

Welcome to the last **4-H Minute for February!** We're excited to share one e-mail per week highlighting the educational events to come, 4-H spotlights, meeting mixer, and a policy highlight.

Events This Week:

Important change-Livestock Informational Meeting

Due to the impending storm and suggestion from officials to stay off of the roads, we are moving tonight's Livestock Informational Meeting to Zoom. Connection information is below. Please share with anyone in the livestock project, especially those who are not on Facebook.

Join Zoom

Meeting <https://uwmadison.zoom.us/j/95888333945?pwd=azFkOVU5cXJWejcxRVh1QllRbitvQT09> Meeting ID: 958 8833 3945 Passcode: 4HHHH4 One tap mobile +13126266799,,95888333945# US

- **Shawano 4-H Livestock** will be hosting their **Information Meeting tonight, Tuesday, February 22nd at 7 p.m by Zoom.** General rules and requirements for the year will be shared. ALL first and second year exhibitors and parents/guardians are strongly encouraged to participate. All other members are encouraged to join as well. All members attending may receive one livestock meeting credit upon completing the Livestock Virtual Education Form: <https://tinyurl.com/2022ShawanoLVSKCredits>.

Events This Month:

- **Rabbit & Poultry** Informational Meeting; March 8th, 6:30pm at the Courthouse, Rooms A&B
- **Camp Counselor Full Day Training: March 12th from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.** Staff, watch your e-mail (including SPAM) for more details.
- Required Meeting for ALL **Horse and Horseless Horse Project Members**, Tuesday March 15th at 6:00pm at the Shawano Middle School LGI Room. We will begin our fundraising event, get to know other members and get valuable information about the upcoming project year. Look for emails with more details.

Save the Date:

- Super Saturday for Animal and Mechanical Science has been set for **April 2nd** at the Shawano High School. These are the same classes that were originally offered in January, in the same morning time slots. Sign up for classes at: <https://tinyurl.com/Shawano4-HSuperSaturday>
- The **Music & Communication Expo** will be held the afternoon of **April 24th**. Opportunities to share your talents in speaking (demonstration, poetry, other) and music (vocal, instrumental) – both individual and team.
- The **Foods Revue** will be held on the morning of **May 14th** with a “Just Say Cheese!” theme.
- The **Wisconsin 4-H Foundation** will award more than \$15,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin 4-H members and alumni pursuing higher education in 2022. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H

Foundation via email by **Tuesday, March 15, 2022, 5:00 pm**. To see if you qualify, check out their website: <https://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/>

- Potential campers in grades 3 - 7: **4-H Camp will be held on August 2 - 5, 2022.**

Shawano 4-H Highlight of the Week: This week we CONGRATULATE Breanna Schnell for her 2021 WI State 4-H Sportsmanship Award. A sportsmanship award should be one of the proudest awards that is received. It recounts your character, how you treat others, how you handle difficult situations, and how you live the 4-H motto to make the best better. It speaks of a member that thinks of others and makes sure that everyone feels like a space is everyone's place. The award takes into account more than a moment or a specific time but of how someone lives and breathes sportsmanship as a way of being. Breanna was one of 10 winners in the state. **Way to go Breanna!**



Shawano County 4-H Centennial Memories: Membership in 1936 reached a high of 781 before dropping back to 428 by 1939.

Meeting Mixer: Bloop-Divide the children into groups of six or eight people and have them disperse so that each group has space to work, and they are not too close to another group. Holding hands throughout the entire activity, the group's goal is to keep a balloon in the air (for 21 consecutive hits, if possible) using only • Heads • Head and shoulders • Hands (or heads and hands) • Knees and feet.

Policy for your Perusal: Bicycle Project or Bicycle Activity: Adults and youth who are riding a bicycle as part of a 4-H Bicycle Project or Bicycle Riding Activity must wear protective clothing, head and foot gear. Minimum requirements include:

- Youth must be in 3rd grade or higher to participate.
- Protective head gear (helmet) that properly fits the participant.
- Shoes which provide protection from the hazards of said program.
- Clothing appropriate for the activity which will protect the participants from the elements surrounding the event.

Mutual of Wausau has a 4-H Grant that is currently open for clubs to apply for. Discuss this at your upcoming meetings and consider applying. <https://mutualofwausau.com/community-involvement/>

Thank you for all that you do – we couldn't do it without you!

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