an online version. She said there would also be an independent living program for those aging out of social services programs and making the transition to living on their own.
Citizen Member Papke inquired when they would be coming back into the office. Kostman said there is no current timeline for the reentry plan to return to the office. They are currently meeting in-person with prior approval. The office is in phase one of the transition back.

The committee asked that for an update regarding 4-H activities at the upcoming meeting.

**Reports and announcements by Chairperson**
Chair Holt noted that several times during the Land Conservation Committee (LCC) items were discussed that may have been appropriate to be discussed by this committee. Holt said LCC had discussed getting additional representation from the agricultural community to participate in the governmental process. He suggested an outreach/educational program targeted toward getting people involved in the government process and suggested setting up a meeting in the future to discuss this possible program.

**Reports/announcements by Chairperson** – There were none.

**Confirmation of next meeting**: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 19, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

**Adjournment**
On motion by FSA Representative Travis, second by Citizen Member Papke, the meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Submitted by Kimberly Bushey, County Clerk. Meeting minutes are not considered final until approved by the committee at the next regularly scheduled committee meeting.
To: Agriculture and Extension Committee members

From: Chrissy Wen, Area Extension Director

Cc: Mark Luberda, Walworth County Administrator

Date: October 13, 2020

Re: 2021 Contract

Enclosed is the 2021 annual contract between the Division of Extension and Walworth County. While many components of the contract remain the same, I would like to highlight a few updates and changes.

For 2021, Extension is building a 2% fee adjustment for co-funded positions to address added costs of doing business. For counties, this means a single fee of $42,330 for each co-funded educator regardless of the educational program focus. Extension has attempted to hold the fee structure flat for a couple of years. In doing so, Extension has subsidized the county by absorbing recent pay increases for all staff as part of the state budget – including two separate 2% increases for staff per the 2017-19 pay plan, a 5% increase for faculty in 2019, a 2% increase of pay plan in 2020 and new minimum salaries for many staff. Last year I shared that the $10,000 discount would likely end, however, this will not be eliminated and remains as a reduction in the 2021 contract.

In Walworth County, we have three co-funded positions and two fully county funded positions (see section 3a of the contract). With the new fee and slight changes to the costs of the fully county funded positions the overall increase in total cost is minimal compared to the 2020 contract.

Extension anticipates a continuation of a slight fee adjustment in future years which will be reevaluated to account for further changes in costs. We are hopeful that small consistent increases will help counties better prepare their budgets in advance. We remain committed to providing contractual services that provide high quality educational services to meet priority issues to citizens across the state.

Thank you and feel free to contact me at 262-379-9431 or christine.wen@wisc.edu with questions. I look forward to talking through this with you at the October meeting.
Contract Between Walworth County and
Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System

This contract is by and between Walworth County, State of Wisconsin (County), and Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System, on behalf of the University of Wisconsin - Madison, Division of Extension (Extension) and is entered into pursuant to the authority vested in the County Committee on Agriculture and Extension Education by sections 59.22(2)(d) and 59.56(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Whereas, Extension is organized both around geography, as faculty and staff deliver programs in communities throughout the state, and around academic disciplines. The broad disciplines currently include the Department of Agriculture & Natural Resources and the Department of Youth, Family & Community Development that oversee programmatic and academic functions;

Whereas, Extension is committed to maintaining an office in every county willing to commit to continued funding and space for Extension staff. Extension recognizes the value in keeping a local presence in every county and keeping the shortest distance possible between the people of Wisconsin and the Extension staff delivering programming to them;

Whereas, Extension provides opportunities to additional resources such as statewide specialists and UW-System campus resources to address specific local issues in core areas of expertise;

Whereas, the County is a critical partner in developing and implementing key educational priorities for county residents. In collaboration with Extension leadership, counties will identify local services of priority to their communities. County will agree to co-fund Extension faculty and staff based upon annually established flat fees for positions as defined below; and

Whereas, the parties need to define their respective rights and responsibilities;

Now therefore, the parties agree as follows:

1. Term, Amendment & Termination.

   a. The term of this contract is one (1) year. The term shall run from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, unless amended or terminated as set forth below.

   b. Any additions, changes, modifications or renewals of this contract are subject to the mutual agreement and written consent of authorized representatives of both parties.

   c. Either the County or Extension may cancel this entire Agreement with or without cause upon sixty (60) days' written notice delivered by mail or in person; provided, however, the County shall be responsible for paying a prorated amount of fees under Section 3.a. through the notice period. In addition, if the contract is cancelled before the end of the term, the discount identified in Section 3.a. shall be prorated (i.e. the discount amounts to roughly $834 per month).
2. **Extension Responsibilities.** Extension agrees to:

   a. Hire local Extension staff who will deliver educational services aligned to County priorities. As vacancies occur, and if the County and Extension agree to continue to support the desired program and position, Extension will seek County input when filling vacant positions.

   b. Invoice the County semi-annually, by March 31st and September 30th for amounts due under this agreement.

3. **County Responsibilities.** In consideration of the programs that Extension provides to County under this contract, the County agrees to:

   a. Pay to Extension the County share of up to $232,434 for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 as allocated below.

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   b. Provide travel and appropriate job expenses to the staff, office facilities and equipment, office supplies and demonstration materials, salary and fringe benefits for the clerical support staff, and other supporting budgetary items through regular County budgetary procedures in which funds are appropriated for such purposes under applicable Wisconsin law.
4. **General Conditions** This contract is established under the following conditions:

a. **Notices.** Any notice or demand which must be given or made by a party to this Agreement or any statute or ordinance shall be in writing, and shall be sent via e-mail and certified mail. Notices to the County shall be sent to County Representative(s). Notice to the Extension shall be sent to Area Extension Director.

b. **Employer, Personnel Rules, Volunteers and Liability.** Any employees hired by Extension under Section 2.a. of this contract are employees of Extension, and are subject to the personnel rules, policies, and procedures for faculty, academic staff or University staff, as appropriate to the respective appointment in Extension as established by Wisconsin statute, and, or administrative rules; and, or, by policies or procedures adopted by the Board of Regents and the University of Wisconsin - Division of Extension. Any individual who meets Extension’s definition of a volunteer and completes all registration requirements will be considered an Extension volunteer. Extension will be responsible for ensuring that its employees and volunteers take affirmative steps to make clear, when entering into relationships with third parties, that they are employees or volunteers of Extension. Extension shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its employees while acting within the scope of such employment. To the extent they are acting as agents of Extension, Extension shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its volunteers while acting within the scope of such agency.

Any individuals who are employed by the County in order to satisfy obligations under Section 3.b. of this contract are County employees and are subject to applicable County personnel rules, policies and procedures. Any volunteer engaged by County to further the purposes of this contract will be considered a volunteer of County. County will be responsible for ensuring that its employees and volunteers take affirmative steps to make clear, when entering into relationships with third parties, that they are employees or volunteers of County. County shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its employees while acting within the scope of such employment. To the extent they are acting as agents of County, County shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its volunteers while acting within the scope of such agency.

c. **Billing.** For the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, Extension shall bill the County for the total amount under Section 3.a. of this contract. The County will be billed for the first half of the total contract by March 31st and the second half of the total contract by September 30th. If services are not rendered or excess services are provided to the County by Extension during the contract period, the parties will use good faith efforts to adjust the total contract amount and update future bills to coincide with the new agreed upon amount. The County shall pay the amount billed within 30 days of the billing.

d. **Insurance.** The Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System as an agency of the State, and consequently, Extension, is self-funded for liability (both public and property) under ss. 893.82 and 895.46(1), Wis. Stats. As a result, such protection as is afforded under respective Wisconsin Statutes is applicable to officers, employees, and agents while acting within the scope of their employment or agency. Since this is statutory insurance, there is no liability policy as such that can extend protection to any others.
County agrees to maintain appropriate insurance to cover the potential liability of its officers, employees and agents while acting within the scope of their employment or agency. Such insurance may be provided through a self-insurance program.

e. **Nondiscrimination/Affirmative Action.** The County and Extension will comply with all applicable state and federal laws and rules prohibiting unlawful discrimination. During the performance of work under this contract, Extension agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, ancestry, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, arrest or conviction record, marital status, political affiliation, sexual orientation, or membership in the National Guard. This provision shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and, selection for training, including apprenticeship. Extension further agrees to take affirmative action to ensure equal employment opportunities.

By: __________________________ Date: __________________________

County Representative

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Area Extension Director

UW-Madison, Division of Extension

By: __________________________ Date: __________________________

County Representative

By: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Director of Financial Services

UW-Madison, Division of Extension

By: __________________________ Date: __________________________

On Behalf of Board of Regents of

The University of Wisconsin System
Meet the Bees: Hard-Working Beneficial Insects of Your Own Backyard

Presented by:
PJ Liesch
Director of UW-Madison Insect Diagnostic Lab

Thursday, October 15
4:30-5:30pm
via Zoom

This is a free online event, but registration is required.

Register here: https://go.wisc.edu/6x29c2
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing connection information.

Wisconsin is home to a wide array of beneficial insects, ranging from predators and parasites to decomposers and pollinators. Pollinators play important roles in the ecosystem and bees are some of our best insect pollinators. In this talk, we'll discuss beneficial insects, survey the commonest bees of Wisconsin, and discuss ways to help pollinators and other beneficials in our own yards and gardens.

Hosted by UW-Madison Division of Extension and Rock Prairie Master Gardener Association
November 9th, 2020
Women in Agriculture – A Brief History
Speaker: Jerry Apps, author and rural historian
Jerry will take us back to the pioneer days in Wisconsin and talk about the role of women in agriculture in his presentation: “Women in agriculture: a brief history.” He will share the early role women had in the dairy industry and how that changed over the years along with some personal stories of women’s roles in agriculture during the Depression Years of the 1930s and WWII, drawing on his mother’s roles at that time.
We are excited to offer a Walworth County Cloverbuds at Home program! This program is designed for **ANY** youth in grades K-2, not just registered Cloverbud members. As we work towards meeting the engagement needs of our 4-H community we wanted to make sure our youngest and newest members also got some special attention. Each box will receive 5 months of hands-on learning activities, running November-March. Each month offers **TWO** different educational opportunities! One staff-lead Zoom meeting, and one on your own opportunity. Please note that participating in the Zoom meetings is encouraged but optional. Each Zoom meeting will start at 6:30 pm and run approx. 30-45mins, the dates are as follows; Thursday, November 19, Wednesday, December 9, Tuesday, January 12, Wednesday, February 17, and Monday, March 8.

Registration closes on Wednesday, October 21 so don’t delay, register today!

Your registration is not complete unless payment accompanies your form.

First and Last Name(s): ____________________________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

Phone number: ___________________________ Email: ________________________________

4-H Club: ______________________________

Pick-up will be held in no-contact fashion, in Elkhorn, WI at a location TBD on the nights listed below. Please place a check next to the pick-up option that fits your families schedule.

______ We will pick our boxes up on Tuesday, November 3 from 4-6pm

______ We will pick our boxes up on Thursday, November 5 from 4-6pm

______ We are unable to pick our boxes up on the designated pick up nights

**Number of Cloverbud at Home boxes ordering:** ____________ X $15.00

**Total:** $______________

**Checks payable to:** Walworth County

**Mail to:** 100 W Walworth St. Elkhorn, WI 53121

  ATN: Sue Clark

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**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Payment:

______ Cash

______ Check → Check #: ____________

Date Received: ________________
Wondering if 4-H is a good fit for your family? Curious what 4-H projects are available? Join us for six weeks of engaging activities during which you’ll learn more about 4-H, explore projects, and interact with other youth!

*Discover 4-H will meet by Zoom every Thursday from October 8 through November 12.*

Use the supplies provided in your *Discover 4-H Kit* to complete the activities as the meetings unfold virtually. *Discover 4-H Kits* will be available for curbside pick-up in Elkhorn, WI on September 30 and October 1.

Unable to attend a meeting due to a conflict? No worries! You can complete the activity you missed on your own using the instructions provided in the kit.

**Deadline to Register: September 20**

**Choose one of three ways to learn more and sign-up:**

1) **Scan the QR code with your phone’s camera:**

2) **Type this link into your browser:**
   https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_12RbCbtzWjSvumx

3) **Call the Extension Office:** 262-741-4954

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Rent Smart
Taught by Extension Educators
Helping to make renting a great experience for you!

Upcoming Class Dates & Times:
October: 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22; 7-8pm
November: 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20; 9-10am
January: 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28; 1-2pm
February: 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18; 7-8pm
March: 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26; 9-10am

Location: Online, live instruction via Zoom; links will be sent after registration.

To register complete this online form:
https://go.wisc.edu/Rentsmartregister

Cost: FREE!

What you will learn:

- Planning for and meeting monthly expenses
- Tips for finding and maintaining affordable housing
- How to complete an application and why landlords screen applicants
- Strategies for building positive relationships with landlords and neighbors
- Responsibilities and rights of landlords and tenants
- Participants must complete all 6 modules to earn the Rent Smart certificate
- For more information, please contact rentsportwi@office365.wisc.edu or call 262-741-4951

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FoodWise Report October 2020

Our new budget year started on 10/1/20. We have been signing new annual agreements with partners and working on adapting our lessons to virtual formats to accommodate their needs.

Maddie and Lisa have both participated in virtual Strong Bodies pilot programs. Strong Bodies is a strength-training program aimed at older adults. It helps with strength and balance in an effort to help older adults remain independent longer. We plan to launch this program for Walworth County residents in senior subsidized housing later this year.

We resumed face to face programing with Spanish speaking clients at the New Beginnings APFV office in Whitewater. At the request of the partner, this monthly lesson will be moved to a virtual format until they feel it is safe to reconvene in their office.

We are currently presenting a five-week series of lessons for second graders and third graders at the Community Learning Center in Delavan. We have committed to presenting a series of lessons for all age groups at the CLC, including kindergarten through 4th grade.

The partners that we will be serving in Walworth County during fiscal yea 20/21 include: The Delavan Community Learning Center, New Beginnings Association for Prevention of Family Violence, Open Arms Free Clinic, WIC, Havenwood Senior Subsidized Housing, Gilbert Court Senior Subsidized Housing, Geneva Hills Senior Subsidized Housing, Tyrell Court Senior Subsidized Housing, Village Commons Senior Subsidized Housing, Lake Comus Senior Subsidized Housing, Head Start, Early Head Start, Walworth Elementary School, Sharon Community School, Turtle Creek Elementary School and Darien Elementary School.

FoodWise was allotted funding to add another educator this year. We will initiate our search later this fall.
Welcome to October! We have successfully completed the first month of our 4-H Family Challenge program. October 1 marks the start of the 2020-2021 4-H program year. Although enrollment is not open quite yet, be sure to start thinking about what projects you’ll want to sign-up for this year. I challenge you to try your hand in something new. Our goal is to have 4honline open by October 12. We will send out an email announcing its official opening.

This month’s interactive Zoom will focus on “Careers!” You’ll briefly meet 3 or 4 individuals representing intriguing careers. The challenge activities related to this month’s meeting are the Cloverpatch activities found in this mailing. Be sure to complete one or all of them for your Challenge Participation credit. After our guest speakers, you will have time to share pictures of your scarecrows, yard signs, Clover Buddies, or any family challenge work! We hope you will join us for our October Interactive meeting on Wednesday, October 21 starting at 6:30pm. Head on over to the 4-H News Blog, where you will find the link to register. Registration is open, don’t delay!

Wondering what’s in this month’s mailing? See the list of enclosed items below.

- Project List
- Enrollment information
- Road Trip Challenge
- Geocaching Challenge
- Community Service Challenge
- Cloverpatch Activity

Thanks for being with us! You’re off to great places, have YOU accepted the challenge(s)? As always, if you have any questions please feel free to reach out.

Sincerely,

Janel Heidelmeier                        Debbie Harris
4-H Program Educator                   4-H Youth Development Educator
Explore new places or visit old favorites as part of the 4-H Road Trip Family Challenge!

Follow the directions below to earn one entry into the “Walworth County 4-H Family Challenge Prize Drawing” each time you visit a new “destination.” You will also be entered into the “IL-WI Grand Prize Road Trip Drawing.” First county drawing: December 15; second county drawing: March 15. Last date to enter: March 5. IL-WI Grand Prize Drawing: March 15.

How to Complete This Challenge:

1) Choose any one of the specific destinations listed to visit, and download the appropriate scavenger hunt questions to take with you. Complete 4-H Road Trip destinations and scavenger hunt info is available at THIS LINK: https://walworth.extension.wisc.edu/road-trip-challenge/.

2) Visit the destination, and take a family selfie at the designated spot. Post it on social media with the hashtags #WalCo4HFamilyChallenge and #4HRoadTripChallenge. If you don’t use social media, email your selfie to walco4h@gmail.com.

3) Complete the Scavenger Hunt and submit your answers and participation info at THIS LINK: https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eCzGHkernrF2y3.

Be aware that the scavenger hunt questions for each destination are meant to be answered by families. Adult supervision during visits is needed to ensure safety at each of the destinations. Nearby points of interest are provided as a courtesy for families unfamiliar with the locations. No endorsement of attractions/restaurants is intended, and the list of options at any location is not nearly complete.

Destinations to Choose From:

Ellwood House Museum

Physical Address: 509 N. 1st Street DeKalb, IL 60115 (DeKalb County)

Description: The historic Victorian mansion, situated on 10 acres of parkland, was originally built in 1879 for barbed wire entrepreneur Isaac Ellwood. The museum campus consists of seven historic structures, four gardens, and 6,000-square-feet of exhibit space in the Patience Ellwood Towle Visitor Center. Currently the inside tours of the house are closed,
however there is still plenty to see on the grounds. The Visitor Center is free and open year-round by appointment. **Take your selfie in front of the building pictured.**

**Hidden Alley Cat Murals**

*Physical Address: 1016 16th Ave, Monroe, WI 53566 (Green County)*

*Description:* These fun, colorful murals are “hidden” in the alleys, in a 1-2 block radius around the historic Green County Courthouse. The murals are part of a larger beautification in Monroe, featuring local and regional artists. As an added bonus, see how many colorful woodcarvings you can find all around town. **Take your selfie with your favorite alley cat!**

**Kishwauketoe Nature Conservancy**

*Physical Address: 251 Elkhorn Road, Williams Bay, WI 53191 (Walworth County)*

*Description:* A 231 acre property comprised of trails, ponds, streams, boardwalks, various ecosystems including prairie, wetlands, deciduous forest, oak woods, kettle, and meadow), a tower, and more. **Take your selfie by the bridge at the main entrance** (pictured).

**Lowden State Park**

*Physical Address: 1411 North River Road, Oregon, IL 61061 (Ogle County)*

*Description:* One of the most picturesque sites along the Rock River. Legend has it that Chief Black Hawk, as he left the area after the Black Hawk War, talked of the beauty of the area and admonished his captors to care for the land as he and his people had. Lowden State Park was established to care for the land and allow visitors to share in the beauty as well. The park serves as a memorial to Gov. Frank O. Lowden, who served Illinois during World War I. **Take your selfie with the scene by the statue in your background.** (pictured).

**Pearl Island Recreational Corridor**

*Physical Address: W705 Golf Course Rd, Brodhead, WI 53520 (Green County)*

*Description:* Pearl Island is the area between the Sugar River and Mill Race, north of Brodhead. **Take your selfie at the Head Gates Park sign** (pictured), then access a well maintained walking / biking / skiing trail that will take you .6 miles northwest to the Decatur Lake Dam or 2 miles southeast to Brodhead. The hike to Decatur Lake Dam is required to complete the scavenger hunt.
Rochelle Railroad Park
Physical Address: 124 N 9th Street, Rochelle, IL 61068 (Ogle County)
Description: Rochelle is one of several spots where main rail lines cross as they head from Chicago to all points of interest. Rochelle is one of the few points in the country, however, where such junctions boast two double tracks crossing each other at grade, forming four diamonds" (so called for the shape of the rails at the crossing). Take your selfie in front of the train car (pictured).

White River County Park
Physical Address: 6503 Sheridan Springs Road, Lake Geneva, WI 53147 (Walworth County)
Description: A 195 acre park features about two miles of White River frontage, approximately five miles of walking trails, a canoe/kayak launch, cross country skiing, fishing, and more. Take your selfie in front of the main sign (pictured).

More destinations in Wisconsin and Northern Illinois Counties are coming soon!
We are proud to be partnering with several other colleagues in offering this challenge opportunity.

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GEOCACHING
Walworth County 4-H Family Challenge

Treasure!

These are just a few of the things your family can do together when you complete the Geocaching 4-H Family Challenge! Even if you’ve never geocached before...You. Can. Do. This.

Follow the directions below to earn one entry into the 4-H Family Challenge Prize drawing each time you visit a new cache. First county drawing: December 15; second county drawing: March 15. Last date to enter: March 5.

How to Complete This Challenge:
If you have never geocached before, you will need to download a free app to your cell phone or device. There are many to choose from. We used “Geocaching by Groundspeak.” It is the official app of geocaching.com. The free version of this app is all you’ll need to find the caches that are a part of the challenge—and many more if you choose to cache outside of this challenge.

1) Choose any one of the specific caches listed below to visit, and search the geocache ID number in the app. It will bring up information about the cache. Before heading to the cache, be sure to grab the 4-H sticker provided in your 4-H Kick-off Packet, a bit of swag, and a writing tool.

2) Use the navigation function to travel to the cache. For your convenience, the physical address of the cache location is provided below, as well. Once at the location, use the app’s compass function to navigate to the cache’s specific hiding spot. Most of the caches in this challenge are “small” or “regular.” This means they are the size of a sandwich box or bigger. Micro caches in this challenge are about the size of a magnetic key keeper. Review the cache description in the app to learn more about the specific cache, get a hint about its hiding spot, glean info from those who have recently visited, and more.
3) Once you've found the cache, take a family selfie with it in hand. (Be sure to aim your shot away from where the container was hidden, so the hiding spot remains a secret). Post it on social media with the hashtag #WalCo4HFamilyChallenge or email it to walco4h@gmail.com.

4) If you'd like to partake in the treasure, be sure to leave one item for each item you take. Additionally, drop in the 4-H sticker if this is the first cache you have visited as part of the Geocaching Challenge. Don't take a trackable item (e.g. a travel bug) from a cache unless you are committed to moving it to another location in a short time span.

5) Sign the log with your team name (which is totally your choice) and #WalCo4HFamilyChallenge.

6) Report your participation in this challenge at THIS LINK: https://forms.gle/WCuW7vUfvGhXqpPY9. This step earns you an entry in the “4-H Family Challenge Prize Drawing.”

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**Geocaches to Choose From**

**Clinton Area**

*Cache ID #: GC42JGG ➔ NEW!*

*Geocache Name:* “Happy Hollow Commemorative Cache VII”

*General Physical Location:* Carver-Roehl Park, 4907 S Carvers Rock Rd, Clinton

*Caution:* This is a REGULAR cache which will be fun to find for those looking for a little bit of a challenge. You'll want to wear long pants and closed-toe shoes for this one, as there will be a bit of bushwhacking required. Bug spray is also recommended if conditions are appropriate for mosquitoes.

**Darien Area**

*Cache ID #: GCX78H*

*Geocache Name:* “Do Horses Smile?”

*General Physical Location:* SMILES, Inc., N2666 Co. Road K, Darien

*Caution:* This is a REGULAR cache.

**Elkhorn Area**

*Cache ID #: GC86Y7Z*

*Geocache Name:* “My Childhood Neighborhood”

*General Physical Location:* within the Meadow Blossoms neighborhood near Frank's, Elkhorn

*Caution:* Please be respectful while you search, as you will be walking on the property lines of residents living in the area to get to this cache. Please park on the road. This is a REGULAR cache.
Cache ID #: GC29RDG
Geocache Name: “The Cache of Bray Road”
General Physical Location: Bray Road, Elkhorn
Caution: You will need to park on the side of the road for this cache. Adult supervision is required. This road is a fairly quiet one, but may be busier during harvest season. This is a SMALL cache.

East Troy Area
Cache ID #: GC51XHE
Geocache Name: “Jumpers Away”
General Physical Location: W1341 Co. Hwy L, East Troy
Caution: Park in the Skydive Milwaukee parking lot. This is a SMALL cache.

Cache ID #: GC6K6KZ  ←—— NEW!
Geocache Name: “Can’t Stump the Dead WSQ”
General Physical Location: Oak Ridge Cemetery, East Troy
Caution: This is a SMALL VERY UNUSUAL NO-SWAG CACHE. Please be respectful of gravestones and monuments. Cache is not located at a gravesite. What does this cache look like??

Lake Geneva Area
Cache ID #: GC2VDGT
Geocache Name: “Seek Ye First”
General Physical Location: near Oak Hill Cemetery, Cemetery Road, Lake Geneva
Caution: This is a REGULAR cache. Read the cache description on the app. There is a convincing decoy to watch out for.

Sharon Area
Cache ID #: GC2FJ0J
Geocache Name: “WSQ South Grove”
General Physical Location: South Grove Cemetery, Salt Box Road just south of County B on east side of road, Sharon
Caution: This is a SMALL cache. Please be respectful of gravestones and monuments. Cache is not located at a gravesite.

Whitewater Area
Cache ID #: GC2CQWY
Geocache Name: “Chilling and Grilling at Trippe”
General Physical Location: Trippe Lake Park, 407 South Wisconsin Street, Whitewater
Caution: This is a MICRO cache.

Cache ID #: GC8AZE3
Geocache Name: “Cache in the Middle of Nowhere”
General Physical Location: At the dead end on Meadowview Court, Whitewater
Caution: This reports as SMALL in the app, but it’s actually more MICRO. Not a great place to visit if it’s raining.
## Key Geocaching Terms to Know

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<td>&quot;Thanks For The Cache.&quot; This is a common message to post in the app when you log that you &quot;found&quot; the cache.</td>
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Service!

Give back to your community as part of the 4-H Community Service Challenge!

Follow the directions below to earn one entry into the 4-H Family Challenge prize drawing each time you complete a new service project. First county drawing: December 15; second county drawing: March 15. Last date to enter: March 5.

How to Complete This Challenge:

1) Complete any one of the community service projects listed below.
2) Take a selfie while completing the community service project. Post it on social media using the hashtag #WalCo4HFamilyChallenge. If you don’t use social media, email your selfie to walco4h@gmail.com with an explanation.
3) Completion of service projects should be recorded using the appropriate google form found at this link: https://forms.gle/DxvYD44XpVEuQ1v6

Community Service projects are intended to be completed as a family. Adult supervision and permission will ensure safety throughout service.

Community Service Projects to Choose From:

NEW opportunities are italicized and bolded.

- Help Other Kids: Create an outfit & book bundle for a child in need, donate to a local homeless shelter or nonprofit
- The Kindness Rocks Program: www.thekindnessrocksproject.com
- Begin with Basics: Help Walworth County Families in need by contacting Colleen Lesniak at clesniak@co.walworth.wi.us or 262-741-4223
- Save the Planet: Celebrate our planet by cleaning up trash
- Help Fight Hunger: Donate food to a local food pantry
- Aid the Elderly: Make cards for a local nursing home or assisted living facility
- Share a Thank You: Make cards/care packages for soldiers
- Aid the Animals: Donate needed supplies to a local animal shelter
- Family’s Choice
Read about the two “careers” speakers below who we’ll meet during the October 21 Monthly Interactive Meeting. Then, complete one of the activities (below) that relates to their jobs. Take a selfie showing your activity in progress and post it on social media with the hashtag #Walco4HFamillyChallenge. Then, participate in Monthly Interactive Meeting and report your participation at THIS LINK (https://forms.gle/zyVyaWq6x3y8kY8M9) to earn an entry into the county 4-H Family Challenge prize drawing! Be ready to tell a little bit about your activity experience or your plans during the meeting! You can sign up for the meeting HERE: https://uwmadison.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMtdsCqpzkvG9Ah3FSRt78Jwy3Pqfs_7WX.

**Connecting YOUth with Science**

Liz Jesse always loved science when she was growing up. In fact, she originally wanted to be a veterinarian. But, as she got older, studied, and discovered more about science careers, she worked as a biotechnology lab technician and a chemistry teacher. She knew that what she loved more than anything else about science was sharing it with others, so her current job is perfect for her! Today she’s a Science Outreach Specialist at UW-Madison Biotechnology Center where she gets to design, lead, and teach hands-on science workshops for youth, grades K-12! Liz says that she loves helping youth become scientifically literate since it arms them with tools to approach problems with unbiased perspective. In Isaac Asimov’s words, “If knowledge can create problems, it is not through ignorance that we can solve them.”

**Activity: Milk Fireworks**

**Supplies needed:**
- Muffin tin or ice cube tray
- Cotton Swab or Toothpick
- Food Coloring
- Liquid Dish Soap
- Milk

**Instructions:**
1. Fill a few wells of an ice cube tray OR a muffin tin with your favorite type of milk.
2. Put 1-2 drops of food coloring into the center of the well. Do not mix the food coloring and milk.
3. Dip a cotton swab or toothpick into a cup of liquid dishwashing detergent.
4. Take the dipped swab or toothpick and hold it in the milk. What is happening to the food coloring? Why is this happening?
5. Let’s keep exploring...try it with different types of milk or try it with water instead.

Does the food coloring move in the milk differently than in the water? What is in milk that is not in water? Can you see a difference in what happens in different types of milk (skim, 2%, etc-)? How do you explain this?

Source: “Milk Fireworks.” BioTrek, UW Biotechnology Outreach Program - Cassandra Immel

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**Designing & Building**

Steve Basso loves to design and build things out of wood. He found his passion and love for woodworking in a high school shop class and taught himself from there. He gained experience working for a building company, and then started his own business in 2004: *Steve’s Wood Products*. Steve is a one-man show whose shop is located at his Delavan, WI home. He custom builds all kinds of things for his clients: kitchens, bookcases, built-ins, and more! He helps people turn their decorating and furniture ideas into realities.

**Activity: Build a Wooden Birdhouse or Feeder**

**Directions**

Develop your woodworking skills by working with an adult helper (as needed) to build a wooden house or feeder for birds. Supplies will vary depending on which design you select. If you are looking for a very easy building project, consider seeking out a kit. Some supplies you may need include: inexpensive wood pieces cut to fit your chosen pattern, saw, hammer/nails or drill/screws/screwdriver, measuring tape, pencil, sandpaper, and exterior paint or sealer.

**Some Design Sources**

- *Basic Birdhouse*. Brian G. Lowe’s. 2019. [https://www.lowes.com/n/how-to/basic-birdhouse](https://www.lowes.com/n/how-to/basic-birdhouse)
- *$2 Cedar Birdfeeder*. Anna White. Available at: [https://ana-white.com/woodworking-projects/2-cedar-birdfeeder](https://ana-white.com/woodworking-projects/2-cedar-birdfeeder)

**Reflect**

What did you build? Why did you choose that design? What did you learn during the building process? What was challenging? What are you most proud of?
# 2020-2021 Quick Reference Project List

Thinking about trying your hand in a new 4-H Project? Below you will find a quick reference list of all the projects that Walworth County 4-H has to offer. For more comprehensive information about the different projects, please visit our website for the **2020-2021 Project Guide**. The guide can be found on the 4-H Project Meetings & Resources page. The sooner you enroll, the sooner you guarantee you will receive all project-specific emails and information. 4honline is set to open on Monday, October 12. Don't delay; enroll that day!

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Whether you are a new or returning family*, this guide will help you through enrolling in Wisconsin 4-H. Please read this page for a summary of the steps needed to enroll.

**If you are a new family,** start with Creating a New 4-H Online Account on page 3. After you create your login account, you will be prompted to Add a New Member to the Family right away. To add additional family members, click on the Add Member button on your family member list screen.

**If you are a returning family,** start with Logging in to an Existing 4-H Online Account on page 2. To re-enroll any existing adult or youth member, click on the Enroll Now link for the member on your family member list screen. Instructions for re-enrolling a youth start on page 7 and instructions for adults on page 11.

* Family can be a household or a recognized outside group (classroom, partner organization, etc.).

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Logging in to an Existing 4-H Online Account

1. If you had an account in 4-H Online version 1.0, go to http://wi.4honline.com.

2. Enter your email address and password.

3. Click Sign-In

If you have forgotten your password, click "Reset Password?" to receive an email with a link to set a new password.

4. You will be at the Family Member List Screen.

5. To re-enroll a youth member, click on Enroll Now and skip to Youth Member Enrollment on page 7.

6. To re-enroll an Adult member, click on Enroll Now and skip to Adult Enrollment on page 11.

7. To add a new youth or adult member, click on the Add Member button and skip to Adding a New Member to the Family on page 5.
Creating a New 4-H Online Account


2. Click "Don’t have an account?” if you have never enrolled in 4-H before using 4-H Online.

   NOTE: If you had an account in 4-H Online 1.0, start at Logging in to an Existing 4-H Online Account on page 2.

3. Select Wisconsin from the drop-down menu and then select Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development.

4. Choose your county from the drop-down menu.

5. Complete your family's information

6. Click the Create Account button
7. Enter your family's address information.

8. Click the Verify button.

NOTE: The verification process may require you to select an appropriate USPS format.

If you create a new account and an existing account is found, click the Confirm button and continue to Logging in with an Existing 4-H Online Account on page 2.
Adding a New Member to the Family

1. Click on 4-H.
2. Click the Next button.
3. Enter the member’s information.
4. Click the Next button.

NOTE: fields marked with a red "required" are required fields and must be completed.
5. Complete the “About You”, “Demographics”, and “Emergency Contact” sections with the requested information.
6. Click the Next button.
7. Select your method of participation.

8. Click the Finish button.

If you have selected that you will be participating as a New or Returning 4-H Club Member, continue to step 3 of Youth Member Enrollment on the next page.

If you are participating as an Adult Volunteer, continue to the Adult Volunteer Enrollment on page 11.

If you have selected that you will be participating, but not as a Club Member or Volunteer, your record is complete. You may register for events that are available to participants.

If you would like to enroll as a Club Member or Volunteer at any time, click “Enroll Now” from the Member List and continue to Youth Member Enrollment or Adult Volunteer Enrollment.
Youth Member Enrollment

If you are returning to 4-H, your member record will be listed on the family Member List. Click “Enroll Now” under the Program in which you would like to enroll.

If you are a new member and your name is not yet listed, click “Add Member” and follow the steps for “Adding a New Member to the Family” on page 5, then continue to Step 1 below.

1. Select the member’s Grade and click Next.

2. Select to Confirm that you would like to enroll as a Club Member

3. Click the Select Clubs button
4. If you are a club officer, select that from the Volunteer Type box.

5. Click Add next to the Club you would like to join.

6. Repeat steps 3-5 to add all of the Clubs in which you would like to participate.

7. If you have enrolled in more than one club, be sure the Primary club is marked correctly. If not, click the Change to Primary button to mark a different Club as your Primary Club.

8. Click the trash can icon to remove a Club from the list.

9. Once all of your Clubs are added, click Next at the bottom of the screen.

10. Click Select Projects

11. Select the Club with which you want your project to be associated.

12. Scroll until you find the Project that you will be enrolling in. Use the Project Filter to search the list.

13. Click the Add button next to the project you want to add to the member’s enrollment.

14. Repeat steps 10-13 for each project in which you would like to participate.
NOTE: Some projects may have Consents that are required in order to participate. You will be prompted to enter the required signatures and accept the Consents after you click “Add”.

15. Click the trash can icon to remove any projects.

16. Click the Next button once all the member’s projects have been added.

17. Click “Show Questions.

18. Complete the enrollment questions. Some of the questions will be completed for you based on what you entered when you created your record.

NOTE: Any questions with a red required are required.

19. Click the Next button at the bottom of the screen when you are finished.
20. Click “Show Health Form”.

21. During enrollment, you will be asked to complete the basic Health form fields and Consents.

22. Click the Next button at the bottom of the screen when you are done.

23. Click on “Show Consents”.

24. Complete any Consents required.

25. Click the Next button at the bottom of the page when you are finished.

26. If applicable, review the fees for the member.

27. Click on Next.

28. Review the enrollment information.

29. Once you have verified that the clubs and projects are listed correctly, click the Submit button.

Congratulations, your enrollment is complete!

You will receive an email to let you know your enrollment has been submitted. You will receive another email when your County Extension office has approved your enrollment. You may view the enrollment status on the Member List.
Adult Volunteer Enrollment

If you are returning to 4-H, your Volunteer record will be listed on the family Member List. Click “Enroll Now” under the Program in which you would like to enroll.

If you are a new volunteer and your name is not yet listed, click “Add Member” and follow the steps for “Adding a New Member to the Family” on page 5, then continue to Step 1 below.

1. Click Select Volunteer Types to indicate how you are planning to participate in the program throughout the year. At least one Volunteer Type is required during the enrollment process. You may add additional Volunteer Types later, if needed.

2. Select a Volunteer Type
   a. Club Volunteer
      i. Activity Leader
      ii. Club Enrollment Coordinator
      iii. Club Leader
      iv. Club Project Leader
   b. Program Volunteer
      i. Activity Leader
      ii. Adult Advisor / Chaperone
      iii. County Committee
   c. Project Volunteer
      i. County Project Committee
      ii. Key Leader
      iii. Project Leader
      iv. Resource Leader

3. Click Add next to your Volunteer Type Role
   NOTE: If you are a Project Leader for a specific Club, you will need to select a Club Volunteer Type and a Project Volunteer Type
   Some Volunteer Types require additional Consent forms. If additional Consent is required, you will be prompted to sign the Consent before the Volunteer Type will be added to your Record.
4. Repeat steps 1-4 for each Volunteer type that you would like to participate as.

5. Click the small trash can icon to remove any Volunteer Types.

6. Click Next.

7. If you have selected a Club Volunteer Type, click "Select Clubs" to choose the Clubs with which you would like to Volunteer.

   NOTE: If you did not select a Club Volunteer Type, you will not see this screen.

8. Select the County and Volunteer type that corresponds with the Club in which you would like to participate.

9. Click Add next to the Club.

10. Repeat steps 8-10 for each Club in which you would like to participate.

11. If you have selected to participate as a Project leader, you will be prompted to select a Project. Click Select Projects.

   NOTE: If you did not select a Project Volunteer Type, you will not see this screen.
12. Select Club if you are a project leader for a specific Club, and select the Club. Then select the Project Volunteer Type that best describes your involvement.

13. If you are a Project Volunteer for the entire County associated with your Family Profile, select County.

14. Scroll until you find the Project that you will be working with. Use the Project Filter to search the list.

15. Click Add next to the Project that you will be working with.

Some projects require additional Consents in order to participate. If an additional Consent is needed, you will be prompted to enter your signature and acceptance before the Project will be added to your record.

16. Click Show Questions.

17. Complete the Questions section.

18. When you are finished, click the Next button.

   NOTE: Any questions with a red **required** are required.

19. Click "Show Health Form".

20. During enrollment, you will be asked to complete the Basic Health Form fields and Consent.

21. Click the Next button at the bottom of the screen when you are done.
22. Complete the required Consents
23. Click Next at the bottom of the page.

24. Review the fees, if any
25. Click Next
26. If payment is not necessary, click the Next button

27. Click Submit

28. Additional steps (Screening and Training) are required for Adult Volunteers. Click Confirm to continue to any additional steps.

The additional steps may be completed at any time and in any order.
Volunteer Screening

Every adult volunteer is screened (criminal background check) upon initial enrollment and every four years thereafter. If you see the screening page, you need to be screened this year. Complete the screening form and associated Consent.

Click Continue to Submit your screening approval.

Within a week you will receive an email from HireRight with a link to complete the screening process.

Volunteer Training

If you have not completed your Volunteer training, you will see a Training tab.

Click the title of the training to select a lesson.

Click on the lesson title to open the lesson and begin the training.

Continuing an Enrollment

To continue an enrollment that has been started or to complete additional Volunteer enrollment steps, click on the Member List link in the upper left corner.

Then click the link to Continue the Enrollment or to continue a step in the Volunteer Enrollment process.

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Dear 4-H Families and Volunteers-

The last six-plus months have posed many challenges and uncertainty, we are so happy that you have stuck with us. As we look ahead to the next six months we are planning some fun, exciting, and interactive experiences for all of our families, members, and volunteers. With that, we are excited to officially reveal the framework that will shape our 4-H program as we move through the start of our 2020-2021 program year.

4-H, as we know it, has changed due to COVID-19. After many hours of thoughtful planning and collaboration, we have developed a framework that will provide everyone an opportunity to continue their participation in 4-H. Starting now, our programming will follow a 4 pillar framework made up of Monthly 4-H Club Check-ins, County 4-H Club Support, County 4-H Project Support, and Additional 4-H Staff Efforts. All combined, these efforts are intended to provide 4-H participants with a blend of business content, educational and recreational programming, and social interaction in keeping with the nationally recommended 4-H club meeting model.

Monthly Club Check-ins will not be the traditional monthly 4-H Club meeting, for now. We are asking that 4-H General Leaders connect with families virtually at least every other month and meetings should last 20-40 minutes. During non-Zoom meeting months, you will be hearing from your club leader in the form of a card, newsletter, personalized email, etc. to make sure that as a member you feel supported and connected to the program. We also encourage families to share 4-H stories with their club so leaders can post about them on Club Facebook pages. In addition, your leader may plan something for you to participate in as a club on top of the already planned County framework.

As 4-H Staff, we have seen the importance of providing County 4-H Club Support to help take the burden off of our selfless volunteers/leaders. The bulk of this ‘Kick-off packet’ contains the details on each of our 4-H Family Challenge opportunities being held in lieu of club educational programs and activities for participation credit. Follow the directions listed on each of the challenge flyers to earn one entry into the 4-H Family Challenge Prize drawing each time you complete a challenge. First county drawing: December 15; second county drawing: March 15. last date to enter: March 5.

- Road Trip Challenge; This is a multi-county/multi-state collaboration providing the opportunity to visit new or old places as a family. For each location, there is a set of scavenger hunt questions to be answered as one of the steps toward completing this challenge.
- Geocaching Challenge; Experienced or not, set out to find hidden geocaches carefully chosen around Walworth County and filled with 4-H Swag! Be sure to take a pen so you can sign your family’s name and #4hFamilyChallenge to the log inside the cache.
- Service Project Challenge; Part of being a 4-Her is about giving back to the community and completing community service projects. Doing traditional community service poses some challenges at the moment. Complete a service project that is listed on the challenge sheet or one that your family comes up with to give back to our communities.
- Monthly Interactive Program Challenge; Theme-based monthly virtual program with an at-home activity component that will allow us to connect with 4-H members from around the county as we complete an activity, learn from professionals, or mingle together as a community. Each month will have a different theme and activity allowing us to meet the many diverse interests of our members.

Project work is key to the success of being a 4-H member. As staff, we plan to offer County 4-H Project Support to assist project members, youth leaders, and project leaders to ensure everyone has educational project experiences. We hope to be able to provide various project-based Educational Offerings with hands-on, home-based learning activities supported by virtual workshops and Multi-Session IN-A-BOX Series exploring different project areas such as Arts & Crafts, Cloverbuds, Photography, Nature Science, etc. Additional support will be provided by individual County Project Committees.

And there’s more! Additional 4-H Staff Efforts will keep communication fluid and up to date through our ongoing 4-H News Blog, a monthly message to 4-H families, monthly feature posts showcasing the hard work of different 4-H members on our Facebook page, monthly 4-H challenge packet mailings (these are the packets you will receive monthly with all of the updated and new challenge information), virtual leadership training, and the creation of the “4-H Find-Out Series” video clips (sharing different information families and leaders might find important).

Again, thank you for being with us. Will YOU accept the challenge(s)? We look forward to all the pictures and stories that come from participating in the many challenges we have developed for you. You will find supporting details for all of the information in this packet. As always, if you have any questions please feel free to reach out.

Sincerely,

Janel Heidelberg  
4-H Program Educator  

Debbie Harris  
4-H Youth Development Educator  

P.S. Don’t forget, if you would like to purchase as Walworth County 4-H t-shirt, please complete the order form and return it with payment in the self-addressed envelope provided.
4-H Community Club Program Framework

Due to 4-H meeting restrictions imposed by COVID-19, this framework will guide Walworth County 4-H community club efforts between September 1, 2020 and March 1, 2021. All combined, these efforts are intended to provide 4-H participants with a blend of business content, educational and recreational programming, and social interaction in keeping with the nationally recommended 4-H club meeting model.

- **Monthly Written Personalized Communication** (e.g. cards, newsletters, personalized emails)
- **Social Media Posts** (Used to share family and member 4-H accomplishments)
- **Bi-monthly Check-in Meetings** (Virtual or in-person with approval using strategies to encourage engagement and interaction; 20-40 min.)
- **Club-planned Programs** (Optional)
- **On-going 4-H News Blog**
- **Monthly Message to 4-H Families**
- **Monthly Feature Post**
- **Mailing of New 4-H Year Packs & Monthly 4-H Challenge Packets**
- **Virtual Leadership Trainings**
- **“4-H Find-Out Series” Video Clips**

4-H Family Challenge Opportunities (Held in lieu of club educational programs and activities for participation credit.)
- **ROAD TRIP CHALLENGE** (Multi-county/multi-state)
- **GEOCACHING CHALLENGE**
- **SERVICE PROJECT CHALLENGE**
- **INTERACTIVE PROGRAM CHALLENGE** (Theme-based monthly virtual program with activity component.)

Varied Project-based Educational Offerings (Hands-on home-based learning activities supported by virtual workshops)
- **Other County Project Committee-led Opportunities**

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Adventure!

Explore new places or visit old favorites as part of the 4-H Road Trip Family Challenge!

Follow the directions below to earn one entry into the “Walworth County 4-H Family Challenge Prize Drawing” each time you visit a new “destination.” You will also be entered into the “IL-WI Grand Prize Road Trip Drawing.” First county drawing: December 15; second county drawing: March 15. Last date to enter: March 5. IL-WI Grand Prize Drawing: March 15.

How to Complete This Challenge:

1) Choose any one of the specific destinations listed to visit, and download the appropriate scavenger hunt questions to take with you. 4-H Road Trip destinations and info are available at THIS LINK: https://walworth.extension.wisc.edu/road-trip-challenge/.

2) Visit the destination, and take a family selfie at the designated spot. Post it on social media with the hashtags #WalCo4HFamilyChallenge and #4HRoadTripChallenge. If you don’t use social media, email your selfie to walco4h@gmail.com.

3) Complete the Scavenger Hunt and upload your answers to the appropriate “Participation Report” link.

Be aware that the scavenger hunt questions for each destination are meant to be answered by families. Adult supervision during visits is needed to ensure safety at each of the destinations. Nearby points of interest are provided as a courtesy for families unfamiliar with the locations. No endorsement of attractions/restaurants is intended, and the list of options at any location is not nearly complete.

Destinations to Choose From:

Kishwauketoe Nature Conservancy
Physical Address: 251 Elkhorn Road, Williams Bay, WI 53191 (Walworth County)
Description: A 231 acre property comprised of trails, ponds, streams, boardwalks, various ecosystems (prairie, wetlands, deciduous forest, oak woods, kettle, and meadow), a tower, and more.
Download scavenger hunt questions for this location HERE:
Enter your scavenger hunt answers HERE: https://forms.gle/VghGbrT5VYQbt1i48
Caution: Bug spray is recommended while weather is still warm. A short easy hike is required to complete the scavenger hunt—some of which is on boardwalks. Do not take the path off the bridge until after you have confirmed its length and know what you are getting yourselves into. It’s a long trail.

Some nearby Points of Interest:
- Black Point Estate
- Williams Bay Beach
- Geneva Lake Shore Path
- Frosty Moose Restaurant

White River County Park

Physical Address: 6503 Sheridan Springs Road, Lake Geneva, WI 53147
(Walworth County)

Description: A 195 acre park features about two miles of White River frontage, approximately five miles of walking trails, a canoe/kayak launch, cross country skiing, fishing, and more.


Enter your scavenger hunt answers HERE: https://forms.gle/emh4ZCUVf4tCTjSF9

Caution: Bug spray is recommended while weather is still warm. An easy 20-minute hike (10 min each way) is required to complete the scavenger hunt. Boots are recommended in case of rain or snow.

Some nearby Points of Interest:
- Lake Geneva Ziplines & Adventures
- Safari Lake Geneva
- Tristan Crist Magic Theatre
- Geneva Lake Museum
- Next Door Pub & Pizzeria

Destinations in other Wisconsin and Northern Illinois Counties are coming soon! We are proud to be partnering with several other colleagues in offering this challenge opportunity.

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Treasure!


These are just a few of the things your family can do together when you complete the Geocaching 4-H Family Challenge! Even if you've never geocached before... You. Can. Do. This.

Follow the directions below to earn one entry into the 4-H Family Challenge Prize drawing each time you visit a new cache. First county drawing: December 15; second county drawing: March 15. Last date to enter: March 5.

How to Complete This Challenge:

If you have never geocached before, you will need to download a free app to your cell phone or device. There are many to choose from. We used “Geocaching by Groundspeak.” It is the official app of geocaching.com. The free version of this app is all you’ll need to find the caches that are a part of the challenge—and many more if you choose to cache outside of this challenge.

1) Choose any one of the specific caches listed below to visit, and search the geocache ID number in the app. It will bring up information about the cache. Before heading to the cache, be sure to grab the 4-H sticker provided in your 4-H Kick-off Packet, a bit of swag, and a writing tool.

2) Use the navigation function to travel to the cache. For your convenience, the physical address of the cache location is provided below, as well. Once at the location, use the app’s compass function to navigate to the cache’s specific hiding spot. Most of the caches in this challenge are “small” or “regular.” This means they are the size of a sandwich box or bigger. Micro caches in this challenge are about the size of a magnetic key keeper. Review the cache description in the app to learn more about the specific cache, get a hint about its hiding spot, glean info from those who have recently visited, and more.
3) Once you've found the cache, take a family selfie with it in hand. (Be sure to aim your shot away from where the container was hidden, so the hiding spot remains a secret). Post it on social media with the hashtag #WalCo4HFamilyChallenge or email it to walco4h@gmail.com.

4) If you'd like to partake in the treasure, be sure to leave one item for each item you take. Additionally, drop in the 4-H sticker if this is the first cache you have visited as part of the Geocaching Challenge. Don’t take a trackable item (e.g. a travel bug) from a cache unless you are committed to moving it to another location in a short time span.

5) Sign the log with your team name (which is totally your choice) and #WalCo4HFamilyChallenge.

6) Report your participation in this challenge at THIS LINK: https://forms.gle/WCuW7vUfvGhXgoPY9. This step earns you an entry in the “4-H Family Challenge Prize Drawing.”

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**Geocaches to Choose From**

**Darien Area**

*Cache ID #: GCX78H*

*Geocache Name:* “Do Horses Smile?”

*General Physical Location:* SMILES, Inc., N2666 Co. Road K, Darien

*Caution:* This is a REGULAR cache.

**Elkhorn Area**

*Cache ID #: GC86Y7Z*

*Geocache Name:* “My Childhood Neighborhood”

*General Physical Location:* within the Meadow Blossoms neighborhood near Frank’s, Elkhorn

*Caution:* Please be respectful while you search, as you will be walking on the property lines of residents living in the area to get to this cache. Please park on the road. This is a REGULAR cache.

*Cache ID #: GC29RDG*

*Geocache Name:* “The Cache of Bray Road”

*General Physical Location:* Bray Road, Elkhorn

*Caution:* You will need to park on the side of the road for this cache. Adult supervision is required. This road is a fairly quiet one, but may be busier during harvest season. This is a SMALL cache.

**East Troy Area**

*Cache ID #: GC51XHE*

*Geocache Name:* “Jumpers Away”
General Physical Location: W1341 Co. Hwy L, East Troy
Caution: Park in the Skydive Milwaukee parking lot. This is a SMALL cache.

Lake Geneva Area
Cache ID #: GC2VDGT
Geocache Name: "Seek Ye First"
General Physical Location: near Oak Hill Cemetery, Cemetery Road, Lake Geneva
Caution: This is a REGULAR cache. Read the cache description on the app. There is a convincing decoy to watch out for.

Sharon Area
Cache ID #: GC2FJ0J
Geocache Name: "WSQ South Grove"
General Physical Location: South Grove Cemetery, Salt Box Road just south of County B on east side of road, Sharon
Caution: This is a SMALL cache. Please be respectful of gravestones and monuments. Cache is not located at a gravesite.

Whitewater Area
Cache ID #: GC2CQWY
Geocache Name: "Chilling and Grilling at Trippe"
General Physical Location: Trippe Lake Park, 407 South Wisconsin Street, Whitewater
Caution: This is a MICRO cache.

Cache ID #: GC8AZE3
Geocache Name: "Cache in the Middle of Nowhere"
General Physical Location: At the dead end on Meadowview Court, Whitewater
Caution: This reports as SMALL in the app, but it’s actually more MICRO. Not a great place to visit if it’s raining.

Key Geocaching Terms to Know

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<td>Swag</td>
<td>The “treasure” found inside of a geocache; if you take a trinket from a cache, you must leave one in exchange. Typical swag includes small items such as plastic toy figures, bouncy balls, anything little enough to fit that you think will make someone else (youth or adult) smile.</td>
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<td>TFTC</td>
<td>&quot;Thanks For The Cache.&quot; This is a common message to post in the app when you log that you &quot;found&quot; the cache.</td>
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<td>DNF</td>
<td>&quot;Did Not Find.&quot;</td>
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<td>Muggles</td>
<td>Passersby; people who may be in the vicinity of a cache when you are looking for it. Your goal, while geocaching, is to covertly find caches without others seeing where they are.</td>
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Service!

Give back to your community as part of the 4-H Community Service Challenge!

Follow the directions below to earn one entry into the 4-H Family Challenge prize drawing each time you complete a new service project. First county drawing: December 15; second county drawing: March 15. Last date to enter: March 5.

How to Complete This Challenge:

1) Complete any one of the community service projects listed below.
2) Take a selfie while completing the community service project. Post it on social media using the hashtag #WalCo4HFamilyChallenge. If you don’t use social media, email your selfie to walco4h@gmail.com with an explanation.
3) Completion of service projects should be recorded using the appropriate google form found at this link: https://forms.gle/DxyYDi44KpVEuQJv6

Community Service projects are intended to be completed as a family. Adult supervision and permission will ensure safety throughout service.

Community Service Projects to Choose From:

- Donate food to a local food pantry
- Make cards for a local nursing home or assisted living facility
- Make cards/care packages for soldiers
- Donate needed supplies to a local animal shelter
- Family’s choice

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CONNECTION!

Join us for a monthly theme based interactive Zoom featuring an activity to be completed at home before or during our call.

Follow the directions below to earn one entry into the 4-H Family Challenge prize drawing each time you complete a new service project. First county drawing: December 15; second county drawing: March 15. Last date to enter: March 5.

**HOW TO COMPLETE THIS CHALLENGE:**

1) Participate in a Monthly Interactive Zoom and complete the at home activity.
2) Take a selfie with your completed at home activity. Post it on social media using the hashtag #Walco4HFamilyChallenge. If you don’t use social media, email your selfie to walco4h@gmail.com with an explanation.
3) Completion of each monthly interactive Zoom and at home activity should be recorded using the appropriate google form at this link: https://forms.gle/Xc85ARPYDF1d3GTC7.

**CALENDAR OF THEMES AND ACTIVITIES:**

September → Challenge Reveal; Celebrate 4-H. At home activity: 4-H Scarecrow/Sign Promotional Challenge. INVITE A FRIEND!

October → Careers; Hear from a wide range of professionals in different careers and have the opportunity to ask them questions. Career Fields TBA. At home activity TBA.

November → STEM; At home activity TBA

December → Holiday Seasons Around the World; At home activity TBA

January → International; At home activity TBA

February → County Virtual Game night!

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SEPTEMBER MONTHLY INTERACTIVE PROGRAM CHALLENGE

PROMOTE 4-H!

This month’s Interactive challenge is meant to put your creative minds to the test while creating a 4-H Promotional scarecrow or a 4-H promotional yard sign. In this packet you will find a laminated logo for you to attach to your 4-H Promotional creation. Follow the directions below to earn one entry into the 4-H Family Challenge Prize drawing. Your entry must be submitted before the first county drawing: December 15.

HOW TO COMPLETE THIS CHALLENGE:

1) Build a scarecrow or yard sign using things you have around the house. Signs could include sayings like; “Join 4-H”, “A 4-Her Lives Here”, “4-H Rocks!”, etc.

2) Place finished project in yard or window for display and take a selfie. Post it on social media with the hashtag #Walco4HFamilyChallenge. If you don’t use social media, email your selfie to walco4h@gmail.com.

3) Complete the September Interactive Program Challenge participation report at this link: https://forms.gle/gtA7dDQL8AjCpJFw5.
We are excited to offer a Walworth County 4-H t-shirt as part of our 2020-2021 program kick off! The featured t-shirt can be seen below and costs $12.00. If you would like to purchase a t-shirt please have order forms and payment mailed to the Walworth County Extension office by the end of the day Wednesday, September 30. Orders are not complete unless payment is included with the order.

First and Last Name: ____________________________________________
Address: ______________________________________________________
Phone number: ___________________________ Email: __________________

4-H Club: _____________________________________________________

Please put the quantity of shirts next to each size you’d like to order.

Adult:                                            Youth:
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