



Marinette County 4-H Newsletter April, 2022

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Hello 4-H Families!

Rain, rain, go away - we are all beyond ready to get out and play. Although the beginning of spring has certainly been looking like more of a lion than a lamb we can be sure that the sunshine and warmer weather are on their way. There are so many wonderful opportunities coming up within our local and state 4-H programs - be sure to check them out! Pay close attention to the newsletter for important dates and deadlines. Enrollment and project selections must be made by the end of this month to be eligible for participation in the fair.



Summer Camp is back! Planning is well underway and we are all so excited to have this opportunity again. Registration will be opening soon, you will find more details in the newsletter and on the county 4-H Facebook page. Camp this year is a tri-county effort between Marinette, Oconto, and Shawano and being referred to as Camp Mar-Oco-Sha. Space is limited so be sure to get your registrations in right away if you plan to attend.

I am looking forward to an opportunity I have later this month to present at the National Extension Conference on Volunteerism in Tulsa, OK. A group of colleagues and I will be discussing some of the work WI 4-H has been doing around the Youth Thriving Model and survey that many of our youth participated in this past fall. It is a great time for me to share the amazing things that are happening in both of my local 4-H programs, and the impacts that our program makes. I am really grateful to be able to work with some of the best leaders, members, and families in the state! Thank you all for everything each and every one of you do to help make this 4-H Program thrive!

If you have any suggestions, questions, or ideas to share, please don't hesitate to reach out. I would love to hear from you!

Warm Regards,

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LOOK INSIDE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON EVENTS AND OTHER NEWS.

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4-H SPEAKING CONTEST

Mon., April 18, at the Pound Town Hall, 5:30-7 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 *Fri.*, *April 8* by sending in your name, club, grade and topic. See rules at the end of this newsletter.





4-H DRAMA & VARIETY FEST

Mon., April 18, at the Pound Town Hall, 5:30-7 pm. (Leaders Association meeting will be this night also.) Call, email, or use the form in this newsletter to mail in your club's registration.

Deadline: *Fri.*, *April* 8. Guidelines on-line or call the 4-H office for a copy.

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 the club name, cast members, title of the presentation, & contact.

4-H SUMMER CAMP

August 2-5. We are excited to be offering a four-day, three-night 4-H Camp for Marinette, Oconto and Shawano Counties to be held at Camp Bird near Crivitz, WI, for those in grades 3-7 as of Jan. 1, 2022. For more information,



visit https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/shawano4h/current-registrations/. The registration link goes live April 1st.

SPRING CHAIN REACTION PROJECT

May 14—May 22. You can choose a date that works for you. Just a few hours of your time helps seniors remain in their own homes. Marinette Co. Elderly Services is looking for commitments as soon as possible, before April 15th. Ph:715-854-7453. WI Toll-Free: 800-990-4242.



SPRING/SUMMER CHALLENGE

Invite a friend to a 4-H event & win prizes! The best way for us to spread the word about 4-H is to share it with others! As you participate in 4-H events this spring and summer, make sure to invite a friend! If you bring a friend to a 4-H event (a club meeting, a project workshop, fun activity, etc), send an email to nser-vais@marinettecounty.com and let us know who you brought to the event – your name will be entered in a drawing for a 4-H Mall Gift Certificate! You can use the prize to order 4-H apparel, accessories or more! Enter before July 30th to be eligible to win!

EXTENSION MARINETTE COUNTY HAS A NEW FACEBOOK PAGE

Catch up with what is happening with Extension programming, both locally and statewide, along with interesting information. Click on:

https://www.facebook.com/Division-of-Extension-Marinette-County-106598308593986

<u>UW-MADISON SCIENCE EXPEDITIONS / EXPLORE SCIENCE - CAMPUS OPEN HOUSE</u>

UW-Madison Science Expeditions *April 8-10*. Connect with researchers, visit labs and field sites and grow your interests in STEM. For further information, visit <u>science.wisc.edu/science-expeditions/</u>



TOP TEN 4-H MEMBER PROJECTS IN MARINETTE COUNTY FOR 2022

- 1. Beef (47)
- 2. Art (41) Swine (41)
- 3. (Art-Type) Crafts (37)
- 4. Horse (32)
- 5. Cloverbuds (31)
- 6. Dairy (27)
- 7. Rabbit (24)
- 8. Photography (20) Sheep (20) Stem-Related/Legos (20)
- 9. Poultry (14)
- 10. Dogs (12)



WOW!

Any youth, male or female, at least 14 years old and in high school, interested in becoming part of Marinette Co. Royalty can apply. If interested, contact Dorothy Kaminski at 920-897-2316. Applications will be mailed out soon with interviews to be scheduled for May.

TRACTOR SUPPLY CO PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN

April 27 through May 8, 2022. Add \$1 at checkout, and your money supports leadership activities for Wisconsin 4-Hers. If your club partners with your local TSC to promote 4-H at the store, the Foundation will give your club \$50. To participate, your 4-H club must register with the WI4-H Foundation before your event because \$50 is awarded to only one club per store. If you are interested, please contact Joanne at the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation at Joanne@Wis4HFoundation.org or (608) 262-1597.

<u>VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED FOR COUNTY 4-H</u> <u>COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL ACTIVITIES</u>

We are still in need of volunteers to serve on various committees. A sign-up sheet had been included in the last two 4-H newsletters. Both youth and adults can serve on these committees. Please consider helping and sign up as soon as possible.

OVERLOOKED 2021 PROJECT AWARD

Amilia Reed, of Golden Opportunity 4-H, should have received a project award in photography at February's Achievement and Recognition Day. Congratulations, Amilia.

WI TOWNS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

The WI Towns Association, Rural Mutual Insurance Company & Scott Construction, Inc., will be awarding \$7,000 in scholarships to high school seniors graduating in 2022 from a public or private high school in WI that plan to enroll in a WI public or private college or a university in 2022. The essay should address the topic: "What can Wisconsin's leaders do to increase young adult interest in serving on a town board?" Essays must be postmarked by May 27. For more info and an application, visit https://www.wisctowns.com/resources/scholarship/



4-H SPARKS DAY

WI 4-H will be hosting 3 separate 4-H Spark Days to help youth explore their sparks at different campuses around the State! The Spark Days will be held *June 20-22*. Each day inc. hands-on sessions, career pathway exploration, guest speakers, meeting new 4-H friends, and fun. Open to grades 7-10.

Registration will be via 4HOnline, and will open May 2nd on a first-come, first-serve basis. Registration costs TBD and will include program supplies, a t-shirt, any local transportation and lunch. More information is coming soon – you can find information about each day below. To receive immediate email updates on information about Spark Days, submit your information here. A promotional flyer is also available <a href="here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.com/here.co



2023 Wisconsin 4-H Advanced Space Academy

Registration Opens July 1

Activities Include:

- High / Low Ropes
 Course
- NASA Simulators
 Russian Language
- Scuba Diving
 Fighter Jet Simulators
- Advanced Rocketry
 Meeting NASA
 Engineers
- Land, Air, and Sea Robotics Training
- STEM Challenges
 Simulated Space
 Mission
- International Space



UW-MADISON EXTENSION

University of Wisconsin, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin counties cooperating. An EEO/AA employer, Exten sion provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title VI, Title EV and American with Disabilities (ADA) requirements. Advanced Space Academy explores college and career preparation through an immersive experience in science, technology, engineering, and math. Trainees undergo a variety of astronaut training exercises, engineering challenges, and teambuilding activities, all culminating in an extended duration simulated space mission.



Grades: 10th-12th graders as of January 1, 2023

Dates: January 21-27, 2023

Location: US Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama

Cost: \$1,650.00 / youth (Deposit of \$825.00 is due by October 1, 2022)

Lodging: Youth will stay at a hotel in Milwaukee, WI the first night. During the rest of the program youth will stay in the Space Camp dormitory.

Meals: All meals will be included in the price.

Transportation: Youth will fly to and from Space Camp from Mitchell Airport in Milwaukee, WI

Registration: July 1-31, 2022 through 4-HOnline. Registration is on a first come., first serve basis. There are only 32 spots available.

More information: Contact Joshua Goede at 608-269-8722 or joshua.goede@wisc.edu

PROJECT AND ENROLLMENT DEADLINE IS MAY 1ST

Summer is quickly approaching and that means it's almost time for the Marinette County Fair! You must be enrolled as a 4-H member in 4-H Online by May 1st to be eligible to exhibit at this year's county fair.



NEIGHBORHOOD FOREST FREE TREE PROGRAM

For those who ordered trees (see February, 2022 newsletter), the latest update just says they will be coming in time for Earth Day - probably

around the 20th, and Aimee will have more information in early April about species etc. So be sure to check your e-mail often for an update.

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

2022 NATIONAL DAIRY MONTH PROMOTION KICK-OFF

Clubs are eligible to apply for a Community Dairy Promotion kit to support their efforts locally. Each group can receive a National Dairy Month kit for events to celebrate WI dairy farmers. Quantities are limited. Physical kits will be sent after May 1; digital kits will be e-mailed to groups by April 15. For more information and/or to sign up for a kit, visit: https://wisconsindairy.org/
Promote-Dairy/dairymonthpromotion/NDMkit



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

April 17-23 is National Volunteer Week! It's time to celebrate our volunteers and all that they do. Volunteering is a big part of 4-H. We rely on a network of 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!





ANIMAL SCIENCE

RABBIT HANDLING WORKSHOP TO BE HELD

At the Fairgrounds during sheep and goat weigh in, May 14, from 9:00 to 10:30. We will concentrate on handling rabbits. This will include carrying, flipping, checking teeth and toenails. Members can bring their own rabbit for individual instruction, or use one of Ember Rickaby's. Participants should wear long sleeves. Workshop will be conducted by Ember, of Golden Opportunity 4-H Club.

COUNTY FAIR WEIGH-IN DATE

May 14, 9-10:30 am, at the Fairgrounds for sheep/goat. Swine pictures can be e-mailed to marinettefair@yahoo.com or given to Lisa Witak prior to May 14 at 10:30 am.

Anyone needing RFID tags should contact Lisa before the weigh in date. Tags are \$2 each for beef/swine and \$1.50 for sheep/goat.

AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS

For our area, Sheboygan County will be hosting on **June 15th**. Each site will host livestock and dairy judging along with other animal species offerings. More will be coming soon.

COUNTY LIVESTOCK MTG RESCHEDULED

The livestock meeting that was supposed to be held April 4, 2022 is cancelled. The next meeting will be *Monday, May 2, 2022* at 7:00pm at Pound Town Hall. The reason for the change is a delay in getting the needed RFID tags.

WISCONSIN YOUTH LIVESTOCK PROGRAM (WYLP) PRESENTS

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING 2022

January 13 - Grand Challenge: Animal Health & Welfare
February 10 - Grand Challenge: Precision Agriculture
March 3 (*date change*) - Grand Challenge: Food/Meat Safety
April 14 - Grand Challenge: Land and Water

May 12 - Grand Challenge: Biomedical Advancements

Why are we concerned? What is the scientific problem?
What do we know?
What more do we need to learn?
How does this apply to my youth animal project?
What are the career opportunities?

All events are <u>virtual</u> and begin at 7 p.m.

Can meet county educational requirements.

For more information & how to register: https://go.wisc.edu/tnq61h



ANIMAL SCIENCES EDUCATION SERIES

The series is offered in connection with the UW Madison Animal & Dairy Sciences Dept., College of Agricultural and Life Sciences and Division of Extension. Topics are for youth and adults. Each session begins at 7 pm followed by question and answer time. These sessions will provide awareness and knowledge of animal agriculture in these challenge areas listed. They will also give details on careers and how this area connects with your animal project. Younger youth can learn through a take-home activity they talk about with parents and or project leaders.

April 14 – Grand Challenge: Land and Water **May 12** – Grand Challenge: Biomedical Advancements For registration and details, go to: https://go.wisc.edu/tng61h.

YQCA PLATFORM IS LIVE

The new <u>www.yqcaprogram.org</u> site was live and open for business recently. Please bookmark this new page.



COUNTY HORSE PROJECT

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES REVIEW FROM MARCH 7TH

This meeting took place at Grover Town Hall at 6:30pm. New members present, introductions made. Treasury report was said and talked over. Tack swap is on May 21st, being held at Peshtigo Town Hall from 8am to 4pm. Tables will be provided at a cost of \$20 per table. Some members of the group bagged groceries at Jacks in Marinette, raising \$618 worth of donations. The open show will be held on June 25th being the pleasure show and June 26th being the speed show. The judge will be Rebecca Barrett. Judge fees are \$300 along with the fairground fee being \$200 for the weekend. We will provide lunch for the judge at no cost. The cost of each class will be \$5.00, stall fee will be \$10 per day, and trailering in fee will be \$25 with full deposit after looking over to make sure no mess was left behind. Sign up sheet for parent volunteer hours were passed around, along with descriptions of each position. Adjustments to show rules were presented by Lisa Spencer and Karie Meeks. The finalized show bill will be posted online such as on Facebook, etc. To end the meeting there was a presentation on how and when to blanket your horse by County Reins 4h Group.



ASSOCIATION MINUTES

March Association Meeting March 21, 2022 at Grover Town Hall

President Jennie Pillath called the meeting to order at 6:38pm.

Pledges were said.

Present: Jennie Pillath, Tracey Johnson, Kari LaCount, Anne Biernasz, Sue Deschane, Julia Lepinski, Deb Heitman

Secretary's Report: Anne B. made a motion to accept the secretary's report as printed in the newsletter. Sue D. seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Kari did not have a print out, but the Fair Board and the Village of Wausaukee were paid their fees for the food stand for the 2022 fair. The CD was also cashed in and money deposited into the checking account.

Committee Reports:

Food Stand: Anne said the committee will need to have a meeting. She expressed a concern regarding the rise in food prices and the effect on the food stand profits. The committee will investigate the food costs and think about pricing.

Fair Board: None

Raffle: Jennie gave Barb the go ahead to move forward with organization of the raffle. Tickets should be here sometime in the next week.

Awards and Trips: No interviews because there were no applications.

Royalty: There was a write up in the newsletter regarding interest for this year.

Scholarship: None

Old Business:

Achievement Day - Positive comments from those who attended.

Movie Day - Anne reached out to the Mariner again, but did not get a call back. At this point, the decision to have a movie day has been put on hold, especially with spring and summer coming.

New Business:

Speech/Drama - Before the April 18th Association meeting, there will be the county Speech/Drama Contest. Any youth interested can come and perform between 5:30-7pm. In between performances, the Association will have their meeting.

County Activities - If any youth/leaders have ideas for county activities, please let any leader or Board member know.

Anne said Marinette County Elderly Services is looking for groups to help with Chain Reaction day in May. Any clubs interested can contact them.

Jennie asked if future Association meetings can be moved up to 6pm. There was no disagreement on the movement of time for the meetings.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kari L. Sue D. seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 7:07pm.

Next meeting: April 18th at the Town of Pound Hall, W8484 County Road B Coleman

Speech/Drama Contest 5:30-7pm; Association Meeting 6pm or between performances.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Heitman

MARINETTE COUNTY 4-H DRAMA & VARIETY FEST

Mon., April 18, at the Pound Town Hall, 5:30-7 pm.

Club Name		
Name of Play or Presentation:		
Cast Members:		
Contact Person:	Phone:	

Please return forms to 4-H Office, 1926 Hall Ave., Marinette WI 54143 no later than Fri., April 8th.

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 *Mon.*, *April 18*, at the Pound Town Hall, W8484 Co Rd B, Coleman 5:30-7 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.



Classification:	Grade levels:	<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 <u>without</u> 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, April 18 at Pound Town Hall. <u>Deadline: Fri., April 8.</u>
Please send to: Marinette County 4-H Office, 1926 Hall Avenue, Marinette WI 54143

Name of presenter(s) and club name:	
Phone number:	Grade:
Title of Presentation:	

2022

4-H County Activities & Special Projects Volunteer Sign-Up - Volunteers Still Needed. Sign-up now!!

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
	E-mail
-	nt your name next to the group you'd like to help with & return to the Extension Office. Limit of three nittees per person.
 County	Awards and Trips - provides leadership in promotion of 4-H trips, works with Leaders Association and the -H Office to determine candidate selection process. Meets February and October or as needed.
nate and	Raffle/County Fundraising - develops annual fundraising plan, makes recommendations on and helps coordipromote planned fundraisers.
items, o	Cood Stand - provides leadership in developing 4-H food stand policies and procedures, recommends menu ders food and supplies, helps to evaluate, etc. Meets April-September, 1-2x/month as needed.
	cholarship - reviews scholarship procedures, assists in selection of scholarship winners.
 the Fair	Royalty - Prepares candidates, helps with all aspects of contest, secures judges, facilitates Royalty coronation a awards & follow up. Meets April-August.
□ Yes	No I am interested in serving as a Committee Chair or Co-Chair. List Committee:
	TIVITY COORDINATOR or COMMITTEE — Plan and implement special county activities. Can be yout a youth/adult team. Duties include assisting with promotion and coordination of event, selecting judges, even be.
	peaking Contest & Music Fest (normally held in February/March)
	Orama & Variety and Demonstration Contest (normally held in April)
	uper Saturday/Project 101 Day
	air help (office or at fair) (August)
	Other. Please list:

Thank you! Please return to the Extension Office as soon as possible. Volunteers still needed!!