

2019 Dunn County 4-H

Distinguished Member Awards Ceremony

Sunday
July 28th, 2019

1-2pm | Ceremony

Free Stage
Dunn County Fair Grounds
Menomonie, WI 54751



Extension Dunn County
3001 US Hwy 12 E, Suite 102
Menomonie, WI 54751



Program

Welcome & Introductions

Member Awards

Adult Awards

Recognition of General Leaders

Presentation of 2019 Graduates

4-H Appreciation Raffle

Ceremony Conclusion

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**.





Dunn County Mission Statement

The Dunn County 4-H Youth Development education program creates supportive environments for culturally diverse youth and adults to reach their fullest potential.

“To Facilitate Programs in Education, Experience, Achievement, Leadership and Community Service for the Youth of Dunn County.”

4-H'ers are...



**more likely to
give back to their
communities**



**more likely to
make healthier
choices**



**more likely to
participate in
STEM activities**



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Leadership Award Winners

Kira Prochnow - Cedarlings

“As 4-H Horse Project President, Kira has taken the initiative to help with projects, start new projects, and see them through. She is perfect for the position”

- Stephanie Solberg, Horse Project Leader

Emily Quilling- Elk Meadow

“Emily contributes to the betterment of our club and community with her willing ness to participate in community service and club leadership.”

- Kay Gilbertson, Elk Meadow General Leader

Ella Syth Ivens - Cedarlings

“Ella is a hard worker, willing to take on responsibilities, and responds well to challenges. I have been impressed with her willingness to show leadership in the club, as well as take on opportunities to mentor younger members.”

- Amy Zuber Seguin, Cedarlings General Leader

Citizenship Award Winners

Sam Seguin - Cedarlings

“Sam can always be found going above and beyond what is expected of him setting a wonderful example to everyone what it means to e a positive active citizen.”

- Jay Ivens, Cedarlings General Leader

Destiny Haldeman - Cedarlings

“Of the many 4-H members that I have engaged with over the years, I put Destiny in the top 5% when it comes to leadership and follow through, along with her ability to engage people to achieve a common purpose.”

- Jason Hausler, Area Extension Director
Clark, Marathon, Portage, and Wood Counties





Meghan Prochnow - Cedarlings

"In addition to Meghan's outstanding work ethic, she is a very positive individual. I believe her sense of humor has been a terrific asset in her many achievements. She is always smiling and looks for the good in situations."

- Ralph Hass, Menomonie Middle School
Student Council Advisor, Language Arts Teacher

Scholarship Winners

Jack Powers - Little Elk Creek

Destiny Haldeman - Cedarlings

Sara Gjestson - Willing Workers

Tate Russell - 22ers

Key Award Winner

The 4-H Key Award is the most prestigious award a 4-H member can receive. It is received by members who have demonstrated growth in their 4-H involvement, leadership skills, and active participation in the functions of their 4-H club and community.

Bailey Gilbertson - Elk Meadow

"Bailey has a natural gift for leadership. She is so willing to help out, and take charge, when the situation calls for it. Bailey is very involved in her school, church and community. She is altogether a very well-rounded individual. She is also very involved in her family's dairy farm, and that results in a very good work ethic!"

- Gwen Quilling, Elk Meadow Volunteer





Alumni Award

Mackenzie Brantner

As a 4-H Youth, Kenzie showed dairy and photography at the fair, including being selected for state in photography. Since graduating, she is working on her Masters degree in Agriculture Education at UW-River Falls.

Kenzie is a willing helper and is donating two days a week all summer to help 4-H in Dunn County thrive. She is eager to help her community and plans to have a career which may one day include working in the 4-H field.





Volunteer of the Year

Angie Harder

“Angie was a 4-H leader when her kids were in school. They are all grown up, married, and have kids of their own. She now attends every meeting with her grandsons. Last year she and her husband hosted a Fall Fun Night for the 22ers and this year they did a maple syrup making demonstration. She is always game to help out and has a lot of great knowledge to share with the current leaders. She is very deserving of this award!”

- 22ers 4-H Club

Partners in 4-H

Sailer’s Food Processing and Meat Market

“Sailer’s has offered free meat processing for the Willing Workers meat raffle and has donated brats and hot dogs to both Willing Workers and Little Elk Creek clubs for fundraising and banquets. They are supporters of the large animal auction and have held educational events at their facility.”

- Willing Workers 4-H Club





2019 4-H General Club Leaders

22ers

Melissa Larson
Becky Paulson
Sara Lisowski

Elk Meadow

Kay Gilbertson

Millroad Rockets

Vickie Larson

Cedarlings

Jay Ivens
Amy Zuber Seguin

Hay River Helpers

Larinda Hessler
Amy Thorson

Missouri Valley

Corinne Breidung
Missy Weiss

Colfax Comets

Keith Quast
Tina Edwards
Jennifer Dressel

Ideal

Gianna Bessert

Rock Falls Rockets

Missy Hazen
Paula Biesterveld
Theresa Strand

Connorsville Comets

Sonya Zebro
Brandi Utphall

Little Elk Creek

Paula Powers

Sand Creek Pipers

Staci Martinson

Countyliners

Jeni Greenwell

Menomin Helping Hands

Wendy Maves

Willing Workers

Deric Wolf
Troy Steinmeyer

General Leaders are organizational leaders for the 4-H club. They coordinate programs and activities as planned by the group. They work with club officers in helping them conduct monthly meetings.

They help members and parents follow through with responsibilities they have accepted. The General Leaders are the main resource between the club, the Leaders Council, and the Extension Office. They are instrumental to the Dunn County 4-H Community Club Program. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication!!





2019 4-H Graduates

22ers

Tate Russell

Cedarlings

Destiny Haldeman

Colfax Comets

Kyah Quast

Elk Meadow

Jack Emberson
Ashley Quilling

Knapp Valley

Del Keyes

Little Elk Creek

Glacier Johnson
Cody Larson
Jack Powers

Millroad Rockets

Jesali Kuehl
Kendra Larson

Willing Workers

Sara Jo Gjestson
Rachel Gray
Hannah Ullom
Danielle Zukowski

*Congratulations
Graduates!*





Tate Russell

22ers

4-H Projects

Photography, Foods and Nutrition, Music, Woodworking, Public Speaking, Puppetry, & Robotics

4-H Activities

Space Camp, American Spirit East and West, Outpost Camp, Dunn County YAC, Battle of the Clubs, & 4-H Softball

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

It forced me to actually put in the hard work. When I first applied for Space Camp, I did not want to try, because the application involved some essays. However, my parents made me finish it, and I had a wonderful time! This was helpful, especially this year, in applying for college scholarships. Although they might not be fun, the payoff is completely worth it.

Favorite 4-H Memory

My favorite 4-H memory was going on the American Spirit West Trip. I had never ventured to that part of the country, and I loved visiting national parks, viewing some of the most beautiful places I've ever been to, and being around other dedicated members of 4-H.

Future Plans

I will attend Carleton College this fall, where I plan to major in both a science and an arts field (I haven't quite nailed that bit down).





Destiny Haldeman

Cedarlings

4-H Projects

Dog, Home Environment, Cultural Arts, Woodworking, and Cake Decorating

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

Meeting new people and gaining more confidence

4-H Activities

Softball, National 4-H Congress, CWF

Future Plans

UW-Superior studying criminal justice with a minor in biology, also on the track and basketball teams

Favorite 4-H Memory

Playing 4-H Softball





Kyah Quast

Colfax Comets

4-H Activities

Softball, served terms as Secretary and Vice President for the Colfax Comets. A counselor for Clover bud day camp, Attend Dunn/ St Croix camp, Community service through the club (roadside cleanup, flower planting at fair grounds and Colfax nursing home, Easter egg hunt in Colfax, Prepare meals for families at Thanksgiving, Showing for families at Christmas, Caroling at Nursing home, Assist with benefits in the community) worked at the food stand at the county fair and the pie social.

Favorite 4-H Memory

Winning "Best in Show" with my poultry at the Dunn County Fair

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

Meeting many new friends through 4-H

Future Plans

I will attend CVTC in the fall to complete my general subjects while I decide on a major to study.

4-H Projects

Poultry, Bantams, Waterfowl, Game birds, Pigeons, Market Poultry, Turkeys, Rabbit, Foods and Nutrition, Cake Decorating, Food Preservation, Indoor Gardening, Vegetable gardening, Aerospace, Photography, Arts and Crafts





Jack Emberson

Elk Meadow

4-H Activities

Battle of the Clubs,
Dairy month promotion,
Roadside cleanup,
Softball, 4-H On the Air,
Valentine's Day card
making for St. Jude's,
Elk Meadow Hill clean up
& flower planting, and
Community Table server

4-H Projects

Swine & MAP, Tractors,
Scale Models, Small
Engines, Woodworking,
and Photography

Favorite 4-H Memory

Softball, the Fair, my
Award for Excellence for
scale models and
tractors, also my
reserve champion gilt

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

Making friends and
learning leadership skills

Future Plans

Joining the National
Guard





Ashley Quilling

Elk Meadow

4-H Projects

Beef, Dairy,
Vegetables, Sewing,
Quilting, Rocket
Launch, Cake
Decorating, Foods &
Nutrition, Music, and
MAP

4-H Activities

Softball, Citizen
Washington
Focus , Battle of
the Clubs, MAP,
Drama Fest, and
Music Fest

Favorite 4-H Memory

Citizen
Washington
Focus trip

Future Plans

The nursing program at
UWEC

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

Learning about
leadership





Del Keyes

Knapp Valley

4-H Projects

Beef, MAP

4-H Activities

Softball, Fair, 4-H
President and Vice-
President

Favorite 4-H Memory

Playing softball with
great people for the
past 12 years

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

Being able to show
cattle in the fair each
year and making
friends through 4-H

Future Plans

Attending CVTC for
Animal Science in the
fall of 2019 and
continue in agriculture
after college





Glacier Johnson

Little Elk Creek

4-H Projects

Cloverbuds, Explorers, Beef, MAP, Horse, Poultry, Dog, Animal & Veterinary Science, Crops, Wood Working, Arts & Crafts, Music, Drama, Foods Revue, Food & Nutrition, Cake Decorating, Photography, Drawing & Painting, Communications, Demonstrations, Speaking, Creative Writing, Computer Project and a few others

4-H Activities

Camps, Softball, Music Fest, Drama Fest, Speaking Contest, Tri-County Art & Crafts, Dunn County Fair, 4-H Food Stand, On the Air, Service Projects and Community Service, Meetings, Speeches, Banquets, Spring & Winter Activities, and Junior & Senior Officer Team, etc.

Favorite 4-H Memory

My favorite 4-H memory is going to Art Beat Camp and learning how to juggle.

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

The experiences overall have been what is the most beneficial thing to me from 4-H. All the fun times with other 4-Hers, learning new items every year, and going through all the emotions it brings, all while helping others and myself be the best we can be.

Future Plans

I will be attending the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire this summer majoring in Business Economics and Computer Science.





Cody Larson Little Elk Creek

Hi, my name is Cody Larson and I have been a member of the Little Elk Creek 4-H Club for ten years. I have enjoyed showing my border collie, Jane, in agility and obedience. To my surprise, Jane took first place in agility and through many years of training is getting faster and faster. I have also raised and showed Yorkshire and Hampshire hogs. In addition, I have submitted many wood working projects, such as a birdhouse, night stand, hope chest, and side tables. I also enjoyed building a rocket and participating in a rocket launch, which I did place first! I have also served as a treasurer in our local chapter meetings. Every summer, I also played softball with my 4-H Club and have also been selected to play in the All Star Games as well. I will be entering the workforce after graduation, at the City of Menomonie. I know it will be hard work, but I believe I am ready for a challenge. I would like to say thank you to everyone that played a part in my success in 4-H and look forward to the next journey.





Jack Powers

Little Elk Creek

4-H Projects

Dogs, Aerospace,
Ceramics, Leathercraft,
Foods

Favorite 4-H Memory

I can't possibly narrow this down to one single event. Some of my best 4-H memories are State Dog, County Fair water fights, softball, and the Citizen Washington Focus trip.

Future Plans

This fall I will be attending Fox Valley Technical College for Metal Fabrication

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

4-H Has taught me valuable life skills. 4-H played a substantial role in developing both my public speaking and leadership skills.

4-H Activities

Citizens Washington Focus, American Spirit East, State Dog Agility and Obedience, and Softball





Jesali Kuehl

Millroad Rockets

4-H Projects

Rabbits, Cats, Vet Science, Photography, Creative Writing, Ceramics, Drawing, and Baking

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

Every year fair projects teach you something new. 4-H teaches skills such as responsibility, timeliness, and compassion.

Favorite 4-H Memory

At the fair, when Kendra Larson and I care for our rabbits each day. Kendra is a very responsible individual and it is great to know that there is someone I can trust around. We always had each other's backs.

Future Plans

CVTC–Business Management





Kendra Larson

Millroad Rockets

4-H Projects

Everything except large animals and cake decorating! To highlight a few of my main ones: dogs, poultry, rabbits, cats, small animals, vet science, photography, arts & crafts, jewelry making, wood and metal working, food revue, canning, clothing revue, speaking, computers, school related, wild life, and rock collections.

Favorite 4-H Memory

Time with my animals, my projects and the fair week. I enjoyed being an ambassador for 4-H with a good group of like-minded 4-Hers. A few high moment was guiding state officials, royalty around the fair. Touring clubs and speaking about getting involved in 4-H. Taking my animals to petting zoos and talking to Bob On WAXX many times.

Future Plans

I am one year into my engineering program at CVTC now and I might want to follow this up with a management degree as well. Thank you 4-H and FFA for the scholarships and life lessons!!

4-H Activities

After school 4-H River Heights program, Battle of Clubs, 4-H ambassadors, state conference, trip to the east coast, trips to the WI capital to speak to state officials. Worked several years on the food stand committee and the Leaders Council.

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

4-H taught me to speak to people and gave me the drive to get stuff done! They gave me the skills to be an over achiever with all my fair projects. Ha ha, organizational skills!! Learning to lead through club president rolls and managing money and bookkeeping through teen leaders and dog treasurer roles.





Sara Jo Gjestson

Willing Workers

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

Getting involved in the community, meeting and working with people from all over the state, lifelong friends and building leadership skills.

4-H Projects

Food and Nutrition, Swine, Photography, Shooting Sports, Knitting, Flowers

Favorite 4-H Memory

4-H Softball and the Dunn County Fair



4-H Activities

Battle of the Clubs, Space Camp, American Spirit Experience, 4-H on Air, Softball

Future Plans

I will be attending the University of Wisconsin Green Bay in the fall and will be majoring in Nursing.





Rachel Gray

Willing Workers

4-H Projects

Beef, Sheep, Goat, Rabbits, and Childcare

4-H Activities

Space Camp, Advanced Space Camp, and American Spirit Trips

Future Plans

Attending University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

Learning to set goals and deadlines for my animals and projects

Favorite 4-H Memory

Meeting everyone on the American Spirit trips





Hannah Ullom

Willing Workers

My name is Hannah Ullom and I'm the 19 year old daughter of Travis and Erica Ullom. Through 4-H I have been involved in the Dairy, Swine and Cat Projects and have exhibited these at the fair. I also have enjoyed Dairy Judging and playing softball. This fall I will be in my second year at CVTC for Business Management after that I will be transferring to Milwaukee Area Tech for Mortuary Science.





Danielle Zukowski

Willing Workers

4-H Projects

Swine, photography, food & nutrition, barn quilts, cultural arts, woodworking, dairy, ceramics, drawing, painting, and aerospace

4-H Activities

Youth Activities Club, Space Camp, American Spirit-East, American Spirit-West, Advanced Space Academy, Livestock Judging, Dairy Judging, Outpost Camp/4-H Camp at Kiwanis, 4-H day at the Capital, Fall Forum, WI State Fair (Swine show, Knowledge Masters Contest), Softball, Meat Animal Project Committee Member

Most Beneficial 4-H Experience

The most beneficial parts of 4-H have been the connections I have made with people from around the state, the leadership skills I have developed, and the travel opportunities I have had that have allowed me to see and experience more of our world, and has pushed me to pursue my future career.

Favorite 4-H Memory

My favorite 4-H memory is not one single incident, but it is a combination of all of the trips I have had the opportunity to go on, and the experiences I have had.

Future Plans

In the fall I will be attending Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida to study Aerospace Physiology, with the goal to be an Aerospace Physiologist in the US Navy.

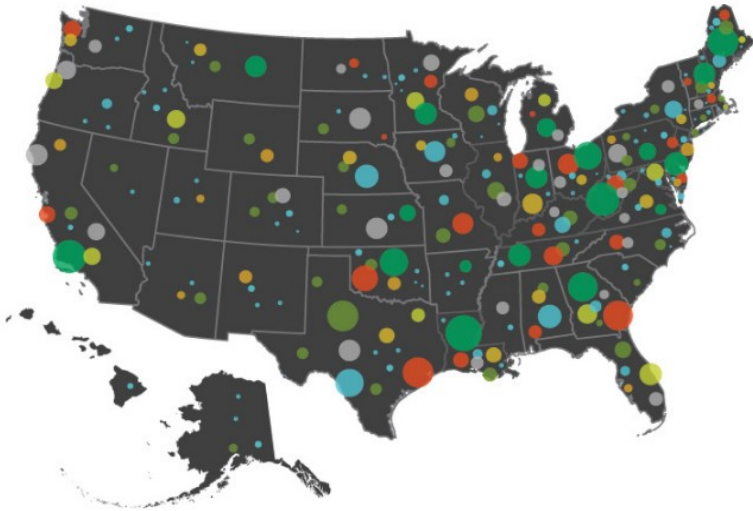




4-H Alumni

4-H Alumni have gone on to accomplish incredible feats and hold prestigious positions throughout the world. Some 4-H Alumni have achieved great celebrity like Jennifer Nettie, Johnny Cash, Julie Roberts, David Letterman, and many more. Other 4-H Alumni have held titles such as VP of Public Policy & Chief Sustainability Officer, CEO of United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, President of the National PTA, VP of Advertising at Facebook, and National Motivational Speaker. All have contributed their experiences in 4-H to have made an extraordinary impact on their success.

Today 4-H Alumni have a large and intricate network throughout the nation. This is a map illustrating all of the registered 4-H Alumni in the United States.



Join the network | #4HGROWN





TEAMWORK GROWS HERE.

Shawn & Travis
4-H Robotics



Learn more about how we're empowering young people in your community with skills to lead for a lifetime. Visit 4-H.org





CHARACTER GROWS HERE.

Colton, 4-H Agriculture



Learn more about how we're empowering young people in your community with skills to lead for a lifetime. Visit [4-H.org](https://www.4-h.org)



Friends of 4-H -

Thank you to all family, friends, general leaders, project leaders, key leaders, resources leaders, community members, and local sponsors. The goal of 4-H is to develop citizenship, leadership, responsibility, and life skills through experiential learning programs and positive youth development. With your support, the Dunn County 4-H is able to prosper while empowering our youth to be strong and dedicated community leaders.

4-H is one of the largest youth organizations in the United States, currently including over 6 million members. According to The Journal of Extension in 2012, one out of every seven adults in the U.S. is a former 4-H member. This means the positive ripple effect 4-H may have on our local, state, and national communities is monumental. 4-H truly grows here.

Your generosity and acts of kindness have not gone unnoticed. Thank you for supporting the Dunn County 4-H Program. Together we can grow 4-H to benefit everyone.

Sincerely,
Extension Dunn County

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