



**Marinette County
4-H Newsletter
October, 2021**

Hello 4-H Families!

It is hard to believe that summer has drawn to a close and we are in the midst of a new school and new 4-H year. All I have to say is that summer ended with a bang! It was such a pleasure to be able to connect with so many of our members and volunteers at the County Fair. It was plain to see all of the hard work and dedication that went into each and every aspect on the grounds from each project, booth, planter, billboard, and the smiling faces at the food stand you ALL represented the 4-H program with such passion and enthusiasm. I am incredibly proud of every effort that was put forth to make the event successful, as well as the amazing teamwork I saw in many settings. As the 4-H year is coming to an end please be sure to take the time to reflect on the past year and all that you have been able to achieve despite the challenges we all faced. Think about your experiences and who you may want to share them with. Do you have family members, friends, or neighbors that may really benefit from 4-H or be able to share their talents as a volunteer? Help spread the word about our county 4-H program. I am looking forward to another incredible 4-H year with all of you!

Aimee Elkins
4-H Program Educator
Marinette and Oconto Counties



WISCONSIN 4-H POLICY UPDATES

Wisconsin 4-H has a variety of policy updates that have been posted for various projects including Animal Science Projects and Activities, Fishing and Ice Fishing, Go-Karts, Horseless Horse, Parades, and more. Check out the full list of updated policies and learn more here:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/2021/09/17/wisconsin-4-h-policy-updates/>



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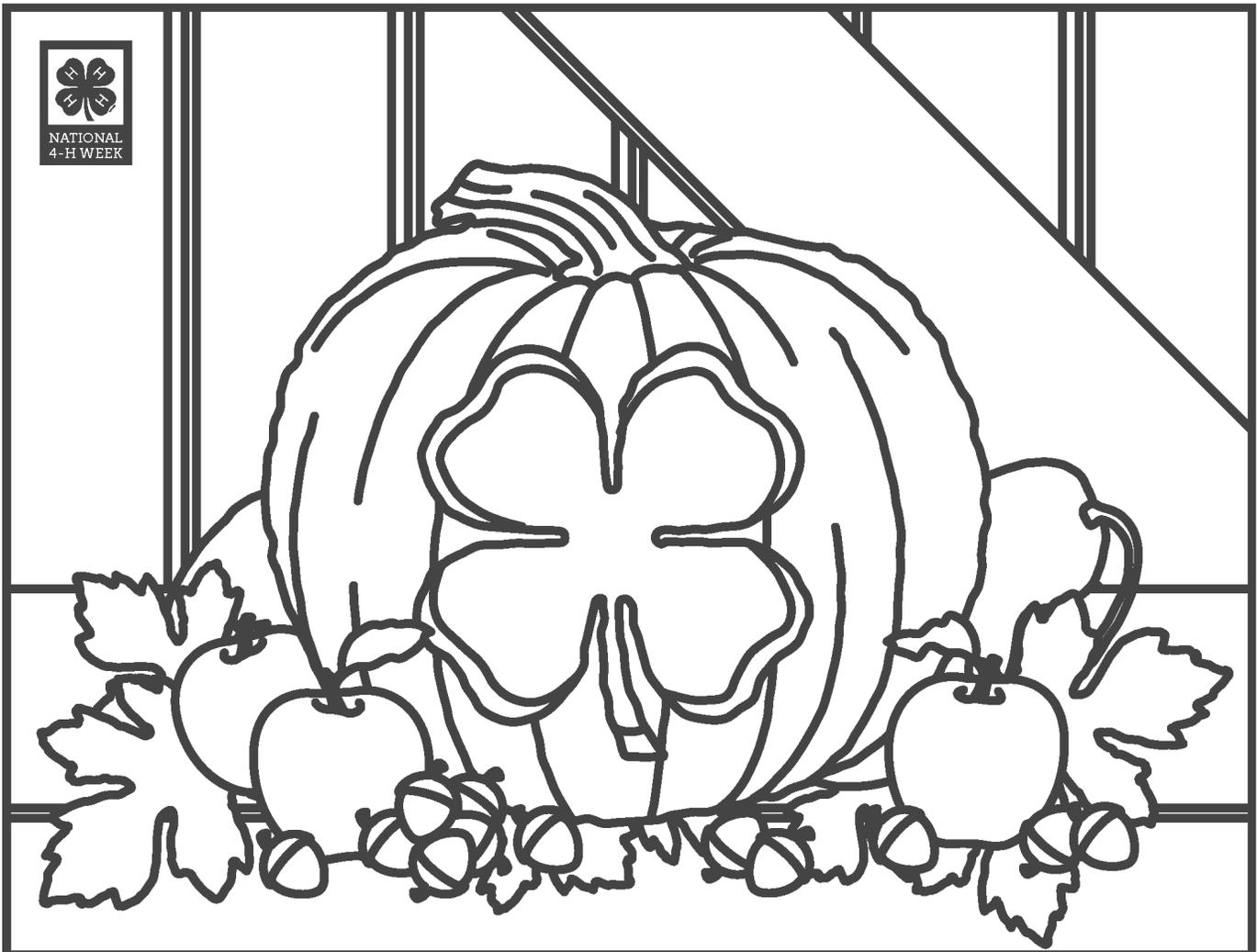
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4-H WEEK ACTIVITIES

COLORING CONTEST

Prizes awarded in each category: ages 5-8, 9-12, 13-15, 16+. Decorate and add whatever words you would like to include on the picture below. Return your completed artwork to the 4-H office by October 15th. Include your name, age and club. Good luck!!



WI 4-H Movement Activity Book: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1fXdRXI9BVfQH7vibgGy-GZXxFYboHJkw>

4-H Kahoot! Trivia Game: Kahoot! is a free game-based learning platform that makes it fun to learn – any subject, in any language, on any device, for all ages! The link to complete the Kahoot! is here: https://kahoot.it/challenge/04928085?challenge-id=2d90265a-556b-4a97-8c5f-9ef0d324a399_1632951122579 and the code is 04928085



[Find your SPARKS – The Wisconsin 4-H Movement](#)

National 4-H week is a great time to find and showcase your Sparks through 4-H and the values of the Wisconsin 4-H Movement! From October 3-10 we invite you to share those magical sparks (the things that excite you) with others. Either click on the picture at the left or the title.



4-H Friday

Wear your 4-H gear and share pics on Facebook or through email for prizes.



OUTSTANDING CLUB AWARD

The Outstanding Club Award will again be using the paper application. Award criteria includes: leadership, activities and community service participation, meeting structure. The application deadline has been extended to no later than October 15 to the 4-H office. Forms were included with the club packets distributed at the Fair. Awards will be given out during our annual achievement event.

4-H RECOGNITION NOMINATION

Who has touched your life this 4-H year or made a difference in your club or the county program? Who would you like to nominate? Categories include: Friend of 4-H, Volunteer of the Year, Outstanding 4-H Alumnus and Outstanding Youth Leader. Nomination forms with award criteria were included in the club packets at the Fair. The deadline has been extended to October 15. Awards will be given out at the annual achievement event.



CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO NEW 4-H ROYALTY

Please join us in congratulating our new 2021-2022 Marinette County 4-H Queen, Isabella Peterson, from Beaver Four-Leaf Clover 4-H Club.

4-H THRIVING MODEL—SURVEY

This fall, WI 4-H will be inviting members (ages 13-18) to complete a survey about their 4-H experience. The survey will help WI 4-H to learn about the quality of our programs.

The survey will be sent to all Wisconsin 4-H members by e-mail in the first week of October. Youth who complete the survey will be entered into a raffle to receive gift cards, scholarships to 4-H events, and other prizes.

For more info on the 4-H Thriving Model and some of the results from the 2019-2020 4-H Thriving Study in Wisconsin, visit <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/4-h-foundations/4-h-thriving-model/>

FALL FORUM 2021

In response to rising COVID-19 infection rates, the planning team has decided to take Fall Forum 2021 virtual. The 2020 Virtual Fall Forum was a huge success, and we believe 2021 will be just as great, if not better!

Fall Forum registration details:

Open Friday, September 17 through - Sunday, October 10

\$25 registration fee includes a t-shirt, an incredible keynote presentation, fantastic educational seminars, and more! Register through 4-H Online 2.0. Pay by credit card or check. For more info, visit:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/fall-forum/>

TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY FALL PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN

October 6-17. For every \$1 paper clover sold at a TSC in WI, 90 cents comes back to the WI 4-H Foundation to be used for leadership activities. If your club partners with your local TSC to promote 4-H at the store, the Foundation will give your club \$50. You must register with the WI 4-H Foundation (Joanne@Wis4HFoundation.org) before your event because \$50 is awarded to only one club per store.

Note: TSC is prohibiting in store displays. However, each manager can make decisions about permitting outdoor displays, so call the store.

You're Invited...

TIME TO CELEBRATE: ANNUAL 2021 4-H MEMBER & LEADER ACHIEVEMENT DAY

You are invited to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our members and leaders! There is lots to celebrate in Marinette County!

Who: All 4-H members, parents & families, volunteers and leaders

When: Sun., Dec. 5, 12:00 noon potluck & awards & recognition to follow at 1:00 pm.

Where: Grover Town Hall

Each family is asked to bring a dish to pass. Plates provided. Also, each club should bring a dessert. We wish to thank our hosts for this year's event: Country Reins and End of the Trail 4-H Clubs.

The following members will be recognized during our annual achievement event: All youth who submitted a record book or easy completion form, Cloverbuds who submitted books, James Crowley Dairy Leadership award winner, National 4-H week window display winners, 4-H graduates, Golden Clover award winners, Outstanding Youth Leader award winner; and more.

Leaders and youth who served on county-wide committees, members of the 4-H Leaders Association Board, members or leaders that coordinated a special 4-H event or project, volunteer of the year award winner.

All 1st, 5th, 15th, 30th year leaders will be recognized.

ASSOCIATION BOARD ELECTIONS - SEEKING TO FILL ALL OFFICER POSITIONS

Board elections will be held during Achievement Day/ Leader Recognition on Sun., December 5. Terms begin in January. Association meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the 3rd Monday of every month (rotating locations) with the exception of Aug. & Dec. (no meeting). In addition to descriptions below, board member responsibilities include planning the annual 4-H calendar & annual budget & working with Extension Program Educator to determine 4-H policies and goals, determine training needs, make decisions about the county 4-H program and carry out other business of the Association. This is a great way to get involved!

President: (two year term) Presides at all meetings of the Leaders Association and acts as Chair of Board meetings. President and Extension Program Educator work together to solve problems and plan educational opportunities.

Secretary: (two year term) Keeps minutes of all meetings of the Leaders Association and turns them into the 4-H Office for the 4-H newsletter. Brings copy of minutes to each meeting. Works with the Extension Office in getting out correspondence and communications when necessary.

Youth Reps (2): (1 or 2 year term) Works as active member together with other board members and 4-H Program Educator in a youth-adult partnership model including attending regular meetings, collaborating on 4-H Leader Association projects, providing input & making decisions, & setting goals for the county 4-H program. Representatives should be at least 12 years old.

Board elections for Vice President and Treasurer were to be held during Achievement Day/Leader Recognition on Sun., July 11. Due to low turnout, elections had been postponed.

Vice President: Presides in the absence of the President and takes care of all the President's duties during the absence.

Treasurer: Collects and cares for all money of the Leaders Association, including camp account. Shall pay bills of the Leaders Association as approved by the board of directors. Assists with budget planning.

RECORD BOOK PROCESS & DATES

The purpose of a record book is to: 1) set goals for yourself ; 2) share and record what you've learned; 3) reflect on accomplishments or give thought to how you may or may not do something differently next time. It is also the current way to apply for several county-wide awards. Record books are not associated with fair checks in any way. Please see the "My Record Book Guide" and "Record Book Check Sheet" that was attached to August's newsletter. Be careful to include all activities you participated in. Merit in a project is achieved by going above and beyond, such as giving a talk or demonstration on the topic or helping others learn the project by providing education or help. Upon completion of your record book, turn it into your club leader. He or she will complete the Record Book Check Sheet or you can complete it together.

Record Book Due Date & Judging Schedule: Record books are due to your club general leader at a date he or she specifies. General leaders must have record books (with completed 4-H Member & Leaders Record Book Check Sheet and "Marinette County 4-H Award Nominations" sheet [given to leaders in club fair packet]) to the 4-H Office by 5:00 p.m. on Tues., October 5th. If you are judging, books may be brought in with you on Thurs., October 7th. Judging begins at 5:00 (or whatever time you can attend) in the Resource Center Conference Room. One leader or parent from each club is asked to help with judging. Subs will be provided by the 4-H Leaders Assoc., but you must call the 4-H office by Tuesday noon to let them know if you are coming and what you would like ordered.



DON'T FORGET THE VIRTUAL LEARNING COMMUNITY

The site shows you all currently scheduled VLC events and opportunities offered through the Virtual Learning Community and our partners. If you would like to see a calendar of all 4-H/Extension opportunities, please view it at <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/virtual-learning-community/>. If you see an event you are interested in, click on it for more information.

2021-22 PROJECT YEAR BEGINS OCT. 1

Our new enrollment year for 2022 begins on October 1.

Members and leaders must re-enroll each year by November 30. Regular members must be in 3rd gr or older.

Cloverbuds (children in 5K through 2nd grade) should be listed in your club enrollment. Cloverbuds can participate in club activities. They can exhibit at the County Fair, only in the Cloverbud category, and do not receive premiums.

Re-enrollment deadline is November 30, 2021.

*New members can join at any time, but must enroll by May 1 to enter in the Fair.

*May 1 is also the deadline to add or drop projects.

*You must be enrolled in a project in order to exhibit at the Fair in that project.

We hope that your 4-H club will have a special promotion to tell the benefits of 4-H in your respective communities this fall. Invite your friends to join!!

4-H TRIPS

Teens interested in attending trips should fill out the Marinette County Sponsored Event Application. First round was due Oct. 1. All information regarding age requirements and trips were included in the leaders packet at the Fair. Following that, applications are due Feb. 1 and applicants will be interviewed at the February 4-H Association Meeting.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SAY “THANK YOU”

Remember to say thank you to your award sponsors and to acknowledge all awards received, whether received at



the County Fair, Achievement Day, or throughout the year. Sponsors give because they believe in 4-H and in you the youth!!! Let's show them we appreciate their efforts and give them a word of thanks.

4-H INSURANCE

All enrolled 4-H members and Cloverbuds, grades 5K & up, are covered for certain 4-H events. If you have an injury during a 4-H event, call the 4-H office immediately for a report form. You must report your injury within 20 days.

ZOOM INTO THE WEDNESDAY NITE @ THE LAB PUBLIC SCIENCE SERIES

Come explore the unknown with researchers from UW-Madison every week at the “Wednesday Nite @ The Lab” public science talks. Talks start at 7pm Central Time every Wednesday night, 50 times a year. Join in live at the Biotech Center, 425 Henry Mall, Madison, WI, or zoom into the room at go.wisc.edu/240r59. You can even web stream at biotech.wisc.edu/webcams. Talks are free and run for about 50 minutes followed by Q&A. Park for a small fee in Lot 20 at 1390 University Avenue, Madison WI, adjacent to the Biotech Center. More information at <https://science.wisc.edu/wednesday-nite-at-the-lab/>

2021 ICE CREAM FLAVOR CREATION CONTEST

Cedar Crest Ice Cream and the WI 4-H Foundation have teamed up again to present this contest for Wisconsin 4-H clubs. The contest is open to all WI 4-H members to create and submit a flavor recipe. Entries are due no later than November 12, 2021. Five top finalists will be selected with one finalist chosen as the grand prize winner. The grand prize winner will receive a Cedar Crest Ice Cream party and a \$500 prize. The winning flavor will also be produced in 2022 as a Feature Flavor for the month of July. The four additional top finalists will receive a Cedar Crest Ice Cream Party. For further information and registration, visit

<https://wis4hfoundation.org/cedar-crest-ice-cream-flavor-creation-contest/>

2021 HONEY BEE POSTER CONTEST



Theme : *Honeybees: Why do we need them?* Divisions: 2nd grade & under; 3rd-5th grades; 6th-8th grades; 9th-12th grades. Prizes per division: 1st place—\$35; 2nd place —\$25; 3rd place—\$15. Rules: 11x14” poster board; print name, age, grade & address clearly on back side; include theme in design; poster become the property of the WI Honey Producers Association. Mail by Oct. 29, 2021 to: Shelly Astle/WHPA, S4131A St. Hwy 80, Hillsboro, WI 54634. Questions: call Shelly at 608-489-2456.



COUNTY HORSE PROJECT



Exciting Changes!

Your current officers, Olivia Hemstock, Audrey Campbell, Stevie Hemstock and Kiana Kotecki recently met with the project advisors to help chart a fresh and exciting course for the Project. There will be more emphasis on fun learning activities such as clinics, field trips, trail rides and shows to help us live the 4-H mission of empowering youth to reach their full potential of working and learning in partnership with caring adults. In the horse project we do that by mentoring younger or less experienced members with "older" horse people who have a wealth of experience. This new approach will expand our learning beyond a focus on the county fair. Come to the meetings to share your ideas!



We will elect officers and advisors for the coming year at our next meeting on Monday, October 4th at 6:30 at the Grover Town Hall.



Our meetings are the first Monday of the month and are held at the Town of Grover Town Hall. We are planning for lots of fun learning at our meetings and look forward to seeing everyone there!

MINUTES

Marinette County 4-H Leaders Association Minutes Monday, September 20, 2021 - 6:30 pm Grover Town Hall

Vice President Anne Biernasz called the meeting to order at 6:32pm.

Pledges were said.

Present: Anne Biernasz, Jennie Pillath, Barb Kosowski, Deb Heitman, Kari LaCount

Secretary's Report: Jennie P. made a motion to accept the secretary's report as was printed in the May Newsletter. Barb K. seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Kari handed out a spreadsheet of transactions since the end of April. There are a few bills still needed to be paid as well as some outstanding checks that need to be cashed. From the profit from the food stand, clubs who worked a shift will also need to be \$100. The workers from the food stand will also need to be paid. Workers worked a total of 248.25 hours during the fair. Jennie P. made a motion to pay the bills.

Bark K. seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Report:

Food Stand: A discussion regarding if it is worth being open on Wednesday if the fair board keeps Wednesday as the day to bring in items. This was an extra day that workers needed to be paid. Most days had similar profit to 2019, except Friday which was lower than 2019. The fair board was able to get a new metal sign from Richlen Enterprises. The next meeting is on September 22nd.

Fair Board: None

Raffle: There were 46 prizes and a total profit of \$1911.44 after all payouts.

Awards/Trips: Forms due 10/1 to the office. Fall Forum is now virtual.

Royalty: None

Scholarship: None

Old Business:

2021 Fair: A short discussion was had regarding the addition of Wednesday for non-animal entries to be dropped off/judged. Concerns were raised if this is too much for parents, especially those who also have animals.

New Business

Achievement Day: End of Trail and Country Reins are in charge. It will be held on December 5th at the Grover Town Hall. Barb K. made a motion to have Achievement Day at Grover. Kari seconded. Motion carried. Noon will be the potluck, please bring a dish to pass, with awards at 1pm.

Record Book Judging: Books are due 10/5 to the office, unless a leader is coming to judge, then he/she can bring the books on 10/7. Judging will be in the Resource Center. Clubs should get nominations into the office for the "Outstanding" awards (alumni, community, etc).

Charters are due 11/1. Fiscal reports were due 9/1.

The next meeting will be on October 18 either at Crivitz or Grover.

Deb H. made a motion to adjourn. Jennie P. second. Meeting adjourned at 7:09pm.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Heitman





Marinette County 4H Shirt Order Form



Design will be on the front of the shirt

Show your
Marinette County
4H Pride!



Let's celebrate the
end of a challenging
yet successful year as
we move fourward
together!



PC54 Adult
PC54Y Youth
Small – XL \$10.00
2XL – 4XL \$14.00



PC54LS Adult
PC54YLS Youth
Small – XL \$12.00
2XL – 4XL \$15.00



PC78H Adult
PC90YH Youth
Small – XL \$20
2XL – 4XL \$25

Style	Adult or Youth	Size	Quantity	Total
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Please return the order form to nancy.servais@wisc.edu or call 715-732-7514 with your order by **October 15th**.

Payment will be collected at the time of delivery.

*Depending on the quantity ordered, prices may vary.