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www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/sheboygan/4h

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NEW VOLUNTEER LEADER ORIENTATION

Please RSVP to let us know you are attending!

This is a mandatory one-time training for all volunteers. **The next session is scheduled for Tuesday, January 15th from 6–8 pm.** 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. Please RSVP with Nancy at 459-5903 or nancy.brown@sheboygancounty.com.

NEW 4-H FAMILY WELCOME

We would like to welcome all new 4-H members and families to the Sheboygan County 4-H Program! We are excited that you have joined and hope you are looking forward to a wonderful year of learning and fun in 4-H. To help you and your family get off to a great start, we are inviting you to dinner and 4-H fun on **Thursday, January 24th from 5:30-7:30 p.m.** There will be pizza, salad, sundaes and fun for everyone!

The New 4-H Family Welcome Night is an opportunity for families to gain a better understanding of what 4-H is, learn more about all the great opportunities available for youth and families in 4-H, connect with 4-H staff and leaders and meet other new 4-H families. There will be hands-on activities for the youth and time for individual questions!

All new 4-H families and/or any returning families interested in learning more about the Sheboygan County 4-H Program and all the great opportunities available through 4-H are invited to attend. A registration form is at the end of the Crier.

FOND DU LAC UWEX 4-H FAMILY LEARNING DAY IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Family Learning Day is a day filled with learning activities, new ideas and fun for the whole family. This event is open to the general public, where the whole family can forget about cabin fever and spend the day learning new skills. There are over 20 topics to explore ceramics, stained glass ornaments, photography, Sharpie art, rocketry, Ukrainian egg decorating and so much more! There is something for everyone, 5 years old and up. All of the sessions are “Hands-on” activities. Join the fun at UW-Fond du Lac on Saturday, February 23, 2019 from 8:15 am to 3:15 pm. Participants must register by January 16. To learn more please call: UW-Extension (920) 929-3170 or visit: <https://fonddulac.uwex.edu/files/2018/12/FLD-Program-Sessions-Whole-Document2019-no-mail.pdf>. Family Learning Day is sponsored by Fond du Lac County 4-H: Enriching youth, families and communities through citizenship, leadership and life skill experiences.

COMMUNICATIONS ARTS FESTIVAL NEEDS YOUR HELP!

For the past few years, the Communication Arts Festival has had just a few parents and youth working with the 4-H Youth Development Program Coordinator, but we need more help to make it a successful event. The event is open to all 4-H youth (including Cloverbuds) interested in the arts. Project categories include posters, photography, drawing, talks and demonstrations, and creative writing. The deadline for entering many tracks is usually a month before the event. On the day of the event, February 24th, youth will give their talks and demonstrations. Those entering the other categories will meet with judges who will review their creative submissions. This is a great way for our youth to become more comfortable having their projects judged and to receive valuable feedback on their work. The youth must be present at the festival in order to have their work judged. The creative writing entries are judged before the festival due to the time involved in reading and critiquing.

We need committee members of all ages to help plan and execute this event. The committee is responsible for picking the date of the festival and securing judges for all of the entry categories. In addition, on the day of the event, they will serve as judges' assistants, tabulate points, distribute ribbons and set up art work.

Please contact Linda at linda.robson@ces.uwex.edu. If you are interested in helping on the committee or have suggestions for people who would make excellent judges for these categories, please let Linda know. It is good to have a mixture of new and experienced adults interacting with our 4-H youth.

I look forward to building a strong Communications Arts Festival committee for 2019.

Thank you,
Kelly Rauch
Sheboygan County Leaders Association Executive Board
rauchkelly@gmail.com

REMINDER: HOARD'S DAIRYMAN JUDGING NIGHT

January 15, 2019-7:30 pm

UW Sheboygan Campus – Wombat Room (Acuity Center)

THIS IS A QUALIFYING MEETING FOR BOTH COUNTY AND STATE FAIR.

If you have any questions, please contact Katie Reineking at 920-287-8780 or kingsvue@hotmail.com

Please park in West Parking lot and follow signs to Wombat Room once inside. ([Campus Map](#))

IMPORTANT LIVESTOCK DATES

4-H/FFA Livestock Projects Orientation Meeting on Thursday, January 17th at 7 pm UWEX in Rooms 5020-5022

Honor Show Clinic at UW-Sheboygan, Saturday, March 9th starting at 9:00 a.m.

YQCA Instructor Led Certification Program, Plymouth High School, Dates to be determined...watch the Crier and your email, \$3/member MUST REGISTER ONLINE – See Below.

State 4-H Meat Judging Contest UW Madison, Meat Lab, tentative date – April 27th

Dairy, Livestock, Rabbits, Goats and Poultry members.... Please Read Below!

YQCA (YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS)

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Effective Immediately, Wisconsin will replace the MAQA (Meat Animal Quality Assurance) program with the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) national program. This new and interactive program provides youth a number of options for an annual quality assurance certification. YQCA was created for youth in the Beef, Dairy, Goat, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, and Swine projects. This new program gives families more flexibility in acquiring this much needed information which trains youth in improving the care of food animals and promoting a higher level of consumer food

safety. The livestock industry and businesses are constantly striving for high quality, wholesome products; therefore, youth in food animal projects should assist in this effort.

Sheboygan County will be offering instructor led opportunities to be certified through YQCA. Dates for these programs are to be determined...watch your Crier and email. Whether you complete the online modules or participate in the instructor led program you must register online. Upon completion of courses, an identification number will be provided to you and you must carry it with you and show proof at any/all contests in which you will participate.

What is the cost?

- \$12/person/year (pd online) for the online modules that are different each year. Members at College will need to complete the online modules.
- \$3/person/year (pd online) for the face to face trainings (Please communicate with 4-H Project Leadership regarding whether these costs are covered by your project.)

Login and account directions for can be found at <https://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/yqca/>. An email will be sent out to youth members that are enrolled in 4-H on how to navigate the system. Ag instructors, please communicate this website to your youth.

Online preregistration is REQUIRED, participants MUST do this PRIOR to the workshop, money is collected when participants register online. I have no way of being able to add or register people, if you are not registered you will not show up on the screen when we go to approve participation. Anyone that is 19-21 years in age their ONLY OPTION is online modules.

Please go to <https://yqca.learnrow.io/Account/Login> in order to register for either online or instructor led courses. **If you are a 4-H member, please log in through the 4-H Online system on the left.** If you are an FFA member or other organization affiliate, please sign in through the independent system on the right. You will create an account followed by either completing a sign up for an [instructor led meeting](#) or [online/web based](#) modules. Upon signing up for a course, you will then pay for that course with a credit card. Please email help@yqca.org for any assistance you need in creating or signing up in the YQCA system.

NEW THIS YEAR “TEST OUT” Option for YQCA

The option to take the test for YQCA is only available at age 12, age 15 and age 19. Those in-between ages they can't take the test because of trying to navigate what price they pay etc. since there would be less years of certification.

They take the test and if they don't pass they are not charged any fees, they can then go back into the system and either do it online or sign up to go to a meeting. If they pass the test, then they are charged the fee depending on their age bracket.

Of reminder, Wisconsin State Fair and other national exhibitions will require certification in YQCA for participation for 2019 events and beyond. This will be the case for **ALL ANIMAL EXHIBITORS at the Wisconsin State Fair** including dairy, goats, rabbits, and poultry! Wisconsin State Fair will be in contact sometime in January.

Continue to monitor the Wisconsin YQCA website for helpful information: <https://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/yqca/> and the Wisconsin Youth Livestock Program social media channels; [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#).

PLEASE REVIEW THE LAST CRIER

Articles from the full issue of the December and January Crier were not included in this update. Please check out the items in last month's crier <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/cloverleaf-crier/>. Also as a reminder all articles for the February Crier are due to Nancy Brown nancy.brown@sheboygancounty.com by January 20th! Thank you for everything you do for our great program!

4-H NEW VOLUNTEER LEADER ORIENTATION

Tuesday, January 15 – 6-8 p.m.

Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone: _____

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

4-H NEW FAMILY WELCOME NIGHT

January 24, 2019, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Name: _____

Number of Family Members Attending: _____

4-H Club: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Return to: Sheboygan County 4-H, 5 University Drive,
Sheboygan, WI 53081 By: January 22, 2019

MOVIE AND PIZZA NIGHT

Friday, February 22

5:30-9:00 pm

Family Name: _____

Number Attending: _____

Favorite Type of Pizza: _____

Favorite type of soda (circle one):

Root Beer

Orange

Lemon Lime

Dr Pepper

Diet Pepsi

Return to UW-Extension, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081 by Feb 20!