

THE CLOVER LINE

December

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2024 - 2025 4-H Reenrollment Year OPEN!	
6	Shawano Holiday Parade, 6:00pm
11	Dairy Committee Meeting, 7:30pm, Courthouse Rooms A & B
19	Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:30pm, Courthouse Rooms A & B
30	Shawano 4-H Movie Day, 10:30am, Shawano Cinema
January	
11	SPARK Saturday, 9:00am, Shawano Community High School
23	Livestock Mandatory Meeting, 6:00pm, Shawano County Park Pavilion
23	Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:30pm, Shawano County Park Pavilion
February	
1	Enrollment Deadline to participate in the Shawano County Fair

Shawano County 4-H is “SOUP-ER”

CLUB VS CLUB

WHICH CLUB CAN COLLECT THE MOST CANS OF SOUP?
DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE
THE CLUB THAT COLLECTS THE MOST CANS PER MEMBER WILL RECEIVE AN
ICE CREAM PARTY SPONSORED BY THE SHAWANO COUNTY 4-H LEADERS INC

Vegetable SOUP, TOMATO SOUP, CREAM OF CHICKEN SOUP, CHICKEN SOUP

- Countywide canned soup collection drive to benefit local food pantries.
- Collection dates: January 1st - 31st
- Winning club will be announced Super Bowl Sunday

Sponsored by the Shawano County 4-H Leaders Inc.



HAPPY NEW 4-H YEAR!

We hope this Clover Line finds you well and you are as excited for the new 4-H year as we are! Re-enrollment for the new year is open on 4honline; sign up now to continue receiving news and registration info for the awesome events to come.

Thank you to all the families and volunteers who have already re-enrolled for the 2024-2025 4-H Year! Re-enrolling early ensures that you received all communication from both the county and state level and you are eligible to participate in all the fun events planned by both. If you would like assistance, or any help with enrolling, please contact the Extension Office, we would love to assist!

As always, we're happy to help any club or group looking to add educational experiences to their meetings or ideas for the year. Please don't hesitate to reach out!

RE-ENROLL TODAY!

Enroll to stay up to date with important communication about future 4-H programs and activities



Become an Adult 4-H Volunteer

There are many ways to be a part of 4-H! If you intend to help in your 4-H Club or a County Level Committee, you should be enrolling as a Volunteer Leader. Call our office to find out more information.

4-H FAMILY MOVIE MORNING

10:30 a.m., Monday, December 30th

Shawano Cinema: Movie Title to be shared December 15th

Cost is FREE for enrolled youth 4-H members, Shawano 4-H Leader's Inc. is generously paying their way!

Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/4HMovie123024>
or by calling the office at 715-526-6136.

Bring family members or a friend not yet enrolled in 4-H.

Shawano County 4-H Endowment Fund Request Form: Proposals Open

Does your 4-H Group, Committee, or Club need additional funds for a project in 2025? Apply for endowment funds by January 2nd.

A committee of the 4-H Leader's Inc. will deliberate early in 2025 to determine financial distribution. Your group may be allocated partial payout or the full amount requested.

Access the form by visiting the Extension Office, or fill it out online at: tinyurl.com/Shawano4HEndowment.

SHAWANO 4-H LEADERS INC. BIMONTHLY MEETING

Every 4-H adult volunteer leader and 4-H youth are invited to join the Shawano 4-H Leader's Inc. Meetings.

The 4-H Leader Organization's purpose:

- 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 at 7 p.m. on Monday, January 27 in Rooms A & B of the Shawano Courthouse 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!

Looking ahead, save the dates of:

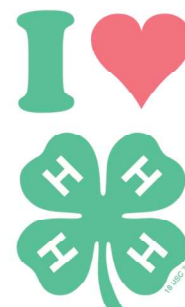
Monday, March 24, 2025

Monday, May 19, 2025

Monday, July 28, 2025

Monday, September 22, 2025

Monday, November 24, 2025



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!



ARTS AMBASSADORS APPLICATIONS



NOW OPEN!

APPLY TO THE

- **ART TEAM**
- **DRAMA COMPANY**
- **COMMUNICATIONS TEAM!**

OPEN TO 4-H MEMBERS
IN GRADES 9-13

Applications
are open from
Nov. 15th- Dec.
20th!



Attention to youth in grades 9-13: 4-H members can now apply to join the state Arts Ambassadors!

This is our new state art team that will allow youth and adults to collaborate and further their art interests. The Arts Ambassadors will have involvement in Arts Camp, Art Beat, Fall Forum, State Fair, and more! Arts Ambassadors will also learn valuable skills tied to leadership and interpersonal skills as well as how to promote the 4-H expressive arts.

Learn more about the Arts Ambassadors on our website:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/.../state-arts-teams/>

Apply here:

<https://25artsambassadors.4honline.com/>

May 1-5
2025



Huntsville,
Alabama

WISCONSIN 4-H SPACE CAMP

OPEN TO YOUTH GRADES 6-8

Get involved in:

- Simulated Space Missions
- Learning and using Space Simulators
- Building and launching your own model rockets
- Real space training simulation
- etc.

Registration open from Nov 15 - Dec 15
via 4HOnline

Registration for 2025 4-H Space Camp is open in 4HOnline! Registration

Registration is open to youth in grades 6-8 who are newcomers to Space Camp.

Space Camp will take place from May 1-5, 2025.

This educational experience is a wonderful opportunity for youth to learn about aerospace, STEM, explore

Space Camp, meet new people, and more!

You can read more on our website:
go.wisc.edu/spacecamp

Teens WINTER LEADERSHIP CAMP

Join us at the 4-H Older Youth Winter Leadership Camp! Unlock your leadership potential, connect with peers, and build skills that will make a difference in your school and community. Don't miss out!

February 14-16, 2025


**SAVE THE DATE!
MORE INFO TO
COME!**




An EEO/AA employer, University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title VI, Title IX, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act requirements.

Save the Date: Feb 14-16, 2025
Registration to open online in December!

Hey Teens,
Join us at camp for wintery fun,
With games, snow, and cocoa for everyone!
Grow your skills to lead the way,
At Winter Leadership Camp, we want you to come out and play!



Save the Date: Art Beat

March 14-16, 2025: 4-H ArtBEAT! is the introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H expressive arts and was created for 4-H members in grades 3-5, their parents and leaders.

ArtBEAT! provides an opportunity for youth and their parents to experience different art forms in a camping environment at the Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center in Wisconsin Dells.

ArtBEAT! Track leaders are older 4-H Youth, 4-H Adult Leaders, and staff. The event offers a taste of several arts projects including music, visual arts, communication, and more!

Youth participants will rotate through a variety of hands-on sessions held at various sites throughout camp, including outdoors (be sure to dress accordingly).



Registration will open in January through 4-H online.



Save the date

SPARK SATURDAY

JANUARY 11, 2025

SHAWANO HIGH SCHOOL

\$5

PER YOUTH



**Registration opens
December 6 online.**

Possible activities include:

- Soap Felting
- Livestock Mandatory Meeting
- Sign Language
- Cloverbuds
- Rocketry
- Rabbit
- Take 5 Me Moments
- Volunteer Leader Training
- Natural Sciences
- Scale Models
- Woodworking
- Foods & Cakes
- Cats
- Community Service

Shawano County 2025 4-H Calendar



Caleb Bergner- Angelica 4-H



Henry Kolodziej- Angelica 4-H



Aiden Kern - Pella Eagles 4-H

Shawano County 4-H calendars are on sale for \$5 – pick yours up today at the Shawano Extension Office. This is a perfect stocking stuffer or small gift for those on your list for the month to come. Pictures featured in the calendar were taken by 4-H youth from across the county. Interested in participating in the 2026 calendar photography contest – watch for details in early 2025.

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The Wisconsin 4-H team recently competed in the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, KY, participating in the 4-H dairy judging contest. The team was made up of Cameron Ryan from Fond du Lac, Logan Harbaugh from Shawano, Summer Hammann from Barron, and Hailey Zernicke from Shawano. Congratulations to the team for achieving second place overall in the contest!

Harbaugh excelled as the top individual in the Ayrshire breed, with the team also taking first place in that breed. Zernicke ranked 10th as an individual in the Brown Swiss breed, while the team placed fifth in that category.

In the Guernsey breed, Harbaugh secured first place as an individual, and Zernicke came in second. The team finished in first place for this breed. Harbaugh also achieved a fourth-place individual ranking in Jerseys, where the team took third place.

Ryan was the top individual for oral reasons, and Harbaugh followed closely in second place. As a team, they placed second in oral reasons. In terms of overall scores, Harbaugh ranked second and Zernicke ranked eighth.

A big thank you goes to their coaches, Lynn Harbaugh and Jay Jauquet, for their countless hours of dedication and coaching, as well as Amy Zernicke for chaperoning!



CALLING ALL 4-H CAMP STAFF!



Apply Beginning Dec 1:
<https://tinyurl.com/4HMarOcoShaStaff>

We are seeking youth currently in grades 8 - 13 to serve as camp counselors and waterfront staff at 4-H camps this summer. We are intending to host 3 one-day camps and one week-long residential camp (4 days, 3 nights for campers). Youth will not need to lead at every camp offered. If you have any interest in being a part of camp staff, please apply!

The Camp Staff application will be open from December 1st - January 13th. Initial training dates are:

- Thursday, Jan. 16, 7:30 - 8:30 pm Virtual
- Saturday, Feb. 1, 9 a.m. - 1 pm In person

TOP SECRET

MYSTERY OFFICER TRAINING

6-7:30 PM THURSDAY
9 JANUARY 2025

Shawano County Courthouse Rooms A & B

Agents and Officers of Shawano 4-H: Your mission, should you choose to accept it, will prepare you to lead your 4-H Club in the 2025 year! Through our interactive officer training, we will learn more about our leadership roles, eat food, and set club goals, all while solving the mystery! All officers are needed to ensure we have the best chance of completing our mission.

4-H clubs are expected to elect their new club officers and have them participate in the county-wide training on Monday, January 9th from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at the Shawano County Courthouse. General leaders are highly encouraged to attend. Even if the club member has served in an officer position before, it is highly recommended that they attend this educational event.

Register by Jan. 6, 2025 at

<https://tinyurl.com/4HMysteryJan9>

or by calling the Extension Office at 715-526-6136

4-H Thriving Survey -- Watch Your Inbox!

Your link to participate in the Wisconsin 4-H Thriving Survey has been delivered to your e-mail on file in 4-H Online! Youth ages 13-18 will receive a link to share input about their 4-H experiences. The results will help us evaluate and communicate how 4-H helps young people to learn new things, develop leadership skills, manage goals, set high personal standards, create positive academic attitudes, and other skills that lead to long-term success in life.

The survey has been sent to all Wisconsin 4-H members by e-mail. The survey link will be open for 4 weeks. Youth who complete the survey will be entered into a raffle to win a \$25 gift card.

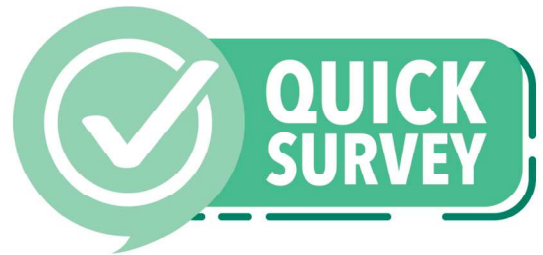
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THRIVING
MODEL
SURVEY IS
NOW
OPEN!

HELPING  YOUTH
THRIVE

Parents of youth ages 13-19,
watch your email for
directions and survey



Want to win a \$25 gift card?
Complete the survey to be entered.



Fill out the survey to help Wisconsin achieve a 30% response rate.

For more information on the 4-H Thriving Model, please visit 4-H Thriving Model – Wisconsin 4-H

Help us tell the story of 4-H in Wisconsin!

**Wisconsin
4-H Hall of
Fame**

Nominations
due
January 15th!

Nominations are now open for induction into the 2025 Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame class! The Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame was established to recognize 4-H volunteers, financial supporters, staff, and pioneers who made major contributions to the 4-H movement at the local, state, and national levels. Nomination forms are available at <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/wisconsin-4-h-hall-of-fame/>.

Criteria and information about the process are located on the website, and a directory of all the laureates to date. The deadline for submitting nominations is January 15, 2025.



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