



The Clover Line

SHAWANO COUNTY 4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER

November 2019



Extension

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON
SHAWANO COUNTY

November

- 2 Cat & Dog Vaccination Clinic, Belle Plaine Town Hall 9am to noon
- 2 Caroline Aces' Fall Festival, 1-4pm, Blue 52, Caroline
- 4 Executive Board Meeting, 5:30pm at the Shawano Courthouse
- 7 Tackle 2020: Shawano 4-H Annual Club Leader Training, 6 - 9 p.m. at the Shawano Courthouse
- 9 Tackle 2020: Shawano 4-H Annual Club Leader Training, 9 a.m. - Noon at the Grant Town Hall, Caroline
- 15 Educational Experience Scholarship Applications and Resumes/portfolios due
- 19 Dog Project Key Committee, 5:30pm at the Shawano Courthouse
- 20 Livestock Meeting, 7:30 pm at the Shawano Courthouse
- 21 Volunteers In Preparation Adult Leader Training, 6 - 8 p.m., Shawano Courthouse
- 25 Older Youth Group, Meal Prep. & Serve at SAM25; Educational Experience Scholarship Interviews
- 25 Leaders Meeting, 7:30 pm, Room A&B, Courthouse
- 30 Last day to cash all Fair Premium Checks

January

- 4 Super Saturday held at the Shawano Community High School

Tackle 2020: Shawano 4-H Annual Club Leader Training

All Chartered clubs and groups need to have at least one adult volunteer and one youth attend Annual Volunteer Training. All adults and youth leaders are invited to attend. This year's training will focus on roles, goals, and putting together a playbook for our next year in 4-H. We will be getting to know each other, playing games, absorbing new material, and planning for the future. Please wear comfortable clothes and shoes.

Trainings will be identical in content; clubs need only attend one:

- Thursday, November 7th, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. at the Shawano Courthouse.
- Saturday, November 9th, 9 – Noon, at the Town of Grant Hall (Caroline).

Sign up for which training your club will be at by calling the office at 715-526-6136 or going to: <https://tinyurl.com/Tackle20204-H>.

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November 25th Leader's Meeting

The 4-H Leader's, Inc. will meet on Monday, November 25th at 7:30 p.m. in rooms A&B in the Courthouse. Elections of officers will take place. A slate of candidates for the offices of Vice President, Secretary, and Eastern Delegate is being prepared. We will also be looking for 2 volunteers to serve on the food stand committee. Contact any Executive Board member if interested in running or simply come to the meeting. Find agenda and minutes on our website.

Finishing out 2019

- **Lynn Tober-Steinke and Elle Borre** recipients of the 2019 4-H Distinguished Leader Awards.
- **Chris Onesti and Rosie Thiel**, chosen as this year's "Volunteers of the Year".
- All the 4-H Leaders honored at the "4-H Experience" as well as all sponsors & presenters of awards. Thank you for your dedication.
- 4-H Week club Lawn Display Winners
 - 1st place, \$25—Wolf River
 - 2nd place, \$20—Maple Grove
 - 3rd place, \$15—Bowler
 - 1st place Family display, \$15—Posbrig Family
- All 4-H'ers who received recognition at the "4-H Experience" Program. Congratulations on a job well done!
- **Youth in Action Scrapbook**
Blue Ribbon Winners: Maple Grove, Belle Plaine
Red Ribbon Winners: County Line, Angelica
- **June Dairy Month Display Winners**
 - 1st place—Maple Grove
 - 2nd place—Belle Plaine
 - 3rd place—County Line
- **Video** 1st place—Belle Plaine
2nd place— Bonduel
3rd place—County Line

Sponsored by Shawano County Dairy Promotions



4-H Experience Award Recipients

Thank you notes or letters are an extremely important gesture to those that sponsor awards. Sponsors would like to hear their donations are appreciated (especially if they're looking to donate in the future.)

Make sure to send a written thank you for any awards you received. If you do not know how to contact a sponsor, please call the Extension office at 715-526-6136.

Congratulations, Gold Seal Clubs

Several clubs in Shawano County received 3 gold seals for their efforts this year! To receive these, a club must achieve at least a 90% achievement rate, at least 150 points in leadership and organization, and 245 or more points in programming. Way to go: Angelica, Caroline Aces, Country Korner, County Line, Gresham Town & Country, Landstad, Maple Grove Countryside, Pella Eagles, Seneca Stingers, Tiger Tribe, Tri-County, Waukechon Wildcats, and Wolf River.

Belle Plaine and Bonduel, were very close, achieving 2 gold and one silver seal which is still a great effort!

We would encourage all other clubs to evaluate their programs and begin to set their goals for the coming year. Encourage all members to follow through 4-H from enrollment to achievement and be active in club activities.

Enrollment for 2020

Enrollment Tips

Soon you'll be signing up for new projects for the upcoming year. Consider the following:

- **ALL enrollments** for current **4-H and FFA** members are due on **JANUARY 5 in order to show at the 2020 Shawano County Fair!** See <https://wi.4honline.com> to enroll.
- While you can enroll in up to 5 projects (plus Youth Leadership), be realistic in your time commitments. Animal related projects can take a LOT of time to be done well.
- Did you know that ANY youth member can take entries to the fair in Recycling and you don't have to be enrolled in that project to do so? This may be helpful for those of you who find it hard to limit yourself to 5 projects. The same is true for all Safety and Citizenship entries found in Dept. 134, Health, Social and Political Science.
- There are **unlimited possibilities** for you to explore in **Youth Leadership**. Opportunities include taking charge of a community service project, assisting with your club or project leader, serving on County Key committees, being a camp counselor, and much more.

- If you are a youth leader, you can indicate in the online enrollment process which projects you would like to help with. Please do so. This will help the club leaders know who they can ask for assistance! Never been a youth leader before? There is no age requirement. Consider being a youth leader if you are knowledgeable in your project area and want to help other kids learn more.
- Do you have an interest that just doesn't seem to fall into any other category? Self-Determined is just what you're looking for! You have the freedom to create your own project by identifying resources, outlining a plan, then completing and evaluating it.

All Key Leaders and Club Leaders **MUST**

complete the online enrollment every year. Please visit <https://wi.4honline.com> to do so or stop in our office and we will help you through the process.



Attention: All Adult 4-H Volunteer Leaders

AGAIN THIS YEAR: You can enroll online in the 4hOnline program and digitally complete necessary forms with your enrollment. Go to: <http://wi.4honline.com> to complete your enrollment. *(There are reminder instructions for both those re-enrolling as well as those enrolling for the first time.)* This will ensure you will continue to receive the Clover Line, get accurate recognition for years of service, and complete the first step to receiving a fair pass. If you forgot your password, there is a button to request that we reset it for you.

NEW: In 4-H there are many ways to volunteer. This year, you will need to select in which ways you will be volunteering your time: Activity/Event Volunteer, Adult Advisor/Chaperone, Club Enrollment Coordinator, Club Leader, Committee Volunteer, or Project Leader. You may select more than one role. PLEASE read the job description associated with each role before you select your choice. Read more about it: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hvolunteers/become-a-volunteer/>.

Volunteers In Preparation (VIP)

ALL FIRST YEAR 4-H LEADERS should plan to attend the VIP Program on:

Thursday, November 21st, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Shawano Courthouse.

Sign up by calling the office at 715-526-6136 or going to: <https://tinyurl.com/VIPShawano4-H>.

Go to: <http://wi.4honline.com> to complete your enrollment prior to training and select your role.

ALL first year adults wishing to serve as volunteers (club general leaders, project and activity leaders, coaches, etc.) are required to attend a two-hour orientation/training and will undergo a background check by the state 4-H office prior to being activated as a 4-H leader. Attendance at this training will meet this requirement!

Super Saturday

4-H Super Saturday!

Mark January 4th on your calendars as the Annual Shawano County 4-H Super Saturday!

What is 4-H Super Saturday? This is a day when guest speakers and 4-H project leaders will offer learning sessions on a variety of topics throughout the day. You get to choose which sessions you attend according to your interests. There will be sessions for both youth and adults, so the whole family is invited! You can come for the morning only, afternoon only, or the entire day! The choice is yours. At some sessions, you will start and/or possibly complete a project that you can exhibit at the fair. The December Clover Line will have final details and registration information.

Our Super Saturday event will be held at Shawano High School with registration at 8:00-8:30 am, and sessions running from 8:30 am to noon. There will be a break for lunch, with afternoon sessions running from 1:00 to 2:00pm (note: some sessions will last until 2:30).

This event is also open to families not yet enrolled in 4-H, giving them an opportunity to see what our program is all about. PLEASE invite friends and family to our Super Saturday event!

Needed—Older Youth and Leaders...

INSTRUCTORS NEEDED! 4-H Super Saturday events have been so popular, we will be offering this program again on **January 4, 2020.**

To do this, we'll need volunteer instructors to teach sessions! Please talk to persons you know that have a special talent that can be shared with youth and/or adults, and ask them if they'd like to teach a one, two or three-hour session at Super Saturday. Older 4-H members also have skills developed through 4-H project work that can be shared with younger kids, so consider teaching a session!

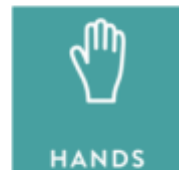
Persons willing to **serve as Instructors** for our Super Saturday event should contact Terri **by Friday, November 15.** Email Terri at terri.brunner@co.shawano.wi.us or call 715-526-6136.

Club Officer ONLY lunch Training –

The Club Officer Training will be held at noon (lunch time) on **January 4th's Super Saturday.** Whether you've been the Secretary for 5 years running or are the newly elected President, we want to see you! **GENERAL LEADERS, you are encouraged to participate.** Lunch will be provided for FREE. This will be a fast-paced one hour session to play a game, run a mock meeting, and ask questions. There is no cost if taking just this session. Please note participation on Super Saturday Registration, along with what officer role you will be taking on in 2020. See you on January 4th!



HEAD



HANDS



HEART



HEALTH

"Welcome To 4-H" packet

Club leaders can pick up introduction packets that include answers to frequently asked questions, a condensed list of projects offered, and general information about Shawano County 4-H. This packet is for newly enrolled families. If you have families that are considering joining 4-H, pick up a **"4-H Interest Guide"** for them. This includes a map & list of leaders, sample Clover Line, and a Q & A sheet.

Educational Opportunities

4-H Educational Experiences & Awards Coming Right Up!

The purpose of
Wisconsin
4-H Educational
Programs
is to...



Provide opportunities for young people to develop life skills in new and diverse settings across the state and nation.

Encourage youth leaders to learn about and appreciate different ideas and perspectives while forming lasting relationships.

Prepare young people for future opportunities and experiences that require independence, decision making, and problem solving.

Inspire action in youth and adult volunteers in their clubs, their communities, and their schools.

Traveling is a great way to learn through doing. It has been proven that youth increase skills around effective communication, problem solving, citizenship (global appreciation and history), financial independence, and teamwork. Shawano County and Wisconsin 4-H provide such opportunities at affordable prices.

There are educational opportunities available for every youth, beginning in 6th grade and spanning through the year after high school. The locations of these trips is to Madison, Washington D.C., Atlanta, GA, and beyond. If you are interested in an international destination, please contact Megan directly.

Anyone is able to sign up for the trips listed in through 4-H Online (except for the 4-H American Road Trip.) In order to be eligible to receive significant financial support* (65-75% of listed price), kids should fill out a resume and

portfolio, and return it to the UW-Extension Office by **Friday, November 15th**. You may drop it off or e-mail it to msuehring@wisc.edu.

*Applications available at: <https://shawano.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/projects/trips-award-information/>. Youth will be asked to attend a short interview on the evening of Monday, November 25th (same night as the Leaders Meeting.) Those with conflicts can reschedule. There are multiple spots available on trips.

Megan would love to help you in any way possible with this process. Please call or e-mail her with your questions. If selected, your child will be given the option of accepting funding through the Shawano 4-H Leader's Association. There are several stipulations with accepting moneys, such as being available to speak to different groups if asked, working several food stand shifts, helping contribute to an educational booth at the Shawano County Fair, and speaking at the annual 4-H Experience. Members may choose to not accept the assistance and will pay the full price.

PROGRAM COSTS

Registration fees include transportation from central locations, lodging, most meals, and orientation and program support materials.

Qualified and trained Wisconsin 4-H Adult Advisors accompany youth groups.

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation sponsors a portion of the fees to decrease costs for county 4-H participants. Many county 4-H leader boards also provide local financial support. Visit your county 4-H Office to inquire. The remaining amount is the responsibility of the delegate and his/her family.

Estimated total registration fees:

American Spirit	\$1400
CWF	\$1400
LWF	\$1200
National 4-H Conference	\$1300
National 4-H Congress	\$1200
Space Camp	\$625
WI 4-H & Youth Conference	\$300

4-H American Road Trip (Shawano County 4-H member trip only) - For Grades 9 - 13

2020 Destination: Yellowstone; Traveling the 3rd or 4th week of June, dependent on delegates schedule.

Delegates travel for 8-9 days exploring the area voted by the OYG in January 2017, trip's itinerary is planned by the participants. Applicants must have traveled at least once on a previous 4-H trip. Estimated cost up to \$1000 (member pays 35% or approximately \$350). Additional costs above \$1000 are at members' expense, as those traveling will determine the itinerary.



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2020 Winter Camp

North Central Wisconsin 4-H

& ICE

Friday, January 31 - Sunday, February 2, 2020

Wisconsin Lions Camp,

3834 County Road A, Rosholt

Youth 7th—13th Grade

\$75

Have fun in the **ICE** and snow while setting your **HEARTS** and **MINDS** on **FIRE** for what your **HANDS** and **HEALTH** can accomplish at **HOME**.

Sign up within your 4-H Online Account!

Recreation Opportunities:

- ◇ Tubing
- ◇ Snow-shoeing
- ◇ Outdoor campfire
- ◇ Movie watching
- ◇ Free time
- ◇ Card & Board games
- ◇ Crafts

Our 2020 Educational Focus will be centered on youth opportunities we can **KINDLE** in your community.

We will increase our skills in:

- ◆ **Leadership**
- ◆ **Communication**
- ◆ **Teamwork**
- ◆ **Assessment**

Be an expert of your area!

Project Reminders

Livestock Auction Checks

By this time, participants in the Shawano County Fair Livestock Auction should have received their auction checks. If not, please contact your 4-H General Leader / FFA Advisor as soon as possible. All checks should be cashed prior to November 30.

Fair Award Recipients

If you received an award this year at the fair please let the Award Sponsor know what this means to you by sending a Thank You note. Many sponsors state that the reason they no longer wish to sponsor is because they don't feel the members appreciate their award.

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Poultry / Rabbit members:

There will be separate rabbit and poultry clinics offered at Super Saturday - which will include a market credit (watch the December Clover Line for times offered). Plan to attend both clinics if you are in both the rabbit and poultry projects.

You must attend at least ONE clinic to show at the Shawano County fair next year. If you plan on entering market animals, you must also have ONE market meeting credit. There will be a limited number of clinics offered before next year's fair. Please plan ahead and get your credits early!

For questions now or throughout the year please email bettygast@yahoo.com or call Betty at 715-853-6114 or Shaina at 715-304-9716.

Scholarship Opportunities

Equity Scholarship

Equity Cooperative Livestock Sales Association scholarships

Students must have:

- completed two semesters at college or completed one semester at technical school
- grade point average of 3.0 or better
- not previously received this scholarship
- family is an active patron of Equity Coop

Application is found online at www.equitycoop.com Deadline is Monday, December 2nd.

Whitmore Memorial Scholarship

<http://www.wppa.org/whitmore-memorial-scholarship/>

Applicants must be registered as a junior or senior at Madison, Platteville or River Falls. Priority to applicants pursuing an Animal Science or related major. Deadline is December 2nd.

Dairy Farmers of America Scholarship

<http://www.dfamilk.com/careers/scholarships>

Open to freshmen, undergrads and graduate students who are pursuing a dairy industry or related career.

Applicants judged on commitment, essay questions, work experience, academics and extracurricular activities/awards.

Application deadline is January 15, 2020.

Pork Association Scholarship

<http://www.wppa.org/scholarships/>

Open to Wisconsin high school seniors with a sincere interest in the swine industry. Used toward college, technical school or Short Course. Deadline is December 2nd.

Financial Guidelines

'Tis the Season that 4-H is known for being especially GENEROUS...

Please consider these thoughts as we approach the giving season. We've begun to have rich discussions around investing in service learning and education, especially on the club level. As you're planning activities for December, please utilize the following guidelines to the best of your ability:

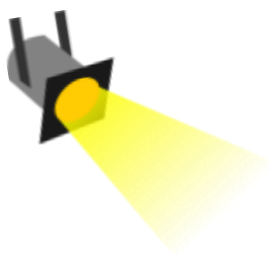
Excerpts from: **Fundraising for an Outside Group or Organization Policy**

The Wisconsin 4-H Program holds that the occasional participation of 4-H members in fundraising activities in support of outside groups and organizations as part of a service learning activity provides a high-quality youth development experience. It is important to note that a group is defined as a "class" of individuals that have a common need and not an individual person or family.

- **4-H clubs or groups may collect non-cash items or cash contributions that are then used to buy supplies and materials to carry out their service learning activity. They may not donate cash to any group or organization outside of 4-H.**
- The local 4-H staff member must approve the proposed fundraising activity as appropriate from a programmatic, youth-development perspective.
- The fundraising effort must not promote or benefit a specific religion, political party or political candidate. 4-H Clubs or groups can participate in a fundraising efforts with an organization that is religious or political in nature if the effort benefits the entire community. An example would be a 4-H club could donate food to a food pantry that is run by a local church, but is open to the entire community.
- The group or organization must not discriminate in their membership on the basis of race, color, sex, handicap, religion, age, sexual orientation or national origin.
- The local 4-H staff must approve the group or organization as an appropriate recipient of fundraising efforts.
- Fundraising activities must be clearly identified as benefiting the recipient group or organization so donors understand who is receiving the goods or services.
- Fundraising efforts must comply with all 4-H Youth Development Policies.
- All fundraising activities must be approved by the membership either through an adopted budget or action (i.e., vote) by the 4-H club or group.
- When a 4-H group engages in a fundraising activity to benefit another group (e.g., fire victims) or organization (e.g., Red Cross) a sign must be posted to make clear to potential donors that the funds will be used to benefit the other group (e.g., fire victims) or organization (e.g., Red Cross).
 - ◆ Checks should be made payable to the 4-H club or group.
 - ◆ Cash received during the fundraising activity must be counted by two persons.
 - ◆ All money received must be processed according to Wisconsin 4-H Policy.
 - ◆ Checks and cash must be deposited into a 4-H account prior to the purchase of supplies and materials needed to carry out the service learning activity.
 - ◆ All expenditures must be made by check from the 4-H club or group treasury, and properly recorded on the 4-H club or group account ledgers including the purpose.
- If a 4-H group is fundraising to benefit a nonprofit or tax-exempt organization, the 4-H club or group should work with the charitable organization ahead of time to obtain tax receipts that can be given to donors upon collection of their contribution. Donations are only tax-deductible if made to a qualified organization (i.e., a non-profit or tax-exempt organization).

This is a BIG change for some. Please consider alternatives that encourage our kids to "do". Instead of donating money to toys for tots, a 4-H group could agree to spend a certain amount of money on toys, then let several members purchase them and put them in an appropriate donation receptacle. Instead of donating direct money to a food pantry, consider letting several kids purchase groceries that they enjoy eating to donate. There are many ways in which we can learn through doing!





4-H CLUB SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH!



Landstad 4-H Club

What's your favorite 'get to know' you activity to do with your members?

We like to 'get to know' each other better by hosting paint/art classes, having a Potluck Christmas Party and hosting an Easter Egg Hunt.

What do you do at your meetings to welcome new members and visitors?

As part of roll call, our secretary will ask members to answer a question instead of responding 'Here'.



What do your members do to serve their club, community, county and world?

Our club puts together Christmas and Easter baskets for Hillside Apartments. We also purchase SAM 25 gift cards. We also enjoy planting flowers by the sign at our town hall.

Does your club take a club trip?

Our club does several club activities. Some of our favorites are going bowling, ice skating, tubing, and being scared at haunted houses together.



What's the most popular snack served at your meetings?

Our favorite snack is ice cream sundaes!!!! You scream, I scream, we all scream for ice cream! Yay!!!!

Club Officers

President	Olivia Lorbiecki
Vice President	Trinity Brede
Secretary	Emma Inman
Treasurer	Abby Ard
Activity Director	Kendall Wilcox
Reporter	Sophia Zeeman
General Leaders	Tracie Brede and Lisa Lorbiecki

What activities does your club do to promote 4-H?

Our club promotes 4-H by putting up a lawn display for National 4-H Week. We also put together a June Dairy Month display and decorate a booth at the fair.

Happenings and Events

2020 Conservation Poster Contest

Get creative to design a poster for the 2020 Conservation Poster contest. The theme this year is 'Where would we BEE without Pollinators?' Posters are due December 4, 2019 to Mary George in Land Conservation at the Courthouse. Use the link to get more information on the contest. <https://wisconsinlandwater.org/events/youth-poster-speaking-contest>

Fall Festival

Join the Caroline Aces for an afternoon of food, fun and games. On Saturday, November 2nd from 1:00pm—4:00pm, stop by the Blue 52 in Caroline to play some games and have some fall fun. Admission is food pantry item or Operation Christmas Child items.

21st Annual Coats for Kids Drive

Are you looking to clean out your closets? If you have any new or gently used coats, hats, mittens or snow pants, consider donating to the local Coats for Kids drive. All coats will be given out locally. Donations can be dropped off at the Extension office up until November 13th.

Safe Haven Needs Help During the Holidays!

"Safe Haven" is a domestic abuse support center of Shawano County. Families that seek shelter at Safe Haven have many needs. Any items you use in your home are used by the residents of the shelter. Their urgent needs are plastic forks, wide packing tape, regular coffee, coffee creamer, dryer sheets, granulated sugar, glue sticks, liquid dish soap and disinfectant wipes and sprays. Chamber bucks and gas cards are always appreciated too. If interested in this community service project, please call them at 715-526-3421 or find their needs at their website.

<http://www.shawanoshelter.org>



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