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Fine Arts Festival

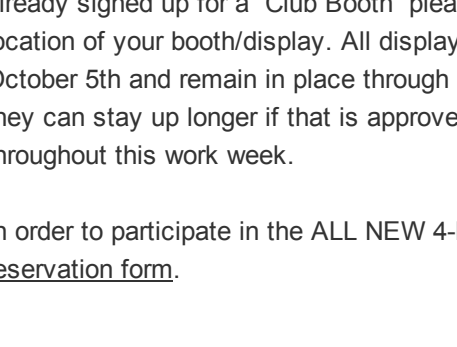
Sheboygan County 4-H 2020 Fine Arts Festival

The Fine Arts Festival was born around this time last year. The goal was to combine the Music & Drama Festival and the Communication Arts Festival into one day to showcase our talented youth. The committee planned workshops to help youth write skits, create costumes and have confidence when presenting or performing in front of an audience. We recruited judges to provide feedback to our youth on their work. And, we had youth from 12 different 4-H clubs sign up! There would have been four clubs and the 4-H Concert Band performing on stage along with 10 vocal or instrumental entries. There were 114 items entered by 41 participants in the arts areas (writing, photography, painting, drawing, etc.).

The Fine Arts Festival planning committee would like to thank all those individuals and clubs that signed up to participate. In addition to saving your work for next year's Festival, you can look for other ways to share your talents in the community. Artwork and solo performances could be recorded and shared on the Sheboygan County 4-H Facebook page. Speeches or demonstrations could be done to explain how you made your art, what inspired you or how you prepared your performance. If you have friends or family you cannot visit right now, you could send them a letter explaining what you were going to enter in the Festival and send a photo of your finished work – or do a video chat and have them ask you questions about your work.

Keep creating; the world needs more art.

Kelly Rauch
Chair, Fine Arts Festival Committee



ALL NEW 4-H CLUB BOOTHS

To be displayed during National 4-H Week October 4-10, 2020

This year we are taking your 4-H Club Booths on the road to some of our fine local businesses where they can be viewed and judged right where

they are displayed. All booths should be planned with flexibility to meet the specifications of the business location. Some may need to be adapted to a storefront or business space as you go.

In addition to the regular criteria for an interactive display, visual appeal and informative content; the selection of your business and the business location will be an important factor in the club booth judging process. After all, the key to spreading the word about 4-H is location, location, location when it comes to marketing!

You must make contact with the store/business owner prior to registering your club. If you already signed up for a "Club Booth" please complete this form again so we can capture the location of your booth/display. All displays must be set up by Opening Hours Monday, October 5th and remain in place through Closing Hours on Friday October 9th. Of course they can stay up longer if that is approved. Judging will take place at various times throughout this work week.

In order to participate in the ALL NEW 4-H Club Booth Contest please complete [this reservation form](#).

New Volunteer

Orientation Virtual

Training Offered through

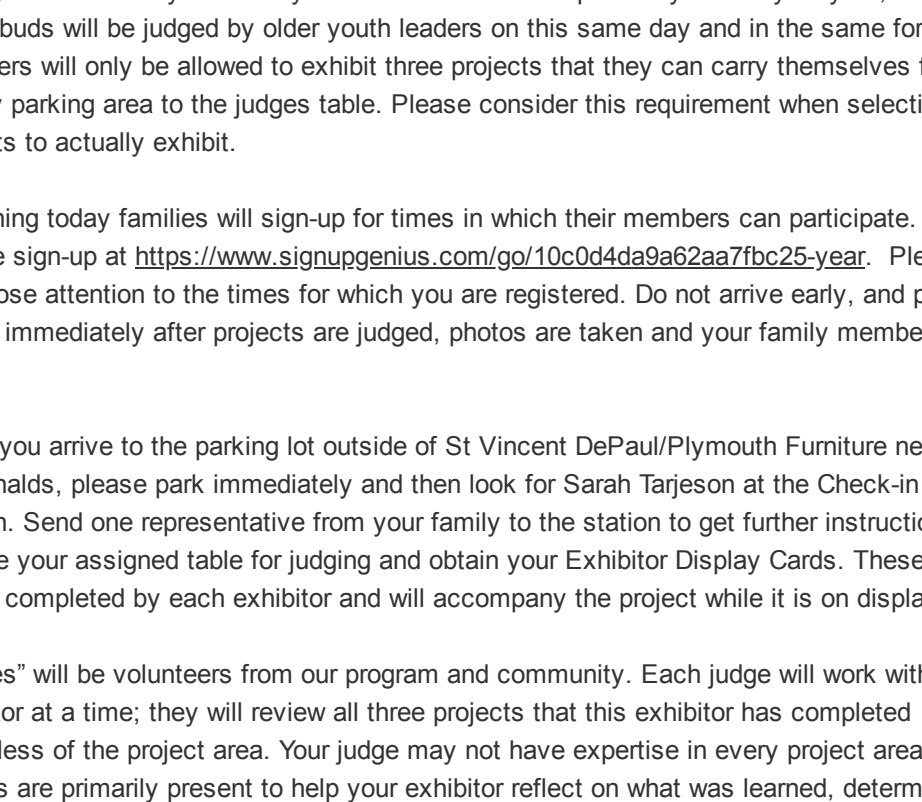
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Welcome new adult volunteers and thank you for your willingness to serve in this capacity! 4-H takes steps to ensure a safe and healthy environment for youth and encourages safeguards for adult leaders. Each new volunteer is required to attend 1 session of new volunteer orientation. Volunteers who have not enrolled in the last 5 years must also be retrained. To read more about volunteering with 4-H, please visit the "Become a Volunteer" page

Please register in advance for the upcoming session on Tuesday, August 18, 6-8 pm; registration requested by August 15! You may download the training materials in advance [here](#). Please register using this link: <https://forms.gle/j2wpLuQeAY721tvn9>

Note: A minimum of 5 participants will be required for the training to be held. Registration is required 3 days prior to the date of the VIP. If the minimum is not reached, you will be notified 2 days prior to the training.



Directions for 4-H Non-Animal Project Judging

The Sheboygan County 4-H Program will be offering an opportunity for members to showcase and reflect on all typical non-animal project exhibits. This Drive-up Face-to-Face opportunity will take place on Monday, August 24th outside of St. Vincent DePaul in Plymouth starting at 3:00 p.m. through 7:00 p.m.

Please note the location change! St. Vinny's has offered us an opportunity to display 4-H Projects for a few weeks. They will be on display in their storefront window through Friday September 11th and must be picked up on Friday September 11th between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.!

Members will exhibit up to three non-animal projects that they entered into the Sheboygan County Fair Online System or by email or mail with a Paper Entry Form by July 31, 2020. Cloverbuds will be judged by older youth leaders on this same day and in the same format. Members will only be allowed to exhibit three projects that they can carry themselves from a nearby parking area to the judges table. Please consider this requirement when selecting projects to actually exhibit.

Beginning today families will sign-up for times in which their members can participate. Check out the sign-up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da9a62aa7fbc25-year>. Please pay close attention to the times for which you are registered. Do not arrive early, and plan to depart immediately after projects are judged, photos are taken and your family members are done.

When you arrive to the parking lot outside of St Vincent DePaul/Plymouth Furniture near McDonalds, please park immediately and then look for Sarah Tarjeson at the Check-in Station. Send one representative from your family to the station to get further instructions, receive your assigned table for judging and obtain your Exhibitor Display Cards. These cards will be completed by each exhibitor and will accompany the project while it is on display.

"Judges" will be volunteers from our program and community. Each judge will work with one exhibitor at a time; they will review all three projects that this exhibitor has completed regardless of the project area. Your judge may not have expertise in every project area. Judges are primarily present to help your exhibitor reflect on what was learned, determine growth, and critique overall presentation of each project.

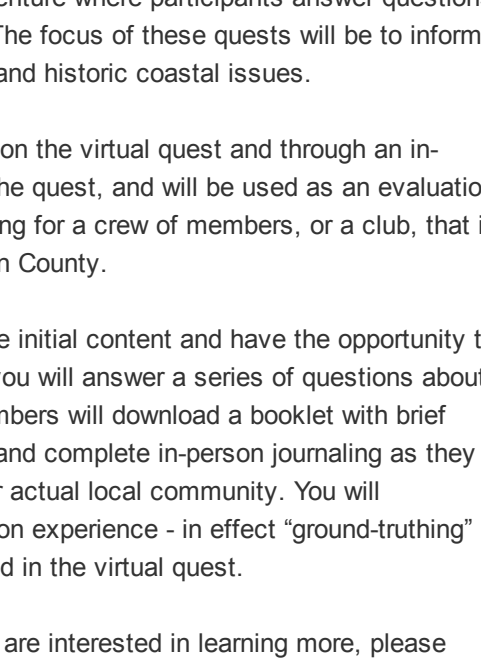
10% of all projects exhibited will be selected to receive Special Blue Recognition through the Sheboygan County 4-H Program and will be part of a special display.

Masks will be required by all participants throughout this program. If there is a medical reason for your participant to not wear a mask, please inform Sarah Tarjeson, immediately upon check-in.

4-H Camp Riversite

Announces: A Family

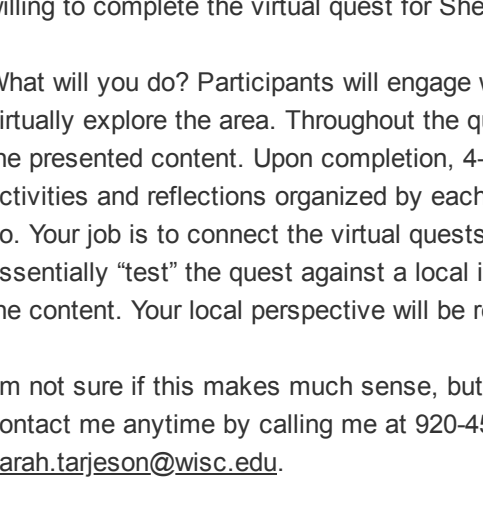
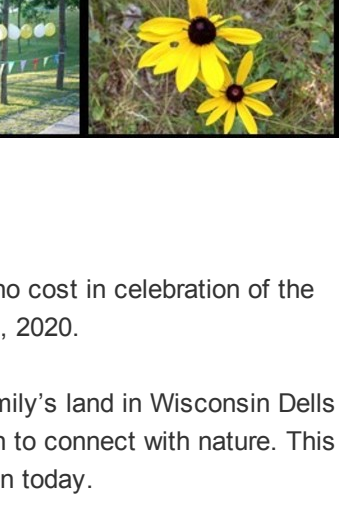
Campout Package



Your family is invited to spend the night at 4-H Camp Riversite! Anyone with at least one parent or legal guardian and up to six people can join you for a fun, family campout. Make your meal and activity selections and reserve your 24 hours at 4-H Camp Riversite today. This pilot program will be available through October 31, 2020 with potential for extension! Tell us what you'd like to do, eat and play and we will provide everything you need for your stay including food, meal prep and serving items. A short packing list will be provided. Each stay includes 3 meals, 2 snacks, up to 4 activities and use of the cabin, bathrooms, campfire pit, grill and more! Check out registration information and package details at <https://sheboygan.extension.wisc.edu/camp-riversite-forms/>

YLC...Stay Tuned...

The Youth Leadership Council meeting scheduled for August 18th is being postponed until August 25th in hopes meeting face to face. Stay tuned for more information!



Coastal Quest: Virtual Tour of Coastal Communities

Sheboygan County 4-H has been included in a project with Upham Woods called the Wisconsin Coastal Quests: Virtual Tours to Self-Guided

Discovery. A quest is a place-based learning adventure where participants answer questions from information given to them to solve a riddle. The focus of these quests will be to inform and engage participants in local natural, cultural, and historic coastal issues.

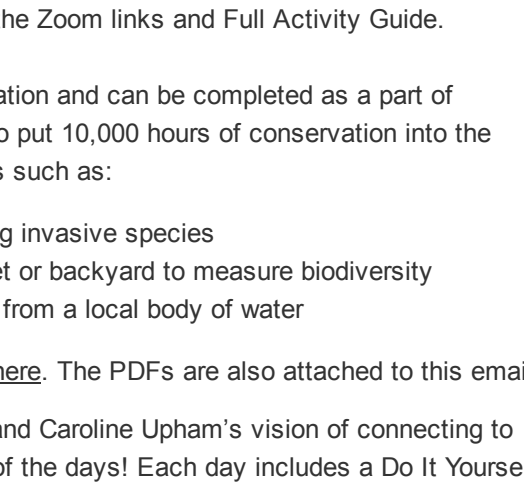
Our county 4-H members will be invited to reflect on the virtual quest and through an in-person tour. Your perspective will be recorded in the quest, and will be used as an evaluation tool for the quest experience. Currently I am looking for a crew of members, or a club, that is willing to complete the virtual quest for Sheboygan County.

What will you do? Participants will engage with the initial content and have the opportunity to virtually explore the area. Throughout the quest, you will answer a series of questions about the presented content. Upon completion, 4-H members will download a booklet with brief activities and reflections organized by each stop and complete in-person journaling as they go. Your job is to connect the virtual quests to our actual local community. You will essentially "test" the quest against a local in-person experience - in effect "ground-truthing" the content. Your local perspective will be recorded in the virtual quest.

I'm not sure if this makes much sense, but if you are interested in learning more, please contact me anytime by calling me at 920-459-5915 or e-mailing me at sarah.tarjeson@wisc.edu.

Upham Sisters Virtual

Birthday Celebration!



Although we had to go this summer without any of our favorite campers onsite, we have created an opportunity to virtually celebrate the end of summer with our 4-H partners like you, camp volunteers, counselors, and campers.

Upham Woods is offering a [4-day virtual camp experience](#) at no cost in celebration of the birthdays of Caroline and Elizabeth Upham from August 17-20, 2020.

Back in 1941, Caroline and Elizabeth Upham donated their family's land in Wisconsin Dells to UW-Madison to be used as an "outdoor laboratory" for youth to connect with nature. This land was called Upham Woods and we operate with that vision today.

The virtual camp includes daily self-guided activities and virtual programs on Zoom. Some of the programs are lessons naturalists have taught at Upham for years that we've adapted for a virtual format. A few of the programs are new! This virtual camp experience is free to all, thanks to the generous sponsorship from the WI 4-H Foundation!

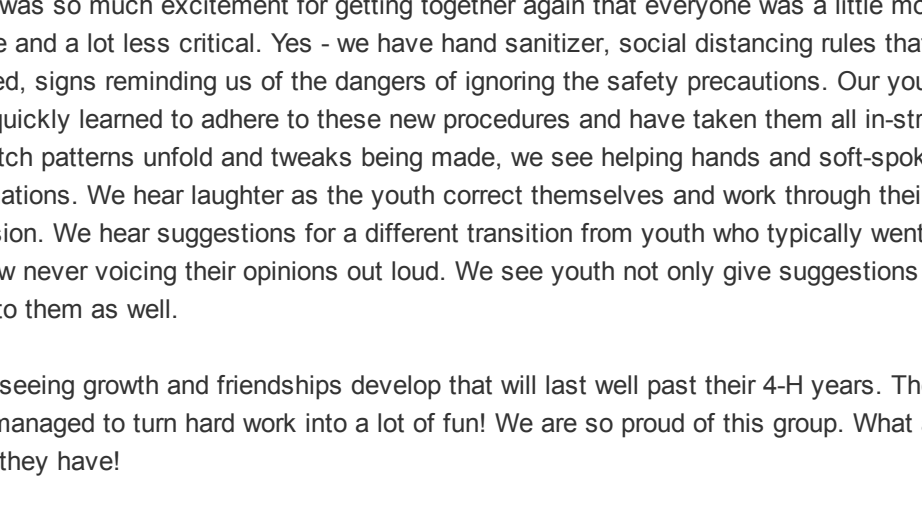
Please [register in advance](#) to gain access to the Zoom links and Full Activity Guide.

Most of the activities are focused on conservation and can be completed as a part of our [10K Conservation Challenge](#) which aims to put 10,000 hours of conservation into the landscape by the end of 2020 through projects such as:

- Becoming a nature detective and pulling invasive species
- Taking photos of nature from your street or backyard to measure biodiversity
- Collecting and identifying aquatic bugs from a local body of water

Access the [full schedule](#) and [shareable flyer here](#). The PDFs are also attached to this email.

All of the activities are focused on Elizabeth and Caroline Upham's vision of connecting to nature. You can register for one, some, or all of the days! Each day includes a Do It Yourself (DIY) activity to extend the fun!



Renegades Drill Team in 2020

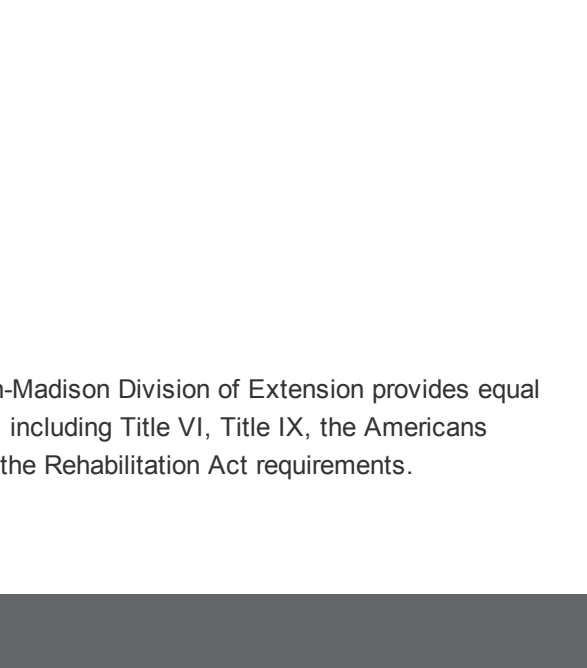
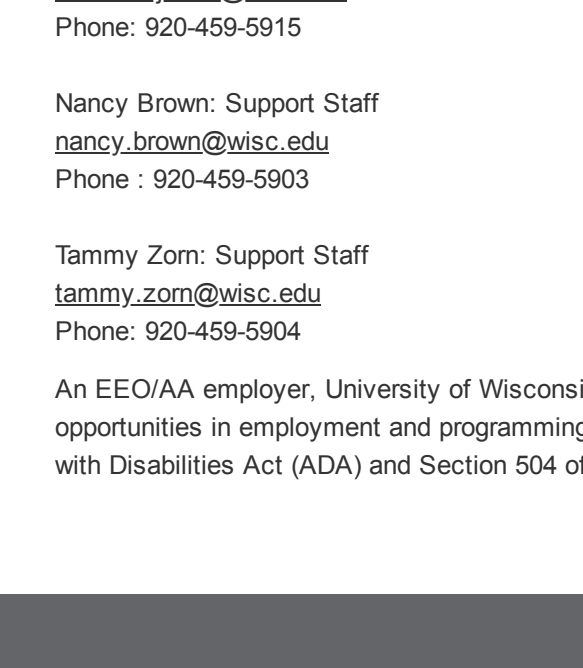
Anticipation, Excitement, Disappointment, Social Distancing, Uncertainty met with Teamwork, Leadership, Perseverance, Practice, Perfection. That's my best effort at describing the Renegades in 2020! The year began with invitations for 2 of our teams to perform in the first ever Drill Team Champion's Challenge at State Fair. More than 40 4-H Youth signed up to participate in this year's drill team. Tryouts began, coaches met, preparations made for the upcoming season. Excitement built. Then everything stopped.

We waited with everyone else – hoping something would be allowed. We met over Facebook posts, trying to keep connected. We had an awesome group participate in a Facebook Scavenger Hunt for donated prizes. State Fair cancelled. Zoom meetings became the norm. Finally, 2 months after our normal practice start, we got the approval to meet in small groups. We lost almost half of our team. We decided to use this year to work on perfecting our technical skills. In groups of 6 to 8 maybe we can find a perfect circle? A perfect pinwheel?

Little did we realize that what would actually develop would be leadership, teamwork, positive attitudes & cooperation! And when you have those things going for you – the technical skills just fall into place. We've seen the very best circles & spirals from our youngest team. We've watched our best teams go from competitive perfectionists to friends who just naturally got better together. Their smiles and laughter flow as nicely as their routines.

There was so much excitement for getting together again that everyone was a little more flexible and a lot less critical. Yes - we have hand sanitizer, social distancing rules that are followed, signs reminding us of the dangers of ignoring the safety precautions. Our youth have quickly learned to adhere to these new procedures and have taken them all in stride. As we watch patterns unfold and tweaks being made, we see helping hands and soft-spoken explanations. We hear laughter as the youth correct themselves and work through their confusion. We hear suggestions for a different transition from youth who typically went with the flow never voicing their opinions out loud. We see youth not only give suggestions but listen to them as well.

We're seeing growth and friendships develop that will last well past their 4-H years. They have managed to turn hard work into a lot of fun! We are so proud of this group. What a great future they have!



QUESTIONS? CONTACT...

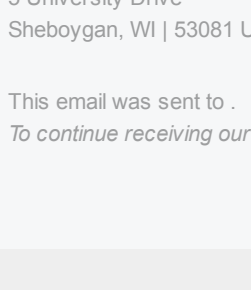
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