



## Sheboygan County 4-H Cloverleaf Crier October 2, 2020

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### National 4-H Week - October 4-10

This year's theme for our Sheboygan County 2020 Virtual Open House Weeklong Event is Welcome to Our House. Please share our NEW 4-H Landing Page with tons of 4-H Information, Videos, and Activities. This page will launch and be promoted throughout National 4-H Week October 4-10, 2020.

The anticipation and excitement is building for this year's National 4-H Week, October 4-10. Millions of youth, parents, volunteers, and alumni across the country will be celebrating everything 4-H next week!! We are looking forward to celebrating in Wisconsin too. Below are a few ways we hope you will get involved!!

\*National 4-H Week Celebration Zoom - Wisconsin 4-H will be celebrating National 4-H Week together on Tuesday, October 6 at 7 p.m. Let's come together to celebrate the lessons learned this year and look towards new opportunities and experiences. To join the celebration register at: <https://uwmadison.zoom.us/j/9204595903>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

- National 4-H Week Celebration Zoom Agenda
- Welcome from WI 4-H Program Leader
- Debut of WI 4-H Movement
- NEW WI 4-H Project Tip Sheets
- Recognition of 2020 WI 4-H Hall of Fame Laureates
- Appreciations

**Sunday** – Be Yourself – Show the world why you love 4-H!! How does 4-H help you explore your sparks and interests? Wear bright clothes and shine like you were meant to! Update your profile pic with the WI 4-H Movement Frame.

**Monday** – Build Connections – Connect with a 4-H Friend; someone from your club or 4-H camp, or someone you have traveled with on a 4-H educational experience. A walk in a park, chat over the phone or via social media or sending a card to reconnect. Think about wearing the same outfit as a 4-H friend or finding something blue to wear!!

**Tuesday** – Explore New Opportunities – Post a pic of you enjoying a great 4-H opportunity. Wear a shirt from a great 4-H experience such as: Camp, CWF, Fall Forum, State Youth Conference, Space Camp or another County-wide Program or Experience.

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**Wednesday** – National 4-H Week – Wear GREEN and anything else that shows YOUR 4-H SPIRIT!! Make sure to tell all your friends about 4-H and encourage others to join in the FUN!!

**Thursday** – Belonging Together – Highlight your favorite 4-H Club Memory because it is Throwback Thursday. Share a photo and/or memory from something you have done with your 4-H Club in the past. If you have an "old" club t-shirt...wear it!

**Friday** – Discovering Skills – Shout out to 4-H volunteers, mentors, peers, teachers who have helped you discover your skills. Tag someone who has made a difference in your life by teaching you skills...why not share the skills you have learned too!! Great way to wear tie-dye to celebrate!!

**Saturday** – Giving Back to Your Community – Share a pic of your favorite service project. Lift up and tag a community partner or business who supports 4-H!! Think about wearing something that reflects how you like to serve and give back.

\*Fall Forum – There is still time to register for this year's Fall Forum; [https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_3BDXnHMBL2eX0EZI](https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3BDXnHMBL2eX0EZI)! Don't miss out on another great opportunity to celebrate 4-H and look forward to a new year with new opportunities.

\*WI 4-H Foundation Arts Contest – The WI 4-H Foundation is once again sponsoring a WI 4-H Foundation Arts Contest. The contest is open to ALL 4-H youth and is an opportunity for youth to showcase their creativity through the following: 1. Drawing Using Any Medium 2. Painting (Acrylic, Watercolor or Oil) 3. Pottery, Ceramics or Clay 4. Photography 5. Paper 6. Fabric, Yarn or Fiber 7. Wood 8. Any Other Media (Digital, Metalcraft, Jewelry, Wax, Eggshells, Taxidermy, Etc.)

The contest is being held virtually this year, with photos of all entries submitted electronically. Entries will be accepted at: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSecUF\\_jpL91ukRfcUrFuTWLQoxsxn1E1FGT0d1bw9SulQhmw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSecUF_jpL91ukRfcUrFuTWLQoxsxn1E1FGT0d1bw9SulQhmw/viewform) through November 1, 2020. For official contest rules and entry requirements, please visit: [Wis4HFoundation.org/events/celebrate-the-arts/](http://Wis4HFoundation.org/events/celebrate-the-arts/)

If you have any questions and/or would like additional information on any of the above items, please reach out to Sarah Tarjeson.

Here's looking forward to an INCREDIBLE 2020 National 4-H Week!!



### Enchanted Forest – October 24th, 2020

Take a trip through the Enchanted Forest!!

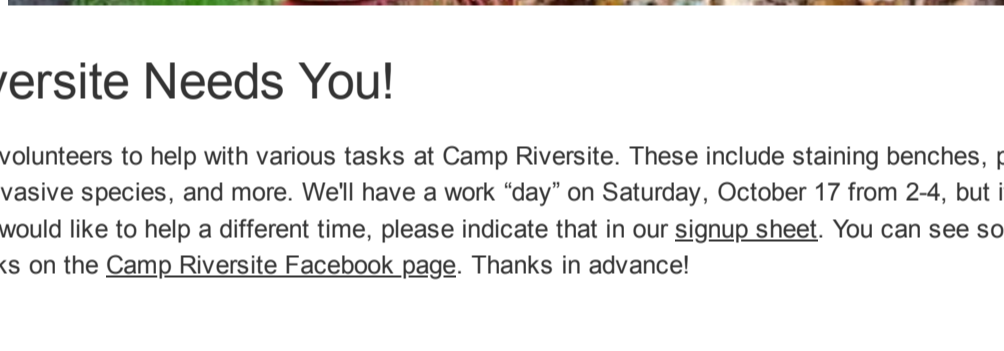
What better way to get the kids outside and enjoy the beautiful weather than this non-spooky Halloween alternative? Scarecrows, pumpkins, Halloween skits from your favorite 4-H Clubs and of course CANDY to make this a great day for the whole family.

4-H Clubs – We're looking for skits with 6 or less performers. We would love to have "scarecrows" setup by all clubs! Carve up your pumpkins for our Pumpkin Please Contest. Let's get outside and let everyone know how truly excited we are to be 4-H members in Sheboygan County.

Monetary donations for the Sheboygan County Food Pantry will be accepted at the gate. So come on out & make a difference while you're having fun!

More logistical information to follow as we get everything setup within the State & 4-H safety guidelines.

Fill out this Google form to sign up your group(s): <https://forms.gle/vVM4YBnUMEU9ERvo7>



### Camp Riversite Needs You!

We are looking for volunteers to help with various tasks at Camp Riversite. These include staining benches, painting picnic tables, removing invasive species, and more. We'll have a work "day" on Saturday, October 17 from 2-4, but if you are not available then and would like to help a different time, please indicate that in our [signup sheet](#). You can see some of the ongoing and completed tasks on the [Camp Riversite Facebook page](#). Thanks in advance!

### Horse and Pony Project Scholarship Winners!

Congratulations to the following graduates who received Horse and Pony Project Scholarships! JADEN SHEPARD, FAITH SPECHT and KINSEY NINNEMAN.

### Holiday in the Woods...at 4-H Camp Riversite



The Holiday in the Woods event is on for this year and we will be holding the mini tree decorating contest again! We'd love to have your club participate and we're excited to see the amazing decorations you come up with this year! You can win a pizza party for your club!\*

Guidelines are as follows:

- Clubs should nominate one family to decorate the tree
- Theme must be somehow related to nature
- Lights are not included; if you use lights please bring an extension cord to the event
- You may not permanently alter the appearance of the tree (i.e. spray snow, cutting branches)
- Trees will be set up the night of the event by a member of your club and decorations removed by a member, as well. If the tree is taken along it must be returned promptly.
- Individuals and families may not enter independently.

Stay tuned to future issues of the Cloverleaf Crier for more information on this fun event!

Contact: Mollie Mechenich, [eml\\_mmi@yahoo.com](mailto:eml_mmi@yahoo.com), 920-980-9054

\*Pizza party is pending meeting rules and is subject to change; there WILL BE a prize though!

### 4-H Educational Travel for 2020-2021

These truly are ever-changing and challenging times!! Information and updates are coming at us from all directions and today is no exception, as we just received an update from National 4-H Council regarding the National 4-H Educational Experiences. Please share the information below with the youth and adult leaders in your county who may be impacted by the decisions.

Due to the uncertainty regarding COVID-19, National 4-H Council, with support and guidance from national Extension leadership, including the 4-H Program Leaders Working Group, has decided that the 2021 National 4-H Educational Experiences will not be held in person. In addition to National 4-H Council's announcement, Wisconsin has made the decision that Space Camp and the American Spirit Experience will not be held in person in 2021. See list for specific updates:

- 2020 National 4-H Congress – Canceled
- Citizenship Washington Focus Presidential Inauguration – Canceled
- National Youth STEM Summit – Virtual
- National Youth Healthy Living Summit - Virtual
- National Youth Agri-Science Summit – Virtual
- National Youth Photography Summit – Canceled
- Citizenship Washington Focus – Virtual
- Leadership Washington Focus – Virtual
- National 4-H Conference – Virtual
- Space Camp – No Wisconsin Delegation
- American Spirit Experience – Canceled
- 2021 National 4-H Congress – To Be Determined (Does Not Meet at National 4-H Conference Center and is held in November)

The timing of the decision was intended to provide clear direction for county and state programs in the promoting and planning stages and to allow National 4-H Council and their teams time to focus on creating high-quality virtual experiences.

- Several important youth and adults considerations guided the decision to move from in-person to virtual:
- Health and safety of youth, advisors, staff, and volunteers is a primary concern
- Equitable access for all youth at national events; currently 50% of Land Grant Universities have restricted travel and many have indicated continued restrictions through Summer of 2021
- Challenge of retrofitting the National 4-H Conference Center to meet social distancing requirements
- Opportunity to invest in virtual capabilities and leverage innovation from Extension and youth.

The Wisconsin decision that Space Camp and the American Spirit Experience will not be held in person in 2021 was based on the registration timelines, uncertainty of external vendors and partner services and resources needed to plan and facilitate safely based on information currently available. The decision was also made out of respect to 4-H members and leaders with regard to the time they invest in applying, fundraising and preparing for the experiences. Moving forward, committees will explore whether virtual options or other opportunities are possible.

I am committed to work with our youth leaders, adult volunteers, and staff to reimagine educational experiences for 2021. A committee has already started to reimagine Youth Conference, and although we do not know if it will be on campus, we do know that we will offer an experience for youth leaders to engage, connect and learn with youth from around the state!

WI 4-H values educational travel experiences and the impact they have on participants; providing unique and special opportunities for leadership, citizenship and life skills development. We understand that this announcement will be disappointing for many and may raise a lot of questions and concerns. It is incredibly challenging for me, yet our commitment to providing safe, quality educational experiences for all young people is at the heart of all decisions being made.

It would be wonderful if you could share the information above with the 4-H youth and adult leaders in your county who may be impacted by the decisions. If you would like any help with communication, please let me know. I will continue to do my best to get additional information and updates to you as they become available. As always, if you have any questions and/or would like to further discuss anything, please e-mail or call.

Sincerest Regards,

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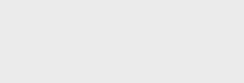
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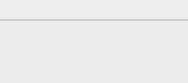
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