## THE CLOVER LINE SHAWANO COUNTY 4-H FAMILIES NEWSLETTER

### December 2022 - January 2023

December			
16	Ornaments for Seniors are due to the Extension Office		
23 & 26	Shawano County Courthouse is closed - Observance of Christmas Holiday		
January			
2	Shawano County Courthouse is closed - Observance of New Year's Day		
12	Leader Training, Shawano Courthouse, Rooms A&B, 6:00pm		
21	Sparks Saturday Series at Bonduel High School		
23	4-H Leaders Meeting, 7:00pm, Rooms A&B of the Courthouse		
26	4-H Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:30pm, Rooms A&B of the Courthouse		
31	Mandatory Livestock Information Meeting, 6:30pm at Shawano Middle School LGI		
February			
1	4-H Enrollment deadline for eligibility to show at the Shawano County Fair		
11	SPARKS Saturday Series, Tigerton High School		
11	Mandatory Livestock Information Meeting, 9:00am at Shawano Middle School		
<b>SUM</b> Grade calend	RNIGHT 4-H       MANDATORY LIVESTOCK INFORMATIONAL         MER CAMP       MEETING         es 3 - 7: Mark your       Watch for details on the mandatory livestock meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 31st and Saturday, February 11th. All youth enrolled in the Livestock project must attend one monting with a parent/guardian		

# SPARKS SATURDAY SERIES

Let's find your SPARK! We are excited to announce our SPARKS Saturday Series. This year will will be having 2 different Saturday mornings of learning. There will be multiple 'tracks' to choose from. You will follow one track for the morning.

Register today - limited spots available! \$5/participant

### Bonduel High School, Saturday, January 21st 9:00am to 11:45am

Register at: https://tinyurl.com/SPARKBonduel

#### Four tracks to choose from (Based on grades)

- Just for Cloverbuds (k-2): Have fun learning about many areas of 4-H
- **Photography/Cookie Flooding:** Learn some new tricks about photography and then try your hand in the art of cookie flooding
- **Mechanical Science/Woodworking:** Interested in mechanics, attend this session and round out your day with a finished woodworking project
- Visual Arts: Learn the art of tissue art and water color

### Tigerton High School, Saturday, February 11th, 9:00am to 11:45am

Register at: https://tinyurl.com/SPARKTigerton

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#### Five tracks to choose from

- Just for Cloverbuds (k-2): Have fun learning about many areas of 4-H
- **Scale Models:** With an agriculture emphasis, learn how to create a scale models and hear from agricultural professionals on how they use models in their work
- Foods (Chopped): Learn how to safely move in the kitchen, create a recipe, and present your dish for judging! Prizes involved.
- Visual Arts: Craft projects what will we create? You'll want to be here!
- **Natural Science**: All about trees from lumber to maple syrup, we will connect hands on projects to futures in agroforestry.

## **DISCOVERING 4-H SERIES: GRADES K-2**

### **4-H Basics:**

Together we will explore what 4-H means and explain the Head, Heart, Hands, and Health with fun activities! Receive a box with supplies, a supply list, and connect information for the interactive zooms.

### JOIN US VIA ZOOM!

6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Scan QR code to register! Register by Jan. 6



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- January 17 Head Straw Rockets
- January 31- Heart- "The Day You Begin" Book
- February 14 -Hands Lava Mug Cake
- February 28- Health- Happy minds and bodies

To register, visit: https://go.wisc.edu/756vd7.

Materials can be picked up at your local Extension office starting January 16.

## **DISCOVERING 4-H SERIES: GRADES 3-6**

## Let's Celebrate!

- January 24: Making Paper Art
- February 7: Mixing Food, Science, and Art
- February 21: Adding Wellness to your Routine
- January 24–February 21 (ongoing) Goosechase app interactive experience

To register, visit: https://go.wisc.edu/756vd7. Project boxes can be picked up at the Shawano Extension office starting January 16.



When you join 4-H, you are part of the nation's largest youth development organization, and that's SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE!

### Join via Zoom:

Jan. 24, Feb. 7, Feb. 21 6:00 p.m- 7:00 p.m Scan QR code to register! **Open until Jan. 6** 

Virtual LEARNING COMMUNITY

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# WINTER FUN FOR TEENS



*The Shawano 4-H Leader's Inc. has several scholarships available. Please contact Megan when you register for Educational Experiences for next steps. Please e-mail msuehring@wisc.edu.* 

# **ADVENTURES AWAIT**



Explore the stars! Wisconsin 4-H Space Camp gives students the opportunity to experience how to build the skills of an official astronaut! Space Camp includes a bus ride to Huntsville, Alabama where the three-day Pathfinder Program is held. Registration is opened until December 15th -there's only about 100 openings (with limited spots for 9th graders), so mark your calendars! Full information: http://4h.extension.wisc.edu/.../sta tewide.../space-camp/

Wisconsin 4-H International Programs provides the incredible opportunity to gain the rich cultural experience of traveling abroad to stay with a host family! Next summer, the featured countries are Japan, South Korea, or Costa Rica.

Applications are now OPEN, to learn more visit wi4hinternational.org

**Wisconsin 4-H International Programs Summer 2023 Outbound Programs** Travel to Japan, South Korea, or Costa Rica with 4-H!

**Opportunities for youth ages 12-18!** 





Program information can be found at wi4hinternational.org



Applications are due Dec. 16, 2022!

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# **ADVENTURES AWAIT**



Participants are: 4-H members in 10th-12th grade at selection; minimum age 15 during experience. Delegates register through 4HOnline December 1 - 31st. Wisconsin 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus, or CWF for short, is the premier week long 4-H citizenship and leadership experience. CWF brings 4-H delegations from all over the country to stay in Washington D.C., our Nation's Capital! Participants learn about the roles of Senators and Representatives in the United States' government and how these parts work together to form an effective Congress. Additionally, youth get to see and experience government in action by meeting with their State's members of Congress and watching a House of Representatives meeting.

These are just a couple of the activities delegates will participate in. Delegates will also get the opportunity to tour our Nation's Capital and experience the culture that comes with it. After completing the CWF program, they will have stronger knowledge about being an active citizen and our Government. They will also have the opportunity to discover new skills and be exposed to different perspectives and cultures from around the U.S. On top of all this, it gives delegates another opportunity to bond and network with other 4-Hers from Wisconsin and beyond. We hope to see you participating in CWF in the near future!

### SHAWANO 4-H LEADERS INC. QUARTERLY MEETING & PROGRAM REVIEW

Every adult volunteer leader and 4-H youth are invited to join the Shawano 4-H Leader's Inc. Quarterly Meetings. **The next will be on Monday, January 23rd at 7 p.m. in Courthouse Rooms A & B.** 

The 4-H Leader Organization's purpose includes the following:
Conduct county-level 4-H programs with youth.
Raise funds and manage a budget to support 4-H programs.
Coordinate county-level recognition for youth and adults.
Represent 4-H to the community and advocate for 4-H.

Join the meeting in January to install new officers and discuss needed business. The group will also be hosting a feedback session to set direction for the year ahead in fun ways. You won't want to miss this!



# **VOLUNTEER TRAINING**

### 2 OPTIONS FOR VOLUNTEERS IN PREPARATION...

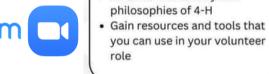


There are many different dates and times to choose from, and training is held using Zoom. Pick a training time that works for your schedule! To sign up, visit https://go.wisc.edu/8pr49v











Thursday, January 12th Shawano Courthouse, Rooms A & B 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

- Safe Spaces
- Title IX
- VIP

Required for all adult volunteers in 2023

To sign up, call the office at 715-526-6136. You do not need to attend all the trainings listed above; you may just attend Safe Spaces or/and Title IX if that is all you need. This is meant to give people an in-person option to fulfill the training that is required to be a volunteer through 4-H Online in 2023.



Learn more about volunteering

for UW-Madison Division of

· Understand how to build safe

spaces for youth & volunteers · Discover the history and

Extension

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## **OFFICER & LEADERS TRAINING**

Monday, January 30th Shawano Courthouse, Rooms A & B 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

## Inspired to lead Called to serve

Does your officer team have what it takes to complete the leadership puzzle? Join us for an evening of pizza and salad, quick conversations, and team challenges to truly "Make the Best Better!"

Call the office to register your team by Friday, January 27th to ensure enough supplies. (Full officer and leader teams welcomed, as well as individuals who hold officer positions.)

There will be prizes!



# 4-H AROUND WI

### 4-H NIGHT WITH THE WISCONSIN HERD ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 6TH AT 7:00 PM

All kids within the 4-H Club group purchasing through this link will get to participate in a pre-game Career in Sports Panel, and also invited into the Jockey High Five Tunnel to receive a FREE Herd t-shirt!

You can now order tickets, and the WI Herd is recommending we buy tickets ASAP as this game may sell out. Ticket cost ranges from \$10-\$26 per ticket (plus tax) and can be purchased here: https://fevo.me/herd4h





Mark your calendars for the WI 4-H Meats Judging Contest - taking place on February 4, 2023 at Meat Science and Animal Biologics Discovery Building, UW Madison Campus.

Registration deadline is January 20, 2023.

More information about the contest and how to register can be found at: <u>https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/.../meats-judging-contest/</u>

What is the 4-H Meats Judging Contest? Have you been to your local meat market or grocery store lately and think you could choose the best cut of meat out of the case? Have you ever watched a live animal contest and thought you could choose what animals would provide the best meat products? This is your opportunity to put those skills to work. This contest tests the knowledge of youth in the placement of carcass and retail cut classes, carcass grading, and retail cut identification. Top teams earn the opportunity to compete at regional and national competitions.

# 4-H AROUND WI

#### WI 4-H DRAMA COMPANY & ARTS TEAM ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!

Two State 4-H Arts Groups are formed every year to give 4-H youth the opportunity to develop their artistic and leadership skills. They then have the opportunity for real-world applications of these skills at the Pathways Conference and Fall Forum.

4-H Drama Company creates a stage performance involving acting, song and dance in the five days leading up to the Summer Academy. 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.

4-H Art Team creates artwork around the theme of the Summer Academy as well as designing and organizing the Summer Academy Art Exhibit, reception and guided exhibit tours. The team members also teach seminars and train to be peer leaders for county and regional events including Fall Forum. The 4-H Art Team is led by a professional artist who teaches team members artistic techniques using a variety of mediums.

Applications for State Art Teams are available in 4HOnline. You can apply via the events tab in 4HOnline. Applications are due by January 15th, 2023 as the final deadline. **Teams are available to all youth in 8th - 13th grades.** 



### Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Celebrates the Arts

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation provides support for arts and communications programs that encourage youth to develop strong leadership, creative and communications skills. Each year the Foundation highlights 4-H artists through the Celebrate the Arts art contest. **This year's contest closes on Sunday, January 20, 2023.** 

A photo of the entry and the completed entry form must be submitted through the contest website: https://forms.gle/KPyDR4KPo2w8e8iF6

A tip sheet for entrants is available. Please review this information to learn how best to present and share your art.

Please read and understand complete contest rules:

https://wis4hfoundation.org/celebrate-the-arts/celebrate-the-arts-officialrules/

## YOUTH LEADERS - HEADS UP!

#### IT'S TIME TO ROCK! YOUTH GROUP IS BACK!

Adult Advisors Andrea R., Jennifer J., and Megan S. met up to brainstorm fun activities for youth in 6th - 13th grades. Get ready for a year of lock-ins, pool nights, meaningful community service, and more!

To kick it off, please join us from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. on Monday, January 16th in Courthouse Rooms A & B for a Pizza and Game night! There will be prizes. Just bring yourself and your calendar to this night of fun.

Please call the office at 715-526-6136 or e-mail Megan at msuehring@wisc.edu to reserve your spot.

Can't wait to see you soon!

# Calling all camp staff!

Snow might be falling, but we're already looking ahead to a GREAT WEEK OF 4-H SUMMER CAMP! (Reserve August 1 -4, 2023 on your calendar.)

We are seeking youth currently in grades 8 - 13 to act as camp counselors and waterfront staff at our many 4-H opportunities this summer. We are intending to host 3 day camps and one week-long residential camp (4 days, 3 nights for campers.) Youth will not need to lead in every camp offered.

The camp application will be open from December 15th - January 15th. Applicants will be invited to initial trainings upon application.

Find the camp application at: tinyurl.com/23CampCo4H.



# WEATHER REMINDER



#### Shawano County 4-H Programs will automatically cancel if any of the following occur:

- Shawano County (or the location where the event is scheduled to occur) is under a Winter Storm, Wind Chill, Tornado, Blizzard, or Severe Thunderstorm Warning issued by the National Weather Service.
- Travel is not advised due to snow, wind, or ice storms.
- Schools are closed for the day or are closing early.
- There are doubts as to how the weather will progress during an event.

We are teaching youth to be safe and assess risk; that includes staying home when it may be unsafe to travel. We also recognize that we have many young drivers in our programs.

Please call the office and/or check our website, Facebook, or listen to our local radio partner, 96.1FM for cancellations. Thank you for being safe!

# SCHOLARSHIPS

#### WI 4-H Foundation Scholarships

More than \$15,000 will be awarded to 4-H youth to support higher learning. Applications must be received by March 15th, at 5pm. and will be awarded based on personal growth, development and leadership, academics and educational goals. Students must have been a 4-H member, have a GPA of at least 2.5 and be enrolled at a college, university or tech school. Current information and application is available at the WI 4-H Foundation website http://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/

#### Gwen Wilson Memorial Scholarship

Gwen Wilson was an outstanding General Leader and founder of the Brener Youthful Workers 4-H Club. This scholarship goes to a four-year or technical college student toward any degree. \$600 to an individual who has participated fully (minimum of 7 years) in what the 4-H program has to offer. To obtain details and an application, contact the Extension office.

#### Shawano County Farm Progress Scholarship

Available to Shawano County residents enrolled in an Ag related field at a UW-System 2 or 4-year campus. Scholarships can be in excess of \$2000. More info & applications are at: https://shawano.extension.wisc.edu/agriculture/youth/or contact the Extension office.

#### **Dairy Farmers of America Scholarship**

DFA Cares Foundation awards scholarships for three categories of students: incoming freshmen, undergraduate students and graduate/professional students. The number and amount of scholarships in each category will be determined annually based on the number of applicants and available funding. Scholarships are available to students pursuing a career in the dairy industry or a related field. Application can be found online at https://dfamilk.com/careers/students-andgraduates

#### Due: March 1

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## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

## Cat & Dog Vaccination Clinic

Pella Eagles 4-H will once gain be hosting a pet vaccination clinic. Bring your pets to receive their needed shots at a discounted price with no office visit fee.

Saturday, December 17th from 9:00am until noon at the Pella Town Hall.

The club will also be hosting a bake sale.



## Don't forget to enroll in 4-H today! Enroll at

https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in

Courthouse - Room 109 311 N Main Street Shawano, WI 54166 Phone 715-526-6136 FAX 715-526-4875 711 (Wisconsin Relay) https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/shawano4h/



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