



## Marinette County 4-H Newsletter March/April, 2018



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

Hello fellow leaders and 4-H families,



As you are aware, Lisa Devine-Barribeau has retired from UW-Extension. We are unsure how long it will be before a new 4-H Youth Development agent will be hired. Until that time, we as volunteers must work together to keep the 4-H program strong and running as smoothly as possible. Nancy will help us along the way as much as she can, but with cuts in the office she is now the only assistant there as well. I encourage any leaders and older youth members to attend the leaders association meetings each month. They are held the 3rd Monday of each month beginning at 6:30 pm. We help to plan the county activities and take care of business at a county level much like what happens at the club level.

We are all in this together. Encourage questions and involvement in activities at your club and at the county/district/state/national/international level. Encourage kids to experience trips and apply for scholarships.

Thank you all for what you do! Each volunteer is appreciated. If anyone has questions or suggestions, please email me at [lwitak@yahoo.com](mailto:lwitak@yahoo.com) or call me at 715-938-4099. If I don't know the answer, I will try to find out for you as soon as I can.

Head, Heart, Hands, Health

Lisa Witak  
Leaders Association President

### UW-EXTENSION OFFICE CHANGES!

In the very near future, our office will be moving to the first floor. Staff will be housed with the Land Office. As of January 1, Greg Cleereman, who is the Land Information Director, became department head for this office. The Marinette County UW Extension office has undergone a reduction in staff due to new jobs within the organization as a result of the nEXT Generation, budget cuts and retirements. Please know we will still provide services to you, our 4-H leaders and members, as best we can. As we move forward, our office will try to keep you updated about the move and/or staff changes.

### NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

**April 15-21st is National Volunteer Week!** It's time to celebrate our volunteers and all that they do. Volunteering is a big part of 4-H. Nationally, we rely on a network of over 500,000 volunteers to provide caring and supportive mentoring to our 4-H'ers helping them learn life skills and grow into true leaders. THANK YOU for your service! We could not have 4-H without our volunteers!



Please note that this newsletter is for two months (March and April). There will be no newsletter next month.

### 2018 TOP 10 4-H PROJECTS IN MARINETTE COUNTY

1. Art (109)
2. Photography (63)
3. Horse (41)
4. Beef (39)
5. Swine (38)

6. Food and Nutrition (36)
7. Dairy (33)
8. Cloverbuds (28)  
Woodworking (28)
10. Poultry (27)

## **PROCEDURE FOR LEADER BACKGROUND CHECKS**

All 4-H leaders and other enrolled volunteers who work with youth, are required to have a criminal background check done before they start volunteering and then every four years. Background checks are conducted at the state level. When needed, you will receive an e-mail from GIS (General Information Services, Inc.) to request information from you to conduct the background check. GIS is the vendor chosen to do the criminal background checks for UW-Extension employees and volunteers.

In order to remain a volunteer with UW-Extension 4-H, it is important that you complete the process for having your background check complete. Nancy is happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you!

## **JOIN MARINETTE COUNTY 4-H STEM PROJECT**

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, call Jodie at 715-927-3177.

## **4-H SPEAKING CONTEST & MUSIC FEST** **CHANGE IN LOCATION**

**Mon., March 19**, at the **Wausaukee** High School Auditorium, at 6 pm. Guidelines are on-line.



**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 & title of your speech.

You may recite a poem, a reading or give an original speech. Please register by **Wed., Mar. 14**, by sending in your name, club, grade and topic. See last month's newsletter for details & registration form.

The **Music Festival** will also be held on **Mon., March 19**, at Wausaukee 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, & 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 in last month's newsletter & return it to us by **Wed., Mar. 14**.

## **OVERNIGHT VOLUNTEER POLICY**

All parents & individuals going on overnight 4-H activities (camp, art camps, trips, horse, etc.) need to enroll in 4-H online, go through a background check, must participate in the Volunteer in Preparation (VIP) Training, & complete UWEX volunteer mandated reporter training on-line.

## **4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEETING**

**Mon., March 19**, at the **Wausaukee** High School, following the Speaking Contest and Music Fest. All 4-H leaders, members & parents are welcome & encouraged to attend. You have a voice in Marinette Co. 4-H!

## **COUNTY FAIR JUDGES TRAINING WEBINAR**

**March 26**, 6-8 pm. Webinar is geared for individuals that want to become a county fair judge or are already a county fair judge and want to brush up on their skills. The fee is \$15.00. Participants will be able to connect in their homes with an internet connection and audio done as a Wisline via the phone. All participants will be sent the connection information and (PowerPoint) program materials via e-mail after they are registered. Call the UWEX office for a registration form. Deadline: **March 16**.

## **4-H DRAMA & VARIETY FEST AND DEMONSTRATION CONTEST**

**Mon., April 16**, Crivitz High School, 6:00 pm. (Leaders Association meeting to follow.) Call, e-mail, or use the form in this newsletter to mail in your club's registration. Deadline: **Wed., April 11**. Guidelines on-line.



### **Drama & Variety Fest:**

Clubs can do a memorized play, but can also do mime, puppetry, clowning, news casting, a play reading, a talent (non-musical) presentation, or drama games (can do a rehearsed scene, but ad lib as you go). It must be 4-H appropriate in dress/language and involve two or more 4-Hers. You may request which place you would like to be on the schedule...first come, first served. We need your club's name, along with cast members, title of the presentation, & contact. Call for a copy of the guidelines.

### **Demonstration Contest:**

Money awards: \$5, \$4, and \$3. See form on page 9. This is great practice for speaking in front of groups—something from which you will benefit over & over again. Choose your topic, practice, & enjoy yourself while learn-

ing from others. First, second, and third place ribbons and cash prizes will be awarded (ribbons and certificate for Cloverbuds). Best of Show may also be awarded. The top senior division demonstrator may perform at the WI State Fair. Maximum time for the demonstration is ten minutes.



A demonstration is telling and showing how to do something. This is your chance to be the teacher and have some fun. A good way to share what you have learned in a 4-H project. Demonstrations **MUST** involve posters (use this to explain the basic steps and equipment used for your demonstration). You may also have charts or models to help explain what you are saying. You may enter as an individual or as a part of a two person team. Each member of a team must speak or demonstrate. Remember that if your demonstration is more than 30 seconds over the time limit, you may be judged down one point.

There are five divisions: Cloverbud (5K-grade 2), Junior (grades 3-4), Lower Intermediate (grades 5-6), Upper Intermediate (grades 7-8), and Senior (grades 9 and up).

#### **BAD WEATHER**

In case of bad weather, call or e-mail the Extension office to check for cancellations, or watch for an e-mail from us.

#### **UPCOMING AG/HORTICULTURE PROGRAMS**

- **March 24, 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Garden Conference**, 8 am-3:30 pm, at the UW Marinette Campus. \$40 fee, inc. sessions, materials & refreshments. Contact 715-732-7510.
- **March 27-29, WPS Farm Show**, EAA Grounds, in Oshkosh. 9 am-4 pm, Tues.-Wed.; 9 am-3 pm, Thurs. Admission free; parking fee of \$3. For more info, visit <http://www.wisconsinpublicservice.com/business/farmshow.aspx?type=Attendees>

#### **4-H CLUB GRANT PROGRAM**

The purpose of the Mutual of Wausau Insurance Corporation 4-H club grant program is to support 4-H clubs in youth development & to promote civic & leadership responsibilities. Grants will be awarded in the amount of \$400 per club. To be considered, your application must be received at the company's home office by **April 1**. For an application, contact the 4-H office.

#### **TREES AND SHRUBS AVAILABLE**

The Menominee Co. Conservation District is again offering for sale trees & shrubs, along with other supplies. To see what is for sale and to order on-line until **April 1**, visit <http://www.menomineecd.com/> & click on 'tree sale.'

#### **NATIONAL 4-H DAY OF SERVICE**

**Sat., April 28.** The National 4-H Day of Service can take place in every county across the country. 4-H members, adult volunteers and friends help improve their communities by adopting a service project. These projects can be done as individuals, as an entire county 4-H program, or anything in between. No matter the project, this is a day that will make a difference! It can be as simple as cleaning up a yard for someone who is elderly or disabled, cleaning a house or doing simple painting or repairs, picking up trash in a local park, or collecting food for your local food bank. Other ideas include making care packages for seniors, the military and other special groups; coordinating a recycling day; planting trees, shrubs, or flowers to beautify the community; mentoring kids with disabilities; or working with a Senior Center to plan a day so that 4-H members can interact and visit with the residents. For a toolkit and more information, or to register, go to <https://4-h.org/get-involved/true-leaders-in-service/>

The goal of True Leaders in Service is to encourage 4-H members in every county to make a big impact on our country. Each 4-H club or program will choose how best to ignite their spirit of service as they offer help in hundreds of ways across the nation throughout the month of April and/or on the National 4-H Day of Service.



#### **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/>

##### **COMPETITIVE EDGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Alpha Gamma Rho at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is offering 2-\$1,000 and 2-\$500 scholarships to any deserving high school seniors or transfer students who enroll at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Alpha Gamma Rho is the fraternity sharing a common bond within

a dynamic, global agriculture committed to fostering the highest values and providing each and every brother with superior lifelong personal development and professional success.

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 Sat., April 7, 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. The application deadline is **Friday, March 16, 2018** at 11:59 PM. Apply on line: <http://wisconsinagr.celect.org/site/forms/12354>

#### **WI 4-H FOUNDATION 2018 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, 2018**. 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 2018-19 academic school year. Visit <http://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/> for more info.

#### **WI STATE FAIR DAIRY PROMOTION BOARD**

The Board is offering \$1,000 scholarships to be used during the second semester of the 2018-19 school year. Third and fourth-year college students pursuing dairy-related or food science degrees at one of Wisconsin's four-year universities are eligible to apply. Additional scholarships will be available to high school seniors planning to pursue a dairy-related or food science degree at one of Wisconsin's four-year universities or students studying in a two-year, technical school program related to dairy or food science.

Applicants will be evaluated on involvement and leadership in dairy-related activities, scholastic achievement, and career objectives. Finalists will be interviewed in mid-April, with the recipients to be recognized at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair. Application deadline is **Friday, March 23**. For more information, contact Katy Katzman at 262-903-6727 or [katzman@idcnet.com](mailto:katzman@idcnet.com). The application is available at <http://wistatefair.com/competitions/dairy-promo-board/>

#### **M & M COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

Check the Foundation's website for further information at <http://www.mmcommunityfoundation.org/index.php/scholarships>. Application deadline: **March 29**.

#### **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 who are high school seniors graduating in 2018 and plan to enroll in a Wisconsin public or private college or university in 2018. This year's topic is: "Why is town road investment important to economic development in Wisconsin?" Deadline: **May 31**. For more info. and registration form, visit: <http://www.wisctowns.com/home/scholarship-program>

### **CAMP NEWS**

#### **CAMP 2018 IS ALMOST HERE!**

Camp 2018 is almost here! Due to circumstances beyond our control, we are not able to provide camp at Camp Bird this year. Although there are changes, we are very excited to be able to offer you a wonderful camp opportunity this year.



Please check out the website for Upham Woods 4-H Camp.

#### **Upham Woods Open Enrollment Camp:**

- **Date:** Fri., June 15 (arrival 2:30pm) - Mon., June 18 (departure 11:00am), 2018
- **Location:** Wisconsin Dells
- **Price:** \$180 (we have some funding options that will bring the cost closer to our usual camp costs plus bussing) *Costs pending approval by 4-H Leaders Association*
- **Ages:** 3rd - 6th grades
- **Capacity:** 120, first come, first serve
- **Deadline:** no specific date listed.
- **Registration:** 4-H'ers will register using 4HOnline. Non 4-H members can go Upham Woods website and download a registration packet. Registration is NOW OPEN and can be done NOW through 4-H Online.
  - o **Transportation:** As we get closer to camp dates, county educators will work together to arrange bus transportation
  - o **Adult support:** Like many state based 4-H activities, the camp is requesting a camper, chaperone ratio of 10:1. We will be looking for adult volunteers to support campers throughout this experience. Contact the 4-H Office to volunteer at camp. There is no fee for adults to attend this Open Enrollment Camp.



- o **UW-Extension Staff at Upham Woods** will be the camp hired staff. County educators will not be attending camp with campers. Onsite staff will provide the 4-H youth development experience.
- More information about Upham Woods Open Enrollment Camp:  
<https://fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/programs/open-enrollment-summer-camp-and-outpost-trip/>

We realize this is different than previous years, but firmly believe this will be a wonderful camp experience! It is strongly suggested that youth attending Upham Woods are comfortable traveling the 3 hr. distance to camp and being away from home. Contact the 4-H office with any questions.

### **WI LAND & WATER YOUTH CONSERVATION CAMP**

**Mon.-Fri., June 18-22**, at North Lakeland Discovery Center in Manitowish Waters. For high school youth entering 9-12th grade in the fall; must be 17 or under. Meet counselors who work in conservation and meet other campers from around the state. Camp will challenge you - conservation problem-solving, a wilderness canoe trip, wildlife ecology & more! Fee is \$250 and covers all meals, snacks, lodging and a t-shirt. Deadline: **June 1**. Register at <http://wisconsinlandwater.org/events/youth-conservation-camps> *A non 4-H sponsored event.*

### **SAND LAKE CONSERVATION CAMP**

**Wed.-Fri., June 20-22**, at Camp Bird, Crivitz. For WI & Upper Michigan youth attending grades 6-8 in September. It provides positive outdoor experiences, fosters an appreciation for nature, and introduces a variety of conservation & natural resources careers. Topics include wildlife ecology, water quality, fisheries, outdoor skills, & general camp activities. \$100 fee until May 18; after May 18 is \$150. Cut-off date is June 1; space is limited; on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration packet will be available soon. For more info, call 715-732-7784 or visit: <http://www.marinettecounty.com> & search for "Sand Lake" or "Sand Lake Conservation Camp". *A non 4-H sponsored event.*

### **BOYS' SCIENCE EXPLORATION CAMP OR GIRLS IN SCIENCE**

**Sat.-Sun., June 23-24**, UW-LaCrosse. For boys or girls entering grades 6-8. Hands-on experiments, workshops. Taught by university faculty/staff. A full camp experience with an overnight stay. Fee: \$179, inc. one night's lodging, Saturday snack & dinner, Sunday breakfast &

lunch, program materials & tote bag. Limited scholarships. For more info or to register, visit: [www.uwlax.edu/youth](http://www.uwlax.edu/youth) and scroll down to Summer 2018 Youth Programs. Registrations accepted until **June 8** or until enrollment is reached. *A non 4-H sponsored event.*

## **MECHANICAL SCIENCES & NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRON.**

### **FARM MACHINERY/TRACTOR SAFETY CLASS**

**March 24 - May 5** - 8:30 am-12:30 pm, at Oconto Falls. Fee. 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.*

UW Extension will be offering classes in July for a fee of \$35 as last year. Keep watching your newsletters.

### **TRACTOR & FARM SAFETY CAMPS**

**April 6-8** or **April 27-29**, Camp TaPaWingo, in Mishicot. Open to any youth in WI; must be 12 years old on the first day of camp. \$195/person, inc. meals, lodging, all training materials and 24 hours of class time. Recommended: Six hours of driving practice prior to attending the course. Registration deadline: **March 23 or April 13**, depending on class sign up. Registration material or more info available at <https://manitowoc.uwex.edu/>



### **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: <https://www.wildlifeever.org/home/state-fish-art/how-to-enter-contest/> *A non 4-H sponsored event.*



## **ANIMAL SCIENCE**

### **ARLINGTON SHEEP DAY**

**Sat., March 10**, Public Events Facility, Arlington Agricultural Research Station, 9 am. Fees. For more info. & registration form, go to <https://fyi.uwex.edu/wisheepandgoat/2017/12/18/don't-miss-the-2018-arlington-sheep-day-on-march-10-2018/> Register by **March 1**.



## **SOUTHDOWN EWE LAMB AWARD**

WI Southdown Association sponsored. Open to WI youth ages 11-16 enrolled in 4-H or FFA who do not already own Southdown sheep. The purpose of the award is to promote youth involvement with Southdown sheep in Wisconsin by awarding youth with a quality registered ewe lamb to begin their flocks. Written applications must be postmarked by **March 15**. In addition to a ewe lamb, winner(s) will receive individual instruction on feeding and care of the ewe lamb and a mentor will be introduced who can be contacted any time for info and assistance. For more info and an application, contact the 4-H office.

## **COUNTY FAIR WEIGH-IN DATES**

**March 17** for steers. **May 12** for swine, goats, sheep.

## **MAQA TRAINING REPLACED WITH YQCA**

Wisconsin has replaced the MAQA (Meat Animal Quality Assurance) program with the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) national program. This new and interactive program provides youth options for annual quality assurance certification. **Exhibitors of the following species in Marinette County must complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) national program:** beef, dairy, dairy goat(s), meat goat(s), poultry, rabbit, sheep and swine and poultry in order to be eligible to sell in the 2018 Marinette County Youth Fair. In addition, it will be required for those who intend to show beef, sheep, swine, goats, dairy, poultry and rabbits at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair.

The YQCA training will provide a common framework for food animal quality assurance programs which will strengthen the youth educational experience, improve the care of food animals, and promote a higher level of consumer food safety. In addition, youth will learn about other species of animals; not just the species they show. Each year, youth will complete one new module in each of the following categories: Animal Welfare (basic needs, proper animal handling, biosecurity, etc.), Food Safety (medications, medicated feeds, withdrawal times, avoiding residue, etc.), and Character Education (ethics, goal setting, career exploration, etc.).

The YQCA program was peer-reviewed for content and age appropriateness. It is supported by Wisconsin 4-H and FFA leaders. Youth for the Quality Care of Animals training content and modules will demonstrate a progression of topic knowledge in designated age categories (age as of January 1):

- Junior (8-11 years old)
- Intermediate (12-14 years old)
- Senior (15-18 years old)
- Young Adult (19-21 years old)

The new YQCA training is an effort to provide flexibility to accommodate busy seasonal schedules while providing relevant age-specific food animal quality assurance training. Youth exhibitors will complete three interactive online modules and quizzes which can be accessed according to your schedule. In Wisconsin, face-to-face trainings may be offered in specific counties for juniors (8-11 year olds) only. On average, it will take 60 minutes per year to complete all the required online training modules or in-person training depending on age.

Maintaining current information, developing creative modules on an online learning platform costs a significant amount of money, & youth exhibitors will pay depending on the training option. Youth completing the online modules will pay \$12/person/yr, and face-to-face trainings offered for juniors (youth age 8-11) only will pay \$3/person/yr.

To complete the YQCA online training or register for face-to-face training, log into <http://yqca.org>. Follow the step-by-step instructions to create a user identity and password. All payments for either online or in-person training will be made using the YQCA website. Additional material fees (beyond the \$3 payment to YQCA) for in-person training may apply, and if so will be collected at the time of the face-to-face training.

Two in-person trainings will be offered for juniors (8-11 year olds). The dates and locations of the trainings are listed below. Space will be limited, and registration will be taken only through the YQCA website (<http://yqca.org>).

### **In-Person Trainings for Juniors (8-11 year olds) ONLY:**

**Thurs., April 19** - Pound Town Hall, Coleman 6 - 7 pm

**Sat., May 12** - Gillett Community Center, 200 E Main Street, Gillett 9:30-10:30 am

It is recommended to print the completion certificate at the end of the online session as the ten-digit certificate number will be required on your paperwork for training verification. The certificate and ten-digit certificate number can only be accessed through your account at <http://yqca.org>.

If you are not YQCA certified, you will not be eligible to sell at the 2018 Marinette Co. Fair. Training must be renewed every year for YQCA. Exhibitors must complete all online modules, or attend the entire in-person training to be certified. Choose the option that works best for you!

If you have any questions about YQCA, please contact Sarah at (920) 834-6845. If you know of any new 4-H, FFA, or Scouts members which might be showing livestock, please pass this information along to them.

## **FUR AND FEATHER SWAPS**

**March 10.** WI Bird & Game Breeder Show & Swap, Fond du Lac Co. Fairgrounds, Expo Center, 601 Martin Ave., Fond du Lac. 6:30 am-1:30 pm, with set-up on Friday. Admission \$3, 17 & under free. No turkeys or hoof stock. For info, contact Jim Bleuer at 920-379-6188.

**March 18.** Beaver Pigeon & Bantam Poultry Swap, Jefferson Co. Fairgrounds, 503 N Jackson Ave, Jefferson. 6:30-11 am. \$2 buyers; \$5 sellers, under 12 free. Poultry, rabbits, covies, pigeons, cage birds, equip. For info, contact Dan Schwandt 920-763-8030.

**March 31.** Fur & Feather Swap, Marinette Farm & Garden, 630 Hattie St., Marinette. 8 am-noon. No adm. fee. For info, contact Joe at 715-596-0284 or Doug/Mary at 906-753-4153, Northern Poultry, Pigeon, Rabbit Club.

**April 21.** Fur & Feather Swap, Stephenson Marketing Coop, Stephenson, MI. 8 am-noon. No adm. fee. For info, contact Joe at 715-596-0284 or Doug/Mary at 906-753-4153, Northern Poultry, Pigeon, Rabbit Club.

## **WI DAIRY & BEEF WELL-BEING CONFERENCE**

**March 20-21**, at Tundra Lodge & Resort, Lombardi Avenue, in Green Bay. Fees. New this year is a pre-conference geared specifically toward dairy workers. Provided in both English and Spanish, attendees will learn how everyday tasks can influence animal well-being. Fees. Deadline: **March 9**. Add'l fee for late registrations. For more information and registration, visit:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/animalhusbandryconference/>

## **COW JUDGING CONTEST**

The Jan. 10 through March 10 issues will feature five classes of dairy cattle for you to evaluate in the Annual Hoard's Dairyman Cow Judging Contest. Entry forms can be found in the publication or for group entries, contact [judging@hoards.com](mailto:judging@hoards.com) for the 2018 judging pamphlet. Teams that have entered in the past two years were scheduled to receive their pamphlets by mid January 2018. Entering online is an option for the Contest. Deadline is **March 22, 2018**. Good luck! Visit <https://hoards.com/flex-295-cow-judging.html>. *A non 4-H sponsored event.*

## **YOUTH LEADERSHIP DERBY**

**Sat.-Sun., April 7-8**, at Oregon High School, in Oregon, WI. Sponsored by: Professional Dairy Producers. This is an experience for high-school students to explore potential

agriculture careers through hands-on labs and interactive learning sessions. Students will develop leadership skills and make new friends. Registration fee of \$89 inc. materials, tour, transportation & meals. Deadline: **April 1**. To register or for more information, visit [www.pdpw.org](http://www.pdpw.org), click on 'Programs' and scroll down the list to find this program. *A non 4-H sponsored event.*

## **MONROE CO 4-H FUR, FIN & FEATHER SHOW**

**April 14**, 9 am, at the Sparta Barney Center, 1000E Montgomery St., in Sparta. Entry fees. Entries are due on **March 30th, 2018** or postmarked no later than **March 28th**. Lunch will be available. Visit <https://monroe.uwex.edu/>

## **RABBIT, POULTRY, GUINEA PIG SKILLATHON**

There will be a rabbit, poultry & guinea pig skillathon event at the Stephenson Marketing Coop, in Stephenson, MI, on **Sat., April 21**, at 9 am, with a rabbit judging contest also. This is part of the small animal and poultry swap referred to on this page earlier. It is planned by 4-H leaders from Marinette & Delta Counties, as well as others. Anyone may participate. There is no charge.

## **BADGER DAIRY CAMP**

**June 7-9, 2018**. Open to youth between the ages of 12-18. This camp, held on the UW Madison campus, provides an excellent opportunity for youth to get hands on experience. Instructors include faculty, staff & alumni of UW-Madison. Application deadline: **April 27**. For an application, visit: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/dairyyouth/badger-dairy-camp/>

## **AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS**

The date and location for the 2018 Northeast AASD is **June 14**, at Kewaunee County.



## **HORSE PROJECT**

## **ATTENTION CO. HORSE PROJECT MEMBERS**

We are going strong in the Horse Project! We are having great attendance and involvement at meetings, and have a Trail Class Clinic and two horse shows planned for the summer. We have a fund raising activity planned for May 5th, bagging groceries at Jack's in Marinette. There are other plans in the works. We'd like to encourage all members to attend these meetings as we move forward to spring when the real riding weather will begin!

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**February 5, 2017**

**Marinette County 4-H Horse Project  
Grover**

Meeting called to order at 6:30

- Motioned by Chelsea Michalski

American Pledge led by Annie Koch

4-H Pledge led by Lindsey Michalski

Treasurer's Report given by Kayla Hemstock

- Motioned by Jaelyn Pantti
- Seconded by Annie Koch

Secretary's Report given by Morgan Beaudou

- Motioned by Kiana Kotecki
- Seconded by Kayla Fewins

Sportsmanship Report

- Dog sledding

4-H Minute

- Speaking contest

Old Business

- Community Service Ideas
- Fair Booklet Review
- Fundraising
  - May 5th bagging at Jack's
  - Raffle Tickets
  - Car Wash at Koehne's

New Business

- Trail & Showmanship Clinic June 30 - July 1
- Open Show August 11th-12th

Education presented by Sandy Gill

Adjourn at 6:55

- Motioned by Sami Gretzon
- Seconded by Annie Koch

Next meeting is March 5th at 6:30pm Grover Town Hall

REMINDER: Need to attend four meetings to show at the fair. There are six more meetings left until the fair. It is best to be at all of the meetings, but if you can't, make sure you are at least four.

### **TACK SALE**

**March 4**, Washington Co. Fairgrounds, 3000 Hwy PV, West Bend, 10 am-2 pm. Sponsored by Washington Co. 4-H Horse & Pony Project. New & used equine tack vendors, craft exhibitors, equine artisans, and more. 4-H food booth. Donation of non-perishable food item or \$1. Rental spaces available for fee.

<http://washington.uwex.edu/events/4-h-horse-and-pony-project-tack-sale/>

### **MIDWEST HORSE FAIR**

**April 20-22**, Alliant Energy Center, Madison. For more info., click on: <http://midwesthorsefair.com>

### **YOUTH HORSE JUDGING CLINIC**

**Sat., April 7.** The clinic, through UW River Falls, is intended for 4-H and FFA youth members, as well as Agricultural Education coaches, wanting to prepare or improve their horse judging skills. Participants will learn basic information regarding judging horse balance and conformation, with a focus on rules and judging criteria used to evaluate different classes. Participants will also learn how to effectively take notes for classes and organize them into sets of oral reasons. Several focus sessions will include evaluation and discussion with live horses. Fee break if received prior to March 12. The final deadline is **Fri., March 30**, however, fees vary based on registration dates including the option to register on day of the clinic.

[www.uwrf.edu/ANFS/EquineClinics.cfm](http://www.uwrf.edu/ANFS/EquineClinics.cfm)

## **ASSOCIATION MINUTES**

**12/2/17**

**Marinette County 4-H Leaders Association  
St Mary's Hall, Crivitz**

The meeting was called to order by President Lisa Witak at Achievement Day/Leader Recognition.

Motion by Teia Lea, second by Dave VanDeWalle, to approve the agenda. Carried.

The meeting was turned over to Vice President Anne Biernasz. Wendy Biernasz nominated Lisa Witak for President. Motion by Ember Rickaby to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot, second by Dave VanDeWalle. Carried.

The meeting was turned over to President Lisa Witak. Ember Rickaby nominated Teia Lea for Secretary. Motion by Ember Rickaby, second by Dave VanDeWalle, to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Carried.

Teia Lea nominated Alexis Witak, and Wendy Biernasz nominated Sierra O'Mary, for youth reps. Motion by Barb Kolosowski, second by Abain Patterson, to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Carried.

Motion to adjourn by Barb Kolosowski, second by Teia Lea. Carried.

**DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS, THERE WAS NOT A JANUARY NOR FEBRUARY 4-H ASSOCIATION MTG HELD.**



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### MARCH

1	Thurs.	County 4-H Senior Scholarship Deadline
5	Mon.	Horse Project Mtg., Grover Town Hall, 6:30 pm
14	Wed.	Deadline to Register for 4-H Speaking Contest and Music Fest
15	Thurs.	WI 4-H Foundation Scholarship Applications Due
17	Sat.	County Fair Steer Weigh-In (Time and Place TBA)
19	Mon.	Marinette Co. 4-H Speaking Contest and Music Fest, <b>Wausaukee</b> High, 6 pm
19	Mon.	4-H Leaders Association Mtg., <b>Wausaukee</b> High School, after contests



### APRIL

2	Mon.	Horse Project Mtg., Grover Town Hall, 6:30 pm
11	Wed.	Deadline to register for Demo Contest and Drama/Variety Fest
16	Mon.	Demo Contest, Drama/Variety Fest, Crivitz High, 6:00 pm
16	Mon.	4-H Leaders Association Mtg., Crivitz High, after contests
19	Thurs.	YQCA In-Person Trainings for Juniors (8-11 year olds) ONLY, Pound Town Hall, Coleman, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

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### MARINETTE COUNTY 4-H DRAMA & VARIETY FEST MON., APRIL 16<sup>TH</sup>, 6:00 PM • CRIVITZ HIGH SCHOOL

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Play or Presentation: \_\_\_\_\_

Cast Members: \_\_\_\_\_

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Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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### DEMONSTRATION CONTEST MON., APRIL 16<sup>TH</sup>, 6:00 PM • CRIVITZ HIGH SCHOOL

Name of Demonstrator(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Demonstration: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return forms to 4-H Office, 1926 Hall Ave., Marinette WI 54143 no later than Wed., April 11<sup>th</sup>.**

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## 2018 4-H County Activities & Special Projects Volunteer Sign-Up

**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.*)

- Lisa Witak, 715-938-4099, [lwitak@yahoo.com](mailto:lwitak@yahoo.com) CHAIR
- Deb Heitman, 904-536-6658, [dlnk910@gmail.com](mailto:dlnk910@gmail.com)
- Jennie Pillath, 715-938-2271, [kjpillath64@hotmail.com](mailto:kjpillath64@hotmail.com)
- Anne Biernasz, 715-732-6409, [Biernasza@yahoo.com](mailto:Biernasza@yahoo.com)

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

- Barb Kolosowski, 715-759-5747, [barbmiracllell@yahoo.com](mailto:barbmiracllell@yahoo.com) CHAIR
- Wally Hitt, 715-735-6988, [swbhitt@centurytel.net](mailto:swbhitt@centurytel.net)
- Heather Schramm, 715-759-5455, [daveschramm64@yahoo.com](mailto:daveschramm64@yahoo.com)
- Olivia Schramm (youth), 715-759-5455, [daveschramm64@yahoo.com](mailto:daveschramm64@yahoo.com)

**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.*)

- Lisa Witak, 715-938-4099, [lwitak@yahoo.com](mailto:lwitak@yahoo.com) CHAIR
- Alexis Witak (youth), 715-938-2227, [louloubelle.lexi@gmail.com](mailto:louloubelle.lexi@gmail.com)
- Lily Charapata (youth), 715-582-3363, [lilycharapata13@gmail.com](mailto:lilycharapata13@gmail.com)
- Barb Kolosowski, 715-759-5747, [barbmiracllell@yahoo.com](mailto:barbmiracllell@yahoo.com)
- Wally Hitt, 715-735-6988, [swbhitt@centurytel.net](mailto:swbhitt@centurytel.net)
- Anne Biernasz, 715-732-6409, [Biernasza@yahoo.com](mailto:Biernasza@yahoo.com)
- Sierra O'Mary (youth), 715-732-6409, [Biernasza@yahoo.com](mailto:Biernasza@yahoo.com)
- Kathy Schenk, 715-582-0552, [swimmom4ever@yahoo.com](mailto:swimmom4ever@yahoo.com)

**Scholarship** (*reviews scholarship procedures, assists in selection of scholarship winners.*)

- Alexis Witak (youth), 715-938-2227, [louloubelle.lexi@gmail.com](mailto:louloubelle.lexi@gmail.com)
- Lisa Witak, 715-938-4099, [lwitak@yahoo.com](mailto:lwitak@yahoo.com)
- Dorothy Kaminski, 920-897-2316, [dkaminski5@yahoo.com](mailto:dkaminski5@yahoo.com)
- Kathy Gabriel, 715-582-9244, [kathygabriel49@yahoo.com](mailto:kathygabriel49@yahoo.com)
- Barb Kolosowski, 715-759-5747, [barbmiracllell@yahoo.com](mailto:barbmiracllell@yahoo.com)
- Wally Hitt, 715-735-6988, [swbhitt@centurytel.net](mailto:swbhitt@centurytel.net)
- Jennie Pillath, 715-938-2271, [kjpillath64@hotmail.com](mailto:kjpillath64@hotmail.com)

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

- Dorothy Kaminski, 920-897-2316, [dkaminski5@yahoo.com](mailto:dkaminski5@yahoo.com) CHAIR
- Kathy Gabriel, 715-582-9244, [kathygabriel49@yahoo.com](mailto:kathygabriel49@yahoo.com)
- Jennie Pillath, 715-938-2271, [kjpillath64@hotmail.com](mailto:kjpillath64@hotmail.com)

**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** (March 19)

- Alexis Witak (youth), 715-938-2227, [louloubelle.lexi@gmail.com](mailto:louloubelle.lexi@gmail.com)
- Lisa Witak, 715-938-4099, [lwitak@yahoo.com](mailto:lwitak@yahoo.com)

**Drama & Variety and Demonstration Contest** (April 16)

- Alexis Witak (youth), 715-938-2227, [louloubelle.lexi@gmail.com](mailto:louloubelle.lexi@gmail.com)
- Lisa Witak, 715-938-4099, [lwitak@yahoo.com](mailto:lwitak@yahoo.com)

**Super Saturday/Project 101 Day**

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

- Heather Schramm, 715-759-5455, [daveschramm64@yahoo.com](mailto:daveschramm64@yahoo.com)
- Olivia Schramm (youth), 715-759-5455, [daveschramm64@yahoo.com](mailto:daveschramm64@yahoo.com)

**Other. Please list:**