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The Most Valuable Lessons I Learned From My 4-H Experience

The most valuable lessons I have learned from my 4-H experience are how to lead effectively and how to follow efficiently. There are many lessons I have learned through my ten year 4-H career, but for me those two lessons stand out the most.

The first lesson I learned in 4-H was how to follow efficiently. I am a born follower, the very epitome of complacency. I believe as a nine-year-ond beginning in 4-H, my motto could have been "Do nothing at all and nothing's done wrong." During 4-H meetings, I hung back, didn't say much, and couldn't wait to leave. I certainly wasn't a leader, but I really wasn't much of a follower either because that requires action. That' what following efficiently is, taking action on someone else's idea. Following efficiently is making use of yourself and your abilities as a follower. To stand back from a project completed or a goal met by your own hard work is the greatest feeling in the world.

However, before that project can be completed of the goal met, someone has to dream it up and organize the plan of attack. That's where leading effectively comes in. This lesson came for me several years into 4-H, after I'd gotten comfortable with following efficiently. It was at this point I dipped my toe into the scary ocean of Being An Officer. Leading is definitely much riskier than following because not just your failure, but the failure of any of your followers all comes back on you. The reward has to outweigh the risks. For eack person the weights are different, hence why some people fit more naturally into leadership than others. Leading effectively is taking risks, and being willing to take outcome. Most importantly, leading effectively is not being afraid to fail but being afraid not to try.

How are these two lessons, follong efficintly and leading effectively, going to help me in the rest of life? Because they are what life is made of. In everything, either I am leading or following. In a college classroom I must follow efficiently or my grades will suffer. Im my career I lead effectively or my company will fail. Most Importantly, my human relationships will be effected by my ability to lead and follow. Each relationship is different but each has some level of leading and following.

Perhaps I learned, or at least began learning the lessons of following efficiently and leading effectively in the realm of 4-H. But both lessons are indespensable in all of life and will stay with me to wherever and through whatever life takes me.

A 4-H Alumni Member

OCTOBER 2019

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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 with the following exception

✤ Membership is not to <u>extend beyond</u> the age of 19 as of December 31st of the current enrollment year.

Examples:

* Emma is a high school senior and will turn 20 in April. Can she reenroll in 4-H next fall? No, she will be 20 years old on December 31 of the enrollment year. Though Emma meets the grade criterion, she does not meet the age criterion for reenrolling.

* Sophia graduates from high school at age 17. She goes on to college and turns 18 on December 31. Can she enroll in 4-H the enrollment year following her graduation from high school? Yes. Sophia is able to join one year following high school. This will be her last year she is eligible to be in 4-H. She will not be able to enroll next year when she is 19. She will not meet the grade criterion.

* Noah graduated from high school this year. His 20th birthday is January 15. Can he enroll in 4-H in the fall following his high school graduation? Yes. Noah meets both the age and grade criteria.

4HONLINE ENROLLMENT



Who's excited for the 2019-2020 4-H year?! I sure am! 4HOnline is ready to accept your re-enrollment (or the new enrollment of your friends). THE RE-ENROLLMENT DEADLINE FOR CURRENT MEMBERS IS NOVEMBER 1ST. Go to <u>https://wi.4honline.com</u> to re-enroll. Remember to use your current profile and email. Contact Nancy at 459-5903 or nancy.brown@wisc.edu if you have any questions.

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 Green Bay - 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 Extension Office.



COUNTYWIDE 4-H PROGRAMS AND REMINDERS

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 24 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.

HELP SUPPORT OUR 4-H YOUTH

Join the Sheboygan County 4-H Alumni Association

Be a member for only \$10 a year or \$175 for a lifetime membership.

WHAT DO YOU GET FOR YOUR \$10 ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP?

1) Three newsletters a year informing you of scholarship winners, fellow alumni info, important 4-H information from the Extension office;

3) Knowledge of knowing you're helping 4-H graduates with scholarships to further

their education or helping a 4-H member be able to attend a 4-H trip or event from our "Bill Jens" grant;

4) Attend the 4-H Alumni celebration event in the spring each year to meet the award winners, hear yearly meeting info, and meet & talk to fellow alumni members; &

5) Lifelong friendships.

Who can join: former 4-H members, past or present 4-H parents, 4-H leaders, or any person interested in supporting the 4-H program?

Donate "In Honor" or "In Memory" of a friend, love one or family member to the alumni scholarship or grant fund. Alumni scholarships support our 4-H graduates with their higher education. Alumni "Bill Jens" Grant support our 4-H members with expenses for trips & other 4-H events.

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 Extension Office for county-wide meetings and programs, please call Tammy at 459.5904.

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 Nancy Brown 459-5903 at 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: <u>http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/camp-riversite-forms</u>.
- 3. Return the completed forms and any applicable payment to Extension Sheboygan County.
- 4. A day or two before your event, pick up the keys at Extension for the bathrooms, cabin, lights etc.
- 5. Return keys to Extension immediately following the event.





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 Extension Office at 459-5903 if you're interested in using the machine.

ENCHANTED FOREST – OCTOBER 19

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 Jessica Deckert at 920-254-1738 or jgasser05@gmail.com.

Volunteers

We need volunteers! Please consider lending your time and talents to help organize 4-H's largest community service project. Contact Jessica Deckert at 920-254-1738 or jgasser05@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 19th. We are looking for individually wrapped cookies, bars, trail mix bags or cash donations to help defray the costs of running the food stand 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 "Pumpkin Pleaser Contest" will be held in conjunction with the Enchanted Forest at Camp Riversite. The Pumpkin Contest pumpkins can be carved, decorated or painted. 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. Please bring your pumpkins to Camp Riversite by 11:00 a.m. on October 19th.

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. 18th between 5-7 pm or Saturday Oct. 19th starting at 9 am. Registration form is in the back of this month's Crier.

CHRISTMAS TREE CONTEST

December Christmas in the woods at 4-H Camp Riversite. Come decorate a Christmas tree for the first annual Christmas Tree Decorating Contest. The deadline to enter tree decorating contest is, Monday Nov 4th to reserve your tree. The winning club gets a pizza party. Only one entry per club please. Tree decorating must be nature related *note trees are artificial and we plan to reuse them every year. To reserve your tree and enter contest contact:



Mollie Mechenich 920-980-9054 emt mmt@yahoo.com

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 2018-2019 to include in our "annual" report to donors of the fund. Please submit these to Sarah Tarjeson by October 15 by 4:30 p.m.!



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 at 459-5915!

PAINTING, PUNCH AND POPCORN PARTY! OCTOBER 15TH FROM 6:30-8:00 P.M.

All youth grades 7 and up are welcome! Join us for this special meeting time of canvass painting, leadership games, and Youth Leader Association Officer Nominations. We will be accepting nominations for 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. Nominations accepted through October 31st! Let Sarah Tarjeson know if you are interested in running for one of these leadership positions! *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!



YOU CAN BE A 4-H AMBASSADOR



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 on November 19th starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office or call 459.5903.

4-H CONCERT BAND

The youth who participated in the 4-H Concert Band last year had so much fun they want to do it again! The Band will perform at the Music and Drama Festival in April 2020. If you are interested in joining the band and meet the following criteria, please let us know! Band members should have at least one year experience playing their instrument in a concert band (no string instruments). The band is not designed to teach youth how

to play an instrument. Music selections will be made once we know who is interested and what instruments are available.

If interested in being in the band, please email rauchkelly@gmail.com with your name, phone number, email address, grade, school, instrument and years of experience. If you have suggestions for songs the band can play, please include that information as well. You will be contacted with a schedule of practice dates which will likely be on Sunday afternoons starting in January.

FYI, you can now join the band with SPIN membership. Sign up for the Music Project!



4-H PROJECT DAY - March 7, 2020

Adult and older youth volunteers are needed to plan and lead our sessions so a registration form can be developed. Sessions will be held in 1 1/2-hour blocks of time. If you have something you can show participants how to do, please contact our coordinator, Manda Schwartz.



How can YOU help?

Do you have a craft or project idea you think you could share with a class of up to 12 4-H members within 1 1/2 hours?

Do you like to craft but don't have a solid idea of which of your MANY ideas you could share?

Don't have any idea of what you can make or teach, but you'd like to help with the day anyway?.

✤ If you know another older youth leader or parent or anyone creative and/or willing to share their skills, make sure they see this request for help.

You get the idea...we need volunteers to put this wonderful opportunity together and we know there are so many talented and inspirational leaders among our teens and adults. *Please contact Manda Schwartz, 920-917-0066 or email manda3m@yahoo.com* or Sarah Britt, 920-229-9027 or <u>ozzy.britt@gmail.com</u> to volunteer!

STATE, REGIONAL & NATIONAL

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 Washington County 4-H Art Discovery Day! The event will take place on Saturday, November 2 from 8:45 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. at the Washington County Fair Park Pavilion in West Bend. Registration due by **Wednesday**, **October 16th**! **COST: \$20.00 (Fee includes supplies and lunch)

**Session Descriptions: <u>https://drive.google.com/open?id=1QdyyNyCSrwLWQqNjdpHiPc9GkP8CFYZI</u> **Registration Form: <u>https://drive.google.com/open?id=1U5VYmUo7dGFBcG92e2MTxbbrWxvViKI</u>

REMINDER...STATE 4-H POLICIES

Below is an overview of some of the key 4-H State Policies. Please review them and be reminded. The Sheboygan County 4-H Program must abide by all WI 4-H Policies. (Complete policy <u>http://4h.uwex.edu/about-4-h/policies/</u>)

- The 4-H year is October 1 September 30.
- Enrollment is allowed anytime during the 4-H year.
- Anyone exhibiting at the Sheboygan County Fair <u>must be enrolled in his or her project by March 1st (animals or shooting sports) or May 1st.</u>
- ✤ 4-H membership is open to all youth beginning in 5K (five-year-old Kindergarten) through one year beyond high school graduation and not to extend beyond the age of 19 as of December 31 of the enrollment year.
- 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. See above age stipulations.
- 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.
- Parents and guardians are expected to behave in ways that promote positive role modeling for all youth.
- Overnight Chaperone Requirements:

 Adults who are chaperoning overnight experiences must be 21.
 A ratio of one adult volunteer for every 10 youth is required for overnight events.

There have been several edits to the <u>WI 4-H Youth Development Policies</u> to provide clarity. Please refer to these state policies regarding your local 4-H Club or Committee operations. Visit the webpage for more information: <u>https://4h.uwex.edu/about-4-h/policies/</u>

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK, OCTOBER 6-12

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 around the country 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 UalwaysU 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.

AWARDS

COMMUNITY BUILDERS

The Community Builders Awards are an optional opportunity for club recognition. Community Builder reports are due at the Extension Office by Oct. 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, Nov. 25th. Take the challenge and share your club's community service activities for 2018-19.

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. Forms are available at http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/award-applications.

| | Certificate of | Recognition | |
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4-H EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL, AWARDS AND RECOGNITION ATTENTION!! ALL OCTOBER 1ST DEADLINES HAVE BEEN EXTENDED TO OCTOBER 6TH!

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 25th at Acuity**. <u>Please pay close attention to the varied deadlines and interview dates for these applications!</u>

| Award Name | Grade/Age Eligible | Deadline | Interviews |
|---|------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Friend of 4-H/Meritorious Service Award | Typically Adults | October 15 | N/A |
| Clover Awards | 3 rd grade and up | October 15 | N/A |
| Cloverbud Achievement Awards | 2 nd grade only | October 15 | N/A |
| Project Awards | 6th grade and up | October 1 | October 15 |
| Wisconsin 4-H Key Award | 11-12 grade | October 1 | October 15 |

IMPORTANT *

The Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association has set aside scholarship money available to support 4-H Educational Travel Experiences and make them more accessible to members and their families. It is important to note, however, that the 4-H Leaders Association does not determine which delegates are selected for each of the opportunities below (with the exception of the East-Metro 4-H American Spirit Experience). **Registration for these experiences occurs in 4-H Online at varying times throughout the year and are open to everybody.** All youth in 4-H throughout the state will receive e-mail correspondence regarding the registration times and deadlines. In addition, your 4-H Educators will do their very best to ensure that you are aware of these deadlines as they come up. However, anyone may register for these opportunities regardless of if they have earned a local scholarship and those who receive scholarships are not guaranteed a spot as a delegate during that experience.



| Trip/Experience Name | Grade/Age Eligible | Deadline | <u>Interviews</u> |
|---|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| WI 4-H & Youth Conference, June 22-25, 2020 | 7 - 10 grade | October 1 | October 15 |
| National 4-H Conference, Mar. 28 – Apr. 2, 2020 | 10-12 grade | October 1 | October 15 |
| East Metro American Spirit , June 10 – 18, 2020 | 8 -10 grade | October 1 | October 15 |
| Citizenship-Washington Focus, Dates Vary | 10 -12 grade | October 1 | October 15 |
| National 4-H Congress, Nov. 27 – Dec. 1, 2020 | 11-12 grade | October 1 | October 15 |
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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 their due date to: UW-Extension, ATTN: 4-H Youth Development, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081.

SECRETARY & REPORTER AWARDS/TREASURER RECOGNITION



The Sheboygan County 4-H Leader's Association annually provides awards to Club Secretaries, Treasurers and Reporters. In order to be considered for this optional opportunity for recognition, Jr. and Sr. 2018-2019 Awards, your Club's Secretary, Treasurer and Reporter Books need to be brought to the Extension Office by October 1st. Club Treasurers must complete and submit a Treasurer Book (due to Extension 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. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Nancy at 459-5903!

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 <u>http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/award-applications</u>. If you have any questions regarding the application, ask your club leader or 4-H staff. Anyone applying for a Clover Award in October 2018 must use this revised application!

PROJECT AWARDS

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

Please be sure the application and direction sheets you have are the current ones. 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 by Monday, October 1st. Only project work and activities from the current 4-H year (after the 2018 County Fair through the 2019 County Fair) should be included on the application. Please read the instructions carefully and follow them.

Interviews are scheduled for Tuesday, October 15th. 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.

COUNTY-WIDE RECORD BOOK CONTEST

Two Sheboygan County club leaders are challenging members to show their best record books! Club leaders please submit your clubs best record books by Nov. 1 to the Extension office. **This is a firm deadline**. We will evaluate the record books and invite the members to the Clover Awards Ceremony for recognition. Cash prizes will be awarded. Find the record book pages here: <u>https://sheboygan.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/record-book-pages/</u>

The age categories are: Cloverbuds, ages 9-11, ages 12-13, ages 14-15, ages 16-19



Out of these categories Overall Winner, and two runner ups will be picked. If you have any questions please contact Patty Taylor 980-3063 or <u>pattay14@yahoo.com</u> or Kathy Schwartz 946-1873 or <u>kneschwartz@gmail.com</u>

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. 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 2018-19 to include in our "annual" report to donors of the fund. Please submit these to Sarah by Oct. 1.



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.

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.

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.

LEADERSHIP

4-H CLUB OFFICER/GENERAL LEADER TRAINING: CLUB LEADERSHIP SUMMIT!

Mark your calendars and plan on attending this year's 4-H Club Officer Training which will be held along with General Leaders during the 4-H Club Leadership Summit! We will meet Thursday, October 24, 7:00-9:00 pm in the Wombat Room at UW Green Bay – Sheboygan Campus. A New General Leader Training will be held from 6-7 p.m. that same evening

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.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

Belonging, Mastery, Generosity and Independence are the 4 Essential Elements of Positive Youth Development that are focused online 4-H Youth Development. Would you like to learn more and how they relate to your role as a leader working with youth? Check out how you as an adult volunteer or youth leader can foster the development of these elements in the youth. You will have an opportunity to:

- * Learn about each element in relation to different age youth from kindergarten to high school.
- * Consider how what you can develop life skills in youth
- * Build on what you know to foster the growth of these elements in young people

Each module is about 7-10 minutes in length. You move through the module at your own pace. It will take you about 30 - 45 minutes to complete all four modules. Click Here <u>https://4h.uwex.edu/files/2018/08/4HOnline-Essential-Elements-Training-For-4H-Volunteers.pdf</u> to get started.

NEW VOLUNTEER LEADER ORIENTATION OFFERED

Monday, October 28, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. OR 6–8 p.m. Tuesday, November 26, 6-8 p.m.

Please RSVP to let us know you are attending! We need a MINIMUM of 3 RSVPs in order to hold the training, or else it 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 **Monday**, **October 28th** from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. OR 6:00-8:00 p.m. and **November 26th** from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Please register for these trainings by calling Nancy at 459-5903.

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.



Additional opportunities for training throughout our area will be offered as follows:

- Ozaukee County- Oct. 7, 6-8 pm. Ozaukee County Administration Auditorium, 121 W Main St., Port Washington.
- Ozaukee County- Oct 21, 6-8 pm. Ozaukee County Administration Auditorium, 121 W Main St., Port Washington.
- Wednesday, October 30, 1:00-3:00pm or 6:00-8:00 pm, UW Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac (To register contact, Extension, Fond du Lac County call 920-929-3170 or e-mail Tracy Keifenheim at <u>tracy.keifenheim@wisc.edu</u>)

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.

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!

WISCONSIN 4-H SEEKS CHAPERONES FOR NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL TRIPS

Adult volunteers are needed to chaperone Wisconsin 4-H members at Citizen Washington Focus, 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: https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hedopp/adult-advisors/

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 Extension office by November 1st. NO EXCEPTIONS CAN BE MADE, AS THESE MUST BE UPLOADED ON TIME!

CLOVERBUD LESSON PLANS- AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD

A set of nine Cloverbud activities developed or adapted by Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development educators – has been posted to the website at <u>https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hcloverbuds/activity-plans/</u>. By clicking the "Unlock Activities" button, after a short survey, you and your volunteers can access lesson plans from years one and two as well as Cloverbud Leader resources.

We are also pleased to announce that the accompanying family letters – letters that can be provided to parents so they can extend the learning at home – for both years are now available in both English and Spanish. Letters are also available for download when you click "Unlock Activities."

VOLUNTEER & FUND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

4-H PIZZA SALE UPDATE

The 2019-20 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! <u>Pizza</u> sale coordinators must turn in these orders to the Extension Office by <u>Friday</u>, October 17th. We encourage you to collect the money and turn it in with your orders.

Remember that the pizza sale pick-up is scheduled for Saturday, December 7th at the Sheboygan County Fair Park from **9:00 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.

SPRING VALLEY BRAT FRY

Spring Valley 4-H club will be hosting a brat fry on Sunday Oct. 27 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!

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 <u>http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/grant-applications</u>. Your request for grant funding will be handled in a confidential manner. In most cases a 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. <u>All</u> applications are due to the Extension Office 30 days before the final payment deadline.

4-H COOKBOOK SALES 2.0

Dear Friend of 4-H;

The Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association is selling the latest edition of the Sheboygan County 4-H Cookbook. We would like your help to make this cookbook available to the public at your business or craft booth. We will provide you with 1 case of 20 books and signage to sell them at a cost of only \$100 (\$5/book). This cookbook sells for \$10 with the remaining \$5 of proceeds going to your business. The cookbook cannot be sold for more than \$10. Payment for the 20 books will be collected upon delivery. The Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association provides the organization with the funds and infrastructure to facilitate educational programs such as the annual Music and Drama Festival, the Communication Arts Festival, and the 4-H Enchanted Forest. They also provide funds for youth trips to Madison; Washington D.C.; Atlanta, Georgia and more. The Sheboygan County 4-H Program includes 29 Community Clubs, has almost 900 youth members and 300 adult certified volunteers. For more information or to order additional books, please contact Sarah Tarjeson, 4-H Educator at 459-5903.

Thank you for your help and support of the 4-H Youth Development Program!



2019 4-H DAIRY PROMOTION PROGRAM PRESENTED BY THE WISCONSIN MILK MARKETING BOARD

All 4-H youth organizations in Wisconsin are invited and encouraged to participate in the 2019 Dairy Promotion Program, presented by the Dairy Farmers of Wisconsin. Please read the information below carefully to take advantage of the opportunity to earn 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 and educational activity that builds excitement and trust for Wisconsin dairy products and/or Wisconsin Dairy farmers during June Dairy Month are eligible.
- Successful dairy promotion reports will receive \$50 towards merchandise from the Wisconsin Cheese and Dairy Gear online store: <u>www.CheeseAndDairyGear.com</u>. Gift certificates will be issued beginning July 1 and will expire June 30. *One per club, per year.
- ✓ All 4-H clubs will submit their own dairy promotion report form 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 with your report. The report form and photo(s) should be entered no later than November 1, 2019.

"Hooray Wisconsin Dairy," this year's campaign, pays special tribute to our dairy heritage with an iconic and memorable look that will be featured on print materials, throughout social media elements and inexpensive promotional items in the Cheese and Dairy Gear Catalog. Dairy Farmers of Wisconsin has available, at no cost to you, cheese promotion materials, including cheese and dairy trivia and brochures. The dairy promotion report form can be found online at www.wmmb.com/4H.

TRACTOR SUPPLY PAPER CLOVER EVENT – OCTOBER 9-20

Dear 4-H Clubs,

Tractor Supply Co. is honored to support 4-H programs across the country. We would like to invite your 4-H Club to come by our store during the upcoming Paper Clover event. We know that when clubs are present in-store during the event, donations increase by more than 40%.



Your club can get involved by setting up a table to sell Paper Clovers, help bag customers' purchases, display your animals, or even demonstrate projects. We understand that you're busy! If your club can't make it to the store, feel free to set up a display table showing off all the great things you're working on.

TSC would like to cultivate year round relationships with local 4-H clubs and welcomes you in-store not only during Paper Clover but year round! We encourage you to post information about your club on the community board and reach out to your local store manager about hosting fundraisers throughout the year.

We hope to see you soon!

Sincerely, Tractor Supply Co. Kohler

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 <u>mkammann@tds.net</u>.



RECOGNITION

HATS OFF...

The Horse Project, The Horseless Horse Project, The Drill Team, All On 4's, the Copper Project, the Dog Project, the Poultry Project, the Rabbit and Cavy Project, the Blacksmithing Project, the Cat Project, the Shooting Sports Project, the Wse Wizards, the Madison All-Stars, The Waldo Fireflies, The Parnell Pals, Mosel Farm & Home, Hingham Handy Helpers, Clover Crusaders, Sheboygan Shooting Stars, Leaping Lizards, Hub City Upland Srings for the Houseplants Project, 4-H Camp Riversite, and the Willing Workersfor sharing their knowledge and love of 4-H with new families at the Annual Open House on Sept. 26th!

Many thanks to the following people for their time and gift of sharing 4-H with others at the 4-H Ope House:

Emily Oppenheimer Luke Oppenheimer Ronda Oppenheimer Hollee Kaiser Jessy Pritzlaff Sebastian Bayer LeAnn Oertel Mollie Mechenich Alice Samse Jackie Samse Jamie Adams Kayla Adams Julian Arbuckly Katie Bruckner Laura Arbuckle Kassi Stokdyk Liz Stokdyk Lucy Arbuckle Trevor Bruckner Bill Schlink Christal Mulder Mike Mulder Becky Gartman Henry Gartman Brandon Eibs Haley Eibs Hannah Eibs Kim Eibs Tom Lentz **Becky Shipper** Jamie Hansen Maya Powalisz-Trochlell Megan Hansen Mitchell Krueger Shane Hansen Shawna Albrecht Steve Bemis

4-H Ambassadors 4-H Ambassadors 4-H Ambassadors All on 4's All on 4's Blacksmithing Camp Riversite Camp Riversite Cat Project Cat Project Cavy Project Cavy Project Clover Crusaders Clover Crusaders Clover Crusaders Clover Crusaders **Clover** Crusaders Clover Crusaders Clover Crusaders Coppersmithing County Mounties County Mounties Dog Project Dog Project Hingham Handy Helpers Horse and Pony Project Houseplants Project

Becky Alfonsi Callie Alfonsi Lori Schmid Sophie Alfonsi Allen Schmid Emma Hersant Hunter Potter Jennifer Potter Julie Hersant Rebecca Johnson Amanda Myszewski Erika Brown Julie Baver Lucy Brown Nancy Brown Rose Myszewski Sarah Mechanich Sophie Myszewski Bradley Grunwald Michelle Mauk Hannah Wettstein Raechel Wttstein Shayla Albrecht Susan Hand Chelsea Adair Justin Heinrich Michael Adair Payton Schneeberg Braden Ortiz Jeremiah Ortiz Sherry Becker Warren Bohrmueller Havlee Seehaver Darren Schultz **Evelin Singer** Haylie Habeck Brynn Mills

Hub City Hub City Hub City Hub City Hub City/Blacksmithing Leaping Lizards Leaping Lizards Leaping Lizards Leaping Lizards Leaping Lizards Madison All Stars Mosel Farm and Home Mosel Farm and Home Parnell Pals Parnell Pals Parnell Pals Rabbit Project Sheboygan Co Wranglers Sheboygan Co Wranglers Sheboygan Co Wranglers Sheboygan Co Wranglers Sheboygan Shooting Stars Sheboygan Shooting Stars Sheboygan Shooting Stars Shooting Sports Projects Waldo Fireflies/Rabbit Proj Western Drill Team Willing Workers Willing Workers Wize Wizards

Heather Klepin Manda Schwartz Matt Mertz Phil Klepin



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A very special thank you to Joni Thoresen, Dan Sippel, Kelly Kleiber and Sherry Zittel, 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 Joy Kohlman and Liz Gartman 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!

* 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 <u>everyone's</u> efforts and would especially like to send a BIG 4-H thank you to Jesse Malone, Tanya Behnke, Larry Menting and Mark Breunig, Food Stand Managers, as well as Heidi Widder & Donna Jeske, Breakfast Coordinators. We couldn't do it without you!

- SPECTACULAR, CREATIVE, FANTASTIC, OUTSTANDING, EYE-CATCHING, TEAM BUILDING! Just some of the words that describe this year's Youth Building Display and our 2019 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. Thank you also to Sebastian Bayer, Lorena McKerrow, Lena Schoenefend, Ian Schoenefeld, Cindy VanderWeele, Sebastian Schefsky, Susan Dulmes, Evelin Singer, Tiffany Singer, Erika Brown, Lucy Brown, Jen Stephanie, Margo Howard, Haylie Habeck and Tessy Carbaugh for helping set up the displays.
- 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. 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! Twentyone teams, over 100 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.

ANYTHING GOES WINNERS!

Congratulations to the winning teams of the 2019 4-H Youth Association Event Anything Goes! 1st and 2nd place was awarded to a teams from the Sherman Workers, and 3rd place went to a team from the Ourtown Orioles. Thank you to all of the partipating teams for such a fun event! We had 20 teams in all join us for this awesome and fun event. We are looking forward to holding this again next year on Monday of the fair near the Youth Building starting with check-in at 2:00 p.m. and the games beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Anything Goes 2nd Place Team

- Sherman Workers (Team 10)

Anything Goes 1st Place Team – Sherman Workers (Team 3)



Anything Goes 3rd Place Team – Ourtown Orioles (Team 7)



GRINNELL MUTUAL AWARDS \$3,000 GRANT TO SHEBOYGAN COUNTY FAIRGROUND

Grinnell, Iowa — Sheboygan County Fairground in Plymouth, Wis., will receive a \$3,000 grant to build an addition for the rabbit and poultry barn and provide cages to house additional animals through Grinnell Mutual's Fairground Facelift initiative.

In recent years, the number of Sheboygan County 4-H Poultry, Rabbit, and Cavy projects has swelled to more than 300 youth participants and outgrown the facilities available at the fairgrounds. "This year, we had to call families two days prior to the fair and turn away more than 100 entries," said Wendy Varish, a parent and volunteer with Sheboygan County 4-H. The fairgrounds will use their grant to build a 30x65-foot addition to their poultry and rabbit barn scheduled to open in 2020.

"We thank Grinnell Mutual for this wonderful opportunity and for their dedication to 'Small Town USA,'" said Varish. "We also thank all the Facebook friends and families of Sheboygan County." Grinnell Mutual received more than 140 project submissions from 13 states. Facebook users



Sheboygan County Fairgrounds | Plymouth, Wis. Build an addition for the rabbit and poultry barn and provide cages to house additional animals.

then cast more than 20,000 votes for their favorite projects among the 15 finalists. The five winning recipients shared a total of \$7,000 worth of grants and were chosen based on the number of votes received.

The annual promotion gives county fairgrounds in Grinnell Mutual's writing territory a chance to rally their communities and raise money to make improvements. "Fairground Facelift grants are another way Grinnell Mutual supports the towns where our customers live, work, and play," said Barb Baker, director of advertising and community relations. "County fairgrounds celebrate family, friendship, and relationships — the things that matter. That's why we want to be part of sustaining them for future generations."

About Grinnell Mutual

Grinnell Mutual, in business since 1909, is the 110th-largest property casualty insurance company in the United States and the largest primary reinsurer of farm mutual companies in North America. Its products are available in 19 states.

For more information please contact: Dan McCue Digital Marketing Strategist <u>dan.mccue@grinnellmutual.com</u> 641-269-8289

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.

4-H FAIR FOODSTAND THANK YOU's

Well, the 2019 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 food stand 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 \$23,100! Thank you to all that helped fill shifts and also to those that purchased their food from it!

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!

THANK YOU BREAKFAST HELPERS!!

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

ANIMAL SCIENCES

OCTOBER CAT PROJECT "MEWS"

October means new beginnings in 4H. This year that includes the Cat Project. Our first meeting for the 2019/20 year will be held on Monday, October 28, beginning at 6:30 at the Extension office. Join us as we celebrate the beauty of black cats! We will have crafts, games and treats honoring our ebony feline friends. Have a black cat of your own? Bring it along! In fact, any colored cat is welcome, as long as vaccinations are up-to-date and you have proof of them along with you. Feel free to dress your cat in a Halloween costume if it will allow you to. Hope to see you there.

Thank you to all of you who came to our September meeting. Bidding at our annual cat kitty kash auction was fierce at times. A special thanks to those members who shared some of their kitty kash with others. That's what being a good 4-H member is all about.

Looking ahead: Don't forget to enter our November Fun Cat Show on Saturday, November 9. This is open to ANY and ALL kids grades 3 thru 12. Invite your friends to join in with their cats. Entry forms are available from the cat project board members and found on our Facebook page.





Open to all youth

Grades 3 through 12!

Household Cat Show, plus

many more awesome contests such as:

Costume, Cage Decorating, Photography, and many other cat-themed items!

> See entry form for complete details!

Email us for an entry form at: sheboygan4hcatproject@gmail.com

Saturday, November 9th, 2019

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church N5990 Country Aire Rd. Plymouth, WI Check-in & Vet-in: 8:30-9:30 a.m. Show starts at 10:00 a.m.

The November cat project meeting will be held on Monday, November 18, at 6:30. This is one week earlier than usual due to the 4H awards night. Mark your calendars now.

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, poultry, dairy 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.

DOG PROJECT NEWS

Last night the Dog Project Board sat at our monthly meeting and had a good time reflecting on how the training season, county and state dog shows all went. **We concluded that it was a great year!!!!** We are so proud of each of you and your dogs. You have all grown in your abilities and knowledge. We saw many of you step up in leadership and grow in your good sportsmanlike conduct. As a Board of Directors there are some things that means more than a blue ribbon, and that's seeing YOU KIDS helping each other, encouraging one another, thanking your parents and those around you who have helped you train, and loving your pets enough to try again on those hard days. GREAT JOB everyone!



THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the Dog Project Demonstration at the Fair on Sunday, September 1st. We really appreciate the time you took to do that! As a Board we discussed requesting a better location and advertising for next year. It's our goal to use this demo as a promotion for our Project. If you have any ideas, please share with a Board member.

Because we love seeing you all train dogs, we are excited to announce a new opportunity to you for the next few months. The Sheboygan Dog Training Club has again set up some days for you to come and train at their facility. The kids that have participated in this in the past few months have greatly enjoyed it and it has helped their dogs become better in new places.

Please read the instructions below carefully as they are different from the past.

OCTOBER 4th is unique as it is being set up for their AKC shows the next day. They are offering 5 minutes with a trainer for \$5 giving you individual attention on Obedience skills. Sign-up is at 5pm. First come first serve training is between 5:30-6:30pm.

NOVEMBER 22 & DECEMBER 20 are FREE. There will be a waiver to sign at the door. PARENTS must stay the entire time. 6:00-6:30pm is Showmanship. 6:30-7:15pm Obedience. 7:15-8:00pm is Rally. Choose which area you'd like to train in and arrive at the appropriate times.

Community outreach opportunity at the Sheboygan Dog Training Club. The SDTC has really been kind to the Dog Project. The training opportunities at their site, the volunteers that help during the training season, as well as giving us a few pieces of equipment, they have really supported us. NOW IT'S OUR TURN TO SUPPORT THEM!!! They are looking for VOLUNTEERS to help set up and tear down for their Barn Hunt Trial. Meet at their facility at 3pm on October 16 (rain date is Oct. 17). If you can lift 50lbs that's super. Tear down day is October 20 at 4pm. THIS WILL COUNT FOR AN "EARNED ABSENSE" for next year. Please take note and make sure to tell us next April.

Camp Riversite is hosting a DOG LOVERS FUNDRAISER EVENT on Sunday, October 13 from 1:00-3:00pm. IF anyone from the Dog Project wants to do demos in Showmanship or Obedience, plan to bring your own equipment and represent us in your project t-shirt if you have one. None of the Trainers or Board members are available to attend. When you arrive at Camp Riversite find Mollie who is in charge and she will direct you. Tons of dog themed activities are planned. Grab your dog and have a great time, we'd just like to remind you to be safe like we are at Dog Project training, NO on-leash dog nose-to-nose greetings and keep a 6 foot radius from other dogs just to be safe!!!!!!!!

Dog Project trainers, and new Board members, who haven't gone through 4-H New Leader Training Orientation need to contact the 4-H office for mandatory training dates in October.

We hope you all sent in your postcard ballots. We will welcome our new and/or returning Board members at our next meeting, Monday, October 21st at 7:15pm at the UWEX.

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 set-up, to the post-fair clean-up...all went great. Thank you!

The meeting dates for 2019-2020 project year are: January 16th, March 19th, and June 18th. 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 22nd 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

BLUE RIBBON SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Blue Ribbon Small Animal Auction Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fair office in Plymouth. We will review this year's sale, officer election and planning for the 2020 year. Any comments are welcome.

GENERAL LIVESTOCK NEWS

Thank you to all the herdsmanship volunteers that took the time to evaluate the barns. Your time and input are important to the clubs and youth. Great job and thank you to all the youth that participated in showing your animals as part of the 2019 Sheboygan County Fair. Here were your top winners from the Beef, Sheep and Swine species.

Beef

Allison Gartman Luke Hand Havlie Habeck Alisha Klemme Megan Hand

Sheep

Olivia Kohlman **Daisy Riemer** Bravden Peter Kathyrn Schwartz Keegan McMullen **Reilly McMullen**

Swine

Campbell Booth Sadie Kohlman Bravden Peter Ella Bindl Caden Nicolaus Elise Bleck



Saturday October 12, 2019 @ 1:00pm



N2880 Irish Road, Chilton, WI 53014

Daily Hair Care

- . Washing
 - Product Overviews

Clipping/Fitting

- Blow Drying Showmanship Hair Care Product
- **Application & Review**

HORSE & PONY PROJECT

What a successful 2019!! Many great comments were delivered on how well everyone supported each other throughout this year. There was great growth in the project and all that represent it. Let's keep this going into the future. The county had wonderful representation at State Gymkhana and State Expo. Congratulations to all that attended. There was so many moments we should all be proud of! The sportsmanship displayed was a great reminder of how when one succeeds we all succeed!

Let's look forward to 2020 with the goal of making YOUR best better.

COUNTY HORSE & PONY COMMITTEE

Thank you for your support of the 4-H Horse & Pony Project by running for a position on the 4-H Horse & Pony Committee! The ballots are in and counted. A total of 91 individuals voted. Below are the members of the 2019-2020 4-H Horse & Pony Committee:

Adult Members (2 year terms)

Cheryl Beltran Co-Chairperson (2021) Tracey Harmeyer Co-Chairperson (2021) *Becky Schipper Co-Chairperson (2020) *Angela Albrecht Co-Chairperson (2020) *Debbie Ninnemann (2020) *Darren Schultz (2021) Dave Boenisch (2021) Becky Grinnell (2020) Konnor Koenia (2021) *Chelsea Adair (2021) Sam Bruggink (2021) Holly Behnke (2021) Darcie Eggert (2020) Debbie Wallner (2020) *Kristin Shepherd (2020) Dawn Mendez- Alternate (2020) Holly Behnke—Alternate (2020)

Youth - State Rep elected in October Adult -State Rep elected in October *denotes final term of representative

Youth (1 year term)

Erin Grinnell (2) Alexandria Boenisch (1) Jamie Hansen (3) Mitchell Krueger (1) Cadence Hembrook (1) Aubrey Arnold (1) *Kinsey Ninnemann (4) Cady Ninnemann (2) *Jaden Shepherd (4) Faith Miller (2) Faith Specht (2) Shaunna Albrecht (1) Ellison DeZwarte-Alternate Austin Beltran-Alternate

> (#) Indicates number of years served on Youth Committee including current year but not years served as an alternate.

The ballot included 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. For those who were nominated but not elected, we encourage you to run again next year.

The first meeting of both the old and new 4-H Horse & Pony Committee is set for <u>Monday, October 28th</u>, <u>2019.</u> The <u>youth committee members will meet at 6:00 pm</u>, with the <u>full 4-H Horse & Pony Committee</u> <u>meeting at 6:30 pm</u> at the UW-Extension Office. It is imperative both new and outgoing committee members, including the alternates, attend this first meeting. If you have any questions or cannot attend please call your committee chairpersons Becky Schipper 920-627-3035 or Angela Albrecht 920-226-1709. Your ongoing support of the 4-H Horse & Pony Project is greatly appreciated!



4-H HORSE & PONY HANDBOOK COVER CONTEST

Help the 4-H Horse and Pony Committee by designing the 2019 4-H Horse and Pony Handbook Cover. The cover should be designed on an 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 11" letter size paper, portrait layout, which is easily reproducible and black and white (no color please).

Designs can be hand drawn or designed with a computer. Designs should be submitted to the Extension Office by Friday, October 18th. The Horse and Pony Committee will select a winner at the October 21st 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 Becky Schipper at 920-627-3035

START THINKING OF 2020 – it's right around the corner

Do I want to be a part of the quiz bowl team? How do I become a HHG Coach? What will the Premier Exhibitor Test and when will it be offered? What will be the meeting requirements? When are the scholarship forms due? Does my family want to help on a subcommittee? When does Drill Team start?

This along with many other questions will be answered at the Mandatory meetings starting in January and throughout the year, Don't miss your opportunity to contribute and be part of the solutions to making our project the best it can be.

FUNDRAISER

Horse and Pony families we are trying a new fundraiser out this fall volunteering at Lambeau field and working the concession stands. We have completed one game, it was a great experience. We are looking at completing out the season but need additional help. There is minimal paperwork involved (I will send you what you need to complete), it is mostly a time commitment. I usually need to know about 5 days prior to the game as the information gets submitted to Lambeau. If you are interested in helping out at one of the upcoming games please contact me preferably via email. Also leave me a number I could text you, as I do send the group text information during the week of the game. My email is <u>wendy.krueger74@gmail.com</u>.

All volunteers need to be a minimum if 14 years old and have an ID they can bring to the game (we are not allowed in without an ID). We are provided polos to wear. The following are all the home games that we are looking at volunteering at:

Monday Oct. 14 - we leave Sheboygan Falls by 2:30PM Sunday Oct. 20 - we leave Sheboygan Falls by 6:30AM Sunday Nov. 10 - we leave Sheboygan Falls by 6:30AM Sunday Dec. 8 - we leave Sheboygan Falls by 6:30AM Sunday Dec. 15 - we leave Sheboygan Falls by 6:30AM

Again if you are interested please let me know so I can start sending out the information. We will meet at Odyssey Fun Center in Sheboygan Falls to carpool. Thank you to everyone in advance!



WISCONSIN 4-H HORSE LEADERS CONFERENCE

UW-Oshkosh – November 15-17

FEATURED SPEAKER: SARA NOVOTNY

Sara Novotny is a multi-carded judge who spends her spare time training and exhibiting horses and working with clientele of all ages. Her day job is instructing students at Chippewa Valley Technical College in Animal Science and Agronomy. Prior to that, she spent nearly 8 years as a 4-H Youth Development Agent for UW-Extension. She spent her undergraduate and graduate years at UW-River Falls, where she was a member of and assistant coach of the horse judging team. She holds cards with WI 4-H, WHC, WIHA, and POAC. She especially enjoys working with youth and horses, selecting and training young futurity all around prospects. Other workshop presentations will include:

- Youth-led Drill Team Sessions
- Judging Workshops & Respect for the Horse
- Words, Timing and Audience: 3 Essential Dynamics of Conflict
- Let's Talk about Bits: The Good, The Bad, and How They Work
- And many more...

Who should attend? 4-H Horse Project Leaders –youth and adult (minimum age- 7th grade) Registration Deadline: Friday October 11th

See website for registration instructions, registration form part time rates, & tentative schedule. <u>http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-leaders-conference/</u>

Conference Mission:

1. To offer educational workshops which include both information and hands on activity ideas for leaders to utilize when teaching youth.

- 2. To provide a forum for strengthening communications relative to the 4-H Horse & Pony project.
- 3. To provide an opportunity for participants to network and share experiences.

In 2019, we will focus on Youth and Adult partnerships, connections and interactions with county educators, respect in many forms, and the WI 4H Horse Project. Numerous additional workshop topics pertaining to horse health, judging, ice breakers, horse craft project ideas, etc. will be offered throughout the conference by invited and volunteer instructors.

Friday Night will be a demonstration and fun activity at UW-Oshkosh.

Saturday will consist of workshops on campus at UW-Oshkosh.

Sunday Morning will conclude with the 4-H Horse Association Meeting.





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NATURAL SCIENCES

4-H CAMP RIVERSITE N2823 Camp Riversite Rd, Lima

Join the "Camp Riversite, Sheboygan County 4-H" Facebook Page to sign up for these events. 4-H Camp Riversite educational programming is free and open to everyone. Donations accepted and reservations are recommended.

Friday, October 4th 7-8:30 pm Night Hike

Experiencing nature at night can be fun and exciting! Through sensory awareness activities during the hike we will learn how to better use our night vision and other senses to navigate more comfortably in the dark. The hike will not include a great deal of walking but will include several activities along the trail. Wear bug spray and dress in layers. Bring your flashlights for the hike back to the beginning, but flashlights will not be allowed as we hike onto the trail to allow time for our eyes to adjust to the dark. This event is appropriate for families with Cloverbuds and individual members or families grades 3 and up! We gather at 6:30 pm and head to the trail at 7 pm.





Sunday, October 13 from 1-3 pm—Canines at 4-H Camp Riversite!

Join us for this tail-wagging fundraiser for 4-H Camp Riversite. We will have tons of fun activities, including: Dog walking on the trails, dog treats and 'people treats' for sale, Paws Up Animal Rescue, Lucky Dog Small Breed Rescue, photo booth, Raw Dawg, Countryside Kennels, paw print make and take, Sheboygan County 4-H Dog Project Demos, costume contest and raffles!

Saturday, October 19th 1-3pm Enchanted Forest

Our Enchanted Forest is an "un-scary" alternative for Halloween! Activities include short skits performed by Sheboygan County 4-H clubs; games, make-and-take crafts, refreshments, & much more! Admission: Non-perishable food items for local food pantries and new or gently used winter clothing for families in need.



Saturday, November 16th 10-11:30 am Animal Winter Preparation

*AT PLYMOUTH ALLIANCE CHURCH

How do animals prepare for winter? Build an animal shelter for winter. Come to this event to find out more about how animals survive the weather in Wisconsin!



Friday, December 13th 6-8 pm Christmas in the Woods

Come celebrate the winter beauty at 4-H Camp Riversite! What could be better than a Christmas tree decorating contest, horse-drawn wagon rides, cookies and hot chocolate?! Don't miss this fun family event!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS – KETTLE MORAINE 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 runsfrom 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 encouragegroups to call ahead of time so that the naturalist can have plenty of supplies on hand.

The twenty-second annual Halloween Nature Hikes on Friday, October 19, and Saturday, October 20, 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 6:30to 9:30 pm. This is a non-scary, fun, educational event. Our theme this year is Four on the Floor brought to life with costume characters along a trail through the dark woods. All are welcome to attend!

We are looking for folks to help with the following activities:

Enthusiastic Game Leaders (at least two volunteers per game)

Located in the Games Tent will be six games for people to play.

Patient Craft Instructors (at least two volunteers per craft)

Located in the Craft Tent will three crafts for people to create.

Cheerful Hike Leaders (at least two volunteers per group)

Hike leaders take groups out on the trail to meet the characters making sure groups do not double up on each other and everyone has a good time.

Charismatic Costume Characters

These folks bring the whole theme of Things with Wings to life. We provide the costume and script (about a three-minute presentation). If every time slot is filled, a character will present their presentation 21 times to groups from 5 to 30 plus people.

Smokey Bear and Escort

We need a taller person to wear the Smokey Bear costume and someone to escort Smokey. This is a mascot type costume and Smokey does not speak. The escort guides Smokey and speaks on his behalf. The escort also handsout Smokey trinkets.

Please sign up by October 1 and provide the volunteer's name, address or email, and phone number. Jackie Scharfenberg, Forest Naturalist, likes to call each volunteer to make sure that he or she has all the particulars for volunteering. About a week before the event, all volunteers receive detailed information for helping out, a map to Mauthe Lake, permission slip (for folks under 18 years old), volunteer agreement (for folks 18 years old and older), and parking pass.

If you would like someone to come to one of your meetings to further explain these upcoming events, please contact Jackie Scharfenberg. We will make arrangements for a naturalist to speakto your group.

Questions –contact Jackie Scharfenberg, Forest Naturalist. Her phone number is 920-533-8322. Her email is jackie.scharfenberg@wisconsin.gov. The best time to reach her is Tuesday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

https://dnr.wi.gov/Calendar/Events/Parks/

ENCHANTED FOREST SCARECROW CONTEST ENTRY FORM

| Group Name or Person: |
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| Contact Person for Group: |
| Phone No.: |
| Email: |
| <u>Return by October 5</u> to: UW-Extension, 4-H Youth Development, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081 |
| 4 - H NEW VOLUNTEER LEADER ORIENTATION |
| Monday, October 28, 10:00 – Noon Monday, October 28, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 26, 6-8 p.m. |
| Name: |
| 4-H Club: |
| Phone: |
| Email: |



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 to Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association, 5 University Dr., Sheboygan, WI 53081

Sheboygan County Cooperative UW-Extension 4-H Youth Development 5 University Drive Sheboygan, WI 53081

The Cloverleaf Crier

THE CLOVERLEAF CRIER is published monthly for members, leaders and friends of 4-H to inform them of coming events and activities.

Sarah Tarjeson - 4-H Youth Development Educator Linda Robson - 4-H Youth Development Program Coordinator Nancy Brown - Administrative Assistant Tammy Zorn - Administrative Assistant

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Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association Executive Board

Kandy Huiras Dan Powalisz-Trochlell Kathy Schwartz Larry Menting Patty Taylor Joy Kohlman Liz Gartman

Youth Representatives: TBD

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