



**"4-H IS A COMMUNITY OF
YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS
AMERICA WHO ARE LEARNING
LEADERSHIP, CITIZENSHIP AND
LIFE SKILLS"**

Dear 4-H Families,



How do you make new members and families feel welcome in your club or project? Here are 3 things you can do to involve the whole club in making new families feel welcome:

- **Be a source of information** – joining 4-H can seem overwhelming for new families. You may not know where to get information. The online enrollment system can seem intimidating. Offer help in getting enrolled, share the 4-H website and other resources. Assign a mentor to help new families with questions.
- **Create a positive welcoming first impression** – make meetings fun and welcoming by greeting people as they come through the doors, introducing everyone and playing get-to-know-you games.
- **Encourage involvement** – get new families involved right away! Remind members about club and county experiences and trips, help them sign up for projects and inform them about county-wide project meetings, ask them to share a skill or talent with the club by giving a demonstration, teaching a project, or joining a committee.

The more welcome a new member or family feels, the more likely they are to continue in 4-H. Everyone's involvement makes a difference!

Sincerely,

Lisa Devine-Barribeau
Marinette County 4-H Youth Development Educator
University of Wisconsin - Extension

4-H VOLUNTEERS WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR BACKGROUND CHECKS TO BE DONE BY GIS

Every four years, 4-H leaders need to undergo a background check in order to continue their volunteer role with UW-Extension. Emails will be sent to those leaders who are due this year. Please check your in-box for an e-mail from GIS (General Information Services). GIS is the company contracted by the state to conduct background checks. The e-mail will come from GIS, Angela Schultz, CBC Coordinator for UW-Extension. Please complete the information needed within five days of receiving the email. During February - April, Angela will be checking volunteers who are up for their 4 year check and those who did not complete a check last year. If you have trouble with the process, contact the 4-H Office for help.

4-H MEMBERS AND LEADERS RECOGNIZED AT ACHIEVEMENT AND RECOGNITION EVENT

Marinette County 4-H Achievement and Recognition Event was held in Crivitz on Sunday, December 11th. More than 200 awards were given out to 4-H members and leaders. Hosting the event were members of the Nelligan Lake 4-H Club. The afternoon started with a potluck lunch followed by introductions of UW-Extension staff and 4-H Royalty, Queen Delanie Schroeder, of Country Reins 4-H Club. Receiving acknowledgments were general club leaders, 4-H Leaders Association Board of Directors and youth and adult committee members. Leaders were acknowledged for their years of service ranging from one year to forty-seven years. 4-H Volunteer of the Year was awarded to Sandra Brumbaugh; Lifetime Volunteer Award went to Julia Lepinski; 4-H Community Servant Award was awarded to Kristin Lepinski; and the Friend of 4-H Award was given to Kathy Schenk.

Youth members received awards in various projects and for participation on committees, camp youth staff positions and high achievements. The 4-H Golden Clover Award was awarded to Morgan Beaudou, End of the Trail 4-H Club. The James Crowley Dairy Leadership Award was presented to Marley Carviou, Merry Go Getters 4-H Club. The 2016 Outstanding Youth Leader Award went to Michael Retza, Golden Opportunity 4-H Club.

4-H SPEAKING CONTEST & MUSIC FEST COMBINED

Mon., March 20, at the Crivitz High School, at 6 pm.



Speeches judged separately - original and non-original categories. Judges MAY give a Best of Show in each category. Cash prizes of \$5, \$4 & \$3. Start your speech by introducing yourself: your name, club's name and title of your speech. You may recite a poem, a reading or give an original speech. Please register by **Wed., Mar. 15**, by sending in your name, club, grade and topic. See rules in this newsletter on page 9.

The Music Festival will also be held on **Mon., March 20**, at Crivitz High School, after completion of speeches. Solos, ensembles, groups, Cloverbuds, vocals, instruments, or combinations. You can use your talents to entertain up to ten minutes. Costumes (if used), music, and props should be used in good taste. Ask the office for a set of rules. Each member can enter two categories. Any clubs or members interested in competing, please fill out the entry form on the top of page 8 of this newsletter, and return it to us by **Wed., Mar. 15**.

"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which has the potential to turn a life around."

– Leo Buscaglia

This month, take advantage of all the opportunities you have to make a difference in the lives of young people around you.

COME FLY WITH US...

4-H travel experiences are scheduled for 2017. If you are a member in grade 6 or above, now is a good time to consider participating in state and national trips. For trip details contact the 4-H Office. Youth members who want to apply for partial funding (75% of registration) for 4-H travel experiences should complete an application. Applications can be obtained on-line through the county

Extension website or from the 4-H Office & are due to the 4-H Office by **Feb. 1**. Interviews will take place Feb. 20th. Next application deadline is **Oct. 1**.

THANK YOU LETTER RECEIVED

This is regarding the food donated at our recent Achievement Day.

Dear Marinette Co Extension 4-H:

On behalf of the Crivitz Area Food Pantry we would like to thank you for your recent donation of 120 pounds food.

Our clients are grateful for the assistance they receive from the pantry and it wouldn't be possible, in part, without your thoughtfulness. We are very fortunate and thankful to be part of such a kind and caring community. We want to thank you for thinking of the Crivitz Area Food Pantry with your donation.

The Crivitz Area Food Pantry is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. No goods or services were provided in return for your donation.

Sincerely,
Crivitz Area Food Pantry

4-H COUNTY COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL PROJECTS

We need more volunteers (youth and adult) for all of our Committees. A reminder that you need to sign up for committees each year. Committee sign-up has been extended to **February 15**. If interested in volunteering, please see the sign-up sheet on the last page of this newsletter.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

Marinette County has a liability insurance policy for volunteers. Leaders are covered under this policy if they are enrolled as a 4-H Leader and they have completed the Youth Protection Training. This insurance is not accident insurance. Accident insurance can be purchased for specific events to supplement health insurance. Please call Lisa at the 4-H Office to verify insurance coverage for

activities that could be considered "out of the ordinary" and might increase risk. As a 4-H leader, it is important to reduce liability risks as much as possible. Be sure to provide safety instruction in all risk situations and take precautions to assure safe activities.

EXPAND YOUR WORLD BY HOSTING AN INTERNATIONAL FRIEND

Wisconsin 4-H promotes intercultural awareness and understanding and challenges youth and families to become better global citizens by providing opportunities to establish close relationships with people from different cultures through international home-stay and hosting experiences.

Month-long outbound and hosting opportunities are available through Wisconsin 4-H and our partnering organizations in Japan, South Korea, Mexico, Costa Rica, Argentina, Finland, and Norway, as well as opportunities to host year-long high school students from Japan, South Korea, Mexico, or Eastern Europe. International learning workshops are offered at the county, district and state levels, and adult volunteer leadership positions are available as well as youth exchanges.

Applications are due **June 1** or til all delegates are placed. For more info and applications, visit: <http://wi4hinternational.org>

JOIN MARINETTE COUNTY 4-H STEM PROJECT

The next monthly Marinette County 4-H STEM meeting is scheduled for **February 19th, 3:00-5:00 pm, at the Pound Town Hall**. The project does fun hands-on STEM activities including science experiments, robotics, computer programming, Legos and more. All 4-H members are invited to attend and bring a friend! For more information or if you are interested but cannot make the meeting, call Jodie at 715-927-3177.



Pictures from past County STEM Project meetings.

4-H ARTBEAT!

For 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their parents and

leaders. It will be held **March 17-18**, at Upham Woods, in WI Dells. The weekend will feature a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts and more. Both youth and adult participants stay in cabins. Fee is \$50, inc all materials, special snacks, lodging and breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Registration deadline: **February 10**. For additional information, visit <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4harts/artbeat/>

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

By now, only those (new and returning) members who have completed their on-line enrollment forms and leaders who have completed the volunteer protection requirements are receiving this newsletter. General leaders, please check with your group to make sure everyone is registered. New members must join by May 1 in order to exhibit at the Fair.

SPRING GARDEN CONFERENCE

Sat., April 1, at the UW Campus, Marinette, 8 am-3:45 pm. Cost: \$40 inc. speakers, handouts, lunch & refreshments. Workshops, extra fees. Registration information on the UWEX website: <http://marinette.uwex.edu>
☎ For further info., contact Gina or Scott at 715-732-7510.



I WANT TO KNOW! CAMP

Do you like science, technology or engineering? Have you always wanted to know what makes things work? Do you like to do cool, hands-on experiments? If so, then I Want To Know! STEM Camp is for you!

May 5-6, 2017

Check-in begins at 5:30 p.m. on May 5
& ends on May 6 at 4:00 p.m.

Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center,
Wisconsin Dells, WI

Grades 6-8, \$70 includes all meals, lodging & t-shirt

Registration due April 14

Registration & other information for the IW2K! STEM Camp is online:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hstem/events/i-want-to-know-stem-camp-2017/>

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

CO. 4-H LEADERS ASSOC. SCHOLARSHIPS

To be eligible, you must have been in Marinette County 4-H at least four years and be a 4-H graduate of Marinette County or eligible to graduate. Open to high school

seniors, freshmen and sophomores in post-secondary education, including college, university or technical school and a full-time student. Up to five \$500 scholarships will be awarded. Scholarship applications are available in the Extension office. Deadline: **March 1**.

4-H HORSE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: **March 1**. Information and application form are on the state 4-H website in the horse handbook at: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-assn-handbook/>

WI 4-H FOUNDATION 2017 SCHOLARSHIPS

The Foundation will award more than \$10,000 in scholarships to outstanding WI students pursuing higher education. Applications must be received via e-mail by **March 15, 2017**. To be eligible, students must have been a WI 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 2017-18 academic school year. Visit <http://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/> for more info.

DAIRY YOUTH - SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The WI State Fair Dairy Promotion Board will award \$1,000 scholarships to students who will be third or fourth-year college students during the 2017-18 academic year. Additional \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors, who will be first-year college students during the 2017-18 academic year. Students studying in a two-year program are also encouraged to apply. Any WI resident who will enroll in or is currently enrolled as a full-time student in a two or four-year WI school or short course program and is pursuing a dairy-related or food science degree is eligible for scholarship consideration. Applicants evaluated on involvement & leadership in dairy-related activities, scholastic achievement, & career plans. Deadline: **March 24**. Application at: <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/dairy-promo-board/>

WI TOWNS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROG.

The WI Towns Association, in conjunction with Rural Mutual Insurance Company, and Scott Construction, Inc., will be awarding \$7,000 in scholarships to the winners of an essay contest to high school seniors graduating in 2017 who plan to enroll in a Wisconsin public or private college or vocational college. This year's topic is: "A federal republic form of government: What is it? Why does it work? Do we still have one? Why are town governments critical to its success?" Deadline: **May 30**. For more info. and registration form, visit: <http://www.wisctowns.com/home/scholarship-program>

MECHANICAL SCIENCES & NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON.

FARM MACHINERY/TRACTOR SAFETY CLASS

March 25, April 1, 8, 22, 29 and May 6 - 8:30 am-12:30 pm, at Oconto Falls. Fee. Classes offered again in June. Can register on-line at <https://www.nwtc.edu/> or phone 888-385-NWTC. For additional info, call the Trades & Technical office 920-498-5457. *A non 4-H sponsored event.*

WILDLIFE FOREVER STATE-FISH ART CONTEST

Open to K-Gr 12. Deadline: **March 31**. Children must draw any state's official fish in its natural habitat and write an essay about that fish. Winners in each grade group (K-3, 4-6th, 7-9th, 10-12th) selected. Visit: <http://www.wildlifeforever.org/contest/details>. *A non 4-H sponsored event.*

CAMP NEWS

GET CREATIVE! CAMP T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

Would you like to see your original design being worn by over 250 smiling campers? The N.E.W. 4-H Camp Team (Counties of Door, Kewaunee, Marinette, Oconto & Brown) is looking for their 2017 4-H summer camp t-shirt design. The contest is open to campers and 4-H members grades K-13 and camp youth staff.

The design should:

- Include the 4-H clover
- Relate to a camping theme
- Be your original artwork (no photos)
- Be able to be reproduced on a t-shirt (in black & white on colored shirt)
- Be 8 ½ X 11 inches
- Include your name, county, age, phone number and e-mail on the back of your design

The winning youth artist will have his or her artwork displayed on the 2017 camp t-shirt and will receive their choice of \$25.00 off of their camp registration or a \$25.00 gift certificate for the 4-H Mall. All other entries will be put into a random drawing and one person will receive their choice of \$25.00 off their camp registration or \$25.00 gift certificate from the 4-H Mall book. Please note that your design will become the property of the N.E.W. Camp Team and will be subject to editing & change at their discretion. Please submit your design to your UW-Extension Office by **April 1, 2017**.

WANTED: 4-H CAMP COUNSELORS AND DISHWASHERS

Do you enjoy working with younger kids? Would you like to meet other 4-Hers from other counties? Do you want to take your leadership skills to the great outdoors? Then camp is the place for you! Applications are due to the UW-Extension Office by **March 15**. Dishwashers must be age 14 or older by June 1, 2017 & counselors must be age 15 or older by June 1, 2017. Tentative camp dates are June 10-13. Please call the office to obtain an application or visit:

<http://marinette.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-summer-camp/>

SAND LAKE CONSERVATION CAMP

Wed.-Fri., June 21-23, at Camp Bird Youth Camp, Crivitz. This camp is for WI and Upper MI youth entering grades 6-8. Topics include wildlife ecology, water quality, fisheries, outdoor skills and more. \$100 fee until May 19; after that, \$150. Cut-off date is June 1 and space is limited; registration on first come, first served basis. For more info, call 715-732-7784 or visit https://www.marinettecounty.com/departments/page_7b805ec52d85/?department=a67be5f0c03a&subdepartment=2f2cddf42621



ANIMAL SCIENCE

WI DAIRY & BEEF WELL-BEING CONFERENCE

March 3, at Country Aire, Co Rd P, in Stratford, 8:30 am. Adult and youth tracks. Fees. Youth, \$20, must be registered by **Feb. 20**. Speakers include Greg Peterson, Dr. Ron Gill and Dr. Victor Cortese. For more information and registration, visit <http://fyi.uwex.edu/animalhusbandryconference/>

COUNTY FAIR WEIGH-IN DATES ANNOUNCED

March 18 for steers. **May 13** for swine, goats, sheep.

WI DAIRY GOAT ASSOC. SHARE-A-KID CONTEST

The contest is open to youth between the ages of 10 and 17 years of age and is a member of WDGA, 4-H, FFA or other ag groups. Only one goat per family per year can be awarded. The entry form must accompany an essay of 100 words or more telling why the applicant would like to have a dairy goat, how they are going to take care of her, if they have ever raised a goat before, and if not, who will help them, why they love goats and what they love about goats. Winners are required to show their goat at the county fair

or an open class goat show. Entries accepted from **Jan. 1 until April 1**. For more info and application form, go to <http://www.wdga.org/out-and-about/>

COW JUDGING CONTEST

Entries due **March 23** for the Annual Hoard's Dairyman Cow Judging Contest in the 4-H Club/Jr. Breed Organization Division. Cash prizes. Only one entry per division. However, members also may enter with their chapters or families. If interested, click on <http://www.hoards.com/youth/cowjudgingcorner> for more information. *A non 4-H sponsored event.*

STARTER FLOCK OF TARGHEE EWES GIVEAWAY

The WI Jr. Targhee Sheep Assoc. will be giving away a starter flock of three Targhee ewes this year to a WI youth. Applicants must be aged 12-17 as of Jan. 1, 2017, must be a WI resident, and must not currently raise Targhee sheep. The winner must also be eligible and agree to exhibit their animals at both the 2017 WI State Fair open sheep show and WI Jr. State Fair sheep show. The winner will receive a combination of ewe lambs, yearling ewes and/or brood ewes, and take ownership of the animals before any 2017 State Fair entry deadlines. Applications available at either <http://www.ustargheesheep.org> or <http://myplace.frontier.com/~jrnevns/AJNL/Home.html> and are due no later than **April 1**. *A non 4-H sponsored event.*

MAQA TRAINING SCHEDULE - REGISTRATION REQUIRED

In order to align with state standards, the following species exhibitors must attend Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA) training: rabbit, poultry, beef, sheep, swine and meat goats in order to sell in the 2017 Marinette County Fair Livestock Auction. The curriculum is set by the state and focuses on safe food production, proper animal care, and ideal management practices. The livestock raised by youth exhibitors are an important part of our agriculture industry, and we want to strive for high quality food production. Many counties in Wisconsin have adopted the MAQA trainings as part of their fair requirements, and it is a requirement for livestock youth at the Marinette County Fair to sell their animals at auction. The training focuses on different topics each year.

The schedule for this year:

- **Thurs., April 20**, at the Pound Town Hall, in Coleman, 7-8:30 pm
- **Sat., May 6**, at the Gillett Community Center, 200 E Main St., Gillett, 1-2:30 pm

Registration for these trainings is **required**. You can register by calling the Oconto County UW Extension office at 920-834-6845.

Remember, if you are not MAQA certified, you will not be eligible to sell in the Livestock Auction at the 2017 Marinette County Fair. MAQA training must be renewed every year. Exhibitors must attend the entire training to be certified. Choose the date and location that best works for you.

If you are unable to make any of these dates, you are allowed to attend MAQA training in another county. Please visit the website <http://fyi.uwex.edu/maqa/maqa-meetings/> for training in other counties or contact the UW Extension office. Most counties will be holding their trainings in spring and early summer, so please do not wait until the last minute!

If you have any questions about MAQA, please contact Sarah at 920-834-6845. If you know of any FFA or Scout member(s) who might be showing livestock, please share this information with them.



HORSE PROJECT

HORSE PROJECT MEETING REMINDER

The next Horse Project Meeting will be held as previously scheduled at Crivitz High School on **Monday, February 13**, at 6:30 PM. You don't want to miss this meeting as we will discuss a possible change of location and week for future meetings. Our education for the evening will be a Tack Cleaning Clinic. Please bring a bridle or other small tack item, whatever products you usually use to clean and maintain your tack, and a towel to use at your work space. We will do this part early in the meeting so that we can keep working as we go through the meeting agenda, and still not have a lengthy meeting. We will also be reviewing the constitution for a vote. See draft of constitution at:

<http://marinette.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/marinette-county-4-h-horse-project/>.

Your input is needed for all aspects of the project as we begin a new year!

SPRING TACK SWAP

Sun., March 12, 9 am-1 pm, at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds Recreation Bldg., 541 Martin Ave. Sponsored by Fond du Lac Co 4-H Horse & Pony Project.

Table & tack trailer fees. To reserve, contact J. Zimmerman at 920-948-5465.

MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 12TH, 2016 HORSE PROJECT MEETING AT PESHTIGO

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm.

American pledge - Lindsey Michalski
4-H pledge - Kristin Lepinski

Lisa's notes

- We started off doing an introduction of everyone and a warm up activity
- Went through the enrollment list to make sure everyone gets signed up. If not on the list then was given instructions on how to enroll or re-enroll
- Discussed officer duties and election of officers

Nominations are as followed

President-Chloe Mongin, Morgan Beaudou, Kennedy Chmela, Chelsea Michalski
V. President-Kennedy Chmela, Chloe Mongin,
Secretary-Morgan Beaudou, Audrey C.
Treasurer-Audrey, Anneliese Koch, Josephine Shaward,
Kassidee Hoffman, Chloe Mongin, Kiana Kotecki
Adult advisor-Kristin Lepinski, Jean Goodwin, Julia Lepinski, Kevin Kotecki

President-Chelsea Michalski
V. President-Kennedy Chmela
Secretary-Morgan Beaudou
Treasurer-Kiana Kotecki
Adult Advisor-Kevin Kotecki and Jean Goodwin

- Talked about the yearly charter for 2017 and calender
- Goals for next year would be as followed
 - new officers learning and practicing their roles
 - open pleasure show #2
 - open speed show #3
 - community service #3
 - some type of educational thing each meeting
 - some form of clinics #1

Decided to keep the meetings on the second Monday of every month at the same time (6:30) but might change locations-rotation

-Project Constitution was handed out to go over at home and find things to change at the next meeting and vote on

-Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

JANUARY 9, 2017
MARINETTE COUNTY 4-H HORSE PROJECT
COLEMAN

Meeting called to order at 6:36 pm.

- Motioned by Chelsea Michalski

American Pledge led by Lindsey Michalski

4-H Pledge led by Angel Greene

Treasurer's Report given by Kiana Kotecki

Old business was discussed from the December meeting in Peshtigo

- 1 speed & 1 pleasure show will be held with dates TBA
 - Motioned by Kennedy Chmela and 2nd by Dakota Baars
- Clinics were discussed with a ground clinic being held in April or May and a riding clinic being in June
 - Ground clinic was motioned by Dakota Baars and 2nd by Cailey Erickson
 - Riding clinic was motioned by Angel Greene and 2nd by Kiana Kotecki

Communication

- Remind 101 brought up by Morgan Beaudou and agreed on by the club

- Kennedy Chmela will look into setting that up

Meeting Locations

- Locations may be changed to a central location of Grover or Porterfield town halls.
- The June, July, and August meetings will still be held up at the fairgrounds.

Changes were discussed for the Constitution and will be tabled for the next meeting

Education

- Dr. Linda did a presentation on winter horse care.
- For next month's meeting please bring some sort of tack that you would like to clean. Jean Goodwin will be showing us how to properly clean your tack.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm

- Motioned by Lindsey Michalski and 2nd by Kennedy Chmela

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



FEBRUARY

| | | |
|-------|-----------|---|
| 1 | Wed. | County Sponsored Event Forms Due (Trips and Awards) |
| 10-12 | Fri.-Sun. | Winter Leadership Camp, Camp TaPaWingo, near Mishicot |
| 19 | Sun. | STEM Project Meeting, Pound Town Hall, 3-5 pm |
| 20 | Mon. | Awards and Trips Interviews for Youth, Pound Town Hall, 6:00 pm |
| 20 | Mon. | 4-H Association Meeting, Pound Town Hall, 6:30 pm |

MARCH

| | | |
|----|------|---|
| 1 | Wed. | County 4-H Senior Scholarship Deadline |
| 15 | Wed. | Registration for Speech and Music Fest Due |
| 15 | Wed. | Camp Youth Staff Applications Due |
| 20 | Mon. | 4-H Speaking Contest & Music Fest, Crivitz High School, 6 pm |
| 20 | Mon. | 4-H Association Meeting, Crivitz High School (after contests) |

**4-H MUSIC FESTIVAL ENTRY FORM
Mon., March 20 - 6 PM - Crivitz High School**

Name(s): _____ Club: _____

Phone of Contact Person: _____

Performing (include name of selection, whether a solo, duet, group, etc., and the name of the person(s) involved):

DANCE Group Ensemble Solo Cloverbud
Title of Performance: _____

INSTRUMENTAL Group Ensemble Solo Cloverbud
Title of Performance: _____

VOICE Group Ensemble Solo Cloverbud
Title of Performance: _____

● *Each person may enter up to two entries. No limit on club entries.*

DEADLINE: WED., MARCH 15, 2017

Return form to: 4-H OFFICE, 1926 HALL AVENUE, MARINETTE WI 54143



TRY THIS FUN WARM-UP ACTIVITY WITH YOUR CLUB

Name of Activity: Grouping Ideas

Time Needed: 5-15 minutes

Materials Needed: None

Number of Players: No limit

Preparation Needed: None

Instructions:

1. Ask members to stand or raise their hand according to the following categories.
Same color eyes
Oldest/middle/youngest/only child
Swimmer or non-swimmer
Banana lover or apple lover
Turkey or ham
Pets or no pets
Cats or dogs
Favorite 4-H projects
Hobbies (biking, reading, etc.)

2. Discuss the activity. Did anyone learn anything interesting or surprising about someone? Other unusual discoveries? Did you find you had anything in common with others? What differences did you discover? What does this tell you about working with others in a group?

SPEAKING CONTEST

The purpose of the contest is to encourage you to learn how to speak in front of a group - a skill you can use now and for your lifetime! The 4-H Leaders Association gives cash prizes (\$5, \$4, and \$3) and judges will make constructive comments for your use. Cloverbuds receive a ribbon.

❖ The Speaking Contest will be held at the Crivitz High School on Monday, March 20 beginning at 6 pm.❖

CATEGORIES:

- **Interpretive Reading:** The reading of any story, play cutting, narrative, poem, or article prepared or written by someone other than the participant.
- **Original Presentation:** A speech, story, or poem written by the presenter.
- **Memorized Presentation:** Any memorized speech, prose, or poetry (original or non-original) . No notes allowed. A prompter may have a copy.
- **Impromptu or Story-Telling.**

| | | | |
|--|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Competition will be as follows: | <u>Classification:</u> | <u>Grade levels:</u> | <u>Time limits:</u> |
| | Cloverbuds | Up to grade 3 | Up to 2 minutes |
| | Junior | Grades 3 and 4 | 2 to 5 minutes |
| | Lower Intermediate | Grades 5 and 6 | 3 to 6 minutes |
| | Upper Intermediate | Grades 7 and 8 | 4 to 8 minutes |
| Senior | Grades 9 and up | 4 to 10 minutes | |

1. Presentations in all categories must be in good taste and include an introduction written and presented by the participant. It must include the presenter's name, club, title of the piece being presented, and its source.
2. Memorized Materials are to be presented without the aid of note cards. In all categories, engagement of the audience (eye contact, gestures, etc.) should take place.
3. Costumes, props, or other visual aids are not allowed in any category. Don't dress to fit your theme, like wearing a western shirt with talk about cowboys.
4. To encourage all participants and judges to adhere to the time limits, you are allowed a 30-second grace period, but if your speech is more than 30 seconds over the time limit, you will be judged down one point.
5. Entries must be registered with the 4-H Office by the deadline noted in the newsletter.
6. Best of Show may be awarded at the judge's discretion in each of the 3 categories. Entries will be placed first, second, or third with no restriction on the number in each placing group. Cloverbuds compete for ribbons only.

JUDGES WILL PRIMARILY LOOK AT THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

What is the general appearance of the participant (neat and clean)? How is the participant's posture? Are gestures and eye contact made? Does the presentation grasp audience's interest from the start? Is there a clear introduction and title? Does the length fit the guidelines? Is the voice clear and pleasing? Is pronunciation acceptable? Are important points stressed by the use of voice modulation, restatements, etc.? If it is a speech: Is the main thought carried out throughout the talk? Is there a suitable conclusion? Is there evidence of adequate research? Is the material accurate?

HELPFUL NOTES: * Practice! * Plan carefully to fit guidelines/times. * Keep the introduction brief, present all of the material called for and use it to set the stage for your presentation.

COUNTY 4-H SPEAKING CONTEST REGISTRATION FORM

Monday, March 20 • Crivitz High School

Please send to: **Marinette County 4-H Office, 1926 Hall Avenue, Marinette WI 54143-1717. Deadline: Wed., Mar. 15.**

Name of presenter(s) and club name: _____

Phone number: _____ Grade: _____

Title of presentation: _____

2017
4-H County Activities & Special Projects
Volunteer Sign-Up - Due February 15

YOUTH and ADULTS—As you plan your new 4-H year, please consider sharing your time and talent in one or more of our county activities and special projects. Please sign up to serve in your area of interest for the coming year. Whether you are new or are already helping in an area, please complete this sign-up sheet. If there is more than one person to a sheet, please put name next to choices. **Committee sign-ups are on an annual basis. You need to sign up each year to be on the Committee.**

Name(s) _____ Club _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Please put your name next to the group you'd like to help with & return to UW-Extension Office. Limit of three (3) committees per person.

___ **Awards and Trips** - provides leadership in promotion of 4-H trips, works with Leaders Association and the County 4-H Office to determine candidate selection process. Meets February and October or as needed.

___ **Raffle/County Fundraising** - develops annual fundraising plan, makes recommendations on and helps coordinate and promote planned fundraisers.

___ **Food Stand** - provides leadership in developing 4-H food stand policies and procedures, recommends menu items, orders food and supplies, helps to evaluate, etc. Meets April-September, 1-2x/month as needed.

___ **Scholarship** - reviews scholarship procedures, assists in selection of scholarship winners.

___ **Royalty** - Prepares candidates, helps with all aspects of contest, secures judges, facilitates Royalty coronation at the Fair, awards& follow up. Meets April-August.

Yes **No** I am interested in serving as a Committee Chair or Co-Chair. List Committee: _____

4-H ACTIVITY COORDINATOR or COMMITTEE — Plan and implement special county activities. Can be youth or adult or youth/adult team. Duties include assisting with promotion and coordination of event, selecting judges, event follow up.

___ **Speaking Contest & Music Fest** (February/March)

___ **Drama & Variety and Demonstration Contest** (April)

___ **Super Saturday/Project 101 Day**

___ **Fair help** (office or at fair) (August)

___ **Other. Please list:** _____

Thank you! Please return to the UW-Extension Office by February 15th.

"An EEO/AA employer, University of Wisconsin Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IX and American with Disabilities (ADA) requirements."

"La Universidad de Wisconsin-Extensión, un empleador con igualdad de oportunidades y acción afirmativa (EEO/AA), proporciona igualdad de oportunidades en empleo y programas, incluyendo los requisitos del Título IX (Title IX) y de la Ley para Americanos con Discapacidades (ADA)."