



Burnett County



# 4-H Bugle

March 2016

## A Note from the Agent -

*Beth Rank*

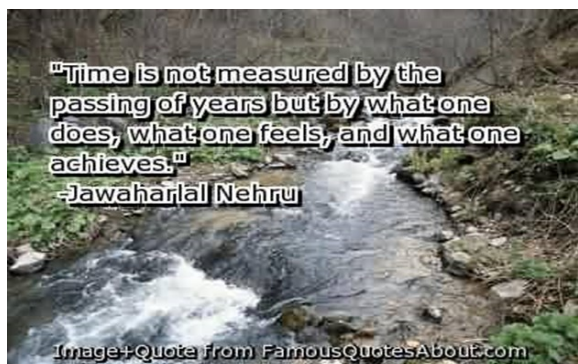
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I can't believe that I celebrate my work anniversary on March 3rd! I've been here two years! I like the quote by Jawaharlal Nehru, Former Prime Minister of India who says, "Time is not measured by the passing of years but by what one does, what one feels, and what one achieves." I can say that I have successfully conducted a needs assessment of Burnett County and was happy to hear many positive things about Burnett County when I first started back in 2014. That needs assessment helped me identify, organize, and teach two multi-session Raising a Thinking Child programs in Burnett County since I started. I am happy to share that we now offer two Project Day events instead of just one. The fall event has been just as successful as the spring event. I see forward progress with growing our 4-H program.

Because of these things I feel happy to work in Burnett County with the University of Wisconsin-Extension. Some days I feel stressed but that is generally because I'm busy doing many good things for 4-H or community groups.

Lastly, I can say that I've achieved progress towards goals I've set in my annual plans. I would love to say that we've reached our 100 4-H member goal for this year but, I appreciate the progress we've made. Just in the last month we've gained a few members and the month before we did the same. At present, we have 80 youth enrolled. We need 20 more youth to join 4-H before the end of September in order for us to have that cupcake party I mentioned earlier this year.



4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning Leadership, Citizenship, and Life Skills.

# MARCH

- 5 - State 4-H Livestock Quizbowl and Skillathon Contest, UW Madison, <http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/quizbowlskillathon/>
- 7-8 - Co-op Yes! Conference (grades 10-12), Eau Claire
- 12 - Spring Project Day, Siren School, 1-4pm
- 12 - Crex Photo Club, 10am - noon, Crex Meadows, *page 5*
- 13 - **DEADLINE** for Summer Camp Staff Applications, *February Bugle, pages 13-14*
- 13 - Jr Leaders' Meeting, 5pm, Government Center
- 14 - Summer Intern Applications **DUE**
- 14 - Countywide Cloverbud Meeting, 6pm, Government Center
- 14 - Leaders' Meeting, 7 pm, Government Center
- 16 - Registration for 2017 Citizen Washington Focus via 4HOnline closes at midnight.
- 21-25 - Summer Intern Interviews
- 24 - Countywide LEGO® Project Meeting, 4:45pm, Gov't Center
- 25 - Registrations **DUE** for I Want to Know! Camp, *page 7*
- 25 - **UW-Extension Office Closed**
- 28 - Registration deadline for Wisconsin 4-H Dog Agility Training, *Feb. Bugle, page 4*

# APRIL

- 1-2 - Wildlife WHEP Contest, Forestry Contest, Wildlife & Forestry Art Contest, West Bend, WI, *February Bugle page 8*
- 1-2 - 4-H Wildlife Shooting Sports Contest, West Bend, WI
- 9 - Wisconsin 4-H Dog Agility Training, Menasha, WI, *Feb Bugle, page 4*
- 10 - Jr Leaders' Meeting, 5pm, Government Center
- 11 - Countywide Cloverbud Meeting, 6pm, Government Center
- 11 - Leaders' Meeting, 7pm, Government Center
- 11 - Cultural Arts Festival/Food & Clothing Revue Registration **DEADLINE**
- 15-17 - Midwest Horse Fair, Location TBA
- 21 - Countywide LEGO® Project Meeting, 4:45pm, Gov't Center
- 21-25 - Space Camp, Huntsville Alabama
- 23 - Cultural Arts Festival/Food & Clothing Revue, 1pm, Siren School
- 29-30 - I Want 2 Know! Camp, Upham Woods, *page 7*
- TBA - YELL (Youth Engaged in Learning about Leadership) Conference

# MAY

- TBA - Jr Leaders' Meeting, Time TBA, Government Center
- 1 - Western Wisconsin Association of Rocketry Meeting, Grantsburg Airport, contact Craig Bowman (715-463-2684 or 715-220-6459)
- 7 - **Wisconsin Fishing Opener**
- 7 - State 4-H Horse Bowl and Hippology, UW-Marathon, Wausau, WI
- 8 - **Mothers' Day**
- 9 - Countywide Cloverbud Meeting, 6pm, Government Center
- 9 - Leaders' Meeting, 7pm, Government Center
- 20 - 4-H Hall of Fame Nominations **DUE**, *page 4*
- 21 - **Webster High School Graduation**
- 22 - **Grantsburg High School Graduation**
- 26 - Countywide LEGO® Project Meeting, 4:45pm, Gov't Center
- 27 - **Siren High School Graduation**
- 30 - Memorial Day, **UW-Extension Office Closed**



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# 4-H News

## HUMANE SOCIETY SERVICE PROJECT

The Burnett County Humane Society needs our help, which is why the Junior Leaders will be accepting donations at the Cultural Arts Festival on April 23rd. Since adoption fees only cover the base cost of each animal they help, the Humane Society is always looking for volunteers and donations.

Items you can donate include:

- 🐾 Bleach
- 🐾 Wipes
- 🐾 Paper towels
- 🐾 Laundry detergent
- 🐾 Dish soap
- 🐾 Copy paper
- 🐾 Old towels and blankets
- 🐾 Wholesome brand dog and cat food (can be purchased at The Pet Store in Siren)
- 🐾 Clumping, scoopable cat sand
- 🐾 Canned dog food
- 🐾 Cat and dog treats

If each family could bring one item to Cultural Arts, we can make a difference in the lives of shelter animals, and the employees of the shelter.

If you are interested in finding more ways to help, you can visit their website, [www.hsburnettcty.org](http://www.hsburnettcty.org), or attend Humane Society meetings, which are held at 5:30 p.m. on every 4th Wednesday of the month. Currently, they are looking for servers for their annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on Saturday, April 30th at the Webster Community Center. If you can't serve, you can bake desserts and drop them off at the Humane Society the day before.

*Submitted by Maiya Fuller*

## REMINDER

Due to security concerns and software conflicts, 4HOnline will no longer work with Internet Explorer. To access 4HOnline, use Firefox ([firefox.com](http://firefox.com)), Chrome ([chrome.com](http://chrome.com)), or Safari (run Apple's software updates), and use the most up to date versions.

## FOOD RESOURCES

Second Harvest Food Distribution dates at Connections in Webster 11am-4pm

- March 3 & 17
- April 7 & 21
- May 5 & 19

Free bread available at Trinity Lutheran Church in Falun every Friday 11am until the bread is gone.

Children's books will be given to families on food distribution days also!





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# 4-H News

## 4-H HALL OF FAME

In recognition of the Wisconsin 4-H Centennial, an inaugural 4-H Hall of Fame was started in 2014. A 4-H Hall of Fame provides statewide recognition for individuals and external organizations with significant contributions to the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development program on every level, preserve Wisconsin 4-H history and development, and has the potential to increase awareness of the 4-H Youth Development program. Potential recipients include 4-H volunteers, 4-H pioneers, external collaborating organizations and businesses, community leaders and retired Cooperative Extension staff.

### Guidelines

- ★ The Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame will use criteria consistent with the National 4-H Hall of Fame.
  - ★ Any group or individual is eligible to submit a nomination to the state selection committee.
  - ★ All nominations must include the signature of a county or state UW-Extension educator.
  - ★ Complete nominations include the nomination cover page, nomination signature page, and one-page Microsoft Word document outlining nominee's qualifications based on the 4-H Hall of Fame criteria, a digital head and shoulder photograph and a brief (no more than 250 words) biography.
  - ★ UW-Extension staff members must be retired for three or more years before being eligible for nomination.
  - ★ Unsuccessful candidates may be re-nominated for future consideration
- **Citizenship** as exemplified by participation in civic, community, state, regional and national public service activities evidencing concern for the welfare of others, especially as related to 4-H.
  - **Leadership** as exemplified by qualities of leadership and acceptance of leadership responsibilities in civic, community, professional and business related activities that directly or indirectly benefit 4-H.
  - **Career Accomplishments** as exemplified by individual or organization/business accomplishments and success in chosen career field and as a mentor or role model. This includes tangible things done, such as programs implemented, resources raised, writing, business success, number of people affected, measured impacts on the lives of others, etc.
  - **Character** as exemplified by evidence of the influence of 4-H involvement (if a 4-H alumni or volunteer) in the nominee's life and/or his or her commitment to 4-H. The impact of 4-H involvement in the candidate's life is critical to the nomination. For those who may not be 4-H alumni, describe, if possible, where their commitment to 4-H originates and is strongly demonstrated.

Complete nominations include a:

- Nomination cover page
- Nomination signature page
- One-page Microsoft Word document outlining the nominee's qualifications based on the 4-H Hall of Fame criteria
- Digital head and shoulder photograph and
- Brief (no more than 250 words) biography.

The Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame recognizes significant contributions (depth, scope and impact) on any level. Selection is based on five criteria.

Contact the office for more information and nomination forms. The completed nomination is **DUE** no later than May 20, 2016.



## CREX PHOTO CLUB

Second Saturday of the month, 10am - noon at  
Crex Meadows Wildlife Area.

Learn more about digital photography, share  
images with fellow photographers to learn new  
techniques.

Contact Crex Meadows Wildlife Area:  
715-463-2739, [www.crexmeadows.org](http://www.crexmeadows.org), or  
[kristina.pupak@wisconsin.gov](mailto:kristina.pupak@wisconsin.gov)

## CULTURAL ARTS FESTIVAL SERVICE PROJECT

At the Cultural Arts Festival, Junior Leaders will  
be holding a collection for donations to the Bur-  
nett County Humane Society. Items that can be  
donated include bleach, wipes, paper towels,  
laundry detergent, dish soap, and other cleaning  
supplies. For the office, copy paper is used as  
well. For the pets, Wholesome brand dog and  
cat food can be bought from the local Siren Pet  
Store. Canned food and box treats are also wel-  
come. Scoopable clumping cat sand/litter is

needed too. Old towels and blankets are appre-  
ciated as well! Please bring your donations to  
the Cultural Arts Festival on April 23rd. The Jun-  
ior Leaders will bring the supplies to the Humane  
Society afterwards. Interested in helping more?  
Visit [www.hsburnettcty.org](http://www.hsburnettcty.org) for more info.

*Submitted by Alexis Symond*





## Mechanical Sciences



### LEGO® PROJECT

Everyone is welcome to come to LEGO® Project meetings. We usually meet the 4th Thursday of the month (**Nov and Dec: 3rd Thurs**) at the Government Center at 4:45pm-5:45pm.

In the February meeting, LEGO® engineers presented the dragons they had made for homework and did individual builds of something from a science fiction TV show or movie.

**PLEASE JOIN US ON  
MARCH 24. BRING A  
BUILD OF A WEAPON TO  
FIGHT ZOMBIES WITH.**

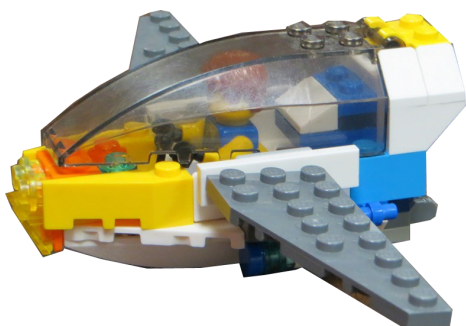
◀ Luke's Dalek



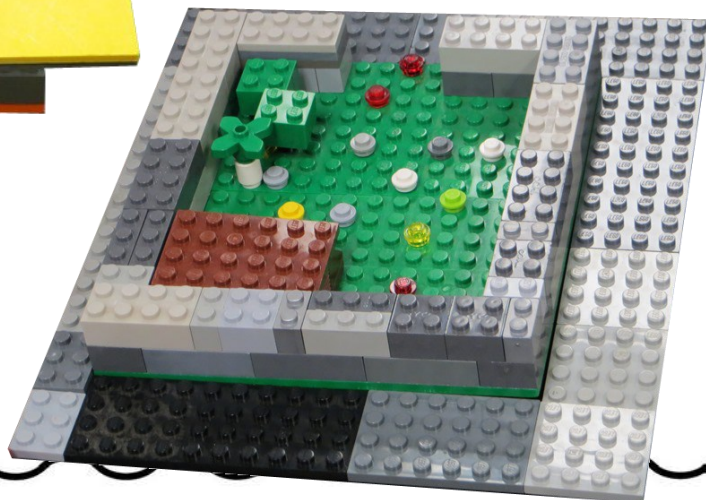
▲ Luke's 2,000 year old fire breathing dragon with robotic eye.



◀ Dominic's robotic dragon with escape pod.



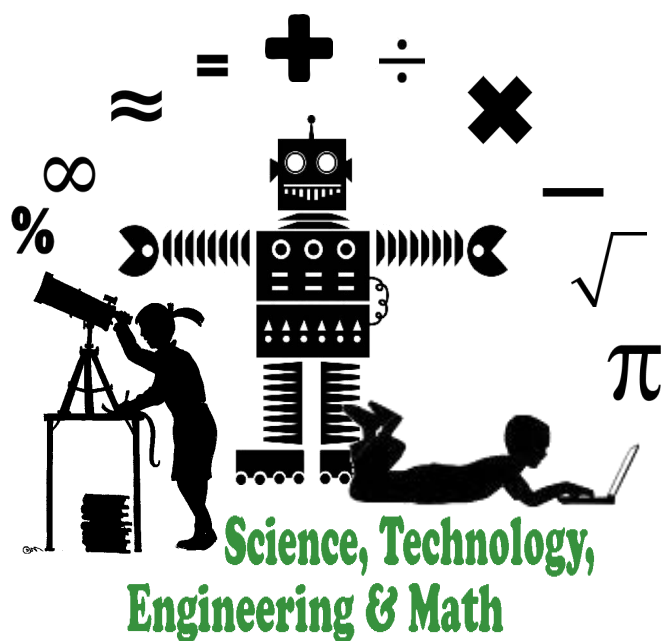
▶ Dominic's glade in the maze from Mazerunner





## PROJECT MEETING

On Saturday, Maiya and Lexi had a Service Learning project meeting. We identified a need in our community (Humane Society) and resources that are available to fulfill the need (volunteers, donations, fundraisers). We visited the Humane Society, where they introduced themselves. We asked specific questions about their needs, opportunities to help, etc. Each of the project members wrote an article for the Bugle.



## I WANT TO KNOW! CAMP

Do you like science, technology or engineering? Have you always wanted to know what makes things work? Would you like to do cool, hands-on experiments—including activities in food science, DNA, and electricity—and learn about the science of herpetology and more? If so, then I Want To Know! Camp is for you!

When: April 29-30, 2016 6 pm arrival | 4 pm departure

Where: Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center — Wisconsin Dells, WI

Who: Grades 6-8, open to 4-H and non 4-H youth

Cost: \$65 — Includes all meals, lodging, t-shirt and supplies

REGISTRATION **DUE** MARCH 25. Space is LIMITED! Registrations will be taken on a first come basis with a waiting list if necessary. Sign up TODAY! Special financial circumstances will be handled on an individual basis.

Forms can be found at [fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hstem/events/i-want-to-know-camp/](http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hstem/events/i-want-to-know-camp/).

Contact Joanna Skluzacek at 608-265-2949 or [Joanna.Skluzacek@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:Joanna.Skluzacek@ces.uwex.edu) for more details.





## Youth Leadership

### NEXT JR LEADERS MEETING

Sunday, March 13, 2016 at 5pm in the Burnett County Government Center.

#### JUNIOR LEADER BIO | Patty Close

"I've been in 4-H for 8 years and have grown significantly because of it. Being selected as a representative for Youth Conference, CWF, and National Congress has reflected my passion in becoming a better leader and person," Patty says about her 4-H career. Patty is currently enrolled in the following projects: Foods & Nutrition, Horse, Photography, and Youth Leadership. Patty also said that, "constant performances and teaching sessions has formed me as a better rounded person." Patty is a member of the Wood Creek 4-H club and the daughter of Dave & April Close. She received the Key Award in 2015!



**REMINDER:** Summer Camp Staff applications are **DUE** March 13!

Planning for a trip to the Science Museum in Minneapolis is underway on the new Junior Leaders' Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1292669987416798/> (or search Burnett County Junior Leaders). Vote on which day works best for your schedules. You can vote for more than one day. Please comment if none of the dates work for you.

#### JUNIOR LEADER BIO | Maiya Fuller

"4-H has made me the person I am today," Maiya said. "When I joined 4-H, I was really shy and had anxiety about talking in front of people. I am now the president of my club and I've lead various county activities. I've made so many good friends and I have so many memories." Maiya is currently enrolled in the following projects: Cloverbuds Youth Leader, Foods & Nutrition, Service Learning, Theatre Arts, and Youth Leadership. This summer Maiya will represent Burnett County 4-H at the Citizenship Washington Focus experience in Washington, D.C. Maiya has been a member of the Orange 4-H club for seven years and is the daughter of Adrienne Fuller.







## Younger Members



The next  
**Cloverbud Meeting**  
will be held on Monday,  
**March 14**  
from 6:00pm - 6:45pm  
in the Burnett County  
Government Center,  
Room 165.

In February, Burnett County 4-H Cloverbuds made paper quilt squares with Amy Kopecky. Based on the Cloverbud's initials they created a different quilt square. If you have Cloverbuds in your club, ask them about the quilt square activity. Maybe they can teach you how to make your own quilt square that represents the first letter of your first name.



In March, Burnett County 4-H Cloverbuds will make sweet music together. Missy Peterson will be leading the activity. Cloverbuds can select from three different musical instruments to make from recycled items.



NOTE: For the March meeting, Cloverbuds please bring a shoebox with removable lid, clean and dry plastic bottle with cap, and two paper plates that can be glued or stapled together. If you have dried beans or small rocks at home, feel free to bring those to the meeting on Monday, March 14th in Room 165 of the Burnett County Government Center. The meeting is held from 6:00-6:45 p.m.

# CLUB news

**WOOD CREEK and JUNIOR LEADERS**  
went tubing!





WOOD RIVER BEAVERS went swimming!

# CLUB news





# CLUB news

JOLLY H made cookies and cards for the Continuing Care Center in Grantsburg.





The Fair Book comes out in April. We need updated club photos by March 14. *Let Beth R. know if you need more time to take a picture!*

# CLUB

# News

## IT'S TIME FOR CLUB PHOTOS!

These are the photos used in the 2015 Fair Book:





## Leaders' Pages

### MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING

Volunteer mandated reporter online training is now available on 4HOnline's training section. Instructions may be found at <https://blogs.ces.uwex.edu/4hyouthline/files/2016/02/4HOnline-Mandated-Reporter-Training-For-4H-Volunteers.pdf>.

All currently enrolled volunteers are encouraged to take this training. It will be tracked in 4HOnline under trainings completed. You are encouraged to print and keep the certificate when you complete the training.

### LEADERS' ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

February 8, 2016

President Heather Stahl called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. The pledges were recited.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Heather Stahl, Greg Stahl, Adrienne Fuller, Charlene Strabel, Don Strabel, Marge Peterson, Phil Steimann, Sheryl Stiemann, Lauri Nelson, Sally Lahners, Beth Rank.

**JUNIOR LEADERS** and others: Maiya Fuller, Alexis Symond, Edwin Janssen, Ricky Stahl, Luke Lahners, Gaby Stahl, Grace Lahners.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Reviewed. Motion to approve the secretary's report by Charlene, second by Marge. Heather noted the Treasurer information in January minutes need to be amended with the following:

The four US Bank accounts are:

- Burnett County 4-H Acct. \*\*\*\*\*5091
- Burnett County 4-H Assn - Jr. Leaders Acct. \*\*\*\*\*0406
- Burnett County 4-H Memorial Clair Erickson Acct. \*\*\*\*\*5607
- Burnett County 4-H Plat Books Acct. \*\*\*\*\*0464

The signature cards for all four accounts should be updated to include the following members: Karin Reinert, Heather Stahl, Adrienne Fuller, Phil Stiemann, Dave Close, Charlene Strabel, and Marjorie Peterson.

Marge made a motion to accept the revised minutes, second by Lauri. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Reviewed. Motion to approve the treasurer's report and pay bills by Phil, second by Lauri. Motion carried.

#### CLUB REPORTS:

- JOLLY HS: Participated in the music contest. Making Valentines and Valentine cookies for extended care.
- ORANGE: Participated in the music contest. Starting skit practices for Cultural Arts.
- WOOD CREEK: Club music contest entry going to State Fair. Tubing at Trollhaugen on February 28.
- WOOD RIVER BEAVERS: Participated in music contest. Going swimming. Will start Cultural Arts.

**EXTENSION REPORT:** Beth had 12 families sign up for the Raising a Thinking Child class. Some nEXTgen changes may start in July. Goal: Grow the 4-H program. Current enrollment: 77.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Music Contest –
  - Judges – Need to be paid \$35.00 each
  - Registration Process – Each member may sign up for three total entries, including the

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## Leaders' Pages

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club entry. Such as club entry plus two of – small group, solo voice, or instrumental.

- Scoring for placings – Sheryl shared revised guidelines for placing and uniform scoring
- Committee sign up – Contact Beth if you have interest in helping in any of these areas.
  - Cultural Arts needs 3 volunteers for Communications categories (written, memorized, prose/poetry)
  - Land Use – Determined no committee necessary. Clubs can go out there and use the 11 acres of land for Fall Photography, Archery meetings, etc. The land is insured by 4-H.
  - Marketing & Promotions (National Night Out activity, theme for 4-H year, etc.)

### NEW BUSINESS:

- Project Day – March 12, 1:00-4:30 p.m. Siren School.
  - Need presenters youth and adults welcome
  - Anyone willing to help coordinate event that day? Adrienne noted to be on Project Day committee.
- Cultural Arts Fest & Food/Clothing Revue – April 23, 9:00 a.m. – noon and 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Siren School
  - Judges needed – Lauri contacted Rhonda Peterson who will be the photography judge
  - Committee meet soon to review packet
- Summer Camp – July 12, 4:00 – noon on July 15 at Camp Burnett on Lake 26
- Cloverbud Day Camp – July 11, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., at Camp Burnett on Lake 26
- Project Grants – Leaders granted awards as follows:
  - Art Beat (50% of registration) – Hannah Hill-

man, Joel Hillman

- Clair Erickson (\$25) – Alexis Slater
- Nancy Carlson (\$25) – Josephine Richards, Adin Treague, Hannah Hillman, Emma Peterson
- Charlene suggested we should consider changing criteria to allow grant applications for two years vs. limit one. Tabled for future discussion.
- County Trip – Start thinking about ideas

### OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

- Amazing Race – Suggested Junior Leaders could do an Amazing Race at camp for the younger members.
- Summer Intern – Beth reviewing application information to better reflect what is done in the summer.

### JUNIOR LEADERS:

- Plan to meet on the second Sunday of the month at 5:00 p.m.
- Discussed plans for their Humane Society Drive – donations to be collected at Cultural Arts Fest.
- Project Day – session planning forms handed out.
- Tubing at Trollhaugen – group rate is \$13.00/person. Junior Leaders will pay for half out of their account, so each JL needs to pay \$6.50 for three hours of tubing on February 28. Parents/younger siblings may attend for \$13.00/person. Bring completed waiver from Trollhaugen website.
- Science Museum – April date TBD. Group rate for 15+ is \$17.00/person for museum and Omni theater admission. Junior Leaders will pay for half out of their account.

Next meeting is March 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Adrienne Fuller, Leaders Association Secretary

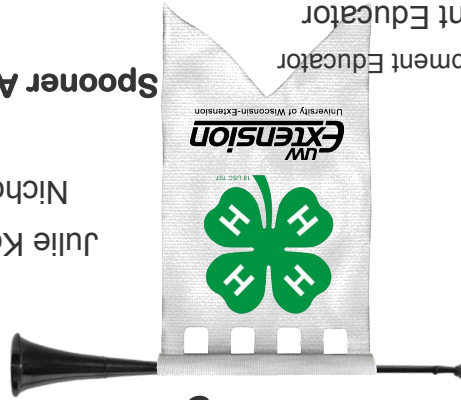




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## Burnett County 4-H Leaders Association Executive Committee

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Adrienne Fuller, Secretary; Karin Reinert, Treasurer

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