

Fall has finally come to Sheboygan County! The leaves turn a beautiful array of colors, cheers are heard on Friday nights for hometown football teams, and the air takes on that expectant chill as we turn into another 4-H year. My favorite part of the season is those crisp mornings while I sip on a hot cup of coffee...that warm feeling is what gets me going for the day! I love how warm and fuzzy feelings can be formed out of simple pleasures, small acts, and kind words.

This warmth, creating a welcoming and inclusive environment, is what we strive for in 4-H. Research shows that youth in this type of environment experience more encouragement, support, and receive more positive and specific feedback that helps them succeed. Let's come together to give our youth these gifts again.

As new and returning families come to your club meetings and events during this momentous time, try to create a warm feeling of welcome for them. There are many ways that returning 4-H members, families, and leaders can welcome people to the club. As people come to the meetings, greet them, and try to learn their names. Ask questions, and engage new members, so that you get to know the youth and their parents better. Have a time set aside for parents and members to socialize. Autumn is the perfect time to have pumpkin bars and hot apple cider available after club meetings – and what a great opportunity that would be for people to linger, ask questions, and get to know one another a bit better!

Imagine all of the good in our world that can be done, if we all give and receive a little more encouragement, support, and positive feedback. Let's ring in fall together and create a positive, warm, and joyful space to create in for the new 4-H year!

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GENERAL INFORMATION

SAYING GOODBYE...

As of October 1st we will be saying a fond farewell to our support staff, Victoria Deterding, who was offered another great opportunity. She had an absolute blast working with all of you, and is proud to have contributed in her own small way to the wonderful 4-H program; she will likely be around as a future volunteer! ☺ Until UW-Extension determines the needs of staff and the program regarding filling this vacancy, please connect with Tammy Zorn, Ann Herzog or one of your other friendly 4-H Youth Development Staff. As always, you can also contact Linda at Linda.Robson@ces.uwex.edu, or 459-5914 and Sarah at Sarah.Tarjeson@ces.uwex.edu, or 459-5915. You can also call the main 4-H number at 459-5903. Thank you for your patience with us during this transition!

WANT TO RESERVE 4-H CAMP RIVERSITE?

If your club, group or even family want to reserve 4-H Camp Riversite for a day, night or weekend there are just a few easy steps to follow!

1. Call Tammy Zorn 459-5904 at UW-Extension to find out if your desired date is available! **Please call at least a week ahead of your desired date.**
2. Review the policies and complete the paperwork, here: <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/camp-riversite-forms>.
3. Return the completed forms and any applicable payment to UW-Extension Sheboygan County.
4. A day or two before your event, pick up the keys at UW-Extension for the bathrooms, cabin, lights etc.
5. Return keys to UW-Extension immediately following the event.

FRIEND OF 4-H AND MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Want to nominate someone for the Friend of 4-H or Meritorious Award? Look over the criteria below and submit the nomination form found in the back of this month's Crier to the Extension Office **before October 15th**.

Criteria for Friend of 4-H Award: an organization/individual who has made...

- contributions to the 4-H program on the county level.
- contributions that are significant in nature and have a positive impact on 4-H program goals.
- contributions that represent continuing support over time.

Criteria for Meritorious Service Award:

1. A certified 4-H leader on the club, county or state level.
2. An individual who has made exceptional contributions to the Sheboygan County 4-H program that goes above and beyond the normal, in their club, at the state level or in the community.

Final decisions for both awards will be made by a committee of youth and adults appointed by the Sheboygan County 4-H Executive Board. These awards may or may not be given out every year; the decision is made at the discretion of the committee. Nomination forms are available at <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/award-applications>.

POPCORN, ANYONE?

Reminder: the Sheboygan County 4-H Program has a portable commercial grade popcorn machine! Clubs and projects can check out the machine for their club or project meetings, 4-H activities, animal shows, fundraisers, etc. A deposit is required; however, if the machine is returned in good condition, the deposit will be returned. Please call the UWEX Office at 459-5903 if you're interested in using the machine.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK, OCTOBER 2-8, 2016

It is never too early to begin making plans for your 4-H club and family to be involved in National 4-H Week. National 4-H Week is dedicated to 4-H promotion across the United States and here in Sheboygan County.

There are so many ways to spread the good news about 4-H...

1. Have your club put together a window display in a local community business place. Registration blanks and information are with your General Leader Packets. The displays should be in place by October 1st.
2. Form a club "Promotion" Committee to plan and design your own promotion and recruitment efforts.
3. Get involved personally (this is always the best way) in recruiting new 4-H members. Talk to your friends, tell them about 4-H and show them how rewarding it can be to be involved.

Get creative and join in the promotional fun! Please let us know if you will be doing a Window Display by filling out the Registration Form from your General Leader by October 1st.

4-H GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

4-H graduation signifies the successful completion of a 4-H career. Members must meet all club rules and guidelines for achievement for their last year of 4-H in order to graduate from 4-H.

- ❖ 4-H graduation occurs in October following the 4-H member's graduation from High School.
- ❖ Optional 4-H graduation will be granted (to 4-H members who so desire) one full year following high school graduation.
- ❖ Membership is not to include individuals who turn 19 before December 31st of the current enrollment year.

REMINDER...STATE 4-H POLICIES

Below is an overview of the State 4-H policies that took effect October 1998. Please review them and be reminded. The Sheboygan County 4-H Program must abide by all WI 4-H Policies.

- ❖ The 4-H year is October 1 - September 30.
- ❖ **Enrollment is allowed anytime during the 4-H year.**
- ❖ Anyone exhibiting animals (horses, livestock, dairy, dogs, etc.) and intending to participate in Shooting Sports Projects at the Sheboygan County Fair **must be enrolled in his or her project by March 1st.**
- ❖ First graders are eligible to enroll in 4-H. **1st and 2nd graders will be Cloverbuds. Clubs may decide to accept kindergarteners into 4-H as Cloverbuds.**
- ❖ **Youth may choose to graduate from 4-H the year they graduate from high school OR they may choose to stay in 4-H the year following their graduation from high school.**
- ❖ **4-H Membership is not to include individuals who turn 19 before December 31st of the current enrollment year.**
- ❖ County, State and District event enrollment **will** be based on the member's grade level. National events will be based on age.
- ❖ **Home-schooled youth enter 4-H activities according to their declared grade.**

STATE 4-H POLICY UPDATE

There have been several minor edits to the **WI 4-H Youth Development Policies** to provide clarity. Please refer to these state policies regarding your local 4-H Club or Committee operations. Visit the webpage for more information: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/4h/files/2016/09/WI4HYouthDevelPolicies.pdf>.



4HONLINE ENROLLMENT

Families will once again be able to enroll in our Sheboygan County 4-H Program with the ease and convenience of online access, which opened on September 1st. A little extra time to completely fill out the Health Forms will only help you save precious time later in the year as we get this new year rolling. **THE RE-ENROLLMENT DEADLINE FOR CURRENT MEMBERS IS NOVEMBER 1ST, 2016.**

ENCHANTED FOREST – OCTOBER 22, 2016

The Enchanted Forest cannot be a success without the help of all the volunteers. This could mean you as an individual, or a family, or a club. It's not too late to sign up to help. You can plan a skit, a game, a craft table, help with parking, or a different activity. Be creative and find a way to put your talent to work.

We strongly encourage everyone to get involved in this huge community outreach event. If you are interested in participating in any way or if you have questions, please contact Shannon Schuren at schurshan@gmail.com.

Volunteers

We need volunteers! Please consider lending your time and talents to help organize 4-H's largest community service project. Contact Shannon at 694-0849 or schurshan@gmail.com if you are willing to help out.

Donations

The Camp Riversite Committee is asking for food donations for the Enchanted Forest on October 22. We are looking for individually wrapped cookies, bars, trail mix bags or cash donations to help defray the costs of running the Food Booth at the Enchanted Forest. If any club is interested in donating any of the above, please fill out the Enchanted Forest Form or contact Barb Scholten at 980-4219. Thank you!

"Pumpkin Pleaser" Contest

The Enchanted Forest Committee would like to announce a "Pumpkin Pleaser Contest" to be held in conjunction with the Enchanted Forest scheduled for October 22nd at Camp Riversite. The Pumpkin Contest can consist of carved, decorated, or painted pumpkins. Use your imagination! Pumpkins will be judged by visitors to the Enchanted Forest.

Any club, 4-H individual or families may participate. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. There is no need for registration this year. Please bring your pumpkins to Camp Riversite by 11:00 a.m. on October 22nd.

Scarecrow Contest

We will continue with a scarecrow contest this year to be held with the Enchanted Forest. This is a family friendly contest. Scarecrows should be whimsical, humorous, mischievous or lovable--NOT FRIGHTENING! The scarecrows can be traditional, fairytale, humorous, fantasy, or a celebrity! Let your imaginations run wild!! Use of bright colors and unique materials is encouraged!

Set-up can be either Friday Oct. 21st between 5-7 pm or Saturday Oct. 22nd starting at 9 am. Registration form is in the back of this month's Crier.

4-H PIZZA SALE UPDATE

The 2016-17 Sheboygan County 4-H Pizza Sale is underway! We hope your family is supporting this major fundraising event as it makes a difference in the opportunities and experiences that we are able to offer the young people in our program.



Your Pizza Sale order forms are due at your October Club Meetings! Pizza Sale Coordinators must turn in these orders to the UWEX Office by Friday, October 14. We encourage you to collect the money with orders and turn the money in with your orders.

Remember that the Pizza Sale Pick-up Date is scheduled for December 3rd at the Sheboygan County Fair Park from **9:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.** You must enter Gate 2 and Exit Gate 1! If you are interested in helping with the Pizza Sale Pick-Up, please call UWEX at 459.5903.

UW-EXTENSION DROP BOX

For your convenience, we do have a UW-Extension "After Hours" Drop Box at 5 University Drive, Sheboygan on the UW Sheboygan Campus. It is available for members and leaders needing to drop off forms and other paperwork after hours and on weekends. The "After Hours" Drop Box is checked daily. It is a green post office box, located by the sidewalk entrance to the UW-Extension Office.

COUNTY MEETING POLICY

County Committees planning to schedule countywide meetings for 4-H members in the coming year need to be aware of the Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association Meeting Policy. **NO** county level 4-H meetings for members should be scheduled the first two weeks of the month (reserved for local club meetings).

****Please plan ahead and schedule your meetings according to this policy.**** To reserve rooms at the UW-Extension Office for county-wide meetings and programs, please call Tammy at 459.5904.

WASHINGTON COUNTY 4-H ARTS DISCOVERY DAY

All 4-H Members, 4th grade or older, and 4-H Leaders and Parents, are invited to attend the 2016 Washington County 4-H Art Discovery Day! The event will take place on Saturday, November 12 from 8:45 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. at the Washington County Fair Park Pavilion in West Bend. Registration due by **Wednesday, October 26th**! More information and registration forms can be found at: <http://washington.uwex.edu/events/art-discovery-day>.

4-H Arts Discovery Day is always a day for exploring new and different 4-H projects...don't miss out on this great opportunity. From basket weaving and beaded flowers to finger knitting and glass etching, there will definitely be something fun for everyone!

4-H FAIR FOODSTAND

Well, the 2016 Sheboygan County fair has wrapped up and we all hopefully have had a moment to catch our breath. Many of you donated your time this year at the 4-H foodstand, and we are extremely thankful that you did! The 4-H foodstand at the fair is our largest fundraiser, and the youth in the program really benefit from it. This year our estimated profit from the foodstand is over \$23,196. Thank you to all that helped fill shifts and also to those that purchased their food from it! ***Please check out our 4-H Food Stand Infographic at the back of the Crier!***

THANK YOU!!

We would like to thank all our breakfast helpers who once again helped make this year's breakfasts at the Fair a success. As usual, there were lots of laughs and fun! We would like to wish you and your families a great 4-H year to come and look forward to seeing you next year. Thanks again!

-Heidi & Donna

COUNTYWIDE 4-H PROGRAMS

CLUBS CHANGING LEADERSHIP

If your club is planning on changing General Leaders this fall, please notify the 4-H Office as soon as possible. The sooner we know about the change, the more help we can provide to make the transition as smooth as possible. Also, the sooner we know, the sooner we can update our mailing lists so the new leader gets all the information needed!

***NOTE:** There will be a NEW General Leader Training on Thursday, October 20 at 6:00 p.m. prior to our Club Leadership Summit at 7:00 p.m. **ALL General Leaders and Committee Representatives are required to attend this Fall Leader Meeting per the State Club Charter Policies.**

4-H AMBASSADORS AND YOUTH ASSOCIATION

Meetings will typically still be held on the third Tuesday of the month with 4-H Ambassadors starting at 6:30 p.m. and 4-H Youth Association starting at 7:30 p.m.. There's something everyone can get involved in! The school year is such a terrific time to promote 4-H and utilize your leadership skills...don't miss your chance to get involved. Questions or for opportunities, call Sarah or Linda at 459.5903.

4-H Ambassador and Youth Association Social, October 18th from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Join us for this special meeting time for food, leadership games, 4-H Ambassador Demonstrations and Youth Leader Association Elections. We will be electing at President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer along with representatives to the Executive Board, 4-H Camp Riversite Committee, and the 4-H Endowment Fund Committee at this meeting. Let Sarah Tarjeson know if you are interested in running for one of these leadership positions by texting her at 920.838.0105! **This meeting is a great opportunity to DROP-IN before, between or after your Trip and Award Interviews, which are taking place on the same evening!** An informal gathering to kick-off our 4-H Year!

4-H Ambassadors

We are looking for outgoing, outstanding, adult and youth leaders to join the fun! 4-H Ambassadors are a special team of 4-H members and leaders that promote 4-H throughout the county; sharing 4-H information and opportunities with others. Being a Sheboygan County 4-H Ambassador is a great honor and a terrific leadership opportunity. To join the team, plan to attend the next Ambassador Meeting or call 459.5903.

4-H Youth Association

If you've become a little bored with 4-H and are looking for a new avenue to use your talents and share your skills, the Sheboygan County 4-H Youth Association is the place for you! Step out of your comfort zone and join other youth leaders (7th grade & older) from around the county in planning activities and events for 4-H. From the Older Youth Lock-in to Younger Member Night and Anything Goes, the Youth Association plans something fun for everyone! Don't miss this opportunity to get involved. If you are unable to attend the meeting, but are interested in running for an office or for a position on the Leaders Association Executive Board, please call us at 459.5903.

AWARDS

4-H AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

An Evening of Celebration and Appreciation at Acuity Corporate Headquarters

We are looking forward to a phenomenal 4-H Awards and Recognition Program to be held at the Grand Acuity Insurance Building. Clover, Project, Community Builders, Secretary, Reporter Awards, Trip and Key Award Announcements and Leaders Recognition will be included in this wonderful evening on **Monday, November 28th**. Beverages and hors d'oeuvres will be served starting at 6:30 p.m. with the program beginning at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in helping with this epic celebration...please let your 4-H staff know by calling 920.459.5903!

A HUGE packet of information has been put together to better help 4-H members and their families understand the process and opportunities available for awards, trips and recognition. (Individual applications can still be found at <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/current-programs-registrations>.)

This packet includes all of the information that you would need to take your 4-H Experience to the next level of opportunity and recognition. All of the opportunities in this packet are recognized in one way or another during our 4-H Awards and Recognition Celebration on **November 28th at Acuity**. Please pay close attention to the varied deadlines and interview dates for these applications!

Award Name	Grade/Age Eligible	Deadline	Interviews
Friend of 4-H/Meritorious Service Award	Typically Adults	October 15, 2016	N/A
Clover Awards	3 rd grade and up	October 15, 2016	N/A
Cloverbud Achievement Awards	2 nd grade only	October 15, 2016	N/A
Project Awards	6 th grade and up	October 1, 2016	October 18, 2016

Trip/Experience Name	Grade/Age Eligible	Deadline	Interviews
WI 4-H & Youth Conference	7 - 10 grade	October 1, 2016	October 18, 2016
National 4-H Conference	10-12 grade	October 1, 2016	October 18, 2016
American Spirit	8 -10 grade	October 1, 2016	October 18, 2016
Citizenship-Washington Focus	10 -12 grade	October 1, 2016	October 18, 2016
Wisconsin 4-H Key Award	11-12 grade	October 1, 2016	October 18, 2016
National 4-H Congress	11-12 grade	October 1, 2016	October 18, 2016

Portfolio Instructions and Samples
Reference Forms

To be submitted for Project Award, Key Award and Trip Applications
To be included with Project Award, Key Award and Trip Applications

All applications/portfolios should be returned by the printed due date to: UW-Extension, ATTN: 4-H Youth Development, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081.

PROJECT AWARDS

Applications for the County Project Awards are available online, here: <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/current-programs-registrations>.

Please be sure the application and direction sheets you have are the current ones - they'll say "Rev. 2016" on the bottom. All members who have **completed 6th grade** or above are eligible to apply for these awards. Use the grade you were in this past school year, not the grade you will be in when school starts in September.

Each person may apply for a maximum of three awards. You must submit a separate application for each award category you want to apply for. Please include only the information related to the award category you are applying for. Example: If you are applying for Communication Arts, Leadership and Overall Achievement, you should be submitting 3 separate application forms. The Communication Arts applications would only include information related to the Communication Arts category, including leadership in the communication arts area. The Leadership application should only include leadership activities. This would include your leadership in the Communication Arts area as well as all of your other 4-H leadership activities from the past year on both the club and county level. The overall achievement application should tell us what you have done in your project areas, including what you learned this year. It should also include community service and leadership activities, as well as any other club, county, and state 4-H sponsored activities you took part in during the past year including trips, fundraising, and recreational activities.

****DON'T FORGET:** Members applying for leadership or overall achievement need to have a General Leader signature. Please allow enough time for your General Leader to read your application and sign it so it can be turned in on time.

Applications must be dropped off at the Extension Office or postmarked on Thursday, October 1st. Only project work and activities from the current 4-H year (after the 2015 County Fair through the 2016 County Fair) should be included on the application. Please read the instructions carefully and follow them.

Interviews are scheduled for Tuesday, October 18th. Members unable to attend the interviews, such as those away at college, are still eligible to apply. Please indicate your reason for not being at the interviews on your application.

SECRETARY & REPORTER AWARDS

The Sheboygan County 4-H Leader's Association annually provides awards to Club Secretaries and Reporters. In order to be considered for this optional opportunity for recognition, Jr. and Sr. 2015-2016 Awards, your Club's Secretary and Reporter Books need to be brought to the Extension Office by October 1st. If you have any questions, please feel free to call our office at 459-5900!

UPDATED CLOVER AWARD APPLICATION

The Leaders Association Executive Committee recently revised the Sheboygan County Clover Award Application in order to bring it up to date and allow for more consistent reporting of activities. The requirements for earning the five levels have not changed.

For club level activities, additional examples of activities were provided under each category. Also, the "other" category was expanded to include items that are different from the categories listed or where more space was needed (i.e. 4-H member participated in four community service projects with the club, but there are only three spaces available). The "other" category can also include practices for softball or Music & Drama Fest, provided that there was 75% minimum participation.

For county level activities, items that were related to countywide animal projects were deleted as were activities that no longer exist. The Communication Arts Festival item allows for one point per category entered (speech, photography, drawing, poster, etc.) Camp counselors can receive two points – one for attending camp and one for participating in the counselor training.

4-H members may want to complete their Emerald Level once they are in high school so that it can be included on college and scholarship applications as a high school activity.

A sample completed application is available on the website <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/award-applications>. If you have any questions regarding the application, ask your club leader or 4-H staff. *Anyone applying for a Clover Award in October 2016 must use this revised application!*

*****NEW*** CLUB TREASURER RECOGNITION**

In addition to our Secretary and Reporter Awards given at the Annual 4-H Awards and Recognition Program we will be making space for our very important Club Treasurers to be recognized for their hard work. In order to be considered for this recognition, Club Treasurers must complete and submit a Treasurer Book (due to UWEX by October 1st) which is to include a Book Cover, Monthly Reports, an End of Year Financial Report, a Ledger and other Financial Reports on behalf of the past 4-H Financial Year. More information about criteria and submission requirements are available at: <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/record-book-pages>.

SECRETARY AND REPORTER RECOGNITION

4-H Club Secretaries and Reporters are encouraged to compile and submit a book including their accomplishments and records from the past 4-H year in their officer role. Secretaries and Reporters Books are reviewed and used to recognize these important roles. These submissions are due October 1st! Check out the criteria used for selecting these awards available at: <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/record-book-pages>.

CLOVERBUD ACHEIVEMENT AWARD

Sheboygan County Cloverbud members who are in 2nd grade during the current 4-H year are eligible to apply for this countywide special recognition program. The Cloverbud Achievement Award is designed to recognize 4-H Cloverbuds for active participation during their 2nd grade Cloverbud year. The award can only be received once. All forms are due on October 15th.

TRIPS AND WISCONSIN KEY AWARD

Check out the great opportunities to travel, make new friends and grow with 4-H. More information can be found at <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/current-programs-registrations>.

4-H Space Camp, Huntsville, Alabama (6-8 grade)
WI 4-H & Youth Conference Madison, WI (7-10 grade)
American Spirit New England States (8-10 grade)
National 4-H Conference Atlanta, GA (10-12 grade)

Citizenship-Washington Focus Washington D.C. (10-12 gr.)
National 4-H Congress, Maryland (11-12 grade)
Wisconsin 4-H Key Award (11-12 grade)

Applications due October 1st and interviews are scheduled for October 18th!

COMMUNITY BUILDERS

The Community Builders Awards are an optional opportunity for club recognition. Community Builder reports are due at the Extension Office by October 1st. The Sheboygan County Form should be used as a guide to submit your report. A form is included in this month's General Leader Packet.

The Community Builder Awards will again be given at the Clover Award Ceremony on Monday, November 28th. Take the challenge and share your club's community service activities for 2015-2016.

4-H ENDOWMENT FUND REPORTING

Don't forget that if you received funds from the 4-H Endowment Fund you are required to report back to the Leaders Association the results of the project for which you received a grant. This doesn't have to be a lengthy report. Simply write a letter indicating the completion of the project, the outcomes of the program and include any success stories that you can share. We are looking for reports from all recipients from 2015-2016 to include in our "annual" report to donors of the fund. Please submit these to Sarah Tarjeson by October 17, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.!

LEADERSHIP

LIABILITY INSURANCE

Sheboygan County is continuing the volunteer liability insurance for Sheboygan County 4-H Volunteer Leaders. You are automatically covered under this policy **only if** you are registered as a 4-H Leader. The insurance provided by Sheboygan County is intended to protect the volunteer leader from damages. Remember, this insurance is NOT accident insurance. The county also purchases accident insurance to cover all enrolled members and certified 4-H volunteer leaders.

As a 4-H leader, it is important to reduce your liability risk as much as possible. Be sure to provide safety instruction in all risk situations - and take all necessary precautions to assure safe activities. If you are planning any activities that could be considered "out of the ordinary" and might increase risk, please contact Sarah, so she can verify liability insurance coverage for the activity.

CLUB AND COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

4-H CLUB OFFICER/GENERAL LEADER/CHARTERED COMMITTEE TRAINING

Club and Committee Leadership Summit (Leader and Officer Training) Make sure you have Thursday, October 20 from 7-9:00 p.m. marked on your calendar for our 2017 Mandatory Club and Committee Leadership Summit! We will meet in the Wombat Room at UWS (use the Acuity Tech Center Entrance for easy access). At least one leader from each club and all available officers must attend! It is usually a great evening of sharing, learning and a wonderful start to a new 4-H year! NOTE: there will also be a **NEW** General Leader Training from 6-7 p.m. that evening. All new general leaders are encouraged to attend and all general leaders interested are welcome.

Pizza, salad and drinks will be provided from 6:00-7:00 p.m. for your convenience! Join us!

Being elected a club officer is an honor; along with the honor goes responsibility. Training will include specific information/ideas to help you serve in your elected position. Plan now to attend! Get the help you need to prepare for your office! Learn what your duties are, how to perform your duties and ask any questions you may have on how to carry out responsibilities.

4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL PROCESS

In the event that the Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association has knowledge of the death of a present or past certified 4-H Leader, the Leaders Association will present a \$25 donation to the family.

We ask that all 4-H members, parents, and leaders help us provide recognition in memory of loved ones by notifying the 4-H Youth Development Support Staff of an individual who has passed away. Staff will confirm the member or leader's role within the program and notify the Leaders Association treasurer of appropriate action.

NEW VOLUNTEER LEADER ORIENTATION

Thursday, November 17 ~ 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. OR 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Please RSVP to let us know you are attending!

We need a MINIMUM of 3 RSVPs in advance, or the training will be cancelled.

There is nothing static about your Sheboygan County 4-H Program! We are constantly growing and evolving. Whether you are a new parent in our program looking for ways to be involved or are already contemplating a leadership opportunity, the New Volunteer Leader Orientation is for you!

This is a mandatory one-time training for all volunteers and is offered quarterly. **The next sessions are scheduled for Thursday, November 17th from 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. and 6:00–8:00 p.m.** Please register for these trainings by calling Linda at 459-5914 or emailing Linda.Robson@ces.uwex.edu. If you are currently serving in a leadership capacity within the 4-H program and have not been certified, please note that you may not work with children through our program in a one-on-one capacity until you have completed the certification process.

VOLUNTEER EXPECTATIONS

The Wisconsin 4-H Program requires all volunteers to sign a Behavior Expectation Form annually. The Behavior Expectation Form is a portion of Leader Enrollment online. By completing the Enrollment and Expectation Form annually, adult volunteers are kept on the leader list and are covered by the Sheboygan County Volunteer Liability and Accident Insurance. Background checks are conducted on volunteers the first year of volunteering and then every four years after. In addition to attending a face-to-face orientation and completing the Mandated Reporter Training, all leaders, (countywide, club, project, new, or returning) must be sure to complete the online enrollment process at <http://wi.4honline.com>. If you plan to help out in a specific project area, **YOU MUST BE SURE TO ADD THAT PROJECT UNDER THE PARTICIPATION HEADING OR YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE IMPORTANT PROJECT INFO!**

HELP US HELP YOU! 2016-2017 VOLUNTEER INTEREST SURVEY

We invite you to share your interests and talents with the Sheboygan County 4-H Youth Development Program! In lieu of reviewing the number of county-level committees and groups you can serve on, we are asking you to complete this brief volunteer interest survey. This is the best way for our leaders and staff to match you with the numerous volunteer opportunities that we have available at the county level. Your continued support and involvement means that even more 4-H opportunities will be available for Sheboygan County's 4-H Youth. Please complete the survey at the following link: <http://goo.gl/forms/U7iabdgtyV>. It will take you less than 10 minutes. The purpose of this survey is to indicate your strengths and skills so that we are able to find the best role that would fit your interest and talents.

WISCONSIN 4-H SEEKS CHAPERONES FOR NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL TRIPS

Adult volunteers are needed to chaperone WI 4-H members at CWF, National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference, Space Camp and on several different international trips. Chaperones must be 21 years old and in good health. They must be certified 4-H Volunteer Leaders (or willing to complete the Youth Protection Program and become certified.) For more information about any of these opportunities and for a copy of the application, check out the WI 4-H Website at: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/volunteers/index.cfm>

CHARTER APPLICATION AND RENEWALS

A 4-H charter indicates the club or group is organized in accordance with objectives of the 4-H program. It authorizes the club or group to use the 4-H emblem for educational purposes in accordance with laws and regulations established by Congress and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The purpose of the 4-H charter is education, communication and accountability. A charter is given to a new 4-H club or group as they are formed and meeting the requirements. 4-H clubs and groups must renew their charter annually through completion of the Charter Renewal Process. Sheboygan County Charter Documents are due to the UW-Extension office by November 1st. **NO EXCEPTIONS CAN BE MADE, AS I MUST UPLOAD THESE ON TIME!**

VOLUNTEER & FUND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

4-H MEMBER GRANTS/4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

The Sheboygan County Grant Program provides financial sponsorship to 4-H members from limited resource families, or families experiencing a financial hardship, to support the participation in 4-H sponsored events and activities. This grant program made possible by the generosity of The Kohler Foundation, Inc. 725 Woodlake Rd # X, Kohler, WI 53044. Please be sure to express gratitude for grants received.

To apply, complete the application found at <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/grant-applications>. Your request for Grant Funding will be handled in a confidential manner. In most cases a portion of the 4-H Experience will be covered while some commitment on the part of the family is also requested. The information you provide on the application will only be used to verify your child's eligibility for grant funding, no financial information is collected. Mail your completed application marked confidential to: Linda Robson, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081. **All applications are due to the Extension Office 30 days before the final payment deadline.**

4-H COOKBOOK ***NOW ONLY \$10!***

BANANA SPICE CAKE

Linda Wulff, Lima Lites

2 eggs (separated)
½ C. butter
½ C. brown sugar (packed)
½ C. sugar
3 bananas
¼ C. sour cream
1 ¾ C. flour

1 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. baking soda
½ tsp. salt
¼ tsp. cinnamon
¼ tsp. nutmeg
1 C. walnuts (chopped)

FROSTING

½ C. butter
1 C. brown sugar

¼ C. milk or Half-and-Half
1 ½ - 2 C. powdered sugar (sifted)

In a small bowl, beat egg whites until they hold firm, moist peaks; set aside. Cream together the butter and both sugars until light. Mash bananas (about 1 C.) and add to the sugar mixture with the egg yolks and sour cream; beat well. Combine the flour with the baking powder, soda, salt and spices and sift into batter. Mix until well-blended. Stir in walnuts. Fold in egg whites. Spoon into a greased tube pan. Bake at 325 degrees for 40-45 minutes (or, in a 9x14" pan for 30-35 minutes.) Cool in pan for about 20 minutes, then turn out and cool on a rack. Makes 12 servings.

Frosting: Melt butter in saucepan. Add brown sugar. Boil over low heat for 2 minutes or less, stirring constantly. Stir in milk and bring to a boil. Cool slightly. Add powdered sugar and beat until smooth. If too stiff, add a little hot water. Spread. Note: Frosting hardens fast.

2016 4-H DAIRY PROMOTION PROGRAM PRESENTED BY THE WISCONSIN MILK MARKETING BOARD

Each 4-H club in Wisconsin is invited and encouraged to participate in the 2016 Dairy Promotion Program, presented by the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board (WMMB). Last year, we simplified the program to make it easier for 4-H clubs to order the promotional items of their choice.

*Please read the information below very carefully to ensure that you don't miss out on the opportunity to earn free dairy promotion merchandise!

- The 4-H Dairy Promotion Program is open to all Wisconsin 4-H clubs in good standing.
- Any 4-H Club who conducts a local dairy promotion activity or event during June Dairy Month and submits a dairy promotion report to the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board will receive \$50 toward merchandise from the Wisconsin Cheese and Dairy Gear online store: www.CheeseAndDairyGear.com. Gift certificates will be issued beginning July 1, 2016 and will expire June 30, 2017.
- County 4-H UW-Extension/4-H Youth Development offices will not be required to submit any paperwork to WMMB. There will be no contest held in each county as in prior years. All 4-H clubs will submit their own dairy promotion report form directly to WMMB online.
- The completed dairy promotion report form must be well-organized with a complete event description. All submissions must include a photograph of your activity or event as back-up for your report. The report form and photo(s) can be entered below no later than December 1, 2016.

If you have any questions about the 2016 4-H Dairy Promotion Program, please contact: **Becky Kronberg** at bkronberg@wmmb.org, 608-203-7284, or 800-383-9662, x284, or **Renee Grunewald** at rgrunewald@wmmb.org, 608-203-7231, 800-383-9662, x231.

TRICK OR TREAT DAIRY PROMOTION CONTEST

The Sheboygan County Dairy Promotion Association is sponsoring a Halloween Dairy Promotion Contest.

Guidelines are:

1. Let your imagination go wild!
2. Mix Halloween and dairy products together to promote the dairy industry under the Halloween theme.
3. Host the event where it will involve the public (i.e. grocery store, bank, school, etc.)
4. Try to get media coverage.
5. Take at least four pictures of the event, write a summary of how many people your club/chapter reached, any media coverage and details of the event.
6. Submit the summary and pictures to UW-Extension, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081 by November 15th.

Scoring will be:

1. Originality.....	30 points
2. Incorporation of dairy products.....	30 points
3. Number of people reached.....	30 points
4. Photos submitted and/or media coverage	<u>10 points</u>
TOTAL	100 points

Prizes will be:

1st = \$100	3rd = \$50
2nd = \$ 75	4th = \$25

NOTE: Every club/chapter that participates will be reimbursed \$25 to help defray costs. Contact Stacy Limberg with questions at 920.838.3346.

FUN DAIRY PROGRAM FOR CLUB MEETINGS

Invite Dairy Ambassador Kammann to your monthly club meeting to have a fun interactive time learning about the dairy industry and the great nutrition it provides. Contact Marlene for details at 920-565-2608 or mkammann@tds.net.

A DAIRY BIG THANK YOU

Addie the Cow, Ambassador Kammann, and the Sheboygan Co. Dairy Promotion Assoc. wish to share their appreciation with the volunteers that helped at the Dairy Education Center during the Sheboygan Co. Fair. It was a job well done as members helped to educate visitors about the dairy industry and the wonderful products it produces. We hope the members had fun and will see you all next year!

RECOGNITION

HATS OFF...

- ✿ To the 4-H youth and adult volunteers that gave up their time during the Fair to help in the Youth Building with Office Watch and Building Watch. We appreciate your commitment to 4-H and to the Fair! Thank you for keeping the Youth Building in tip top shape!
- ✿ Mint shakes, grande nachos, baked potatoes, and lemonade! Those delicious thoughts from our 4-H Food Stand at the Fair became a scrumptious reality during the Fair, thanks to the hard work of many 4-H youth and volunteers. We appreciate everyone's efforts and would especially like to send a BIG 4-H thank you to Jessica Ford and Mark Breunig, Food Stand Managers, as well as Heidi Widder & Donna Jeske, Breakfast Coordinators. We couldn't do it without you!
- ✿ And an OUTSTANDING ovation to all of our youth and adult leaders who plan to represent their clubs and projects at our 4-H Open House. The time you give to promote and share 4-H with others is truly appreciated.
- ✿ SPECTACULAR, CREATIVE, FANTASTIC, OUTSTANDING, EYE-CATCHING, TEAM BUILDING! Just some of the words that describe this year's Youth Building Display and our 2016 Display Team. The work done prior to and during the Fair by lots of volunteers is always appreciated and pays off with a special display of wonderful 4-H projects and accomplishments. A special thank you to Julie Carbaugh, and Amy Mason for leading and guiding members.
- ✿ And a HUGE 4-H thank you to Upland Gardens for the wonderful plants and flowers that once again beautified Fair Park, especially the Youth Building, during the Sheboygan County Fair. They were awesome! The flowers were spectacular and were enjoyed by all. We appreciate the generous gift of time, talent and resources that you contribute. Not only to the Fair, but also to our Open House...the work you do truly makes our 4-H Program beautiful!
- ✿ To the Youth Association for planning, organizing and running a very successful Anything Goes! Thirteen teams, over 75 youth, took on the challenges presented to them, got down and dirty and had a GREAT time! A BIG thank you to all of the fans and supporters.
A special congratulations to our winners (pictured toward the back of the Crier):
 - *1st place ~ Sherman Workers Team
 - *2nd Place ~ Mixed Team of Hardworking Hands, Johnsonville Hustlers & Willing Workers
 - *3rd Place ~ Clover Crusaders Team
- ✿ To Robin Sanderson, the coach for the Sheboygan County's Avian Quiz Bowl teams, who rocks out a great and successful team every year!
- ✿ Trailblazers, Wise Wizards, Mosel Farm & Home, Parnell Pals, Sheboygan Shooting Stars, Herman Cheerios, Willing Workers, Hingham Handy Helpers, Plymouth Shamrocks, Dog Project, Cat Project, Rabbit/Cavies Project, Llama/Alpaca Project, Gardening/Houseplants, Exploring Your Environment, Air Rifle and Archery, and 4-H Ambassadors for sharing their knowledge and love of 4-H with new families at the Annual Open House on Sept. 29th!
- ✿ A very special thank you to Kathy Froh, Kelly Rauch, Shannon Schuran and Barb Meinnert who have wrapped up their current terms with the 4-H Leaders Association Executive Board. It has truly been a privilege to have you each at the helm, caring for, supporting, and cheering on our young people through this program. I hope that you have enjoyed this service as much as we have enjoyed having you serve!
- ✿ A sincere welcome and thank you to Kelly Rauch, Vanessa Vanderweele, Dan Sippel, and Kandy Huiras who were recently elected to serve on our 4-H Leaders Association Executive Board! We are excited to start a new 4-H Year and know that we will be in good hands with your leadership and direction! THANK YOU!

4-H MEMORIAL WALL OF HONOR

Don't forget about the Sheboygan County 4-H Memorial Wall of Honor! It was created to honor deceased members and leaders of the Sheboygan County 4-H Program. All the recipients are honored with a Memorial Plaque displayed at the Sheboygan County Fair Youth Building. Applications and brochures are available online at <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/contribution-forms> or at the UW-Extension Office.

ANIMAL SCIENCES

LEARNING LAB KITS

Don't forget...Sheboygan County 4-H has four great animal sciences learning lab kits, available for projects & clubs to borrow! Thanks to a grant from the Sheboygan County 4-H Endowment Fund, we were able to purchase the beef, sheep, swine and goat kits. These kits contain hands-on learning materials and suggestions for activities in the following areas: anatomy, breeds, conformation, medicine labels and inserts, animal handling, nutrition, meat cut identification, equipment, etc. Please call 920-459-5903 if you are interested in utilizing these kits for one of your project meetings.

In addition, there are learning kits available for the dog, horse, poultry, rabbit, and dairy projects. Leaders in those projects are encouraged to apply for a grant from the Sheboygan County 4-H Endowment Fund to receive funding for those kits. More information can be found at www.ohio4h.org/books-and-resources/learning-lab-kits.



4-H DAIRY & LIVESTOCK YOUTH LEADERSHIP CLINIC



Calling all youth 8th grade & older, enrolled in the Dairy & Livestock Projects! Please join us for a special 4-H Dairy & Livestock Overnight Youth Leadership Clinic this fall. **Limited to first 25 registrants!**

Dates: November 18th at 5:30 p.m. – November 19th at 3:00 p.m.

Location: Tree of Life Retreat Center (Greenbush, WI)

Skills Developed: communication, accountability, decision-making, goal setting, leadership & motivating others

How to Register: Through <https://wi.4honline.com> ~ registration opens September 1st

FALL HORSE HAPPENINGS

Thank you for your support of the 4-H Horse & Pony Project by running for a position on the 4-H Horse & Pony Committee! A total of 127 individuals voted and the members listed below will be the 2016-2017 Horse & Pony Committee.

Adult Committee (2 year term)

Kristin Tetschlag, Chairperson (2018)
Wendy Krueger, Past Chairperson (2017)
*Gary Pritzlaff (2018)
*Angel Noll (2018)
Becky Schipper (2018)
Debbi Ninneman (2018)
*Shelia Wolfington (2017)
*Lynn Boenisch (2017)
Lisa Caswell (2018)
*Megan Hansen (2018)
Bill Rehm (2018)
Kristin Shepherd (2018)
Angela Albrecht (2018)
Betty Feldmann (2018)
Keith Wyckoff – Alternate (2017)
Dawn Mendez – Alternate (2017)
*denotes final term of representation

Youth Committee (1 year term)

Grace Wolfington
Konnor Koenig
Kinsey Ninneman
Tessa Wolfington
Megan Krueger
Laurelyn Pritzlaff
Jaden Shepherd
Lauren Schmitt
Karah Wyckoff
Julie Koenig
Alisa Mendez
Arianna Mendez
Catherine Schalk – Alternate
Emily Wollner – Alternate

As always, we were overwhelmed with the number of strong individuals who have offered to step into this important role on the committee. Each and every one of you would be a great asset. The first meeting of both the old and new 4-H Horse & Pony Committee is set for Monday, October 24, 2016. **We ask that all NEW Committee members join us for dinner and a Committee Orientation starting at 5:00 p.m. on this date.** The youth committee members will meet at 6:00 pm, with the full 4-H Horse & Pony Committee meeting at 6:30 pm at the UW-Extension Office. If you have any questions, or cannot attend, please call your committee chairperson, Wendy Krueger at 920-838-2589, or New Chairperson, Kristin Tetschlag, at 920-980-5919. Your support of the 4-H Horse & Pony Project is greatly appreciated!

4-H HORSE HANDBOOK COVER CONTEST

Help the 4-H Horse and Pony Committee by designing the 2016 4-H Horse and Pony Handbook Cover. The cover should be designed on an 8 ½" x 11" letter size paper, portrait layout, which is easily reproducible and black and white (no color please). Design can be hand drawn or designed with a computer. Designs should be submitted to the Extension Office by Friday, October 14th. The Horse and Pony Committee will select a winner at the October 24th Horse and Pony Committee Meeting. The winner will receive a Horse and Pony Project Sweatshirt. Runner ups will have their designs showcased on the June Show Book Cover, Speed Show Cover and Fair Show Book Cover. For more information please contact Wendy Krueger at 920-838-2589.

Congratulations to all of the competitors that participated in State Gymkhana and State Expo. We are so lucky to have a strong state program to give 4-Her's the opportunity to meet and compete with other counties.

Don't put the trailer away just yet, we still have the following fun event coming up:

- October 7, 8 & 9, 2016 - New Prospect Horseriders Campground, Friday 3 p.m. — Sunday 3 p.m. Everyone is invited to CAMP with or without your horse! (You need to make your own personal reservations and accommodations. This is not a 4-H Sponsored event.) Chili Dump and Potluck (bring your chili and/or dish to pass by 5pm.) Bonfire after dinner at campsites. You are all on your own to get a state park sticker and trail pass. These are available from a self- service station there, the camp host, DNR office in Plymouth, or the Long Lake or Mauthe Lake ranger stations. Also this weekend is the statewide youth deer hunt, so wear some bright clothing, or helmet cover. Brown Carhart Jackets are not recommended.

BLUE RIBBON SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Blue Ribbon Small Animal Auction Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 11, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Fair office in Plymouth. We will review this year's sale. Any comments are welcome.

POULTRY NEWS

The Poultry Project leaders would like to thank all of the exhibitors, parents, leaders, and volunteers who helped make this season a success. From the pre-fair painting and set-up, to the post-fair clean-up...all went great. Thank you!

The meeting dates for 2017 project year are: January 17th, March 14th, and June 13th. All meetings will be at UWEX from 6:30-8:00 pm. You are required to attend one meeting to show at the fair.

RABBIT/CAVY PROJECT

On Tuesday, October 18th we will be having our next committee meeting at 7:00 pm at the Extension Office. We will be electing a new board (we have 4 positions to fill for the upcoming year) and officers. All adults and members are encouraged to attend, participate, and to help set the agenda for the project for the upcoming year. Please help the continued growth of your project. Please call the Extension Office if you have any interest in being a committee member.

THANK YOU RABBIT/CAVY MEMBERS!

Thank you to all the rabbit & cavy members and their parents who helped clean the rabbit barn, put down shavings, helped keep the rabbit barn clean, and helped with the rabbit & cavy judging during the fair. It made my job as superintendent much easier. Thanks again.

Barb Scholten
Rabbit & Cavy Fair Superintendent

DOG PROJECT NEWS

We would like to welcome Trisha Flanigan as a new member on the Dog Project Board. Sarah Britt, Becky Gartman and Theresa Theobald return for another two-year term. Brianna Breunig was elected as the Youth Representative.

Gary Vanderpool has completed his term on the board. We would like to thank Gary for his years of service and dedication to our group. Thanks also to Natalie Britt, who served her two-year term as youth representative.

The Wisconsin State 4-H Dog Project Leaders Workshop will be held Nov. 19-20 in Oshkosh. Judges and Leaders Education and Advanced Training workshops will take place on Saturday. Sheboygan County Dog trainers should contact Katy Vergeront for more information or see the info posted on our FB page "Sheboygan County 4-H Dog Project".

The next Dog Board meeting will be Oct. 17 at UWEX.

NATURAL SCIENCES

UPCOMING PROGRAMS – KETTLE MORAINES STATE FOREST

The "Evening with Nature Series" brings presenters with their vast knowledge on nature/environmental subjects to the Ice Age Visitor Center every second Thursday of the month. The series runs from September through May. These programs are best for those over 10 years old.

Our Saturday Exploring Nature Programs cover a variety of nature and outdoor skills topics. These programs geared for groups and families with children ages 6 to 12 years old. We encourage groups to call ahead of time so that the naturalist can have plenty of supplies on hand.

The second flier is for our nineteenth annual **Halloween Nature Hikes on Friday, October 14, and Saturday, October 15**, at the Mauthe Lake Recreation Area (located off County Road GGG south County Road SS near New Prospect) of the Kettle Moraine State Forest – Northern Unit. The event runs from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. This is a non-scary, fun, educational event. Our theme this year is **Marvelous Mammals** brought to life with costume characters along a trail through the dark woods. **All are welcome to attend!**

If you would like someone to come to one of your meetings to further explain these upcoming events, please contact Jackie Scharfenberg, Forest Naturalist at 920-533-8322 or jackie.scharfenberg@wisconsin.gov.

MECHANICAL SCIENCES

WISCONSIN SCIENCE FESTIVAL

Our very own Spaceport Sheboygan will be one of a hundred host sites statewide for the Wisconsin Science Festival. The "Open House" style program at Spaceport will be Friday October 21 from 4-8pm, Saturday October 22 from 10am-8pm, and Sunday October 23 from 11am-4pm. No registration required!

We will have a few special artifacts, for the 3rd time ever, Apollo Moon Rocks and Shannon Lucid's Sokol Russian Space Suit on loan from NASA. There will also be displays, information, and hands-on science activities from our partners in the area. Come join us and discover that science is not so scary...and can be fun!

EXTRA, EXTRA READ ALL ABOUT IT!!

SPRING VALLEY BRAT FRY

Spring Valley 4-H club will be hosting a brat fry on Sunday Oct. 23rd from 10:30 am – 2:00 pm at the Greenbush Town Hall (Corner of Hwy. 23 and Sugarbush Rd.) We will be serving Brats, Hamburgers, Chicken Breast, Kathy's Great German Potato Salad, Baked Beans, and Excellent Homemade Desserts. Please contact Kathy Schwartz at 920-946-1873 with any questions. Come join us for a good time!

ANYTHING GOES WINNERS!

Congratulations to the winning teams of the 2016 4-H *Anything Goes*! 1st place was awarded to a team from Sherman Workers, and 2nd place went to a mixed team from Hardworking Hands, Johnsonville Hustlers, and Willing Workers. Rounding out the top three was a team from Clover Crusaders. Thank you to all of the participating teams for such a fun event!



Anything Goes 1st Place Team
– Sherman Workers



Anything Goes 2nd Place Team –
Hardworking Hands, Johnsonville
Hustlers, Willing Workers



Anything Goes 3rd Place Team
– Clover Crusaders

ENCHANTED FOREST SCARECROW CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Group Name or Person: _____

Contact Person for Group: _____

Phone No.: _____

Email: _____

Return by October 7, 2016 to:
UW-Extension, 4-H Youth Development, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081

4 -H NEW VOLUNTEER LEADER ORIENTATION

_____ Friday, November 17, 10:00 – Noon

_____ Friday, November 17, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Return to Sheboygan County 4-H, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081. Due one week prior to the orientation.

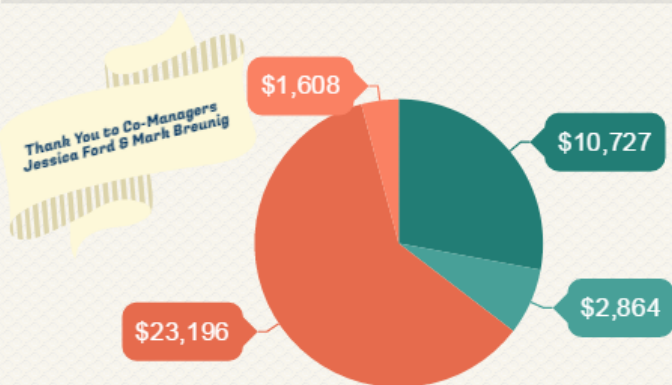
4-H FAIR FOODSTAND

2016 Acknowledgements

The 4-H Fair Foodstand is not only our largest fundraiser in the Sheboygan County 4-H Program but it is also an opportunity for youth to work together while learning valuable life and work skills. It is also an incredible opportunity to be face-to-face with the community as we promote our program assets.

Leaders Association Financial Support

The 4-H Foodstand Provides Almost 60% of our Total Income Each Year



Thank You to Co-Managers
Jessica Ford & Mark Breunig

6,500
Shakes
Sold!

4-H Members learn valuable
LIFE SKILLS through their
participation including:

Teamwork, Marketable Skills,
Contributions to Group Effort,
Problem Solving, Personal
Safety, Disease Prevention,
Self-Responsibility,
Cooperation, Communication,
Social Skills, and Self-
Motivation

Our Volunteers

Over 900 hours!

Worked

Thanks to Our Crew Chiefs

1. Kathy Froh
2. Kelly Rauch
3. Lisa Lutzke
4. Donna Berndt
5. Cheryl Barrett
6. Jesse Malone
7. Sandy Krahn
8. Kent Olson
9. Ellis Robson
10. Nancy Brown
11. Barb Laudloff

**1,200 lbs of
Potatoes Sold**

Fifteen

CELEBRITY SERVERS

17 hours

Angela Sutkiewicz,
Cnty Circuit Court Judge
Todd Priebe,
ShebCo Sheriff
Laura Henning-Lorenz,
ShebCo Treasurer
Devin LeMahieu,
State Senator, District 9
Terry Katsma,
State Rep District 26
Jesse Kremer,
State Rep, District 59
Victoria Payne,
Fairest of the Fair AttnDnt
Dan Borowski,
Cnty Circuit Court Judge
Thomas and Suzy Wegner
ShebCo Board Chair
Ellen Schleicher,
Register of Deeds
Makayla Klumppan,
Fairest of the Fair
Glenn Grothman, U.S.
Rep WI District 8
Tyler Vorpapel
State Rep, District 27

Thanks to Our Donors
Luigi's Pizza

Kohler Credit Union

Sargento - Viking Masek

Schwaller Meat

91% of our clubs participated



FRIEND OF 4-H / MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD NOMINATION FORM



The Friend of 4-H and Meritorious Award are your opportunity to nominate someone – a leader, individual, or business, who has made a contribution to the Sheboygan County 4-H Program. Please carefully consider the guidelines listed below.

Please check:

- ❖ **Friend of 4-H** - Presented to an external group or organization.
 - Contributions should be on the county level
 - Contributions of nominee should be significant in nature and have positive impact on 4-H program goals
 - Contributions by the nominee should represent continuing support over time
- ❖ **Meritorious Award** - Presented to a 4-H leader.
 - Nominee must be a 4-H leader
 - Must have made unique and outstanding contributions to Sheboygan County 4-H on the county level
 - Include number of nominee's years as a 4-H member

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Club: _____ Nominated by: _____

Your Club: _____

Give a brief description on the nominee's qualifications and any other information, which would be of interest to the committee. Please use additional pages if necessary.

Return by Oct. 15, 2016 to Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association, 5 University Dr., Sheboygan, WI 53081



*Discover the Amazing
Mammals of Wisconsin!*



Halloween Nature Hikes

October 14 (Friday) & 15 (Saturday)

6:30 - 9:30 pm

Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit

Mauthe Lake Recreation Area

(off County Road GGG south of County Road SS near New Prospect)

Guided hike groups leave every 6 minutes. The final hike starts at 8:30 p.m. Each hike lasts about 1 hour. Free refreshments available near the campfire. Enjoy playing fun-filled games or creating a clever craft before or after your hike.

For more information contact the staff at the Ice Age Visitor Center (920-533-8322). The center is open daily.

A Wisconsin State Park System vehicle admission sticker is required.



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Meet the Marvelous Mammals!

On your travels through the dark autumn woods, you will encounter a menagerie of mammals including the odiferous striped skunk, swift whitetail deer, crafty raccoon, and sneaky white-footed mouse. It's sure to be an incredible adventure!

This is not a scary hike and is appropriate for those over 5 years of age.

Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit

September 2016 - April 2017 Events

ParkPacks



Forest Forever Pack

Through fun-filled activities, books and other cool stuff, discover the basics of sustainable forestry and why it's important to everyone.



Inland Lake Fish Pack

Dive into this pack of hands-on activities to learn more about our inland lakes and our Wisconsin fishes.

ParkPacks are perfect for youth/scout groups wanting to earn various awards and for upper elementary classes to use. To check out a ParkPack, contact the staff at the Ice Age Visitor Center. The Center's phone number is 920-533-8322.



An Evening with Nature Series



Meet at the Ice Age Visitor Center on the second Thursday from September through May for informative and entertaining presentations. Programs start at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted. These programs are best for people over 10 years old.

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| September 8 | Interesting Life of Increase Lapham |
| October 13 | Earthquakes in Wisconsin |
| November 10 | Gottfried Arboretum's |
| 1:00 - 3:30 pm | Creating Winter Wreaths |
| 6:00 - 8:30 pm | (Register by 11/9; call 920-940-8869) |
| December 8 | Free-ranging Cats: Issues and Solutions |
| January 12 | Snapshot Wisconsin |
| February 9 | How Birds Fly |
| March 9 | How Native Landscaping is Better for You and the Earth |
| April 13 | To Be Determined |

Exploring Nature Programs

Everyone is invited to participate in 1½ to 2 hours of hands-on nature fun. These programs are best for families/groups with children ages 6 to 12 years old. Programs start at 10:00 am on Saturdays at the Ice Age Visitor Center unless noted otherwise. Register by calling 920-533-8322.

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| September 10 | Eight Legs and Silk |
| September 17 | Life Down Under |
| September 24 | Build Fires & Cook Outdoors (9:30 am - 12:00 pm at Zillmer Trails; register by 9/23) |
| October 1 | Autumn Magic |
| October 8 | Wild Gobblers |
| October 22 | Predator Verses Prey |
| October 29 | Nature's Unloved |
| November 12 | Whitetail Secrets |
| December 10 | Nature Crafts (Register by 12/9) |
| January 14 | Tracking on Snowshoes (Register by 1/13) |
| January 21 | Learn to Ice Fish (Mauthe Lake Rec. Area; register by 1/20) |
| February 11 | Winter Snow Fun |
| March 11 | Wonderful Wisconsin Trees |
| April 8 | All Tied Up in Knots (Register by 4/7) |



Halloween Nature Hikes



October 14 & 15, 2016
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area
6:30-9:30 pm

Come meet the marvelous mammals including the odiferous striped skunk, swift whitetail deer, crafty raccoon, and sneaky white-footed mouse. This is not a scary hike and is best for those over five years old. Guided hike groups leave every six minutes. The final hour-long hike starts at 8:30 pm. While waiting for your hike, enjoy playing fun-filled games, making a craft, or snacking by the glow of a campfire. If severe weather, the event will be canceled for that night.

Service Opportunities

With almost 30,000 acres to cover and more than 600,000 annual visitors, help is needed in managing the forest resources and presenting programs for the public. If interested in any of the opportunities listed, contact Jackie Scharfenberg, Naturalist, at 920-533-8322 or jackie.scharfenberg@wisconsin.gov.

Trail Maintenance and Improvements

Trail work involves physically demanding efforts: erosion control, laying new trail tread, brushing back bushes, and adding new amenities like benches and sign posts.

Litter Pick-Up

Special litter pick up projects can be set up for a group; or groups and individuals may help with the big spring clean up in April.

Earth Day Clean Up

Sponsored by the Friends of the Kettle Moraine
April 22, 2017 (Saturday)
8:30 am-12:00 noon
Kettle Moraine Scenic Drive



Weed Warriors

Join the battle to knock back non-native plants invading parts of the Northern Unit and taking over natural habitats. Help is needed in controlling these very aggressive invaders including garlic mustard, Japanese hedge parsley, honeysuckle, buckthorn, and aquatic exotics. Call the Forest staff at (920)

533-8322 to arrange for an invasive species control project.

Special Events

At large special events, volunteers are needed to set up/clean up, lead activities, greet people, keep the grounds clean, and serve refreshments. Training is provided. Listed below are some special events at which volunteers are needed.

Halloween Nature Hikes

October 14 & 15, 2016 (Friday & Saturday)
5:30-9:45 pm
Mauthe Lake Recreation Area

Candlelight Ski/Hike

February 4, 2017 (Saturday)
4:30-9:00 pm
Zillmer Trails

Night Hikes

Come journey along the Zillmer Trails by the moon and starlight. A Wisconsin State Park System vehicle admission sticker is required for these events.

Winter Solstice Night Hike

December 21, 2016 (Wednesday)
7:00-8:30 pm

Candlelight Ski/Hike

February 4, 2017 (Saturday)
5:30-8:30 pm

In Search of Sky Dancers and Spring Noise Makers Night Hike

April 21, 2017 (Friday)
7:30-9:00 pm



Features of the Forest

We invite you to explore the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit. There are more than 150 miles of trails to traverse by foot, horseback, skis, or bikes. Within or bordering the forest are twelve lakes beckoning you to go fishing, boating, canoeing, or swimming. The Long Lake and Mauthe Lake Recreation Areas offer beautiful picnic spots, boat launches, sandy beaches, accessible fishing piers, and quiet campgrounds. The Greenbush Group Camp has sites that can handle up to 40 people each.

Visit the Henry S. Reuss Ice Age Visitor Center to learn about the area's world-famous glacial landscape. Then take a road-trip to discover fascinating glacial landforms including kames, eskers, kettles, outwash plains, and moraines. Don't miss the Parnell Tower, which offers a bird's eye view of the forest and surrounding farmland.

All year long the forest naturalist staff offers a wide array of fun-filled educational programs for all ages and interests. Call the Ice Age Visitor Center at 920-533-8322 for a complete schedule.

Make plans now to enjoy some time in the beautiful hills of the Kettle Moraine!

For more information about the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Northern Unit or to obtain a complete listing of upcoming events, contact the staff at:



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