

Heads up Parents!

Hey parents, tobacco has changed...are you up to date? **Tobacco is Changing** is the newest campaign from the State Tobacco Prevention and Control Program. The campaign hopes to increase awareness about the various types of tobacco, flavored tobacco, and the new challenges we all face in keeping kids from experimenting with any type of tobacco or nicotine.

The next generation of addictive products is here! Visit **Tobacco is Changing** on The Wisconsin Department of Health Services website for the full **Tobacco is Changing** campaign. There are informational videos to help you get to know the products and issues, then see what you can do to take action!

As part of the work to decrease youth access to tobacco and nicotine products, Marquette County Health Department works with the Five Counties for Tobacco Free Living to conduct compliance checks through the Wisconsin Wins (WI WINS) program, a state level initiative. In 2017, six out of sixteen tobacco retailers checked in Marquette County sold tobacco to minors. Our hope for 2018 is that the number of sales will be zero. Each year Five Counties for Tobacco Free Living sends out reminder letters and educational resources such as how to easily identify a minors' ID in hopes of helping retailers and their employees successfully deny sales of tobacco to minors.

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Marquette County 4-H Family Newsletter

March-April, 2018

IMPORTANT DATES

March

- 1 New 4-H Enrollments Due to exhibit at Marquette County Fair
- 1 Deadline to Add/Drop 4-H Projects
- 1 Marquette County 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
- 1 Deadline to sign-up for Explore WI Trip
- 19 Marquette County 4-H Leaders Board meeting, 6:30pm, Services Center, Montello
- 22 Fair Board meeting, 7pm, Services Center, Montello

April

- 1 Camp Counselor Applications Due
- 7 Cloverbud Morning, 9-11am, Services Center, Montello, Rm. 112A
- 14 Monroe County 4-H Fur, Fin & Feather Show, 9am, Sparta, WI
- 21-22 Camp Counselor Training, Upham Woods, WI Dells, WI
- 26 Fair Board meeting, 7pm, Services Center, Montello

Cloverbud Morning, April 7th

All Marquette County youth in grades K-2 are invited to attend Cloverbud Morning, filled with hands-on activities and exciting projects. This event will be from 9-11am at the Services Center in Montello, Room 112A.



To register call, 608-297-3141 or christa.vantreeck@ces.uwex.edu.

If you are interested in hosting or helping with a Cloverbud Morning, please contact Christa at the UW-Extension Office. These are the upcoming dates for 2018: June 2, Aug. 4, Oct. 6 & Dec. 1.

Wisconsin Southdown Association 2018 Southdown Ewe Lamb Award

Purpose: To promote youth involvement with Southdown sheep in Wisconsin by awarding youth with a quality registered ewe lamb to begin their flocks.

Who is Eligible?

Wisconsin youth ages 11-16 enrolled in 4-H or FFA who do not already own Southdown sheep.

Requirements/Rules:

A written application must be submitted to the Wisconsin Southdown Association. For an application go to: <https://fyi.uwex.edu/kewaunee4h/2018/02/09/wisconsin-southdown-association-2018-southdown-ewe-lamb-award/>.

Mail application materials postmarked by March 15, 2018 to Kelly Vierck, N5690 County Road M, Juneau, WI 53039 or emailed to: rosehillsouthdowns@gmail.com.

2018 Badger Dairy Camp June 7-9, 2018

Badger Dairy Camp is a 3-day summer camp for youth ages 12-18, filled with hands-on activities, workshops, and contest that incorporate learning, competition, and fun.

Attending Badger Dairy Camp is a great opportunity for campers interested in solidifying their dairy fundamentals and those looking to try something new!



Campers will experience the same atmosphere, facilities, and instruction that Badger judges do-the opportunity to experience a championship caliber Big Ten judging program.

Join us this year for the twentieth annual Badger Dairy Camp that will surely be one of the highlights of the summer!

Parents are able to mail in applications or complete the form online [here](#). Be sure to get your application in early as enrollment is limited!

Please contact me for any questions, Kalyanna (Yanna) Williams, MS Dairy Youth Outreach Specialist Farm & Industry Short Course Recruitment Coordinator, 608-263-9409.

Upham Woods Family Camp: May 5-6, 2018

Families, are you looking for a way to share a meaningful experience with your kids at a prime location? Have you ever dropped your kids off at camp and wished you could stay and join in all the fun? Here's your chance!



Everyone in your family, any age, can attend camp at Upham Woods and experience the quality camp activities that we can offer.

Canoeing on the Wisconsin River, hiking on Blackhawk Island, testing your archery skills, sharing campfire songs and stories, and more! All of this while staying in a beautiful camp conveniently located in Wisconsin Dells.

Bring just your family unit or invite aunts, uncles, cousins, and grandparents to share in the camp experience. Multiple registration options!

Lodging fee includes all meals while at camp.

- Cabin, individual: \$42/person
- Cabin, family: \$165/family (up to 5 people)
- Dorm Room: \$175/room (up to 4 people)

Have a big enough group that you want a whole cabin? Contact us for pricing! For more information on how to register, go to:

<https://fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/programs/family-camp/>.

Counselor Training at Upham Woods: April 21-22, 2018

Camp Counselor training is an excellent opportunity for counselors, adult volunteers, and 4-H staff alike to come together to prepare youth to excel in their summer camp counselor role. Marquette County training will be June 15.

This weekend is offered to both beginning and experienced counselors, adult volunteers, and 4-H staff. A variety of opportunities exist at Counselor Training Weekend:

- ◆ Opportunities to lead training sessions as presenter
- ◆ Counselors participate in training that builds confidence and provides youth development strategies to be successful with campers
- ◆ Tracked training modules:
 - sessions for counselors
 - sessions for adult volunteers
 - allocated time for 4-H staff collaboration

For more information go to: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/programs/outreach-programs/public-programs/counselor-training-weekend/open-enrollment-summer-camp-and-outpost-trip/>



2018 Wisconsin Delegation to National Conference

It's time for us to share with you the 2018 Wisconsin delegation for National Conference! National Conference is a wonderful educational program which gives youth a chance to increase their professional and leadership development by focusing on civic engagement, civic education, and personal development. The 2018 Wisconsin Delegation to National Conference is:

- Bridget Dean, Washington County
- Tyler Franklin, St. Croix County
- Joelle Heller, Waukesha County
- Brianna Jones, Waukesha County
- Veronica Klenke, Chippewa County
- Allison Olson, Eau Claire County
- **Jonah Radzikinas, Marquette County**
- Linnea Tabaka, Green County
- Sydney Tone, Dane County
- Camron VanLoo, Fond du Lac County

Congratulations!

Sarah Tarjeson, Sheboygan County 4-H Educator will be serving as the adult advisor for this experience. We are excited that Sarah has accepted this position and that she is willing to help make National Conference a great experience.

Thank you to everyone who submitted an application and recommendation for delegates from your county. It was a difficult choice narrowing it down to only ten delegates when there were so many great applicants.

We look forward to having a great 2018 National Conference and getting some great delegates for 2019 very soon as well!

4-H and JOANN Fashion Contest

Enter to win a tour the JOANN Fabric and Crafts Stores headquarters and attend the Kent State Fashion Show April 27-29! Submit Your Photos Starting Saturday, February 3.

To enter, upload up to five (5) photos below with an explanation of the outfit you made, construction methods, the purpose of the outfit and what items worn or displayed in the photo are purchased, if any. Entrants must be ages 14-19 and enrolled in a 4-H program.

Sponsors will select up to five finalists, whose photos will be posted on the JOANN Fabric and Crafts Stores Instagram site from March 2-13, 2018, for public voting. For additional information, please see the [official contest rules](#).

28th Annual Monroe County 4-H Fur, Fin & Feather Show

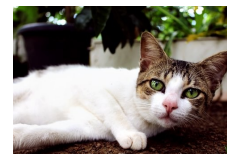
Who: Open to 4-H and FFA members 3rd through 13th grades. Enrollment in Rabbit, poultry, cat, or small pet project is not required. State 4-H Regulations prohibit youth younger than third grade from exhibiting a live animal. There is a special mounted picture class for Kindergarten through 2nd graders.

What: Live animal exhibition

Where: Sparta Barney Center
1000 E. Montgomery Street
Sparta, WI

When: April 14, 2018—9am

Registration: All entries are due **March 30, 2018** to Monroe County 4-H Fur, Fin, and Feather Show, c/o Monroe County University Extension, 14345 County Highway B, Room 1, Sparta, WI 54656. No refunds of entry fees. See entry form for information on entries made day of show.



Visit <https://monroe.uwex.edu/> or call 608-269-8722 to enter or more information.

Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association Handbook

The 4-H Horse Association Handbook has now been updated for 2018! The Horse Handbook is located at:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-assn-handbook/>.

For more information contact Pam Hobson, 4-H Youth Development Ag/Animal Science Specialist, 608-262-9605, pamela.hobson@ces.uwex.edu.

Marquette County Horse Project meetings will be held at the Services Center in Montello at 6pm on March 1, April 5, May 3, and June 7.

There will be a **FREE** Horse Clinic on March 11.

For more information on the Marquette County Horse project and the **FREE** clinic, contact Robyn McCartney at 920-737-3817.

The Competitive Edge Scholarship Program 2018

Alpha Gamma Rho at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is offering two \$1,000 and two \$500 scholarships to any deserving high school seniors or transfer students who enroll at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The application deadline is Friday, March 16, 2018 at 11:59PM. Application info can be found at: <http://wisconsinagr.celect.org/site/forms/12354>.

Finalists for the scholarships will be notified by Friday, March 23, 2018. An interview is required if selected as a finalist. Interviews are planned for the morning of Saturday, April 7, 2018 at The Competitive Edge Scholarship Program on campus at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. If you are unable to attend the event, alternative arrangements for an interview can be made.

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Now Accepting Scholarship Applications

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award ten scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing higher education in 2018. Scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance and future educational goals.



To be eligible for Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships, students must have been a Wisconsin 4-H member for at least one year; have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college or technical school during the 2018-2019 academic school year. Applicants can visit the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation website to learn more about how to apply: <http://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/>.

Résumés, cover letters, project lists and one photo must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via email by March 15, 2018. Winners will be notified by postal letter in May.

A panel of experienced youth advisors will screen the applications and select finalists. Applications chosen as finalists will be screened by a second panel comprised of 4-H and youth development experts. The finalist applications will be ranked. The 4-H Foundation will assign available scholarships to the top-ranking applications based on scholarship criteria (example: scholarships are available for specific geographical areas and project areas).

Call or email the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation at 608.262.1597 or Info@Wis4HFoundation.org for more information.

Explore Wisconsin Trip



Planning is underway for our Explore WI Trip. The dates for the trip are Tuesday, June 12 through Thursday, June 14.

Plans are to go to the eastern part of the state. We will be spending time around Sheboygan and Manitowoc area.

What we are planning doing is Old Wade House, Aviation Heritage Center, Kohler Art Center, Maritime Museum, Kohler-Andre State Park, Fishing Charter on Lake Michigan, Bookworm Gardens & Submarine Tour.

Any 4-H youth currently in grades 4-7 are welcome to attend.

To sign up, please call Jackie at the UW-Extension Office, 608-297-3141 or email, jackie.stoneman@ces.uwex.edu your information and send \$100 deposit (check payable to: **Marquette County 4-H Leaders Association**):

Marquette County UW-Extension
Attn: Jackie Stoneman
PO Box 338
Montello, WI 53949

The deadline is March 1st.

Aldo Leopold Writing Contest 2018

The Contest

Each year students in grades 9 through 12, in public, private, and home schools in Wisconsin are invited to consider a writing prompt or question and create an essay response in 500 words.

Three winning essays are chosen from each category (9th-10th grade and 11th-12th grade). Winning essays are featured on the Aldo Leopold Foundation website and may be printed in [The Leopold Outlook](#) magazine. Winners also receive a cash award, a copy of [A Sand County Almanac](#), and memberships to the Aldo Leopold Foundation, [International Crane Foundation](#), and the [Aldo Leopold Nature Center](#). An awards ceremony will take place at the Leopold Center in Baraboo, WI on Saturday, May 19.

2018 Writing Contest Topic

Students are encouraged to read and reference the "Forward" and other essays from Leopold's [A Sand County Almanac](#) in their responses.

Aldo Leopold loved the land and its wildness. Describe a place in nature that you love.

Why is it wild to you?

Entries are due by March 23, 2018.

Entries shall be submitted online.