

# Langlade County

# 4-H Newsletter

## May 2020

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### Dear Langlade County 4-H Families:

As we are all living through this challenging time of the COVID-19 pandemic, please remember the 4 H's of 4-H—Head, Heart, Hands, and Health. I never could have imagined a time like right now. I want you to know that I am here for you, 4-H is still here for you.

**HEAD**—Things may look different and we are all learning together. We are living history right now, maybe start keeping a journal, create a scrapbook, **HEART** -- How can we as 4-H'ers show heart? By sharing kindness with a chalk drawing on your driveway or decorations in your window. Sending a letter or card to a resident at the local nursing home.

**HANDS**—Hands on learning can and does happen at home or wherever you may be during this time. Some 4-H projects may not be the same as they normally are and we need to remember that different can be OK or even good enough. Maybe now is a good time to be exploring deeper the project areas you are most excited about or trying something new. You may need to improvise with supplies at home, but that is a great skill to learn and practice too!

**HEALTH**—How much are we learning about health right now?! Watching out for the health of ourselves, our families, our neighbors, and our communities! There is so much information, I encourage you to continue to check with reliable news sources like the Department of Health Services and the CDC for health related updates and information.

Inside this newsletter are a number of links to resources for projects and activities, online learning and more. They are provided to be just that—resources. Maybe you don't have time right now, or in a few weeks, maybe when summer comes you can check them out. I encourage you to reach out at anytime and stay safe!

Holly Luerssen  
4-H Program Educator



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### **EXTENSION CHANGES (COVID-19)**

Our office is currently closed to the public, but our staff is available via phone, email, facebook, and mail. Our hours have been adjusted to increase accessibility to our families and limit our staff exposure. If you have any questions please call our office.

### **New Office Hours**

Monday—Thursday  
8AM—5:30PM



# From the Desk of Holly



## **Fun, Hands-on Learning at Home**

Parents and Caregivers,  
As always, Extension and 4-H want to support youth and families with fun, hands-on learning that helps young people build life skills like critical thinking, problem solving, and decision making. World events are making things more challenging right now. But we don't let that stop us!

Extension educators from around the state created a handy list of easy-to-access activities and curriculum.

The resource page is organized by grade level and is full of Extension and 4-H resources as well as high quality, fun, learning activities from a range of other sources.

As you would expect, we focused as much as possible on experiential learning and fun.

Then, to save you time, energy, and unnecessary worry, we:

- Filtered out many activities with hard-to-find supplies and those that needed a lot of adult supervision to be safe.
- Included activities that encouraged some kind of safe social connection and/or involved getting youth out of the chair and moving.
- Included high quality, inclusive, and accessible resources for all ages, including parents, caregivers, and families.

Click the link to see what's there now. Bookmark it to check back for new resources added later.

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/home-activities/>

## **4-H Broadcast Emails from 4-H Online**

One way the Extension Office has been trying to communicate information to a majority of families in the 4-H program is through sending emails from the 4-H Online system. We understand for some, these emails have been pushed to junk email folders. Please add [noreply@4honline.com](mailto:noreply@4honline.com) to your list of email addresses that are ok to be accepted emails. **Especially during this time of COVID-19**, and new information coming out so often, this is one of the only ways for most of the state or specific project areas to get information at the same time. Also, double check the email address in 4-H online is correct.

## **4-H Fridays!**

**4-H Cabin Fever Friday** is a new resource being developed and emailed each Friday in Langlade County during the COVID-19 outbreak. One issue is included in this newsletter as an example. This is an opportunity to **try new activities and learn new skills doing 4-H projects**. If you're looking for an idea to **pass the time** and want to **try something new**, check out the projects in our 4-H Friday Fun-Flyer. **4-H Cabin Fever Friday** will have a **variety of projects and skill levels** highlighted each week. Please remember the *social distancing and safer at home guidelines* while doing these projects. If you would like to **take a picture of you or your family doing one of these 4-H projects**, feel free to email it to me at [holly.luerssen@wisc.edu](mailto:holly.luerssen@wisc.edu), with the **subject line: 4-H Cabin Fever Friday Photo** and each family will be entered into a drawing at a later date for some special gifts! Here is the website link if you would like to look up any issues. <https://langlade.extension.wisc.edu/>

## **Statewide Extension COVID-19 Website Resource**

For the latest and most up to date information regarding the COVID-19 health crisis visit the website. Not only will you find health information but also, financial assistance for small businesses, stay at home tips for families, managing a farm during the crisis, food safety, tax tips, health and well-being exercises, and lots of other information. For more information please go to <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/covid19/>

You should have received this email from the WI 4-H Program Manager to provide a COVID-19 Program Update. If you have not, please review the information below and contact the 4-H Office with any questions or concerns you may have.

#### April 22, 2020 Update to WI 4-H Programs

Dear 4-H families –

We are writing to share the latest update on the impact of COVID-19 on 4-H programs. In response to the continued need for physical distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19, University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension (including Wisconsin 4-H) is cancelling or postponing all in-person programs through the end of May and all programming with more than 50 people through June. In addition, all overnight residential programs will be canceled or postponed **through June** because of the difficulty of maintaining social distance. Upham Woods overnight programming and youth programming taking place on the UW-Madison campus have been cancelled through the summer.

Extension is continuing to monitor the situation to maintain the flexibility to support other statewide programming for the remainder of the summer, and to adapt our approaches if needed. When we emerge from this phase of the epidemic, we will likely have to start programming gradually, and in ways that limit potential exposure. Even though 4-H might not be the same as we have been anticipating, our clear thinking and commitment to larger service will get us through. 4-H staff, volunteers, and youth have been creating learning opportunities that can be done via the web and finding ways that members of a single household can learn and serve together. We are working with fairs and other summer programs to explore ways to continue learning and showcasing projects.

We hope to communicate changes with 6 weeks notice, to allow for planning, but this is an evolving situation. Check the state website (<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/>) in early May for updates on June and July programs.

We appreciate your patience and support through this process.  
#WI 4-H Strong

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WI 4-H Program Manager  
University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension



# 2020 FAIR UPDATES

## **Langlade County Fair**

*Authored By Paula Royce*

The Langlade County Fair Board is moving forward with planning of the 2020 Langlade County Fair. We are ready to be “Footloose at the Fair” with lots of fun and exciting things planned. We are watching regulations closely while considering impacts to all areas of the fair due to the current pandemic and economic environment we are currently in. The Fairbook will be published online only this year. We will notify everyone when Fair Entry will open for registrations. Vendors needing additional information please contact us at [info@langladecountyfair.net](mailto:info@langladecountyfair.net). We will continue to update you as updates are available. For more information please check the Langlade County Fair Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/langladefair>

## **Wisconsin State Fair**

The Wisconsin State Fair will be August 6-16, 2020, at State Fair Park in West Allis. Check out the State Fair exhibitor website <http://wistatefair.com/competitions> for all your show entry information. Junior Fair entries are due online this year by May 21. It is the member’s responsibility to keep up on the details and enter on time.

## **State Fair Youth Building Information**

Clothing Revue, demonstrations, and music and drama performances are no longer chosen at the county contest. If any youth is interested in learning more about participating at State Fair go to <https://wistatefair.com/competitions/youth-expo/> Information should be updated for this year soon.



# 4-H NEWS UPDATES

## ***4-H Summer Camp Update for 2020***

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 developments and guidance from the State 4-H Office and the University of Wisconsin Division of Extension, we are in a position where we will be **cancelling the following 4-H Summer Camps that Langlade County was participating in:**

**WOW – Environmental Leadership Camp on June 10-12, 2020  
Community/Day Camp on July 6, 2020  
Overnight Camp on July 7-10, 2020**

This sure is disappointing for those that were looking forward to the 4-H Summer Camp experience. We appreciate the 2020 Camp Staff that has been preparing for the camps from the counselors to the adult volunteers.

***Watch for information on how we plan to bring 4-H Summer Camp to your family this July.***



**Washington DC  
Experience  
Is Postponed.  
New Travel Dates Are  
Oct 28 – Nov 2, 2020.**

Based on recommendations by the BrightSpark Tour Company and the guidelines through the State 4-H Office, the Learning Journey's Washington DC Experience for Langlade and Lincoln Counties will take place this fall. More information will be shared with the trip delegates and chaperones later this summer.



# 4-H NEWS UPDATES

## YQCA ONLINE TRAINING AVAILABLE

All ages are able to take the online training course.

The cost is \$12.00 per youth.

All Youth who are in the Beef, Swine, Sheep, Poultry, Goats, Dairy & Rabbit Projects **must** take this training.

**Young Adult 19-21 Years old MUST take the online training**

<https://yqca.learn-grow.io/Account/Login>

WE'RE  
GONNA  
MISS  
YOU!



**2020 4-H Archery Leaders**

It is with a heavy heart that the 4-H Archery Leadership Committee announces: *The 2020 Archery shooting season will be postponed until 2021.* So far, two of the three months of shooting have been affected and the outlook for the future gatherings looks bleak. To participate in fair, check out the fair book. There are many educational, wildlife ecology, and natural resources projects.





# 4-H NEWS UPDATES

## PROJECT MEETINGS UPDATE

All face to face project, club, workshops, events, and meetings have been cancelled tentatively until the end of June due to the current COVID-19 outbreak. Virtual meetings will be available via ZOOM to all project leaders. If you are interested in hosting a virtual meeting please contact: Holly Luerssen at [Holly.Luerssen@wisc.edu](mailto:Holly.Luerssen@wisc.edu) or 608-265-2363

## Begin or Continue to Plan your Fair Projects!

Fair Books will be ready before we know it! So please take advantage of this time to plan and work on your 4-H Fair projects. As you begin to plan, here are a few things to remember:

- You may exhibit ONLY in the project areas you are enrolled in through 4-H Online.
- If you need supplies we recommend utilizing online ordering and shipment to your residence.

Work on projects from home, here are some ideas...

Don't wait until the last minute! Take advantage of this time now!

- Create a poster or display for your project area
- Plant your garden or flower seeds
- Work on your Trash to Treasure
- Go on a photography walk
- Put together a model rocket or airplane
- Practice your cake decorating skills
- Sculpt an original design
- Create your Lego project
- Draw, paint, or color with different mediums
- Create and design your own jewelry
- Sew, Knit or crochet a project
- Scrapbook (must be enrolled in one of the communications projects)

If you are not sure what projects you signed up for call the Extension Office at 715-627-6236.



# COVERBUDS

## COLORING

# Contest Winners

**1<sup>ST</sup>** JAYLEN KOLPACK

**2<sup>ND</sup>** AVERIE ALDEN

**3<sup>RD</sup>** KYE LEHMAN

### HONORABLE MENTIONS:

Ezra Johnson  
Daelen Curtis  
Meyson Curtis  
Eddie Pierce

*Thank you to all the participants!*



You decide who wins the coloring contest! Go to <https://bit.ly/CloverbudContest> to see all of our wonderful submissions and **CAST YOUR VOTE!**

You can additionally access the link from facebook and the Extension website.





# CLOVERBUD COLORING CONTEST



(K-2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE)

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Age:                      5                      6                      7                      8

Grade:                    5K                    1                    2

## DUE MONDAY MAY 25

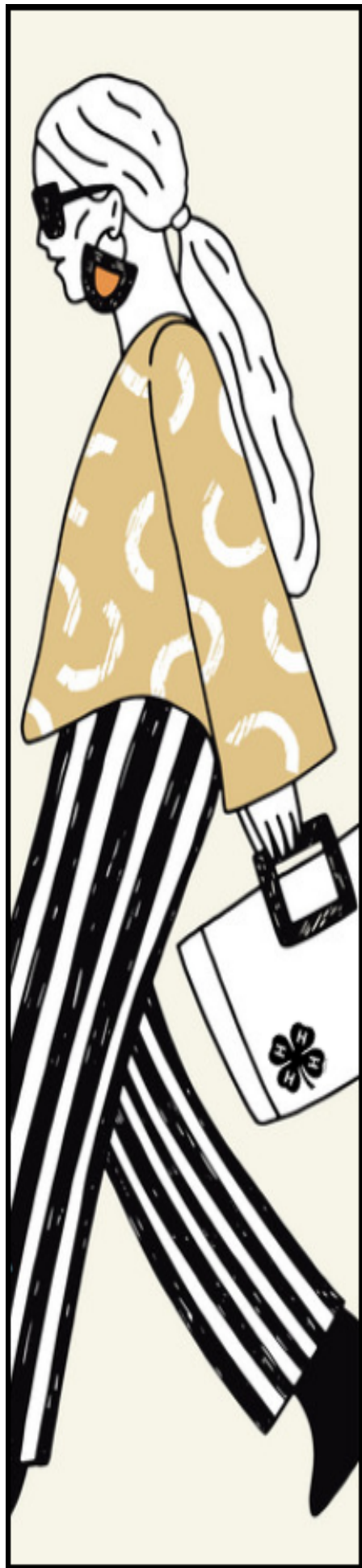
The Extension Office is currently closed to the public.  
Please submit your entries via email or mail.

**MAIL**  
Langlade County Extension  
1225 Langlade Road  
Antigo WI 54409

OR

**E-MAIL**  
budzenski@wisc.edu

*A drop box is available outside of the Extension Office for after hours submissions*



# 4-H Fashion Forward

**JUNE 18, 2020  
4:00PM @ THE 4-H OFFICE**

We've been working on "Making the Best Better" so join us for a revised version of the 4-H Clothing Revue, were looking at all projects having to do with Sewing, Knitting and Crocheting! Open to 4-H Cloverbuds to College Freshman.

If you are in either the sewing, or knitting/crocheting projects you will receive the forms by mail. If your not in the projects and still want to join in the fun please call the 4-H Office to request the forms. Forms are due back to the 4-H office on June 15th.

Judging will be on fit, style, presentation, suitability, and construction as it applies to what can visually be seen by the judge. Judging will be done by the Danish system. All participants in a class number will be looked at and talked to by the judge. The judge will then give the placing and some overall comments on points to improve and positive feedback.

If you need assistance or ideas please call the 4-H office at 715-627-6236, we have many Clothing, Knitting and Crocheting leaders who are willing to help!

# 4-H Photography Challenge

## May 11-17



Review the challenge topic every day and take your best photos with whatever camera you have available. Keep it simple, interpret the topic however you'd like. If you need help or have questions please call the 4-H office. This is not a contest, but simply a personal challenge you can complete on your own to hone in your photography skills.



**MAY 11 – SELF PORTRAIT**

**MAY 12 – TAKE A PICTURE OF YOUR FOOD!**

**MAY 13 – LANDSCAPE**

**MAY 14 – SUNRISE OR SUNSET**

**MAY 15 – TAKE A PICTURE OF A REFLECTION**

**MAY 16 – MACRO (TAKE A PICTURE OF SOMETHING REALLY CLOSE-UP)**

**MAY 17 – TAKE A PICTURE OF AN ANIMAL**

UPLOAD YOUR PHOTO EACH DAY @

<https://forms.gle/HQmMZC41jjFpdQsi9>

**PHOTOS CAN BE TAKEN IN EITHER COLOR OR BLACK & WHITE**

# SATURDAY WORKSHOP

Saturday June 13th from 9AM-11AM, Langlade County 4-H will be hosting a community service workshop to benefit the Langlade County Humane Society. We will enjoy the morning by creating dog and cat toys, kennel blankets, and some treats for the animals.

**Please note that this workshop will INCLUDE PEANUTBUTTER.**

Please notify the 4-H Office if you or your youth has any allergies

**REGISTER for the workshop at:**

<https://bit.ly/HumaneSocietyProject4H>

*If you are interested in making a donation please contact the 4-H Office at 715-627-6237*



# 2020 POSTER CONTEST



Sponsored by: Langlade County 4-H Leaders Association

## Rules and Restrictions

- Open to ALL Langlade County 4-H Members
- Completed by the individual **ONLY**
- 2 Entry Maximum (one per theme)
- **NO** Copyright materials
- Correct use of the 4-H emblem
- Information must be added to the top right corner on the back of the poster
- Information must include:  
Name, Address, Club, County, Current Grade, & Spring 2020

## Posters Due Monday May 18, 2020

Entries should be brought to the 4-H Office after May 4th. If this date changes we will send out notifications via email and will update our Extension website and the 4-H Facebook page.

### Suggestions:

**Theme:** Does the poster attract attention? Is the message brief and direct?

**Simplicity:** Is the poster limited to one idea and readable at a glance?

**Originality:** Does the poster convey an original idea?

**Pleasing Composition/Attractiveness:** Is the poster well balanced and neatly done? Does it cover the whole board? Is it free from smudges? Do the images need outlining? Step back 8-10 feet, can you read it?

**4-H Emblem:** Do not place anything over or on top of it. The emblem should only be in green, black, white, or gold/yellow.

### Poster Specifications

- \* 14x22 inches
- \* Poster Board (any color)
- \* Vertical or Horizontal
- \* One-dimensional. **NO** raised materials.

## PRIZES:

### Themes:

- 4-H: Joining or Promoting
- Dairy: Industry Related
- Beef: Industry Related
- Horse: Horse & Pony Project Focused

1<sup>st</sup> — \$10.00

2<sup>nd</sup> — \$8.00

3<sup>rd</sup> — \$6.00

4<sup>th</sup> — \$4.00

### Divisions:

- Cloverbud: K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade
- Junior: 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Intermediate: 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Senior: 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Grade

# IMPACT STATEMENTS

What impact has 4-H had on you? 4-Hers across Langlade County attended the 2019 WI 4-H Fall Forum in November. They participated in a conversation on the impacts of 4-H. John Nolten of "A Peace of Mind" recorded the conversation in a photos. Over the next few months, we are pleased to share our local impact statements with you.



**Holly Luerssen,**  
4-H Program Coordinator—Lincoln & Langlade Counties



**Megan Teal**  
4-H youth leader & member of Lucky Rivers 4-H Club

# SIDEWALK CHALK FEST



While you're out of school and outside soaking up the sun, why not break out the sidewalk chalk and show us what you can do? Take a picture of your sidewalk (or driveway) chalk creation and send it in for your chance to win!!

*Open to ALL Youth  
In Lincoln &  
Langlade Counties*

How to Enter: Email your name and chalk photo to:  
<https://bit.ly/4-HChalkFest>  
Deadline for Photo Submission: Sunday, May 10, 2020  
Youth may enter more than one design.

An Activity of UW Madison Division of Extension—Lincoln & Langlade Counties—Holly Luerssen 4-H Program Coordinator

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# Staying Connected

## ***Distance Learning of Knitting***

If you are interested in learning about knitting during this time, Andrea Rippley, 4-H Program Coordinator in Jackson and Trempealeau Counties, is sharing her love of knitting with the youth of Wisconsin! This is recommended for youth in grades 5 and above. Below is the materials list and a registration link in the google doc. She is really excited to try and teach knitting though distance learning. Go to the below link.

<https://bit.ly/4HDistanceKnitting>



## **Art Club**

Join the multi-county Art Club. Bring a project you have completed or are working on to show. Learn new techniques and do projects together. This virtual club meets on Sundays at 2pm. Join the Art Club by registering at

<https://bit.ly/register4ArtClub>



## **LEGO CLUB**

Join the multi-county Lego Club. This youth led virtual club meets on Sunday's at 3p.m. to share a new challenge build each week. Join by registering at <https://bit.ly/legoclub2020>.



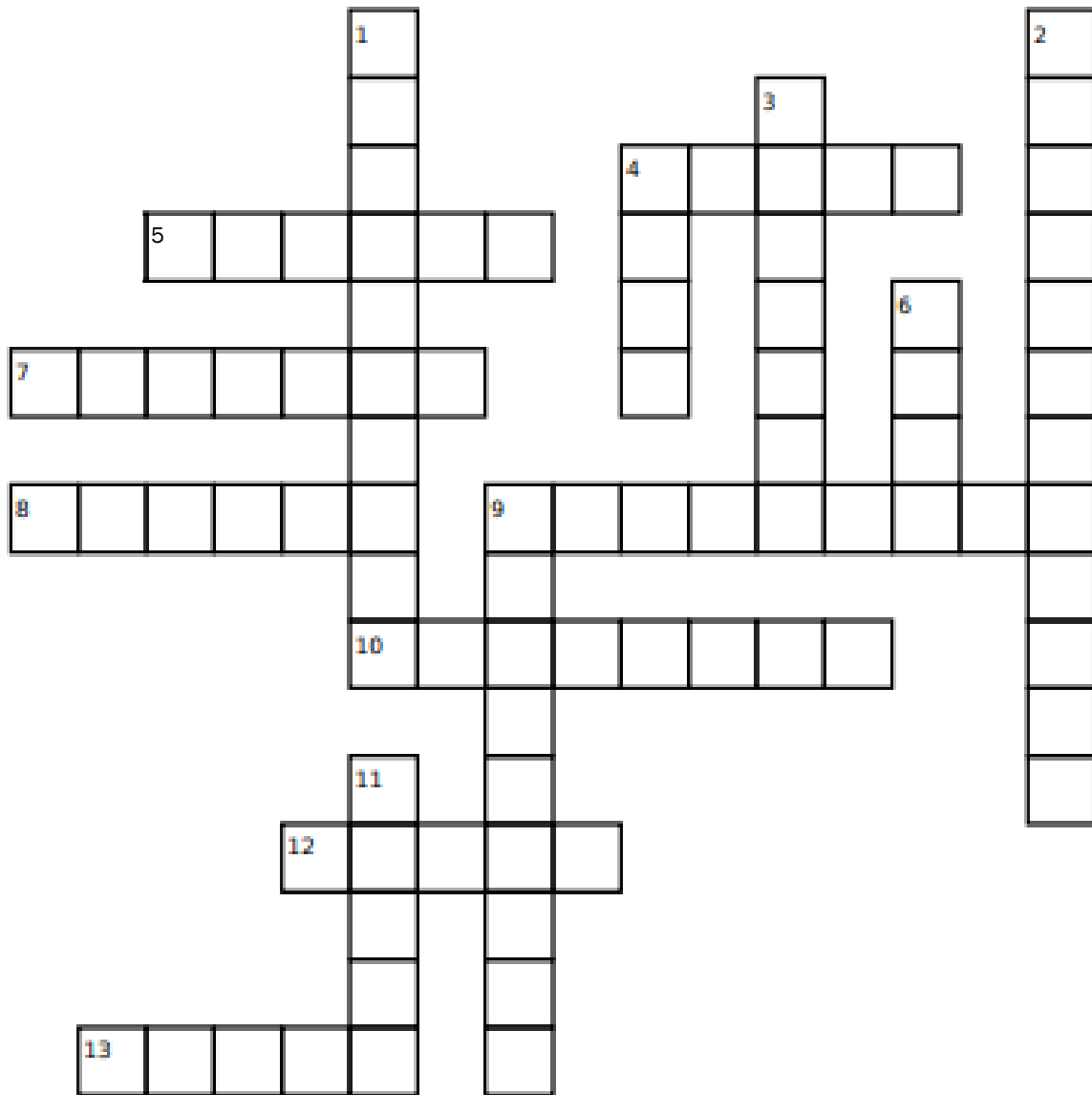
## **Virtual Clubs or Workshops**

Are you interested in putting your leadership skills to work? Youth or adults can lead project demonstrations or host club meetings. Youth that are interested in earning youth leadership points please contact Holly.





# 4-H May Crossword

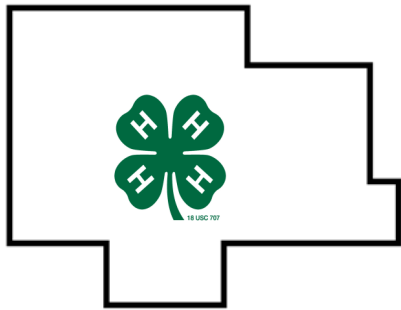


## Down

1. Youth \_\_\_\_\_  
(a project starting in 6th Grade)
2. A project that allows you to sell swine, sheep, & beef at fair (2 words)
3. Holland Lop (A project)
4. Clearer thinking
6. Obedience and Agility (plural)
9. Class of 4-Her that is in K–2nd grade
11. Larger service

## Across

4. Greater loyalty
5. Said at all club meetings (e.g. “Of Allegiance)
7. Project with bow and arrow
8. To better living
9. Langlade County Tradition for youth, overnight, camp fires, and outdoor activities
10. Celebrate Art, Sport Fishing, Rabbits are all \_\_\_\_\_ youth enroll in.
12. Type of cow that provides milk
13. \_\_\_\_\_ meetings (plural)  
(Tree Toppers, Neffswitch, Evergreen)



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