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: March 16, April 20, May 18 & June 15.

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, 608-297-3141.

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Marquette County 4-H Family Newsletter



March-April 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

March

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

<u>April</u>

- Sheep/Goat ID & Weigh-In & Swine ID, 8-9:30am, Fairgrounds. Westfield
- 15 Deadline for Wisconsin Southdown Association Southdown Ewe Lamb Award
- Fair Board meeting, 7:00pm, Service Center, Montello
- 30 Meats Judging Contest, 8:30am, (MSABD) Building, Madison





Media Collection Updates

The PYD Media Collection is like a centralized li-brary of educational tools that can be borrowed from anywhere in the state. The collection has more than 100 resources available. Most are for animal science projects, though photography and juggling materials are also available.

We have updated how to search for and find media collection resources. The displays, skillathons, learn-ing lab kits, and more are listed on the 4-H website in the Resource Library (https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/resource-library/). From the Resource Library, find what you are looking for by using one of these search options:

- Search by Title Click the magnifying glass in the upper right corner and type the title of the resource.
- See a list of all Media Collection Resources Click the "All Types" dropdown box and select "Media Collection
- Filter by Format Click the "All Formats" dropdown box. Select click a format (Skillathon, DVD or CD, or Display).
- Filter by Project Area Click the "All Projects" dropdown box. Select the project area you are interested in.

To learn more about the PYD Media Collection, visit the website at: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/project-leader-resources/pyd-media-collection/. Click "Discover Ma-terials" to get to the Resource Library. Youth leaders and volunteers can request materials directly using the online form found on the website. Requesters are still responsible for returning all media on time.

Wildlife & Woods Series

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 fol-lowing 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.

- City Wildlife- March 16 at 7:00 p.m.
- Great Lakes April 20 at 7:00p.m.

Register today thru 4HOnline!

Five County 4-H Summer Camp

When: June 8-10-2022

Where: Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center, WI Dells This overnight summer camp experience is subject to cancellation based upon Upham Woods summer program guidance.

More information will be coming out soon.

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; <u>jill.jorgensen@wisc.edu</u> 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 in animal agriculture.

Next session speakers: Thursday, March 3rd at 7 p.m. is the March 3 (date change) – Food Safety Challenge, Swine Live, Carcass Evaluation & Meat Cuts from the Meat Science & Animal Biologics Discovery Building

Speakers: Jim Murray, National Pork Board and Certified Executive Chef Dr. Jeff Sindelar, Extension Meats Specialist Bernie O'Rourke, Extension Youth Livestock Specialist Jim Magolski, Perdue Farms

For more information, visit https://go.wisc.edu/tnq61h. or contact Bernie O'Rourke, UW-Madison Animal & Dairy Science Extension Youth Livestock Specialist at (608) 263-4394 or borourke2@wisc.edu.

New Tip Sheets for the 4-H Horse Project



Join us for a special release of two new tip sheets for the Horse Project. The release event will be on Tuesday, March 8 at 7PM on Zoom. The tip sheets are a Horse Project Leader Sheet for adult volunteers and youth leaders and a Youth Horse Project Sheet for youth participants in the Horse Project. A team of Horse Project youth leaders, adult volunteers, and Extension educators created the tip sheets.

The sheets:

- Guide project growth through beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels
- Highlight selected 4-H project curriculum
- Focus on safety, learning, and youth leadership.
- Include tips for keeping records and showing what they learned
- Provide career ideas

<u>Click this link</u> to register for the release event. The session will be recorded for later viewing.

Many thanks to committee co-chairs, Sky Holt, Positive Youth Development Educator, Sawyer County, and Lori Wick, Positive Youth Development Educator, Lafayette County, for their leadership on this project. Thanks also to committee members: Avana Beeksma, 4-H Youth Member; Katrina Gleason, 4-H Horse Project Leader Volunteer, Lafayette County; Evan Henthorne, 4-H Program Educator, Adams County; Sharon Hess, Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Association Education Chair; Marie Witzel, 4-H Youth Educator, Dodge County; and Elora Repman, 4-H Youth Member.

Questions? Contact Monica Lobenstein at monica.lobenstein@wisc.edu or 715-896-0377.

Wisconsin Southdown Association Southdown Ewe Lamb Award

If you are between 11 and 16 years old, don't own Southdown Sheep and want to start a flock of Southdown Sheep, consider applying for a quality registered ewe lamb to begin your flock.

For additional information and to apply, please complete the attached application and mail it so that it's postmarked by April 15.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/12cTHVl9HNnn9MD_YU-Sd6rWniUebyaBX/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=115837544166971240430&rtpof=true&sd=true

For questions, please contact sasmerchek@outlook.com.

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/. Planning to contract a bus for April 9.

Youth Conference Cancelled for 2022

Dear Wisconsin 4-H Community,

It is with disappointment that we share the decision to cancel the Youth Conference for the summer of 2022. This annual event, which brings together over 400 young people in grades 7-10 on the UW-Madison campus, has long been a stepping stone in the 4-H experience.

Youth Conference is an important part of the Wisconsin 4-H Program, and we look forward to its return in 2023. Youth Conference is:

- A developmental opportunity at a critical age for youth to spend time on campus, meet other youth from across Wisconsin, and learn about postsecondary pathways and personal growth.
- a key event for many of the state 4-H teams to learn and apply leadership skills and develop strong youth-adult partnerships. Teams such as the Wisconsin Leadership Council, 4-H Drama Company, 4-H Arts Team, 4-H Communication Team, and the Youth Conference Planning Committee come together each year to plan and execute this statewide event.
- A motivator for youth to maintain participation in their 4-H clubs at an age when youth benefit from expanding engagement beyond the club level. The path to determine this decision was not clear and many different perspectives and realities were investigated. The planning of the event was delayed due to the uncertainty of the landscape in which the COVID pandemic has created and the vacancy in the lead state staff position responsible for organizing and implementing large events, such as Youth Conference. We determined we had too little time to provide a well-run, well-executed youth-adult planned event.

Currently, staff and volunteers are engaged in conversations to determine alternative programming that may be offered yet in the summer of 2022. Although not Youth Conference, we hope to provide opportunities for young people to learn, lead, and grow on campus, while also simultaneously planning to ensure a widely successful Youth Conference in 2023.

We are thankful for your patience and perseverance throughout these challenging years. We are dedicated to supporting a growing and thriving Wisconsin 4-H program and look forward to the months and years ahead. With gratitude,

Matt Calvert
Director, Institute for Positive Youth Development

Jessica Jens Associate Director, Wisconsin 4-H Program

Educational Resources from "The Learning Store"

Using high-quality educational materials is an important part of a 4-H meeting or experience.

The Learning Store is an online service of UW-Madison Division of Extension. It offers educational resources and publications. There are topics like health, finances, food safety, environment, agriculture and farming, community, and economic development. 4-H youth and families can use them for project work. A few examples include:

- Raising Waterfowl
- Shelves, Houses, and Feeders for Birds and Mammals
- Guide to Raising Healthy Goats
- Chicken Breeds and Varieties
- Poultry for Smalls Farms & Backyards

Go to The Learning Store at https://learningstore.extension.wisc.edu. There, you will find more than 900 titles. To read a publication for free, click the View Publication button. Or purchase print copies to share at 4-H events and/or county fairs.

Wisconsin 4-H by the Numbers







projects and places.





98%

Inspired to make

positive changes in

their communities

90%

4-H is the nation's largest youth development and empowerment organization. In Wisconsin, more than 22,000 youth are involved in 4-H and over 7,000 Extension volunteers! Wisconsin 4-H is committed to providing youth development opportunities and promoting positive change for young people. Together we can make the best better!

Check out how 4-H has impacted 4-H youth in 2022! Be sure to check out all the great resources you can use in your club or county to promote 4-H: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/the-movement/.

Youth-Adult Partnerships: Building Relationships!



As we dive into Learn Together, Lead Together this year, with our focus on Youth Adult Partnerships. I am reminded of an experience I had when I was in high school. I was in choir and my choir teacher, Mr. D.,

had this way of making us all feel comfortable to be in his classroom, be part of the group, and make us feel welcome. He was amazing at building relationships. He made me – and my other choir mates – feel safe, important, valued. Encouraged us to try new things, and shared opportunities with us. He talked with us in words that we would understand, and related to us. Having a bad day? A trip to Mr. D's classroom and you would be listened to, understood and supported.

Did you have a teacher, coach, adult in your life like that? Take a deep breath and think back. How did you feel? What was your part of that relationship as a young person?

It's true that each person in a relationship has a role and part. Youth and adults in 4-H have their roles and parts. And this month, we want to encourage you to work on building your relationships with the members of your club or group. Adults, ask questions of young people. Make them feel safe, supported. Youth, ask questions of adults. Make them feel safe, supported. Relationships are a two way street - take your role seriously!

Looking for a way to begin the relationship conversation in your club or group? With a little bit of water, pepper, soap and sugar, you can do this activity - and start the conversations! Try it at your club – and let us know how it goes!

https://4-h.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/InterpersonalCharacteristics-CareFor Others-Lesson-Plan-FINAL-4-2010.pdf.

Winner and Finalists of Cedar Crest Ice Cream Flavor

A BIG congratulations goes to Dalton Doers 4-H Club for being a finalist!! Cedar Crest Ice Cream, Cedarburg, Wisconsin, and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation announce the winner and finalists of the 2021 Cedar Crest Ice Cream Fla-vor Creation Contest. The finalists will receive a Ce-dar Crest Ice Cream party, and the Grand Prize win-ner will have an ice cream party and will be awarded \$500. They are: Grand Prize Winner: Knellsville 4-H Club, Ozaukee County, Flavor: Haystack Finalists:

- Dalton Doers 4-H Club, Green Lake County, Flavor: Cow Pie
- Middle Inlet Moonshiners 4-H Club, Marinette County, Flavor: Brewster Rooster
- Naugart Knights 4-H Club, Marathon County, Flavor: Rabbit Snacks
- Rockland 4-H Club, Brown County, Flavor: Sweet & Salty Dreams

The winning flavor, Haystack, features vanilla ice cream with layers of peanuts, caramel and crunch candies. For complete descriptions of the winning entry and the finalists, please visit https://wis4hfoundation.org/cedar-crest-ice-cream-flavor-creation contest/.