

### Sheboygan County 4-H Cloverleaf Crier March 5, 2021

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# Upcoming 4-H Events:

Check out our Sheboygan County 4-H Google Calendar at <u>https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/5/r</u>! Please let me know if you need to add an event or have questions about anything you see here!

## **Contacting Sarah Tarjeson**

I am SO SO happy to begin to see 4-H "Opening Back Up" and I hope that you always feel you can contact me with your questions or concerns. I have always done my best and will continue to do my best to get back to you in a timely and responsive fashion. Please be patient with me and NEVER HESITATE to remind me if you are waiting on me for anything! The best ways to reach me continue to be:

- Email sarah.tarjeson@wisc.edu
- Call me at 920-459-5915 or 920-459-5903
- Text me at 920-838-0105

I do respond to Facebook Messenger- but this is one place I might lose track of you more easily than other methods. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HANGING IN THERE WITH ME! We've got this Sheboygan County!



### **UW-MADISON EXTENSION**

# New 4-H/Extension COVID Program Guidelines Coming!

I am patiently waiting for our UWM, Division of Extension Dean to officially announce updates to our programming

guidelines regarding COVID safety. As soon as he does this I will be contacting all club and project leaders with that information via email! Until then please accept the following morsels as potential updates but nothing official.

These changes are anticipated to go into effect April 1, 2021 and include:

- Indoor programming/meetings for up to 50 people (or 30% occupancy of a space)
- Total of 150 people outdoors with space and "pods" of people accounted for
- Increased "pod" size from 10 to 20 people

- Considerations for how you break down into smaller groups from these larger numbers as well as provide distancing MUST BE ACCOUNTED FOR

- Increased duration of programming from 2 hours to 4 hours
- Summer Programming guidelines are expected to be announced by April 1st

All programs will still require program approval checklists, however, I hope that I have been making that as painless and flawless as possible. Please work with me so that we don't make that a hurdle, rather keep it to a pebble that we kick down the road!

# Required Volunteer Training (VIP)

New Volunteer Orientation (Volunteer in Preparation) Registration Hosted by Washington County 4-H Staff March 23, 2021 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

This training will be held virtually via



Zoom. A minimum of 5 participants will be required for the training to be held. Registration is required three days prior to the date of the session. <u>https://forms.</u>

to the date of the session. <u>https://forms.gle/VyGmhqkDrUQuPjVV9</u> If the minimum is not reached, you will be notified two days prior to the training.

According to my records the following Enrolled Adult Volunteers still need to complete this training:

Katie Baumann David Boenisch Aden Dulmes Nicole Fischer Tracy Gerlach Andrew Helmer Ariana Herbst Theresa Jeske Rebecca Klahn-Schwartz Carisa Kleinhans Konnor Koenig Barbara McHugh McKayla Nack Jessica Neitzel Maya Powalisz-Trochlell Emma Sanderson Nicole Schultz Stefanie Trakel Tauna Vollmer Heather Zimba



# A Night "At the Movies" with 4-H

4-H Movie and Pizza Night was a blast. We have 15 families join us in one way or another to watch one of my favorite movies "Surf's Up!" Before we began the movie we tried out our drawing talents in drawing Chicken Joe, one of my favorite characters from this movie. Everyone enjoyed either Papa Murphy's, Dominoes or frozen pizza as well as popcorn! How fun was it to get those packages in the mail! I had several people share their photos of the event with me and I wanted to share them here! Thanks for joining us and stay tuned – we may have to do this kind of thing again!



## Dog Project Announces Mandatory Meeting

The Dog Project Board is preparing for in-person training this summer. Information on registering for classes and member responsibilities was mailed to families this week. The mailing contains an orientation letter regarding our plans for the year and important registration information. Please watch your mail and read this letter carefully.

**Our annual mandatory meeting will be held on Thursday, March 25 at 6:30 PM via Zoom.** Details for logging into the meeting are in the orientation letter and will also be emailed to families as a reminder as we get closer to that date. In the mandatory meeting, we will go over the handbook, calendar and registration materials. We'll also answer questions you have regarding the training season. The handbook and other forms can be found online at: <u>https://sheboygan.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-hprojects/sheboygan-county-dog-project/</u>.

After the Mandatory Meeting, the next important date in the Dog Project is April 2. In order to place members in the correct classes and recruit trainers, registration forms are due on April 2. No late registrations accepted. Details on how to register and forms are included in the orientation letter.

Any questions? Contact Sarah Britt at <u>ozzy.britt@gmail.com</u>. We're looking forward to working with our dogs this summer!



# Sheboygan County 4-H Fine Arts Festival: Deadline Extended

Sheboygan County 4-H Fine Arts Festival Spring 2021 might look different than past years, but one thing is for certain . . . the opportunity for our youth to shine and showcase their artistic talents will not be lost. Thanks to some great thinkers across the state and some 4-H

leadership that is willing to share their work – Sheboygan County will be able to host its first ever Virtual 4-H Fine Arts Festival!

Check out all the information and materials in this year's <u>4-H Fine Arts Festival Flyer</u>! Then create, demonstrate and perform until your heart is content (or until the EXTENDED DEADLINE OF March 13th)! Finally, upload your completed projects to the <u>Online</u> <u>Submission Form</u> and plan to join us on April 3rd at 10:00 a.m. for a final celebration of the arts in Sheboygan County!

REMEMBER ALL PROJECTS AND RECORDINGS MUST BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO REGISTRATION DEADLINE AS THEY ARE TO BE UPLOADED TO THE REGISTRATION FORM! Use this weekend to work on these projects!

# Winter Nature Hike at 4-H Camp Riversite with Rob

### Zimmer

You will love this educational hike through Camp Riversite's beautiful woods. Appleton area nature expert Rob Zimmer will astound you with his



Date: Sunday, March 14 - (HURRY! The first date filled FAST!) Time: 1-2:30pm

### Cost: \$5, but additional donations are accepted to help cover costs

This hike is open to anyone but pre-registration is REQUIRED and spots are very limited. Additional hikes can be scheduled as desired. Please DIRECTLY CONTACT me (Mollie Mechenich) to sign up; deadline for this hike is March 7. Email at <a href="mailto:emt\_mmt@yahoo.com">emt\_mmt@yahoo.com</a>, phone/text at 920-980-9054, or through the Exploring Your Environment facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/884239892412496">https://www.facebook.com/events/884239892412496</a>



### Pinecone Bird Feeder Kits

Feeding the birds is a fun year-round activity! Pine cone bird feeders are a fun and easy way to provide food for the birds, and bird-watching activity for you!

Exploring Your Environment will be putting together pine cone bird feeder kits for your family to create and hang at Camp Riversite. Simply contact me with how many kits you would like, how you would like to pick them up, then put them together and find a great place to hang them at Camp Riversite! This way you can visit them to see which birds are

enjoying your feeder and leave them for others to enjoy, too!

Please contact Mollie at 920-980-9054 or <a href="mmt@yahoo.com">emt\_mmt@yahoo.com</a>. This can be an ongoing activity until about the end of April or beginning of May (or until I run out of supplies!)



# Save Those Plastic Bags!

Are you one of those people who has BAGS of BAGS lurking in a closet somewhere? WELL, HANG ONTO THEM! We are working on a project that will require approximately 40,000 plastic bags!



While that may seem like an incredibly

daunting task, I can assure you that it is within reach, and has fabulous rewards! Stay tuned for more information, and please don't drop off those plastic bags just yet!

Please contact me if you would like more information, or want those bags out of your house NOW! I would be happy to take them! Contact Mollie at 920-980-9054 or <a href="mailto:emt\_mmt@yahoo.com">emt\_mmt@yahoo.com</a>

### Youth Leadership Council

The next opportunity for youth in 4-H grades 7 and up to get together and plan some great Spring opportunities will be Tuesday, March 16th at 6:30 LIVE via Zoom. Please join us and encourage your friends to do the same. We will feature a hands-on project, leadership lesson and some time to plan and have some fun together!



To Join our Zoom Meeting <u>https://uwmadison.zoom.us/j/99220141492?</u> <u>pwd=UW9wRHZORIJZZDd2dnBxY3EvczVsdz09</u> Meeting ID: 992 2014 1492 Passcode: shebco4h

#### Youth Leadership Council Representative Needed

Would you like to try on a valuable leadership experience? We are looking for youth representatives to serve on the Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association Executive Board. This would include one meeting a month (via Zoom for the time being) to discuss BIG PICTURE 4-H items such as budget, policy and countywide opportunities! Please e-mail Sarah Tarjeson at <u>sarah.tarjeson@wisc.edu</u> or call/text her at 920-838-0105.



Thank you all for the kind Facebook comments, phone calls and emails. It has been a pleasure working with such wonderful volunteers, leaders and youth. I look forward to seeing you all as a fellow 4-H volunteer in the future.

Sincerely,

Nancy Brown

## QUESTIONS? CONTACT...

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