## Staff Report 4-H Leaders Association Meeting May 15, 2017

**Camper Registrations are due via 4-H Online by June 1**st. We currently have 68 campers registered for Base camp at Upham Woods and 21 campers registered for Outpost at Devil's Lake State Park. **WOWEEE and we still have two weeks left until registration closes!** 

We have a Sheboygan County **4-H Summer Intern** again this year! Kimberly Mueller will be starting on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. She grew up in the Ozaukee County 4-H program and has taken advantage of many of the 4-H opportunities that have been available. Kimberly is presently attending the University of Stevens Point.

This year Sarah Tarjeson will have the opportunity to travel as one of the chaperones on **the 4-H American Spirit Experience**. It is an amazing experience and we recommend that youth grades 8-10<sup>th</sup> grade apply to be one of the delegates to attend. It involves an 8 day bus trip and participants travel through Amish country out to New York, Boston and Canada! There are many options for youth to travel and experience different places such as Washington D.C through the Citizenship Washington Focus trip, Madison through the WI State 4-H and Youth Conference, and Atlanta through the National Congress trip. Watch the Cloverleaf Crier around September for application and interview dates.

The 4-H Communications Arts Festival was held on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017. The event continues to draw in all ages of 4-H members and there were around 60 entries. It was a great day celebrating the "ARTS!"

We've run a survey asking the 4-H families and leaders their thoughts on switching the Music and Drama Festival and the Communications Arts Festival months they are held. We are thinking this may help some clubs prepare better with their skits having more time and less bad weather to practice in. Also, people are able to work on their individual projects for the Communication Arts Festival in the colder months at home. The committees have not met together yet to review the data and finalize the decision.

**NEW VOLUNTEER LEADER ORIENTATION OFFERED QUARTERLY** This mandatory training for all volunteers is offered quarterly. Sessions are scheduled for Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Please register for these trainings by calling Nancy at 459-5903. *Please RSVP to let us know you are attending!* We need a minimum of 3 people to attend in hold the training, or it will be cancelled.

4-H members – you and your family, are cordially invited to attend the **2016 Fairest of the Fair Gala** on Monday, June 12th, 2017 at 7:00 pm at Laack's Ballroom, Johnsonville. Admission is FREE. If you or a friend might be interested in running for the position of Fairest of the Fair sometime in the future, this event is a great way to learn more and prepare. Enjoy the opportunity to meet the candidates, hear their on-stage introductions and radio spots and have fun watching some great 4-H entertainment centered around 100 years of 4-H!

The **Fair Foodstand** is the largest fundraiser for the Sheboygan County 4-H Program and everyone is needed to make is a success. Enclosed in this month's crier you will find revised volunteer roles that you can be a part of including:

- Club Shift Leaders
- Crew Chief
- Purchasing Coordinator

- Stocking Coordinator
- Cash Handlers
- Closing Manager
- Shake Machinists
- Club Scheduling Coordinator
- Food Safety Manager
- Hot Side Half-Day Managers

The 2017 County Fair Food Stand Planning has begun! We have reviewed and revised the process for giving you and your club a positive, productive and fun experience at the Food Stand. General Leaders will be receiving a special mailing that will include a sign-up form for your club. Look it over at your May 4-H Club Meetings and decide how you'd like to participate. There are many options and a variety of times to choose from. We all need to work together to make it a success!

If interested in a description of these positions, please call Nancy at 459-5903 OR connect with our committee chairs: Jessica Ford at <a href="mailto:fordjessica@msn.com">fordjessica@msn.com</a> , Mark Breunig at <a href="mailto:mbreunig@excel.net">mbreunig@excel.net</a> or Barb and Cora Laudolff at <a href="mailto:jlaudolff928@yahoo.com">jlaudolff928@yahoo.com</a>