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Trick or Treat

in the

Enchanted Forest

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1 pm – 3 pm

4-H Camp Riversite – Hingham

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Please join us in our “unscary” alternative for Halloween, as Sheboygan County 4-H transforms the grounds of 4-H Camp Riversite into an *Enchanted Forest*. Activities include short skits by local 4-H clubs, games, hay rides, refreshments & much more! Admission is one nonperishable food item to donate to the local food pantries to benefit families in need. Thank you!

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GENERAL INFORMATION

4-H CLOVERLEAF CRIER ARTICLES

ALL CLUB and PROJECT LEADERS, MEMBERS, and PARENTS can contribute to the articles in the MONTHLY Cloverleaf Crier by completing a short form and uploading their article and any photos to accompany it at <https://forms.gle/dcP2nMfVxtG25rAY6> SAVE THIS LINK! Articles for the upcoming month's **Cloverleaf Crier are due to be uploaded in this form by the 20th of each month.** Please plan ahead!!!!

4-H GOOGLE CALENDAR

To view our Sheboygan County 4-H Google Calendar go to <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/5/r>! If you have something to add to this calendar, please contact the Extension office staff. To be able to view this calendar be sure you have selected it along the left-hand column when you go to google calendars. The calendar ID is sheboygancounty4h@gmail.com. – Please do not email this address as it is unmonitored.

ROOM RESERVATIONS AT UWGB - SHEBOYGAN

There are many 4-H opportunities taking place on any given night. We do our best to accommodate project, club, and other countywide meetings here at Extension – Sheboygan County as well as being good neighbors to other campus programs. **JUST A REMINDER TO BE GOOD STEWARDS OF THIS SPACE!** Clean up after your group, if you need a vacuum please let us know, be quiet in the halls and be respectful of students and teachers. Cleaning supplies can always be found in Room 5018!

WHAT . . . YOU WEREN'T BORN IN 1920?

Many adult volunteers have noticed that their birthdate is circa 1920 in 4-H Online 😊! I want to try to get as many of these updated as possible. If I can help correct this for you please EMAIL EJJENSEN6@WISC.EDU and we will work on these as we have time!

UW-EXTENSION DROP BOX

For your convenience, we do have a 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.

COUNTY MEETING PRACTICE

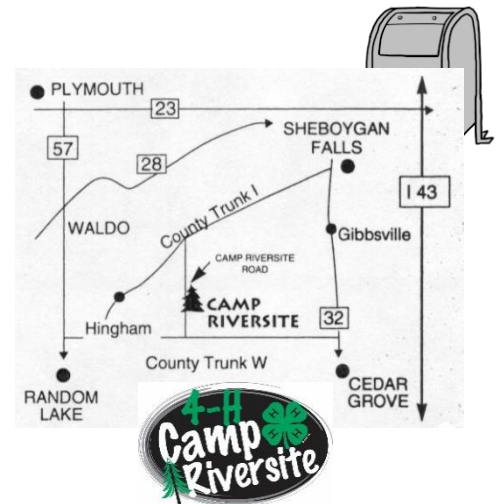
County committees planning to schedule countywide meetings for 4-H members in the coming year need to be aware of the Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association meeting best practice. **NO** county level 4-H meetings for members should be scheduled the first two weeks of the month (reserved for local club meetings).

Please plan ahead and schedule your meetings according to this standard practice. To reserve rooms at the Extension Office for county-wide meetings and programs, please call our support staff at 920-459-5903.

WANT TO RESERVE 4-H CAMP RIVERSITE?

If your club, group or even family would like to reserve 4-H Camp Riversite for a day, night or weekend there are just a few easy steps to follow!

1. Call 459-5903 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: <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/camp-riversite-forms>.
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.

COUNTYWIDE 4-H PROGRAMS

CAMP RIVERSITE CLEANUP

Looking to spend a little time outdoors while performing worthwhile service? Camp Riversite is seeking volunteers to help with fall cleanup tasks and to prepare the site for Enchanted Forest. These include picking up sticks on the mowed areas, clearing off the limestone trail of obstacles, cleaning the shelter, possibly cutting back brush along the driveway or other chores to match your age, skill level and time availability. We will gather from **9:00am – 12:00pm on October 15th** for these activities, weather permitting. [Signing up](#) in advance for predetermined tasks can aid in planning and allow us to contact you if anything changes.



INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT PRAIRIES?



A new pollinator prairie is being planned for Camp Riversite that is intended to be an educational location for learning about prairie plants and the wildlife they support, as well as the obvious benefits it will provide to plant, insect, and animal communities. As we prepare for, and plant, the prairie over the next year we would like to involve youth interested in learning about the possible methods of creating a prairie and the benefits they provide. This might take the form of the development of educational posters or signs or direct involvement in carrying out the project. If you are interested in participating in some way, please contact Ron Gerrits at rgerrits@charter.net.

COFFEE AND CRAFT WITH EXPLORING YOUR ENVIRONMENT

We'll be exploring the world of coffee as we make a modern countertop coffee mug stand. We will also hear from local Biggby Coffee owner Laura Anderson about how they source their products to ensure sustainability. Coffee and a light snack will be served, and each participant will take home a fun gift, too!

This project will be limited to the first 12 participants to sign up, and the recommended age is 14 and older (unless accompanied by a parent). This is certainly open to adults only if you are interested in completing this just for yourself! No kid necessary! However, we will be limiting this to one mug stand per family, please.

Date: October 8, 2022

Time: 10am-12pm

Location: UW-Extension, room 5020-5022

Please bring: cordless screwdriver/drill with phillips bit if you're able, or screwdriver

Suggested donation: \$10



Please contact Mollie at 920-980-9054 or emt_mmt@yahoo.com with any further questions or to reserve your spot

CHRISTMAS IN THE WOODS IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!

Christmas is closer than we like to think, and we're already prepping for our annual event at Camp Riversite! We're looking forward to the return of horse-drawn wagon rides as well as some other events. Stay tuned to the Crier for more information as the time draws nearer!



4-H ENDOWMENT FUND REPORTING

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 2021-2022 to include in our "annual" report to donors of the fund. Please submit these to Sarah.Tarjeson@wisc.edu by October 15 by 4:30 p.m.!



CLUB OFFICER TRAINING LEADERS: A SUPER LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

I am looking for youth and adult partners to help lead our officer training breakouts for each officer position during our 4-H Leadership Summit on October 25th. Can you help? I am more than willing to work with you so you feel comfortable and prepared. President/Vice President; Secretary; Treasurer; Reporter; Other Positions are wanted! You would plan for about 30 minutes of material to help orient youth officers to their new role. Please call or e-mail me at sarah.tarjeson@wisc.edu or 920-459-5903.

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 Tuesday, October 25, 7:00-9:00 pm in the Wombat Room at UW-Green Bay – Sheboygan Campus.** A New General Leader Training will be held from 5:30-6:30 p.m. that same evening! Join us!

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.



WI STATEWIDE 4-H OPPORTUNITIES

FALL FORUM 2022

November 4-6, 2022

Hotel Mead, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

I strongly encourage all of our adult club, project, and youth leaders to consider attending this meaningful statewide event. The Sheboygan County 4-H Leaders Association has some limited funds to support attendance. Please contact Sarah.Tarjeson@wisc.edu or 920-459-5915 for information regarding financial support.

This year's event will include:

- An inspiring keynote address
- Opportunities to participate in dozens of youth- and adult-led [workshops](#) on Saturday
- Choose your own adventure interactive activities on Friday night
- Introductions to [Wisconsin Leadership Council Candidates](#) AND Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame Laureates
- Updates from the Wisconsin Leadership Council and Wisconsin 4-H Program Leadership
- And so much more! You won't want to miss it! Sample [2021 Fall Forum Schedule](#)

Registration will open in 4HOnline in September. Cost should not be a barrier to attending this program. If you would like a scholarship to cover Fall Forum fees, please contact Laura Pine, lpine@wisc.edu or (608)262-1222.

Please select from the following for help registering for Fall Forum:

[I have a 4-H Online account but need help registering for Fall Forum](#)

[I do not have an account AND need help registering for Fall Forum](#)

4-H ARTS CAMP
October 21-23, 2022
Camp Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells WI

4-H Arts Camp provides youth in grades 6-8 an experience with six different art tracks including music, photography, communication, theatre, culinary arts, and art in nature. Arts Camp provides older youth and adults with opportunities to teach and strengthen their leadership abilities and provides younger youth the fun of a 4-H camping experience focused on the arts.

The purpose of Arts Camp:

- Encouraging expression and participation in the arts with middle school-age youth
- Supporting youth teaching opportunities where they learn to incorporate education, creativity, and reflection into the creative process
- Increasing awareness of the arts and participation in the arts at the club level

Are you a middle schooler looking for an opportunity to explore the arts through 4-H? If so, you don't want to miss Wisconsin 4-H Arts Camp! This state-level experience offers one place for youth grades 6-8 to learn about topics like music, drama, visual arts, photography, communications, and more!

You'll rotate through the different arts tracks each day, participate in various group activities throughout, and close with a ceremony for parents and families, celebrating the results of your Arts Camp experiences. You'll also meet new friends, participate in camp games, and enjoy the great natural setting of Upham Woods, a 300-acre environmental education center on the Wisconsin River near Wisconsin Dells.

4-H Arts Camp is sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Division of Extension, and is funded through registrations and a grant from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation. The program is planned and led by a talented group of 4-H high school youth, assisted by Extension specialists, 4-H staff, and key adult volunteers. You'll learn lots of creative ideas to take home to share with your family, friends, and community.

If you haven't been a part of the Arts Camp experience, come and see what you've been missing! Space is limited. All information will be posted here and accessible in 4-H Online when available:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/arts-camp/>

JOIN A WISCONSIN 4-H STATE TEAM IN 2022-23

Interested in meeting 4-H members from throughout Wisconsin and exploring your unique Sparks through cool statewide opportunities? Learn more about how you can join the 4-H Wisconsin Leadership Council, Arts Team, and Drama Company on Wednesday, October 5th at 7:00 PM via a statewide webinar! All teams are currently accepting applications.

The **Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council (WLC)** provides a statewide forum for youth and adult volunteer leaders to discuss ideas and provide input to enhance UW-Madison Extension 4-H Youth Development programs at the state, county, and local levels. WLC is accepting applications until October 14. Dates, details, and application materials can be found on their webpage: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/wisconsin-4-h-leadership-council/>

Through work together in the spring and summer, **4-H Drama Company** creates a stage performance involving acting, song and dance to present at the Pathways Conference in Madison, WI. Show content is a collaborative effort between company members and their director. Each Drama Company member contributes ideas for the show and works with the group to problem solve issues on the set and in the script. Drama Company members also lead workshops for youth attending the UW-Madison Pathways Conference.

4-H Arts Team creates collaborative artwork to represent Wisconsin 4-H each year. The Arts Team also spends over a week in Madison in June to support the Pathways Conference. The team members teach



seminars and train to be peer leaders for county and regional events including Fall Forum. The 4-H Arts Team is led by a professional artist who teaches team members artistic techniques using a variety of mediums.

An early application period is available this year for Drama Company and Arts Team – apply by November 1, 2022 for early consideration; final deadline is January 15, 2023. More information, dates, and application instructions can be found on their webpage: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/state-arts-teams/>

Curious to learn more? Connect with youth and adult members of each team on the statewide **4-H Team's informational webinar on Wednesday, October 5th at 7:00 PM**. [To attend \(or receive a recording\), please register via this google form.](#)

4-H CLUBS TO CREATE NEWEST CEDAR CREST ICE CREAM FLAVOR: ENTRIES NOW BEING ACCEPTED

[Cedar Crest Ice Cream](#), headquartered in Cedarburg, Wisconsin, and the [Wisconsin 4-H Foundation](#) have teamed up again to present the "Cedar Crest Ice Cream 4-H Flavor Creation Contest" for Wisconsin 4-H clubs. More than 1,600 clubs are eligible to submit their idea for a new ice cream flavor, along with a flavor description and interesting flavor name.



A panel of ice cream experts chosen by Cedar Crest judges the entries. Five finalists are selected, with one flavor awarded top honors and \$500.

According to Brenda Scheider, Executive Director of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, the contest is a great opportunity for 4-H youth to work together to develop and name their flavor. "The most exciting part of the contest is the winning flavor will be available in parlors that scoop Cedar Crest Ice Cream next July." All five finalists will also receive an ice cream party for their 4-H club.

Recent winning flavors of the annual contest include Big Muddy, created by the Baraboo Valley 4-H Club and Wisconsin Campfire S'mores, created by the Springbrook 4-H Club of New Richmond. This year's winning flavor was Haystack, created by the Knellsville 4-H Club in Ozaukee County.

"Cedar Crest Ice Cream is known for its variety of flavors," said Robert Kohlwey, vice president of sales for Cedar Crest Ice Cream. "It is a real joy to see the imaginative flavor ideas submitted by young people across the state." Cedar Crest manufactures more than 80 flavors of ice cream, along with frozen custard, sherbet and sorbet at its Manitowoc, Wisconsin, plant, and distributes products in parlors and retail locations in Wisconsin and beyond. Several of the flavors now in regular production, including Wisconsin Campfire S'mores and Big Muddy, are a result of the contest.

More information and the entry form are available at www.cedarcresticecream.com. Entries are due by November 15, 2022. The winner will be announced in early 2023.

SERVICE AND FUNDRAISING

4-H ENCHANTED FOREST



YAHOO!!!! Thank you to the amazing group of people who have stepped forward to make sure that the 4-H Enchanted Forest Event can happen this year! I know that we all enjoy this program and I am also looking forward to it. Even with this committee of dedicated volunteers. The 4-H Enchanted Forest cannot be a success without your support. 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.

Volunteers and Donations

We need volunteers! Please consider lending your time and talents to help organize 4-H's largest community service project. Please fill out the [4-H Enchanted Forest Form](#) or contact Sarah Tarjeson at 920-459-5915 or sarah.tarjeson@wisc.edu.

"Pumpkin Pleaser" Contest

The "Pumpkin Pleaser Contest" will be held in conjunction with the Enchanted Forest at Camp Riverside. 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 family may participate. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. There is no need for registration. Please bring your pumpkins to 4-H Camp Riverside by 11:00 a.m. on October 22nd. No pre-registration is required.

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!! The use of bright colors and unique materials is encouraged! No pre-registration is necessary – please set up your scarecrow at 4-H Camp Riverside by 12:30 p.m.!

Set-up can be either Friday, Oct. 21st between 5-7 pm or Saturday, Oct. 22nd starting at 11 am. Please note that no lunch will be served this year. Please bring lunch or eat before you arrive.

FALL FASHION SHOW OPPORTUNITY

Please join us in presenting a Fall Fashion Show for the residents at Oostburg Pine Haven. Open to all boys and girls - Cloverbuds to Youth. Model your favorite dress, family friendly Halloween costume or even dress your pet!

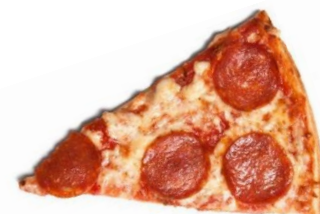
The date and time have not yet been confirmed, however it will be on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon. Residents will vote on their favorites and prizes will be awarded in several categories.



Email Kelly at 4h.rangers.club@gmail.com to sign up.

4-H PIZZA SALE UPDATE

The 2022-2023 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! Pizza sale coordinators must turn in these orders to the Extension Office by Thursday, October 14th. 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 3rd 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.

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

4-H VOLUNTEER & FUND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

4-H VOLUNTEER ENROLLMENT PROCESS - CURRENT (AS OF 9.19.22)

Dear Sheboygan County 4-H Volunteers; I know that volunteering for the youth of Sheboygan County is not something you take lightly and it is not something that you do as a full-time job. Sometimes the added responsibilities of trainings and paperwork can be perceived as a cumbersome obstacle to just "being there for kids" which is what we all want you to be able to do. **I do take seriously my role of helping you to navigate your volunteers roles and responsibilities in a palatable and even a fun way through this 4-H program. I believe that volunteering should be both fun and rewarding for the youth and the adults in our program.**

Here's what UW-Extension says: All 4-H programs and activities must be supervised by a staff member or an approved 4-H volunteer, 18 years of age or older, who has completed all the following steps:

Step 1: Enroll in 4-H Online including agreeing to the Division of Extension Volunteer Behavior Expectations.

Step 2: Complete Criminal Background Check* (information will be sent via email to all new potential volunteers once a person has enrolled)

Step 3: Complete Volunteer Training Modules:

- Module 1: Complete UW Madison Title IX Training ***New***
- Module 2: Complete UW System Mandated Reporter Training
- Module 3: Complete Division of Extension Volunteers In Preparation (VIP) Training**
- Module 4 (for chaperones only): Volunteers serving as a chaperone will need to also complete the Supporting Youth Mental Health Training

**A background records check for arrest and conviction records will be completed every four years for continuing 4-H volunteer leaders.*

***Returning volunteers who have been absent for one to four years need a background records check, signed Volunteer Behavior Expectations form, and Assumption of Risk but are not required to attend the orientation to be reinstated as a volunteer. Returning volunteers who have been absent for over four years need to repeat the entire Youth Protection process.*

Here is my commitment: I will be offering several opportunities for folks to complete the New UW Madison Title IX Training Modules in a supported environment throughout this fall until we all have completed this requirement. These opportunities will include:

- The Club Leadership Summit on October 25th
- Project Leader Training on November 12th
- Regular Online Access on your own through 4-H Online 2.0 and
- By appt by calling Emily at 920-459-5903

I can promise that my colleagues and I across Wisconsin are doing everything in our power to streamline these requirements and within a year, hope to have many of these training modules looped together in a seamless delivery system. Thank you for your patience!

CLUB DECISION-MAKING CORNER

This is a corner of the Crier to offer suggestions and tips in leading your club and project meetings. Sometimes I'll share Parliamentary Procedure Practices and other times I might give a little tip about how to engage your members at your next meeting. I hope you enjoy these and please let me know how these suggestions work for you!

WISCONSIN 4-H POLICY . . . LET'S TAKE A CLOSER LOOK!

The Wisconsin 4-H Program is always evolving and we want to provide clear guidance to our leaders and members to ensure safety, and security and support your efforts with our young people. In an effort to do this, I'd like to feature an article where we take a closer look at the Wisconsin 4-H Policies each month. Check out the updates, reminders, and information here monthly!

There have been some important updates to the Wisconsin 4-H Policies regarding **excess funds, financial policies, member dues, lists and prevention of illness and disease:** Please check out these highlights at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/wisconsin-4-h-policies/>

All Wisconsin 4-H Policies are accessible at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/wisconsin-4-h-policies/>
All Sheboygan County 4-H Policies are accessible at: <https://sheboygan.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/leader-information/leaders-association/>

SAVE THE DATES FOR MEANINGFUL AND FUN TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

OCTOBER 25TH 5:30-6:30 P.M. NEW GENERAL LEADER TRAINING This is an opportunity for new adult leaders who will be taking over roles and responsibilities as club organizational leaders. Perhaps you have agreed to take on the responsibilities of being an enrollment coordinator for your club, or maybe you are going to round out the leadership team with one or two other adults. This training is for you. We will review the 4-H year, identify key deadlines, identify key resources and partner you with leader mentors within our program. You will not want to miss this if you are new to the club leader role.

CALLING ALL CLUB OFFICERS

OCTOBER 25TH 7:00-9:00 P.M. CLUB LEADERSHIP SUMMIT AND OFFICER TRAINING This training will connect adult club leaders from all clubs with their club officer team. Training will include an opportunity to review club goals, build a leadership team, help officers learn their jobs as officers in their club and introduce new resources available to 4-H Clubs across Wisconsin. The most rewarding part of the night is learning from other adult and teen leaders.

NOVEMBER 12TH 10:00 – NOON SO YOU WANT TO START A NEW 4-H CLUB? This training will spin out the basics of a 4-H Club. It will teach adult and youth participants what it's like to be a part of a club and the 4-H program. We will share what it looks like to start a 4-H Club, what a club has to have and what it doesn't, and offer mentorship and support to get you started on the incredible journey of pledging your head, heart, hands and health.

NOVEMBER 12TH 10:00 – NOON BEING A 4-H PROJECT LEADER This training **STRONGLY SUGGESTED - ALMOST MANDATORY** all Sheboygan County 4-H Project Leaders. There are so many nuts and bolts and moving parts in this program that I can only imagine it would be invaluable to have our project leaders together for a bit to touch base regarding what is expected of project leaders, what's not expected, what resources are available and what support your 4-H Educator can offer to make your life easier. I'd love to hear from you how we can get you to the heart of making a difference in the lives of our young people faster, easier, in the safest way possible without a ton of red tape. Please consider joining me. I promise to not waste your time!

4-H NEW VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION - VOLUNTEERS IN PREPARATION ("VIP")

Are you interested in being a 4-H club leader or project leader? Or, perhaps you are interested in being a 4-H camp chaperone! Maybe you became an official 4-H volunteer many years ago and you are looking for a refresher on things that may have been updated since then. Well, you've come to the right place!

One of the first steps in becoming a registered 4-H volunteer with Extension is to attend this volunteer orientation called "Volunteers in Preparation." These orientation dates listed below will be offered virtually on a free video conferencing platform (Zoom).

Upcoming opportunities include:

October 24th -- 6:30 - 8:30 pm

October 26 -- 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

November 9 -- 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

November 10 -- 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

November 12 -- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

November 29 -- 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED at <https://tinyurl.com/4-HVIP2022>.



Prior to the orientation, you will receive an email with the connection link that you will use to connect on your selected date and time. This is a shared VIP offering amongst several counties, so the Extension Educator leading the orientation and sending you the connection link may not be the Educator from your actual county.

Depending on the date of your sign up and the proximity to the orientation date, your orientation materials may be emailed or mailed (USPS) to you.

If you have more than one person who needs to attend this orientation in your household, please fill out this form for each individual person.

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!**

4-H AWARD APPLICATIONS AND MISC. FORMS

2022 4-H AWARDS AND RECOGNITION PROGRAM

An Evening of Celebration and Appreciation at Acuity Corporate Headquarters

We are looking forward to a phenomenal 4-H Awards and Recognition Program to be held at the Grand Acuity Insurance Building. Clover, Project, Community Builders, Secretary, Reporter Awards, Trip and Key Award Announcements and Leaders Recognition will be included in this wonderful evening on **Monday, November 28th**. The awards program will start promptly at 6:00 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and beverages served after the program at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in helping with this epic celebration...please let your 4-H Staff know by calling 459.5903! To register to attend this event both youth and adults must register by returning the form in the back of this crier or registering electronically at: <https://forms.gle/7dDhYUhtETzf279A> **RSVP REQUIRED BY NOVEMBER**

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All Awards Application information can be found at: <https://sheboygan.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/member-parent-information/current-programs-registrations/> There is still time to apply for ALMOST ALL of our Award Categories!

PROJECT NEWS

FAIR CLASS AND LOT CHANGES

While fair is still fresh in your mind – please share with us any of your suggestions for changes to the fair book regarding rules, class and lot choices and etc. We will compile these here at Extension and share them with the fair staff for consideration. Suggestions can be sent to ejjensen6@wisc.edu.

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS TRANSITION MEETING: OCTOBER 5TH

It's time to once again pull together and plan our next steps for the Shooting Sports Projects in Sheboygan County. The date that worked best for most parents and leaders polled was Wednesday, October 5th from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Please meet with myself and other leaders and interested parents from the project at Extension Room 5024 to plan our next steps. Thank you and see you then!



ANIMAL SCIENCE 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.



CAT PROJECT "MEWS"

The Cat Project is open to all youth age 8 and up*! In this Project, youth will learn about taking care of cats, feline anatomy, behavior, diseases/illnesses, and more. They will also have opportunities to prepare and show cats in cat shows. If you don't have a cat, that's okay – friends of the Project often allow youth to show their cats. Maybe you have a cat, but have not been able to get its vaccinations or have it spayed or neutered... we can help with **vouchers** for these expenses – just contact us for more details. Maybe your cat lives outside – that's okay, too! There are opportunities for everyone! *Cloverbuds are welcome, too, but please note per WI 4H policy, they are not allowed to officially join the Project or exhibit cats at shows until age 8.

Our **first meeting** for the 2022-2023 year will be held on **Monday, October 24 at 6:30 p.m.** at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on Country Aire Road in Plymouth. Meetings are typically held the fourth Mondays of the month, location to be determined. Even if you are not sure about joining the Project, come check us out.

Thank you to all of you who came to our September meeting. Bidding at our annual **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.

Our **November Fun Cat Show** is planned for **Saturday, November 12** at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. This is **open to ANY and ALL kids, grades 3 thru 12 from around the state of Wisconsin**. Youth do not have to be in 4H or any other organized youth group to enter this show. This event is not just a show; there is also showmanship, photography, drawing/painting and other contests you can enter. Invite your friends from school, cousins and any other kids you know to join in the fun! **Entry forms** will be available from at Project meetings and can be found on our Facebook page (Sheboygan County 4H Cat Project).

The **November Cat Project meeting** will be held on **Monday, November 21, at 6:30 p.m.** Mark your calendars now.

Please call Alice at 920-467-1558 or email amsamse@charter.net with any questions.

4-H LEGO LEAGUE PRACTICES TO BEGIN!

Practices for the 4-H Lego League will begin the first week in October. The "Explore" team (ages 6-9) will meet from 5:30-6:30 each Thursday and the "Challenge" teams (ages 10-15) will meet from 6:30-7:30, both at UW-Extension. Our teams will meet October 6, 13, 20, 27 and November 3 and 10. The competition/exhibition will be held Saturday, November 12 at LTC. Please let leader Rebecca Hoyt know if you won't be able to attend a practice session. If you signed up please watch your emails for announcements and updates! rchoyt98@gmail.com



2023 WISCONSIN HONEY QUEEN CANDIDATES

The Wisconsin Honey Producers Association is seeking candidates for the position of 2023 Wisconsin Honey Queen. The Wisconsin Honey Queen serves a four-part role on behalf of the honey and beekeeping industry in the State of Wisconsin: Promoter, Educator, Ambassador, and Spokesperson. She makes appearances on behalf of the Wisconsin Honey Producers throughout the state of Wisconsin doing radio, television, and newspaper interviews, educational presentations in schools and with other social and civic groups, appearances at fairs and festivals, and marketing presentations in a variety of venues. At the end of her reign in Wisconsin, she represents the Wisconsin Honey Producers at the American Honey Queen competition held at the American Beekeeping Federation convention in January of 2024.

The Wisconsin Honey Queen committee has worked with colleges and universities to provide this year long experience as an unpaid college internship.

Qualifications for this position include:

1. Must be a single female , between the ages of 18 and 24 years of age as of January 1, 2023, and a high school graduate.
2. Must have a valid driver's license and reliable transportation.
3. Candidates may never have married and have no children.
4. Do not need to have beekeeping background but must be willing to learn about beekeeping and the industry.
5. May not hold any other title at the same time as the title of Wisconsin Honey Queen.

To apply for this position and obtain full details, or to obtain more information, contact Mary Kettlewell at wihoneyqueenprogram@gmail.com or by phone at 414.429.5502. Information will also be posted on the Wisconsin Honey Producers website, www.wihoney.org

4-H HORSE AND PONY PROJECT COMMITTEE ELECTION RESULTS 2022-2023

Dear Sheboygan County 4-H Horse and Pony Project Members, Leaders, and Families;

Thank you for your support of the 4-H Horse & Pony Project! The ballots are in and counted. A total of 80 individuals voted. Below are the members of the 2022-2023 4-H Horse & Pony Committee:

- Emma Sanderson (Past and Current Chairperson; Committee member through 2023)
- Debbie Wallner (Current Treasurer; through 2023)
- Tina Kasprzak (through 2024)
- Sam Bruggink (through 2023)
- Amy Wallner (through 2024)
- Dave Boenish (through 2024)
- Tracy Harmeyer (through 2024)
- Holly Behnke (through 2023 – filling a resignation on the committee)
- Alternate- Wendy Krueger (through 2023)

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 and to continue in another leadership role within the project!

The first meeting of both **the old and new 4-H Horse & Pony Committee is set for Monday, October 24, 2022, starting at 6:30 p.m. and taking place at Extension in Room 5020/22.** The committee meeting agendas will be available on the [Current Horse and Pony Google Drive!](#) Please take some time to explore these files before you get started in your role. Especially the Committee Handbook Folder.

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY 4-H AWARDS AND RECOGNITION PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Name(s) of Youth Award Recipient or Leader being recognized:

- I will be able to attend the 4-H Awards and Recognition Program
_____ # of Youth Attending _____ # of Adults Attending
- I will not be able to attend the 4-H Awards and Recognition Program

Additional Comments: _____

In order to ensure proper recognition and sufficient amounts of food and drink please return this RSVP to Extension, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081 or submit your registration electronically at: <https://forms.gle/7dDhYUhtETzfF279A> by **Friday, November 18th**



What does 4-H stand for?

Head, heart, hands, and health represent the 4 H's. Each meeting begins with a recitation of pledges, including the **4-H Pledge**. While the 4-H pledge has a very direct meaning for our 4-H clubs and members, there are additional ways that adults can apply the pledge before, during, and after club meetings and events.

I pledge

My head to clearer thinking

It's normal for youth to have questions or be unsure about things. Give your youth the information you can to help them plan, organize, make wise decisions, and problem solve. It will encourage your child to think critically and use this knowledge throughout life.



My heart to greater loyalty

Success is awesome. Some failure is inevitable. Both help youth develop strong personal values and a positive self-concept. Encourage and support all youth, especially your own, to have empathy and concern for others. Show your child, by example, how to cooperate and communicate with those around them.

My hands to larger service

When you help your family's club, you model volunteerism, community service, and inclusiveness to your youth. If you don't have the time to be a volunteer, you can help in many equally important ways. If you do want to learn more about volunteering, contact the Extension Office!



My health to better living

In addition to keeping youth physically healthy—body and mind—it is important we provide them the skills to make healthy decisions and to lead healthy lifestyles. You can help create safe spaces to support youth learning and character development.

for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

4-H does not happen without supportive adults serving as positive role models. Stay involved as a family/caregiver as best as you can; it makes the experience much richer for everyone. The more involved our 4-H members are, the more impactful they are upon the world around them.





I pledge

My head to clearer thinking,

My heart to greater loyalty,

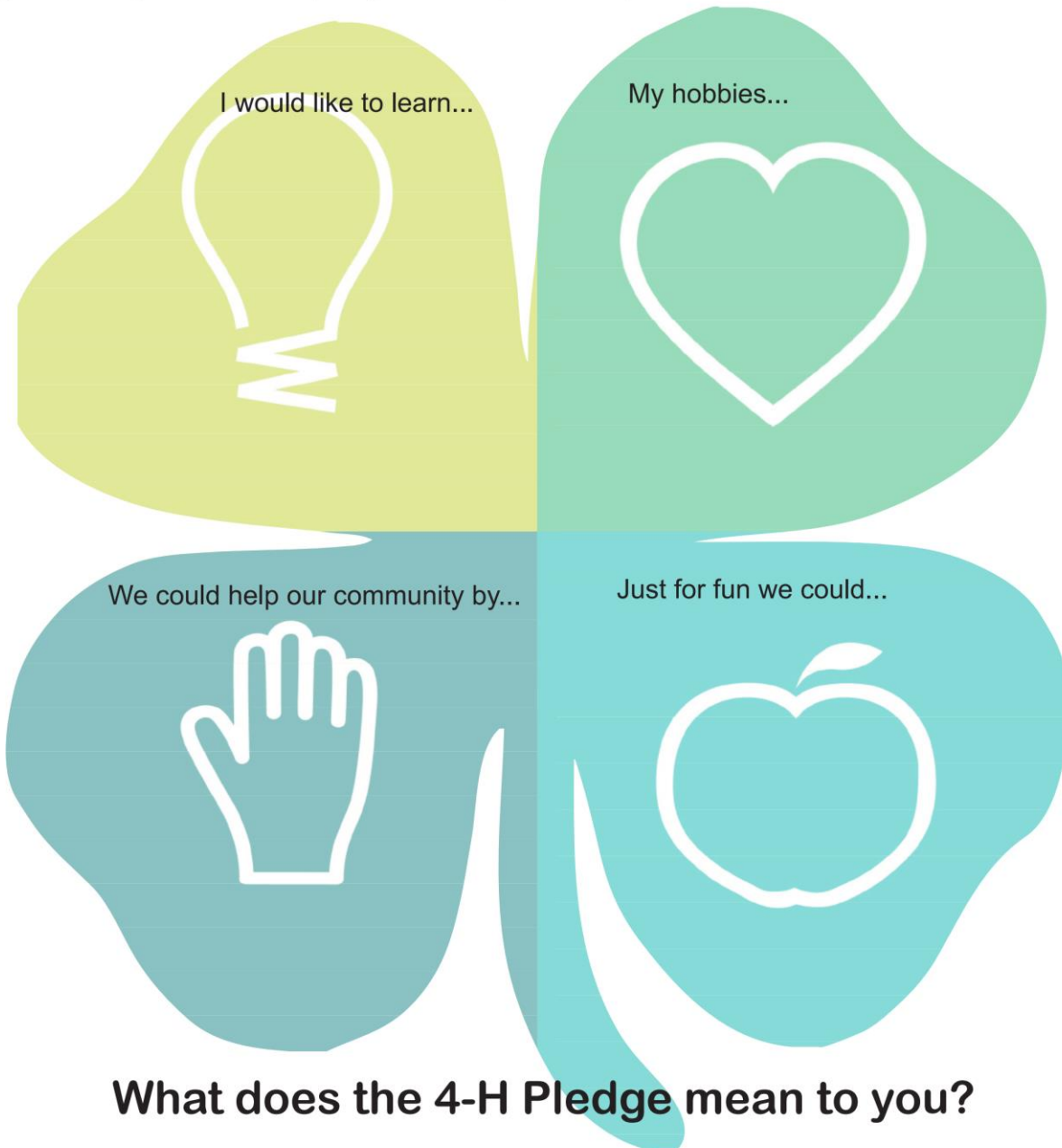
My hands to larger service, and

My health to better living

for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

The 4-H Pledge

4-H meetings start with pledges, including the 4-H Pledge. In each leaf of the clover below, write what each “H” might mean for you!



What does the 4-H Pledge mean to you?

Adapted from “Design Your Own Clover,” Dr. Darlene Z. Millard, University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension, by Ben Hoppe, Brown County 4-H Program Educator, UW-Madison Division of Extension.

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