

BADGER BRIEFS

Badger 4-H Club

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July 8, 2010

The 4-H Pledge

I pledge my head to clearer thinking,
My heart to greater loyalty,
My hands to larger service,
And my health to better living,
For my club, my community,
My country and my world

Happy Birthday to these Badger members!

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| Constance Br | Victor S |
| Raleigh E | Leah S |
| Jack E | Bailey S |
| Derek M | Avelina V |
| Taylor M | Amanda W |

At This Meeting

Tonight fair entry tags will be passed out and any last fair questions will be answered.

Advisory Board

Advisory Board will meet Thursday August 5 at 7:00PM in the Hedberg Public Library Public Meeting Room. All Adults, Leaders and Members are welcome!

August Meeting

Instead of a meeting, August will be our annual Club Picnic. We will meet at **6:00PM** at a park (location yet to be determined). Burgers, hotdogs and condiments will be provided by the club. Each family will be asked to bring a dish to pass, drinks and their own table service. More information will be available closer to the date. There will be fun games for the kids and we will also be collecting donations of school supplies for ECHO. If you are interested in being on the Picnic Committee, please sign up tonight.

4-H Camp

Make some memories with your Badger friends and 4-Hers from around the county. Consider attending 4-H Summer Camp. Dates are Saturday, August 14 - Tuesday, August 17 at Upham Woods, near Wisconsin Dells. Cost is only \$100 per camper. Registration has been extended from the June 4 deadline. See the April Cloverpatch for more details and a registration form.

Softball

The Junior softball tournament is this Saturday July 10 and the senior tournament is on Sunday July 11. We are still looking for some players for the tournament games. You need not have played during the season to play in the tournament. Anyone 8 – 13 as of Jan 1 may play on the Junior team. Anyone 11 – 19 as of Jan 1 may play on the Senior team. Those 11-13 may play in both tournaments. Please sign up with Mike Wilson tonight if you are able to play!!

Fair Updates

This year the **exhibitor wristband** for the 2010 fair will cost \$5. Fair personnel must put on wristbands. The following is the time schedule when bands may be purchased and put on:

Friday, July 23, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sunday, July 25, 10 a.m. to 5p.m

Monday, July 26, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Bands will be on sale at the fairgrounds and must be purchased no later than 8p.m. on Monday, July 26.

After that date you will have to purchase a regular priced ticket at the gate.

Leader passes are also available during this time in the Secretary's office at the fairgrounds. Cost is \$5.00 per pass.

Bakery Tent/Awareness Tent

Our club has been assigned the time slot of 2PM to 10PM on Friday July 30 to work in the 4-H Bakery Tent and 4-H Awareness tent at the fair. We will divide the time into 2 hour shifts. We need 1 adult and 2 youth 7th grade and older to work in the Bakery tent and 2 members/adults of any age to work in the Awareness tent for each 2 hour shift. The work will consist of selling cream puffs, éclairs, and beverages in the bakery tent and assisting with crafts and giving out information about 4-H in the Awareness tent. Face painting is a separate activity that must be signed up for through the Cloverpatch. If you would like to work a shift, please sign up tonight.

ECHO School Supply Packing/Sorting

We will once again be helping ECHO sort and pack school supplies for distribution. Workdays will be during the week of August 23-26th. Exact days and times have not yet been determined. More information will be available in August. If you are interested in helping, please sign up tonight. We will be collecting donations of school supplies at the August Picnic.

Garden Fest at Rotary Gardens

We have been invited to help with games, face painting etc at this year's Garden Fest at Rotary Gardens held on Aug 28. Last year was a lot of fun! If you would like to help, please sign up tonight.

Family Fun Fest

The annual Family Fun Fest sponsored by Partners for Prevention of Rock County will be held on Saturday September 11 at Riverside Park. They would love to have 4-H clubs sign up to help run the games for young children. If you would be interested in helping and are available on that date, please sign up tonight so we can let the county know we would like to help.

Record Books

4-H members must complete a record book in order to achieve, along with a fair entry or public showing for each project. Record book pages are available online at <http://rock.uwex.edu/4h/index.html> Printed copies of record books are in the crate tonight. **Record books are due at the September meeting.**

Public Showing

In order to achieve each year, each member must publicly show at least one project from each project area they signed up for last Fall. Most members satisfy this requirement by entering their projects in the fair. If for any reason you are not able to show your project during its normal judging time whether pre-fair or at the fair, you must make arrangements to show your projects at the club level BEFORE the September meeting. We will provide an opportunity for those that need to show to do so at our regular Advisory board meeting on August 5th at 7:00PM at the Hedberg Public Library Meeting Room. Any questions, please contact Mike Farrey or Kathy van Veldhuisen.

Award Forms

Award forms for Younger and Older Member Awards, Clover Awards, and Project/Activity Awards are available on the county website. All members are eligible to apply for Project/Activity Awards. Members completing 3rd grade and above can apply for Clover Awards. Members entering 5th grade and above can apply for the Younger and Older Member Awards. These awards include pins, certificates, 4-H trips, scholarships and much more. They are awarded at the county Awards Presentation in January. All award forms are due to the county office by September 30.

Election of Officers

Election of officers for the new 4-H year will take place at the September meeting. Positions available are: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Junior Council Reps, Historian, Reporter/Photographer, and Sunshine. Position descriptions and age requirements will be available in August. If you are interested in running, please let an advisory board member know. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Achievement Program and Badger Bucks Auction

Our annual end of year Achievement Program will take place tentatively on Sunday Sept 26 at 1:00 PM at the Craig Center. Awards will be passed out, new officers will be installed and record books will be returned. We will have cake and treats. We will also hold our first Badger Bucks Auction then. We are looking to solicit donations for the auction from area businesses, such as restaurants, pizza, ice cream, movies, etc as well as other "new" items. If you are able to get donations, please let us know!

County Cloverpatch Newsletter

Be sure to read the county newsletter, the Cloverpatch, for important information on county 4-H events and county level project meetings and events. Check it out at <http://rock.uwex.edu/4h/news.html>