



Marinette County 4-H Newsletter May, 2023 Extension Marinette County 1926 Hall Avenue, Resource Center Marinette WI 54143-1717 715-732-7514 • Toll-free 877-884-4408 <u>https://marinette.uwex.edu</u> <u>aimee.elkins@wisc.edu</u> nancy.servais@wisc.edu

#### Greetings 4-H Friends!

Although our weather has not warmed up too much yet - things are really heating up with Marinette County 4-H! We currently have 269 youth and adult members enrolled in our program. Awesome! There are so many amazing opportunities coming up to explore as well including, a county movie day, a summer county-wide trip, overnight summer camp, project meetings, fair prep, and so much more. This is a great time of year.

I have just returned feeling very energized from a state conference, JCEP (the Joint Council of Extension Professionals) where I was able to participate in a variety of professional development opportunities to support our great program. These included sessions on: using personality type as a superpower - whether you are an extrovert, introvert or somewhere in between, supporting the mental health of others in times of stress, and creating quality take and learn kits. I was also very proud to be recognized for my work in the 4-H program and received state professional awards including: The Communicator Award for the school promotional flyer we put out in each county school system this past year, the Susan Barkmann Excellence in Research Award for work on the State Thriving Evaluation team, and the Excellence in Peer Professional Development Award for work supporting colleagues across the state in improving their local program quality.

I have an opportunity coming up to present at the National Conference on Volunteerism in Lexington., KY to share some of the great work going on in WI 4-H as well. We truly have one the of the best programs around, and I enjoy being able to share how amazing our volunteers and participants are with colleagues across the nation. Be sure to take advantage of all the amazing events coming up this summer. I look forward to seeing you at some of them!

Be well.

Aimee Elkins 4-H Youth Development Educator Marinette and Oconto Counties





#### FREE MOVIE FOR 4-H MEMBERS (See graphic on page 4)

May 13, "The Super Mario Brothers," at the Mariner Theater, in Marinette. Co-sponsored by Kountry Kids 4-H Club. The 4-H Leaders Association is giving \$5 to 4-H members attending for concessions. Anne Biernasz will be at the first and second movie to hand out concession tickets from the county. If someone else is able to do the other ones that would be helpful or they won't be available. Times for the movie will be posted the Thursday before. Please call the movie hotline at 715-732-9364 for times.

## LOOK INSIDE FOR MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON EVENTS AND OTHER NEWS.



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#### <u>COUNTY TRIP TO NOAH'S</u> ARK

*Wed., July 19th.* \$20 for each 4-H member and their parent and/or sibling. \$25 for non-4-

H. The bus and part of the ticket is being paid by the 4-H Leaders Association. Food is on your own. Register with the 4-H office no later than June 28 with payment due by that date. Checks should be payable to Marinette County 4-H.

## **ATTENTION: ADULT VOLUNTEERS**

We still have lots of volunteers that are in need of completing training. If you re-enrolled but did not receive a confirmation email from UW-Madison with your role descriptions, you are not yet fully approved and need to reach out to us as soon as possible. The 4-H office will let you know what is needed and where to find the site to complete the necessary training(s).

Contact the 4-H office at 715-732-7514 or email <u>nan-</u> cy.servais@wisc.edu



## 4-H CAMP REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Looking for an exciting summer adventure for your child? Join us at residential 4-H summer camp MarO-coSha! The program offers a wide range of activities from nature to arts and crafts, sports, games, swimming and canoeing, and leadership development. With a ded-icated and experienced staff of counselors and adults, a safe, supportive and fun environment is provided. 4-H members can register at <u>tinyurl.com/4HMarOcoSha23</u> or go to the Marinette County 4-H Facebook page for the link.

#### FAIR DORM

Members who have graduated 4<sup>th</sup> grade with animals which need daily care may stay at the dorms during the Fair. The fee is \$5. The dorm is not a 4-H sponsored activity. Dorms belong to the Fair. However, the 4-H office will take names of those interested and fees on behalf of the Fair. Packets will be sent to you before the Fair. Remember, it is a privilege to stay at the dorm. Youth can sign up starting in June by contacting Nancy at the 4-H office.

The Fair Board is in need of dorm chaperones.

#### FAIR ENTRY FORMS AND PREMIUM BOOKS

We are hoping to get the entry forms and premium books mailed to 4-H families by mid-May so watch your mailboxes for these packets.

#### **ENTRY FORM REQUEST**

If you plan on entering both in the youth and open fair, please put each division on a separate entry form. Each division (youth, open and senior) are treated separately in the Fair computer program and exhibitors are issued separate exhibitor numbers.

#### NEVER TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT ROYALTY



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.

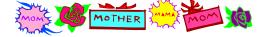
#### **BREAKFAST ON THE FARM**

*Sunday, June 25, 2023.* Van De Walle farms, W8303 W 22nd Rd., Crivitz. 7:30 am-noon. Handicap accessible. Adults (age 11+) \$10. Children (age 6-10) \$5. Age 5 and under—free.

#### PLEASE UPDATE INFO ON 4-H ONLINE

We have been coming across several records with outdated information. If you move or change your e-mail address, please remember to update 4-H online.





#### STATEWIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year, the WI 4-H Foundation provides a sum of money to the State 4-H Office for needs-based scholarships for youth to participate in statewide educational experiences. WI 4-H believes that cost should not be a barrier to program participation. Youth can apply for a scholarship by submitting their information at the Qualtrics form linked below. The responses to this form will remain confidential and will only be shared with a small committee managing the scholarship funds.

Statewide Educational Experiences Scholarship Form

Each youth should submit one form per program they are participating in. Staff will do their best to assess each request and make a determination on the amount awarded.

#### **Programs**

This scholarship fund is available to any youth who is attending one of our Statewide Educational Experiences. Examples of these experiences are:

Advanced Space Academy

•Animal Science Programming (AASD, Quiz Bowl,

- Skillathon, Judging Contests)
- •Arts Camp or ArtBEAT!
- •Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF)
- •Fall Forum
- •National 4-H Congress
- National 4-H Conference
- Space Camp
- •State Arts Team (Drama Company or Arts)
- Summer Academy
- Other Programs

Please reach out to Laura Pine at <u>lpine@wisc.edu</u> or Justin Lieck at <u>justin.lieck@wisc.edu</u> with questions regarding these scholarship applications.

## **COUNTY 4-H RAFFLE**

Plans have been made to hold the county 4-H raffle again this year. Tickets have been prepared for families to sell as in the past. See your club leader for tickets.



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

# Monther Mother

#### WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

August 3-13. Junior Livestock Shows: Junior show exhibitors must be between the ages of 12-19 by January 1st of the current year and have completed YQCA certification. For more info, visit <u>https://</u> wistatefair.com/competitions/junior-livestock/

## CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL PICTURES OF MARINETTE COUNTY YOUTH



We had a very successful dual-county Creative Arts Festival on Saturday April 29th. We had over 25 youth participate, sharing their amazing skills and talents. We are so proud of each and every one of you! A huge thank you goes out to our judge - Kelly Nemec, our emcees Emily Aerts and Lillian McDowell, our venue the Grover Town Hall, and our hosting Little River 4-H club for their help with set up, clean up, and judge appreciation. A lot goes into making events like these possible and we appreciate you all! Keep up the great work!





#### WISCONSIN CELEBRATES POLLINATORS

 Get your calendar and mark down UW-Madison Extension Horticulture Program's

Wisconsin Celebrates Pollinator Week from June 19-25, 2023 and visit the Wisconsin Celebrate Pollinator Week website: <u>https://bit.ly/41nwp6M</u>

This week is dedicated to raising awareness, increasing knowledge and promoting adoption of pollinator friendly practices to improve pollinator health and habitats throughout Wisconsin. National Pollinator Week is an annual event managed by the Pollinator Partnership to help spread the word about what we can do to protect pollinators.

Pollinators in Wisconsin and around the world are facing population declines due to a number of factors. You can get involved in pollinator conservation in many ways! Starting in May and continuing in June, learn more about pollinators with our free online programs. Find pollinators and habitat in your area with a scavenger hunt that you can download and print or use the iNaturalist app. Join in local activities and use the resources on the website to help pollinators in your own yard and community. By creating pollinator friendly habitats, reducing or eliminating environmental contamination from pesticides, and spreading the word about pollinators with your communities, we can all contribute to pollinator conservation.

Join us, UW-Madison Extension Horticulture Program, in celebrating Pollinators! Visit the official website: <u>https://bit.ly/41nwp6M</u>



## MINUTES

### Marinette County Leader's Association Monday, April 17 at Town of Pound Hall

Attendance: Jennie Pillath, Dorothy Kaminski, Lisa Witak, Sue Deschane, Deb Heitman, Julia Lepinski

President Jennie Pillath called the meeting to order at 6:17pm.

Pledges were said.

Secretary's Report: Sue made a motion to accept the secretary's report as printed in the most recent newsletter. Dorothy seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: The camp account has officially been zeroed out. Raffle tickets were paid. Deposits for Space Camp were received. Julia is working on getting the needed documentation put in her name. Julia also asked for money to pay for a new treasurer's computer and printer. She is willing to research costs and bring to the Association. Lisa made a motion to allow for the purchase of new computer/printer for the treasurer's position. Sue seconded. Motion carried.

#### Committees:

Food Stand - None Fair Board - None Raffle - Tickets are available and were handed out to the leaders present. Awards/Trips - There were 5 for Summer Academy. Royalty - A write up is in the newsletter. Scholarships - None Shooting Sports - None

#### Old Business:

County Trip - Based on feedback from clubs, the county trip will be to Noah's Ark in Wisconsin Dells on Wednesday, July 19. Deadline to sign up will be June 28. Cost will be \$20 for youth/adult members and \$25 for non members. This will include the cost of the ticket and bus. The trip is subject to cancellation due to low numbers. Sue made a motion to approve the trip and costs. Lisa seconded. Motion carried.

May 13th at 1:00pm will be the movie, Super Mario Brothers, at the Mariner Theatre in Marinette.

#### New Business:

Hall of Fame - Lisa will work on the application for a candidate on behalf of our county.



Deb made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sue seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

Next meeting is May 15th at Crivitz.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Heitman.



## ANIMAL SCIENCE

### **DAIRY MANAGEMENT INC. SCHOLARSHIP**

The National Dairy Promotion and Research Board (NDPRB), through Dairy Management Inc. (DMI), annually awards up to eleven \$2,500 scholarships to eligible undergraduate students (rising sophomore through senior) enrolled in college/university programs that emphasize dairy. Majors include: communications/public relations, journalism, marketing, business, economics, nutrition, food science, and Ag education. In addition, the NDPRB awards a \$3,500 James H. Loper Jr. Memorial Scholarship to the outstanding scholarship recipient.

Scholarships are awarded based on academic achievement, an interest in a career in a dairy-related discipline, and demonstrated leadership, initiative and integrity. Candidates fill out an online application, submit an official transcript of all college courses, and write a short statement describing their career aspirations, dairyrelated activities and work experiences. Students may be awarded scholarships in multiple years. Scholarship winners must be enrolled during the entire academic year for which the scholarship is awarded.

Completed applications should be submitted on-line no later than May 12, 2023. Questions can be directed to Nate Janssen at 847-627-3335 or by emailing <u>ndbscholarships@dairy.org</u>.

### <u>COUNTY 4-H DOG PROJECT</u> <u>MEETINGS</u>

Anne Biernasz, Key 4-H Dog Project Leader, will be having two meetings in May for dog project members planning to show their



dogs and participate in dog training. The dates are May 9 and 25, 6 pm, at her house (address is W3151 State Rd 180, Wausaukee). Please bring your dogs and their shot records. Summer meeting schedule will be set at May 25th meeting. Contact Anne, 715-923-4738, if you have any questions.

### **COUNTY FAIR WEIGH-IN DATE**

May 13, 9-11 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 13 at 11 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 DAY**

Registration is now open. For more information about the event and registering, visit:

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewideevents-and-opportunities/area-animal-science-days/ Closest site is Wisconsin Rapids (Wood Co.). June 9th (Dairy, Livestock, and Photo and Poster)

Registration fees are \$12. The host counties will be providing lunch. The cost is \$10/ person eating. Lunches are only available by preregistration. Deadline - May 24, 2023.





## **COUNTY HORSE PROJECT**

#### Dear 4-H Families,

The 4-H Horse Project continues to hold monthly meetings the first Monday of the month at 6pm. The meetings are at the Grover Town Hall located at W 5161 Town Hall Rd, Peshtigo, WI 54157. Our group has many registered members but attendance has been down. If you are registered as a 4-H Horse Project member we invite you to attend our next meeting. The group focuses on learning about horses. We continue to offer a variety of learning opportunities through presentation, hands on practice and have invited speakers to provide education on various topics. You do not need to own a horse to participate! We continue to keep the meetings fun and have monthly drawings for prizes. If you have not attended this year please do so. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact me at 906-235-0242.

-Lisa Spencer



# Exploring 4-H for New Families

# Making Memories at 4-H Camp

4-H camp provides a unique opportunity for all youth to develop life skills. It helps youth build confidence and meet new people in a safe, supportive environment! Camp is meant for everyone, and campers come from all walks of life. Camps can be offered overnight, as day camps, or have a project focus. 4-H staff are committed to making accommodations to ensure that all youth have a chance to learn, grow, and have fun at summer camp!

## Why is camp important?

Campers and youth counselors both have a lot to gain from camp! For some youth, this is their first time away from home. For others, it is an opportunity to get back together with friends. 4-H camp gives youth the opportunity to develop independence, build self-confidence, and master new skills. Youth make new friends and get to spark new



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interests through camp programs. Camp counselors serve as role models and develop valuable leadership skills that will be useful for a lifetime!



## Each camp provides a unique experience.

Most camp programs are based on a specific theme each year. Campers are divided into small groups to create a positive learning environment during the program. They participate in a wide variety of activities. Typical activities at camp include: learning sessions taught by counselors or adult volunteers, swimming, canoeing, hiking, campfires, arts and crafts, and more!

# We've done this for awhile. Trust us!

4-H camps rely on years of youth development experience using research and best practices from across the nation. 4-H educators use these best practices to develop camp programming alongside their youth counselors and adult volunteers. Making camp a safe place, both physically and socially, for youth, is a priority. All youth and adult leaders receive training and educational resources to help youth work through their new experiences away from home whether it be the campers' first time or their tenth time!



If you're still not sure how camp may be a fit for your youth member or if you need to know about special accommodations, please reach out to your local 4-H educator!



Have a minute? Please provide feedback by filling out this <u>5-question survey</u>









# Exploring 4-H for New Families Member Edition



# Go Pack!

Going to summer camp means you need to pack your bags for a fun time! The items below are important items to bring. Before you leave for camp, make sure you have everything you need. See if you can track down all of the items and practice getting packed for your big adventure.

**Sleeping Bag** 

**Pillow** 

Pajamas

Sweatshirt for nighttime

3 pairs shorts/pants & t-shirts

Underwear

Swimsuit

Water Bottle

**Closed toe shoes (tennis shoes)** 

Waterfront shoes (footwear that can get wet)

# What did we miss?

Were there some items that you think should be on the list? List them here, and then try and get everything packed to make sure you can carry it all! Remember, you can't bring everything!

Toothbrush/Toothpaste

Shampoo/Conditioner

Towel

Sunscreen

Sunglasses

Hat



# **Every camp is different!**

Some camps require that you bring certain items. Make sure you also check with the camp you're attending to see if there is anything special you need to bring along.

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