

THE CLOVER LINE

Fall 2026

October

1st - Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:30pm, Rooms AB, Courthouse

2nd - Record Books, Award nominations, Key awards due

4th - 11th - **National 4-H Week**

5th - Paint it Green: Wear Green to show your 4-H Support!

7th - Papa Murphy's 4-H Fundraising Day from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

8th - Shawano County Youth Leaders Reboot at Amico's, Bonduel 6 p.m.

9th - Extension Office Closed: Staff at Area Extension Meeting

11th - Fall Fun Fest, 12pm - 3 pm, Shawano County Park Pavilion

13th - Horse Committee Meeting, 7 p.m., Shawano Middle School

16th - Shawano 4-H at Trunk or Treat, Shawano Fairgrounds

17th - Shawano & Waupaca 4-H Leadership Kick off Day for leaders & youth officers

19th - WTCH Breakfast Club, 8:30 a.m.

24th - Annual 4-H Horse Banquet, 5:30 p.m.

Shawano Courthouse Hours

Monday - Friday
8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

November

3rd - New Member Family Night, 5:30 - 7 p.m., Rooms AB, Courthouse

7th - SPARK Saturday, Marion School

10th - Horse Committee Meeting

16th - WTCH Breakfast Club Radio, 8:30 a.m.

19th - Tentative Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Rooms A & B, Courthouse

23rd - Shawano County 4-H Leader's Inc. Meeting, 7 p.m., Rooms A & B, Courthouse

26th - 27th - Shawano County Courthouse is Closed

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WHERE: Papa Murphy's
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New Family Night: Falling for 4-H

Tuesday, Nov. 3rd from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Shawano Courthouse, Rooms A & B

Join us to learn more about how to have a successful first year in Shawano County 4-H.

All new member families are invited. Enjoy resources, activities, craft, and a snack. Call 715-526-6136 or e-mail msuehring@wisc.edu by noon on Nov. 2 to RSVP.



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, September 28th at the Shawano County Courthouse, Rooms A & B to make decisions around trips, fundraisers, support, and outreach efforts for 2027.

Looking ahead, save the dates:
Monday, November 23, 2026
Monday, January 25, 2027

CONGRATS!



Way to go to the TOP THREE TEAMS
of the Shawano County 4-H Fair
Goosechase:

First Place: Zachow Zebras

Second Place: The A-Team

Third Place: Gooseyloosey



Join us for the first Shawano & Waupaca
County 4-H Leadership Day & Fall Kick
Off! Club & Group leaders and youth
officers from both counties are
encouraged to attend!

Leadership Day & Fall Kick Off

- Gain Tips, Tricks, & Tools for meetings
- Learn officer duties
- Strengthen Youth Adult Partnerships
- Share ideas across counties
- Get excited for the new 4-H year
- FREE Resources & Give Aways

Saturday, Oct, 17
9:00-11:30 am,
followed by lunch,
in Clintonville



Register: <https://tinyurl.com/4H101726>

Questions?

Contact megan.suehring@wisc.edu, 715-526-6136
or penny.tank@wisc.edu, 715-258-6230



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4-H FALL FUN DAY

CELEBRATION OF ACHIEVEMENTS

SHAWANO COUNTY
PARK PAVILION
W5785 LAKE DRIVE, SHAWANO

TIME
NOON

**SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 11**

COST
\$5

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

TACO LUNCH	THEME VOTE	BAKE OFF
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT	SHORT PROGRAM	RAFFLE BASKETS



Please bring along shelf stable snacks to donate to local schools if you are able.

Register by October 7th:
<https://tinyurl.com/4HFUN10112026>
or by calling 715-526-6136



THIS EVENT IS BEING SPONSORED BY THE SHAWANO COUNTY 4-H LEADER'S INC.

National 4-H Week

October 4-10, 2026

A week that will rally, inspire and connect 6 million 4-H'ers, 3,500 educators, 500,000 volunteers and 35 million alumni.



DAY 1: GO GREEN

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

On Monday of National 4-H Week, Go GREEN and show your 4-H State spirit! A simple, cohesive way for youth, professionals, volunteers, alumni & supporters across the country to celebrate their 4-H programs being Beyond Ready. Wear a green hat, clothing, face paint—anything green goes. Let's paint the nation **GREEN**, on Monday, October 5th!

Share your 'Go Green' moment on social and tag National 4-H, your State 4-H program, and use **#4HBeyondReady** **#National4HWeek**

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK LAWN DISPLAY CONTEST

CASH PRIZES

Club Entry-

1st - \$25

2nd - \$15

3rd - \$10

Family Entry

1st - \$15

2nd - \$10

3rd - \$5

Displays Should:

- Be appealing, showing 4-H enthusiasm and creativity
- Must include: "Contact the Extension Office, Shawano 4-H at 715-526-6136 for more info."
- Be located outside for public to see (via front yards, club corners, etc.) for the entire week (10/5/26-10/11/26).

Judging Details:

- A color photo of the display must be e-mailed to tlgoers@wisc.edu by October 6th. Please list whether it is a club entry or a family entry.
- One display per family and/or club is allowed. (A family may create their own, and still assist with the club entry.)
- Entries are judged on appeal, neatness, originality and conveying a clear message about 4-H.

Shawano County 4-H Leaders, Inc. Executive Board serves as the judging entity for this competition.



THANKFUL THURSDAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

On Thursday of National 4-H Week, help us shine a light on all the mentors, educators, and volunteers who are making positive impact on you people's lives in 4-H. Share who you're thankful for and celebrate how they are making a difference on Thursday, October 8!

Share your 'Thankful' story on social, tag others in your 4-H community, tag National 4-H and use: **#4HBeyondReady** **#National4HWeek**



4-H Awards



4-H programs have engaged young people in learning and growing for over a century, but our work is about much more than a club, a camp or after school program. It's about helping youth thrive—now and in the future.

This year the Shawano County 4-H Adult Leaders inc. is giving out five awards to recognize key youth that deserve recognition for their 4-H efforts in 2025-2026. These awards are not based on record book achievement, but on nominations.

Please consider nominating deserving youth for the following:

*4-H Rookie of the Year Award (grade k-13)

*4-H Spark Award (grade k-13)

*4-H Community Service Award

*4-H "I Dare You" Award (grade 8 -13 only)

*4-H Key Award (grade 9-13 only, at least 3 active years as a member)

DUE: October 2

When you think of a deserving youth, head to: <https://tinyurl.com/4Hyouthawards26> to nominate them!

Our volunteers, staff, parents, community partners and donors are all part of a strong and successful 4-H program here in Shawano County. Together, we make a positive difference for our youth.

This year the Shawano County 4-H Adult Leaders inc. is giving out four awards to recognize those key individuals and organizations that help to make Shawano County 4-H a success:

*Friend of 4-H Award - This award recognizes an individual, group, organization, or business who demonstrates exemplary service to and support of 4-H.

*4-H Spark Award

*4-H Volunteer of the Year Award

*4-H Lifetime Volunteer Award (10 or more years)

You are invited to nominate individuals or organizations that you feel are deserving of consideration for these awards. If you aren't sure which category the individual belongs in, just go ahead and nominate them and we'll make sure they end up in the correct category based on their volunteer status.

When you think of someone who should be recognized, head to: <https://tinyurl.com/4Hvolunteerawards26> to nominate.



Cedar Crest Ice Cream and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation have teamed up once again to present the “Cedar Crest Ice Cream 4-H Flavor Creation Contest” for Wisconsin 4-H clubs. All Wisconsin 4-H clubs are eligible to submit their ideas for a new ice cream flavor, along with a flavor description and interesting flavor name. Entries are being accepted now through November 15!

For contest information, rules and the entry form, please visit:

<https://cedarcresticecream.com/4H-Flavor-Contest/>

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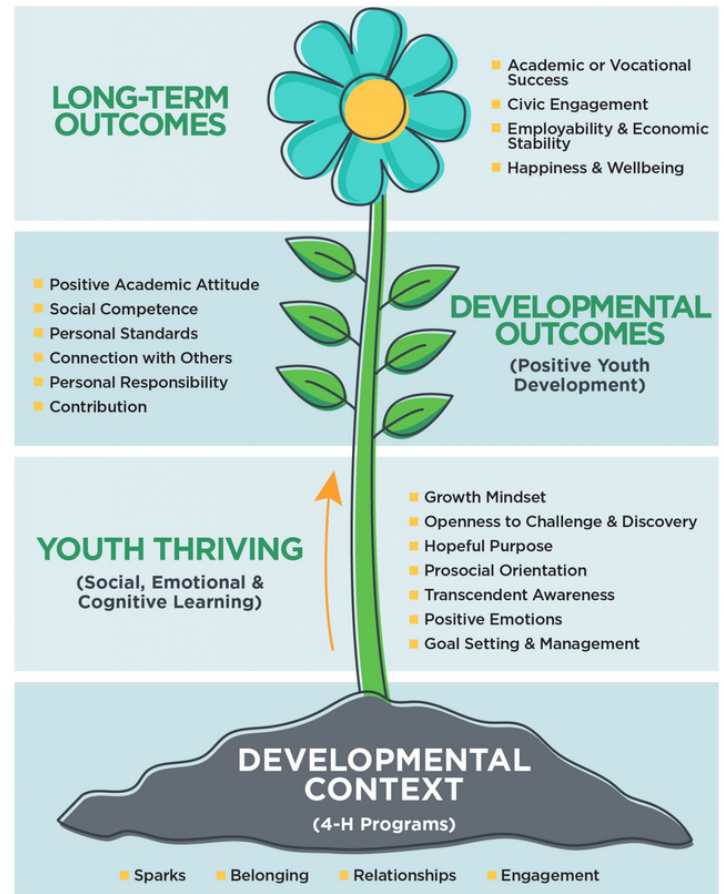
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4-H THRIVING MODEL

This fall, Wisconsin 4-H will be encouraging members (ages 13-18) to complete a survey about their 4-H experience. The survey will help Wisconsin 4-H to learn about the quality of our programs. We also get data specific to Shawano County that we can use locally. The survey will be sent to all Wisconsin 4-H members by e-mail in the first week of November. Youth who complete the survey will be entered into a raffle to win gift cards!

Please keep an eye out for messages and more information about this important survey.



SAVE the DATE



Winter Leadership Camp

January 15-17, 2027

Spencer Lake Camp,
Waupaca, WI

Power up your leadership skills!
Team up for epic challenges!
Registration opens soon in 4HOnline.

Spots are limited.

For ages 13 and over.

Join 4-H'ers from 8 other counties.

Scholarships available from the Shawano
County 4-H Leader's Inc.



SHAWANO COUNTY 4-H YOUTH LEADER

REBOOT

WHO

4-H youth in grades 6 - 13

WHAT:

Pizza, Games, Planning Meeting

WHERE:

Amico's Midwest Pizzeria, Bonduel

WHEN:

Thursday, October 8 from 6-7:30 p.m.

WHY:

Any 4-H youth in grades 7 - 13

HOW TO RSVP:

Call 715-526-6136 or e-mail Megan at
msuehring@wisc.edu by October 7th

SHAWANO 4-H PROJECT MEETINGS

The next 4-H Livestock Committee Meetings will be on

Thursday, October 1st and
Thursday, November 19th at 7:30 p.m.
Rooms A & B, Shawano Courthouse.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

Nominations will be open for Vice President, Adult Chairs, and Youth Chairs. Voting will occur in November. All people intending to vote must be enrolled in Shawano County 4-H, and have attended at least 2 of the prior 4 meetings.

Livestock Auction checks will be available shortly. Those that are not picked up will be mailed on Monday, October 5th.



Livestock Project Information: Educational Credits

All junior fair exhibitors must earn two livestock educational credits each year to be eligible to sell an animal in the livestock auction in addition to YQCA.

2027 Livestock educational credits must be earned between August 2, 26-August 1, 27. Youth may earn their credits by attending in-person educational events or taking it in virtually. ALL educational credits must be submitted using the google form, located at:

<https://tinyurl.com/Shawano4HLVSK2026Edu>

The next Horse Committee Meetings will happen at 7 p.m. on:
Tuesday, October 13th
Tuesday, November 10th
Shawano Middle School, Community Room
Everyone is welcome to join!



National 4-H Animal Science Career Night Webinar

September 29, 2026
7-8pm est

Join us for an evening to hear from noted speakers in the veterinarian industry as they share career exploration insights, advice, and more! Open to youth in grades 7-13 (ages 12-19).
Register by September 28th.



Presented by
National Association of Extension 4-H Youth Development Professionals, Animal Science Working Group

Questions? email mb2173@njaes.rutgers.edu or call 908 526 6644

Guest Speakers



Dr. Hannah Neill, DVM, MS
Clinical Instructor
Large Animal Field Service
Shreiber School of Veterinary
Medicine of Rowan University



Dr. Michelle D'Alessandro, DVM
Belle Mead Animal Hospital
Hillsborough New Jersey



4-H Horse Awards Banquet

October 24th

5:30 p.m. doors open

The location of the celebration will be released shortly.

Bring a \$10 wrapped gift to participate in gift exchange game
kids and adults welcome!

This year we are doing a baking challenge! Bring a homemade dessert and let everyone taste test and pick a winner! A great Prize for the best dessert!

Please RSVP to Maria Damveld.





4-H Reenrollment is open for all YOUTH AND ADULTS

Everyone must reenroll for the
2026-2027 4-H Program Year.

Please do not wait.

4-H Volunteer Re-Enrollment is OPEN and REQUIRED to stay active! Re-enroll, complete your requirements, get approved, and keep the club/project meetings rolling. Volunteers must reenroll by November 15th, per the Wisconsin 4-H Program.

Your club/project group can meet only if volunteers are approved. Being approved means you're covered by liability insurance – protection for you and the youth. It's the right thing to do to ensure safe, positive experiences for all youth in 4-H. It shows your club families how committed you are to a safe, fun environment.

4-H Member Re-Enrollment is OPEN and REQUIRED to stay active! Re-enroll, update your records, and pick projects for the year to come. Members should reenroll as soon as possible to stay in communication with upcoming events.

Don't wait! Start now by logging into 4-H Online.



Are you interested in paper 4-H curriculum?

Arrange a time to come look and
claim yours before October ends.

We will be
cleaning/recycling/rehoming
what is left.

FREE!



Explore Your Spark with Wisconsin 4-H Ambassador Teams!

Are you a Wisconsin 4-H member in grades 9–12 interested in meeting youth from across the state, building leadership skills, and exploring your passions? Consider applying to join a 2027 Wisconsin 4-H Ambassador Team! Opportunities are available in Leadership, Arts, Agriculture, and, new this year, Outdoors. Each team provides hands-on experiences, opportunities to support statewide 4-H events, and a chance to share your voice while helping shape the future of Wisconsin 4-H.

Applications open October 1, 2026, in 4-H Online and close November 15, 2026. Whether your interests lie in the arts, agriculture, leadership, or outdoor recreation and conservation, there is an Ambassador Team where you can connect with others, develop new skills, and make an impact.

Learn more about the teams and application process by visiting:

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/statewide-events-and-opportunities/#state_ambassadors.

WISCONSIN 4-H PROJECT GUIDE

A resource for youth and families to explore project learning opportunities, learn more about projects, and get involved!



LEARN BY DOING WITH OVER 100 PROJECTS IN:

- Expressive Arts
- Family, Home, and Health
- Agriculture and Animal Science
- Leadership & Communication
- Environmental/Outdoor Education
- Plant and Soil Science
- STEM

TAKE A LOOK AT THE

Sparks Road Map

To help you choose where to start



FIND MORE PROJECT RESOURCES on the Wisconsin 4-H Website



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CHECK OUT THE NEW 4-H GUIDE HERE



<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4h-resources/4-h-project-guide/>



Developing a system for communication or/and documentation is critical to the health and well-being of any organization. In order to provide a systemized approach to communication/documentation in the Wisconsin 4-H program, the **Care to Share form** was developed as a simple tool that could be used by members, volunteers, parents and the general public. Find it at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/contact-us/care-to-share/>

Behavior Concerns Report

This form is to be used to document behavior concerns of 4-H members or 4-H volunteers participating in 4-H programs, projects or activities. Read more about it and locate the form at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4h-resources/4-h-behavior-concerns-report-bcr/>

A fresh crop of easy-to-use 4-H Project Guides Picking projects is the exciting first step 4-H youth take in their annual 4-H membership journey. And it just got easier! We're excited to share three brand-new resources to help 4-H members find their sparks – the interests that bring them joy, energy and purpose.

A fresh Project Guide that groups projects into seven streamlined categories. The new categories not only give youth ideas for exploring each project area, but also conveniently match up with most county fair exhibit categories. There's even a key in the back that shows how the new project areas line up with the previous ones. And a new Sparks Roadmap that helps youth find projects that align with their interests!

Three quick videos that give you a tour of the simple changes to the new 4-H Project Guide. That way you can easily explore your sparks and the many exciting projects that help you develop them!

POLICIES

WISCONSIN 4-H

Wisconsin 4-H operates within the guidelines, policies, and procedures of the University of Madison Division of Extension and the United States Department of Agriculture. These policies are established to ensure the educational and administrative integrity of all Wisconsin 4-H programs and activities administered by 4-H staff and 4-H volunteers. Wisconsin 4-H Leadership is committed to supporting staff and volunteers by writing clear and simple policies that will standardize Wisconsin 4-H safety and risk management practices. All policies can be found at:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/wisconsin-4-h-policies/>.

SAVE THE DATE

**4-H CAMP
MAROCOSHA
JUNE 23 - 26,
2026**

**Camp Counselor
Applications
available in
November -
December**



**DRUG TAKE
BACK DAY**

SATURDAY

**OCTOBER 24,
2026
10AM-2PM**



Bonduel Police
Department
205 S. First Street
Bonduel, WI 54107

Stockbridge-Munsee
Public Safety
W1344 Camp 14
Road
Bowler, WI 54416

SIGA FUNMAKER
Community Center
W17634 Radke Rd.
Wittenberg, WI 54499

Permanent Drop Boxes:

Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center
Shawano Sheriff Department
Theda Care Shawano
Bonduel Police Department

Any questions please call 715-526-3111

All this made possible through the help and work of Shawano Co Sheriff Dept,
Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness, Stockbridge PD, Theda-Care, Bonduel PD,
and Shawano Co DHS.

Let's keep the STREETS SAFE!

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