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# Happy fall to all!

It is a busy time of year for 4-H! Each club has been working towards completing their annual chartering process, financial reporting, and making plans for the new 4-H year. Your leader's association has been doing the same thing and they are working hard to plan some fun county-wide events. They are always looking for feedback, and additional support in this process—be sure to get involved and help plan programs and events that are meaningful to you and your family. Here at the 4-H office we are also making plans for the new 4-H year, and plan to offer lots of fun opportunities. We are hopeful that we will be able to offer more in person events including some options for camps. There will be lots of information coming out in the upcoming months. Again, please consider how you and your family may be able to support some of these events that interest you.

Our annual re-enrollment period is open and it is important that you login and update your information as soon as possible so you do not miss out on any important 4-H communications. If you have family and friends that you think would enjoy some of what 4-H has to offer, be sure to encourage them to check us out!

In addition to our newsletters, and email updates, we will have a lot of information on our local Facebook page. In order for the page to be more effective and for people to see the information it is helpful for our members to like, comment, and share messages as much as they can. We greatly appreciate your support in this!

I hope everyone enjoyed a safe and Happy Halloween. I look forward to connecting with all of you at some of this year's 4- H events soon!

Moving Four-ward Together!

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

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# **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.

# FEATURE YOUR ANIMALS **AT FARM WISCONSIN!**



Farm Wisconsin is partnering with local 4-H chapters to showcase their animals while also fundraising for their club!



Sign up to bring your animals to Farm Wisconsin and your club will receive \$2 for every admission ticket sold on your date!

Email jennaefarmwisconsin.org for more details



# 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.



#### **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.

### 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-creamflavor-creation-contest/



# **COUNTY HORSE PROJECT**

## <u>SEPTEMBER HORSE PROJECT MEETING</u> <u>UPDATES</u>

Greetings from your Fellow Horse Project members! We are looking forward to a great year with a great group of members. We currently have 11 registered youth, if you or anyone you know would like to join, our meetings will continue to be the first Monday of every month at 6:30pm at Grover Township Hall. This is a great group of parents and youth who are looking forward to a fun and exciting year.

During our first meeting we elected our 4-H Advisors for the year. Lisa Spencer and Karie Meeks will be our Youth Advisors as we said farewell to Jean Goodwin and Kevin Kotecki who have served as the Project Advisors for many years. They will be greatly missed! We elected our new youth officers. Kiana Kotecki is President, Audrey Campbell is Vice President, Olivia Hemstock is Secretary, Taylor Reynolds is Treasurer and Nicole Spencer was elected reporter and has elected to share her position with Madelyn Noll.

As a group we came up with several fun ideas for the year to encourage fun and learning. We will have a new Facebook page to provide monthly updates, this information will be provided at our next meeting in November. We revised our bylaws and removed Article 14 which required Horse Project members to attend four meetings to show at the County Fair.

Our next meeting is November 1st at the Grover Town Hall. The hall located at W 5161 Town Hall Rd, Peshtigo, WI 54157. Meeting Time is 6:30 pm. Officers meeting at 6 pm.



# MINUTES

## Marinette County 4-H Leaders Association Minutes Monday, October 18, 2021

President Lisa Witak called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm. Pledges were said.

Leaders Present: Lisa Witak, Kari LaCount, Jennie Pillath, Sue Deschane, Anne Biernasz, Barb Kolosowski, Aimee Elkins, Deb Heitman.

The Secretary's Report from the newsletter was approved. Jennie P. made a motion to accept the report. Barb K. seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer, Kari L, updated everyone on the current state of bills. Bills related to the food stand and raffle have been taken care of. Anne made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Jennie P. seconded. Motion carried.

Update from Aimee - Aimee gave updates regarding statewide and county programs. 4-H Online currently has the application available for the state 4-H Arts Team for youth interested. State and National programs that are tentatively being planned for 2022 include Youth Conference, National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference, American Spirit, and Citizenship Washington Focus. Space Camp will not be offered in 2022.

New policy updates will be in the newsletter. Aimee is looking into the possibility of having camp again in 2022. It is in the very early, explorative stages with another county.

Committee Reports:

Food Stand - Meeting was held to wrap up 2021 fair. Committee is thinking about 2022 and possible changes including how to deal with Wednesday, such as having specific hours and a limited menu. They are also exploring the idea of having the stand open only until 9 pm.

Fair Board - None

Raffle - None

Awards/Trips - None

Royalty - None

Scholarship - None

Old Business:

Achievement Day - December 5 at Grover Town Hall. Noon will be food with awards around 1 pm.

Record Book Judging - Completed and surprised by the number of books considering the limited opportunities to do things both at club and county levels.

New Business:

Tree at Stephenson Island - Anne is looking into it again, including the set up day. Comment was made about how nice it was seeing the 4-H clover as people were driving over the bridge.

County Activities - Discuss around the possibility of having a movie day again at the Mariner. Aimee also asked about the education opportunity the board could provide to the clubs. Suggestions were made to sponsor an officer training day/youth leadership/career day. Comments were also made about the difficulty of participating in virtual events for parts of our county due to internet issues.

Next meeting will be 12/5 at Achievement Day, which will also include election of officers for the Association.

Jennie made a motion to adjourn. Sue D. seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Heitman

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