Marquette County Teen Court



Teen Court works to create a change in youth behavior, provides an opportunity for youth to restore their image in the community while repairing their relationship between themselves and the victim, facilitates the strengthening of family resiliency, and offers ways youth can gain academic and 21st century life skills for future

success.

Anyone in grades 7-12 are encouraged to participate in the Marquette County Teen Court as a peer juror. This restorative justice program allows guilty parties to be tried by their peers instead of the traditional court system. Training will be provided.

The upcoming dates for Teen Court are: January 19, February 16, March 16, April 20.

Marquette County Teen Court meets monthly on Wednesday evenings. Currently the group is transitioning to a hybrid of in-person and virtually. If you are interested in serving either in a youth role or as an adult volunteer, contact the Extension Office.

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Marquette County 4-H Family Newsletter



January-February, 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

January

- Deadline for American Spirit Trip registration
- 17 4-H Leaders Board meeting, 6:00pm, Service Center, Montello
- 27 Fair Board meeting, 7:00pm, Service Center, Montello

February

- Marquette Co. Meat Animal Auction meeting, 6:30pm, It's Poppin, Westfield
- 15 WI State Art Teams registration deadline
- Fair Board meeting, 7:00pm, Service Center, Montello

March

- New 4-H Enrollments Due to exhibit at Marquette County Fair
- Deadline to Add/Drop 4-H Projects to exhibit at Marquette County Fair
- 1 Marquette County 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
- 15 Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarship Applications Due
- Fair Board meeting, 7:00pm, Service Center, Montello



My name is Michelle O'Malley, and I am excited to be joining on as the 4-H Associate Educator alongside Christa Van Treeck in Marquette County! I was born and raised in Montello. I have been able to experience many opportunities through 4-H myself as a member, and as a parent to our 5 children. The

experiences I bring with me include: community involvement, volunteer organization, and several years of working with youth of all ages. I look forward to this opportunity to give back to the youth within our county and beyond. Some things I am already working towards offering include: Cloverbud Mornings as outreach, Basket weaving, as an exclusive 4-H members only opportunity, Model Horse show-learning from a fellow 4-H Educator, as well as continuing to learn and grow alongside other staff in the 4-H community here at Extension.

Michelle OMalley

4-H American Spirit Experience 2022

Dates: June 3-12, June 10-19 or June 17-26, 2022 **Registration deadline in 4HOnline:** January 14, 2022

- Highlighted Location(s):

 ◆ Maumee
- ♦ Ohio
- ♦ Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- ♦ New Your City, New York
- ♦ Boston, Massachusetts
- ◆ Lexington/Concord, Massachusetts
- ♦ Gloucester. Massachusetts
- ♦ Niagara Falls, New York



What is this Experience: Experience history & heritage by immersing in a 10- day bus journey to the East Coast — Youth-led content throughout the experience — Increase knowledge of American history while experiencing where it occurred — Dynamic exposure to diverse cultural experiences and perspectives of the foundation of our nation.

Participant Eligibility:

- ♦ All youth grades 8-10 (Youth in 11th -12th grade eligible for 2022 dates ONLY)
- ◆ Pre-Registration in 4-H Online 2.0 open January 3-14, 2022. Youth and their parent/ guardian must complete the online registration together; it includes several questions for the youth participant to answer!
- ♦ Each experience is limited to 44 youth, decisions about who is selected to travel are based on the following factors: first-come-first-serve registrants, # of youth per experience, full rooms by identified gender, ages of youth traveling together, eligibility to participate in future years
- ◆ Estimated Cost of Experience = \$1,650
 (Marquette County 4-H Leaders Association will provide financial support (80%) for 2 Marquette County youth.)

COVID Questions

UW Madison, Wisconsin 4-H and the American Spirit Planning Committee is committed to ensuring a solid educational program in a safe and healthy environment. As we move forward with planning and preparing for American Spirit in 2022, we will continue to utilize the latest research and information on how an educational travel experience, through several states, can happen safely; using information from the CDC, the hospitality community (PCMA, MPI, etc.) and the American Camping Association. All participants will be required to agree to and abide by COVID Safety Protocols.

Timeline

- ◆ January 14, 2022 Registration for American Spirit Experience closes in 4-H Online.
- January 28, 2022 Communication Regarding participants selected/able to travel emailed.

Visit: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/ for more detailed information!

Meats Judging Contest

What: This contest test the knowledge of youth in the placement of carcass and retail cut classes, carcass grading, retail cut identification, and a quiz. This contest occurs annually with the teams traveling to Kansas City, MO and Denver, CO for national competition. There is a Junior Division, as well at the state level.

When: Saturday, April 30, 2022 Check-In begins 8:30 AM – Contest begins at 9:00 AM!

Where: Meat Science & Animal Biologics Discovery Building (MSABD), 1933 Observatory Drive, Madison, WI 53706

All contest resources are available: https://youthanimalsciences.wisc.edu/resources/meat-judging/.

Contact Jill Jorgensen, Agriculture Specialist, with any questions; jill.jorgensen@wisc.edu or 920-391-4659.

Animal Sciences Education Series Announced for 2022

The Wisconsin Youth Livestock Program (WYLP) is excited to offer LIVE Virtual Zoom educational programs for the spring of 2022. These current topics are for youth and adults alike and occur on the second Thursday of the month from January through May. Each session begins at 7pm CST with a presentation followed by a question-and-answer time. Register for any or all the events to get the connection information by email.



For registration and details about each presentation, go to: https://go.wisc.edu/tnq61h. On this webpage, you can also find an educational verification form. Complete the form and turn it in to your county fair and or livestock committee to verify your participation. These activities can serve as "county educational requirements."

These sessions will provide awareness and knowledge of animal agriculture in the challenge areas listed. They will also give details on careers and how these are connected with your animal project. There will be a case study to further develop discussion skills with a local project leader, agriculture, and/or science teacher on the discussion topic. Younger youth can learn through a take-home activity they talk about with parents and/or project leaders.

Wildlife WHEP Wisconsin 4-H Wisconsin 4-H Forestry



Wildlife WHEP & Forestry 4-H Friends,



Astronomy is one of the oldest natural sciences. Humans have been using the stars and planets to navigate, establish calendars and understand natural phenomenon. One of the oldest and most recognizable constellations is the Big Dipper. The Big Dipper is a clipped version of the constellation. Ursa Major the Greater Bear, with the Big Dipper stars outlining the Bear's tail and hindquarters.

In the lore of the Mi'kmaq nation in northern Canada, the Big Dipper is a Celestial Bear, and the three stars of the handle are hunters chasing the Bear. In the autumn, the hunters finally catch up with the Bear and it's said that the blood from the Bear colors the landscape. When the Celestial Bear is seen on the northern horizon in late fall and early winter evenings, it's a sign that the hibernation season is upon us. The Big Dipper moves about 4 minutes per day - arriving in its same spot one year later. How can you tell stars from planets and satellites? The planets follow about the same path as the sun. During the day, pay attention to where the sun travels across the sky. After dark, look along the same path about the same path for the planets. Planets reflect a steady light. With binoculars, a star is a point of light while a planet looks round. The best time to spot a satellite is about one hour after sunset. Since satellites don't have flashing lights like airplanes you will only see them when they are in sunlight. After sunset, it is dark on earth, but satellites are so high that the sun is still shining on them. Most satellites move from west to east.

2022 Wildlife & Woods Virtual Classes - Coming Soon! More Wildlife and Woods Virtual Sessions. Wildlife and Woods is Wisconsin 4-H's statewide natural sciences, wildlife, and forestry virtual event. Outdoor enthusiasts get to connect with other 4-H youth grades 3-13 from around the state. Together, we explore the natural world with a special focus on wildlife, wildlife habitats, and forests. Participants learn about wild places across the United States following the 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Program (WHEP) and the 4-H Forestry Program. Each month focuses on a different habitat, some of its plants and critters. Materials are designed for all ages and knowledge levels, so everyone can benefit. Since the sessions are co-led by youth and adult leaders, the youth leadership opportunities are plentiful. Youth leaders can research about wildlife, trees, management concepts and management practices; prepare slides; lead activities; present topics from slides: record videos: or read announcements. Youth leaders also meet virtually the week before for prep and practice. Being a part of this team is great preparation for WHEP and Forestry competitions. For information or to join the Wildlife Woods Leader Team, contact: Shannon Stege: wi4hwildlifeforestry@gmail.com.

To register for the virtual sessions, watch your email for a message from 4-H Online. The registration link will also be in the January TRACSK newsletter. Mark your 2022 calendars for the third Wednesdays, 7-8pm Jan. 19—Wonderful Wetlands; Feb. 16 - Hot Desert; Mar. 16 - City Wildlife; Apr. 20 - Great Lakes.

WHEP & Forestry Contest - April 1st & 2nd, 2022 - It's time to start preparing for the upcoming contest. Most of the contest questions come out of the following manuals. The "Wildlife Management Concepts & Terms" is the best place to start learning the wildlife basics. The National WHEP (Wildlife Habitat Education manual www.whep.org/ and the National Forestry manual www.whep.org/ and the National Forestry manual www.4hforestryinvitational.org are nationally accredited resources. Please email us and we will let you know which animals will be covered in the contest.

UW Science Expeditions Campus Open House- April 8-10

Come explore science at your public land-grant research & Extension university! Bring your club to campus for this exciting hands-on science event! For more information on the schedule of events visit: https://science.wisc.edu/science-expeditions/. If your 4-H club wants to attend this event, let Christa know as she can help you work with the Biotech Center in planning your trip!

4-H Shooting Sports

All youth registered in shooting sports MUST work with a STATE CERTIFIED SHOOTING SPORTS LEADER.

2022 Adult Certification 4-H Shooting Sports Workshops

A statewide archery certification workshop for adults will be offered Saturday, January 22, 2022. This East Central Wisconsin certification workshop will be held in Waupaca County and open to all approved 4-H leaders age 21 and over. Work shop hours are 8:00am to 5:00pm. Follow this link for registration information: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/ shooting-sports/leader-certification-training-workshops/.

- ◆ 2022 East Central Workshop, hosted by Shawano County (Butch's Archery, Clintonville)
 January 22, 2022 (Registration open)
- ◆ 2022 Southeastern Workshop, West Bend February 5, 2022 (Registration open)
- ◆ 2022 Eastern Workshop, Green Bay April 30, 2022 (Registration open March 1, 2022)
- ◆ 2022 Western Workshop, Eau Claire May 21, 2022 (Registration open March 1, 2022)
- 2022 Central Workshop, Marshfield
 September 17, 2022 (Registration open August 1, 2022)

2022 Competitive Shoots



For more information go to: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/shooting-sports/competitive-shoots/. Registration forms are being updated.

• Winter Invitational Marshfield March 11-12, 2022, Marshfield, Disciplines: Air Pistol, Air Rifle, Archery,

Sm Bore Pistol, Sm Bore Rifle, Wildlife Ecology.

Cloverbud Morning

We invite you to join us for a Virtual Cloverbud Morning from 9:00-10:30 am on Saturday, February 12th!

The project kit will contain most of the supplies needed to complete each activity and will be mailed to each family prior to the event.



Virtual Cloverbud

Please fill out one form for EACH youth participant. Youth do not need to be enrolled in 4-H to participate!

Registrations for Cloverbud Morning will be accepted until February 11th.

For questions, please contact your local 4-H Program Associate Educator, Michelle O'Malley at momalley6@wisc.edu.

Register here: https://forms.gle/sfACz23qqxhf9CKf7.

2022 WI 4-H Foundation Scholarships



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. Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth through 4-H, development and leadership, academic performance

and future educational goals.

To be eligible for Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships, students must have been a 4-H member for at least three years, 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 2022-2023 academic school year.

To be considered for financial support, applications (cover letter, résumé, project list and digital photo) must be received via email by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation by March 15, 2022 at 5:00pm.

For more details go to: http://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/.

Marquette County 4-H Scholarship

The Marquette County 4-H Leaders Association will award two \$250 scholarships. This award must be used for programs of study at any accredited college, university or technical college. The applicant must be currently enrolled as a Marquette County 4-H club member. Members who are graduating from high school or are currently attending a college or university are eligible to apply. For an application, please visit the Extension website at: https://marquette.extension.wisc.edu/. Applications are due March 1st.

WI State ART Teams

Youth in grades 9-12 who are passionate about the arts are encouraged to check out: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/state-arts-teams for more details and registration information for:

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

Art Team: 4-H Art Team creates artwork around the theme of the Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference, as well as designing and organizing the WI 4-H and Youth Conference Art Exhibit and Reception with guided exhibit tours.

Communications Team: The 4-H Communications Team tells the Wisconsin 4-H story using multiple forms of communication including photo, video, social media, blogging and writing about club, county and state 4-H events.

Registration for the State ART Teams is open in your 4-H Online account and is due by February 15, 2022.

New Enrollments

New enrollments will be accepted at any time of the year; However, in order to participate in the 2022 Marquette County Fair, enrollments need to be completed by March 1, 2022.



2022 Marquette County Fair date:

July 7-10