



Extension

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OUTAGAMIE COUNTY

4-H Connections Newsletter

September/October 2021



Educator's Corner

Greetings!

This past year has come and gone in the blink of an eye and I am sure that you all are looking forward to all the excitement that another year of 4-H will bring. Some of you may have noticed that Wisconsin 4-H rolled out the 4-H Movement in fall of last year and then it seemed to go quiet for a bit. Well, I can assure you that it is still there are we are still trying to "move" this program to be bigger and better everyday.

The Wisconsin 4-H Movement is working to combine different pillars (Values, Essential Elements, 4-H Thrive Model, and the 4-H Pledge) of the program to help all of us focus on what matters, positive youth development. Please visit the website to learn more <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/the-movement/>. In the meantime, let's look at what we can do to build more connections!

The Wisconsin 4-H Movement - Building Connections

In your club or community there are many different opportunities for you to build connections! When you build connections, you grow positive relationships with peers and adults. Here are some ideas to encourage you to build connections and live out The Wisconsin 4-H Movement:

- Lead or participate in 4-H project meetings
- Get to know your 4-H club community and talk to a new member at every club meeting
- Establish a welcome area at club meetings for people to check in for the meeting
- Engage in get to know you activities with club members
- Participate in state-wide experiences and opportunities
- Serve as a mentor to new members and families
- Invite a speaker to share something important about their culture



The 4-H movement is committed to providing youth development opportunities and promoting positive change for young people. Working together to make the best, better.

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NEXT LEADERS MEETING:

Monday, November 29 | Center Town Hall & Zoom | 7:00 pm

Agenda Items: Hand out 4-H Family Handbook

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Calendar



September

- 1 Beginning of 2022 4-H Project Year
- 1 4-H Member Enrollment Begins | <https://wi.4honline.com>
- 6 Labor Day, Extension Office Closed
- 9 All Project Committees Meeting | Center Town Hall | 6 - 8 pm
- 10 Registration DUE for Club Officer Training**
- 11-12 State 4-H Horse Gymkhana | West Allis, State Fair Park
- 17-19 State 4-H Horse Expo | West Allis, State Fair Park
- 23 Club Officer Training | Location TBD | 6 - 8 pm
- 25 Outreach opportunity | Northland Festival Foods, Appleton | 9 am - 2 pm
- 30 Leader's Recognition Dinner | Homestead Meadows
- 30 4-H Annual Club Financial Report DUE**

October

- 1 Educational Travel Opportunities Scholarship Applications DUE | Extension Office**
- 1 Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council Applications DUE**
- 1 November/December 4-H Connections Newsletter Articles DUE**
- 2 Tough Kids Challenge | Highlands Elementary School, Appleton | 8:30 am- 1:30 pm
- 2 4-H at Fall Fest | Grignon Mansion, Kaukauna | 9:30 am- 3:30 pm
- 3-9 National 4-H Week | What is your club doing?**
- 7 Pop Tab Challenge | Center Town Hall | 4:30-6:30 pm
- 7 Pumpkin & Sunflower Contest | Center Town Hall | 4:30-6:30 pm
- 10 DUE to Sheila VanderZanden email with picture and address of "Join 4-H" Sign**
- 19 Member Recognition | Seymour High School Auditorium | 7:00 pm
- 21 VIP Training | Extension Outagamie County | 6:00 pm
- Preregistration required- watch for more information

November

- 6 Fall Forum and Hall of Fame Celebration | Green Lake Conference Center | 9:30 am - 8:00 pm
- 12 Cedar Crest - Ice Cream Flavor Creation Contest Entry DUE**
- 15 Member Enrollment DUE**
- 29 Leaders Association Meeting | Center Town Hall | 7 pm

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE
4-H LEADER'S RECOGNITION DINNER

September 30
Homestead Meadows

AN INVITATION WILL ARRIVE IN YOUR
MAILBOX SOON!

Enrollment

The 2021-2022 Outagamie County Project Enrollment guides were distributed to the 4-H Club main leaders in August. Inside you will find available projects, enrollment deadlines and instructions. You can also find it online:

<https://bit.ly/4-HEnrollmentGuide>

County Enrollment Fees

\$5.00 per member

Due to main leader by December 31

Returning Member Enrollment

September 7- November 15

New Member Enrollment

November 15

Enrollment is open all year

New enrollment is accepted at any time during the year; however, to provide a complete list of membership to volunteers and leaders, we are asking that new enrollment be completed by November 15.

Once enrollment is submitted online, a project cannot be added or changed after March 15.

New Leaders!

All first year 4-H leaders (or returning leaders after 4 years being inactive) MUST complete the online volunteer application form: <https://www.4honline.com> and the required volunteer in preparation training. The training dates are listed in the calendar on page two of this newsletter or can be found by contacting the office. The state 4-H program requires that all leaders have a background check and go through the appropriate trainings.

Attention Youth in Grades 7-13

If you are in 7th grade and above, you are eligible to sign up for youth leadership on your member enrollment. This makes you a member of the Outagamie County 4-H Youth Leaders Association. Which means you are able to participate in youth leadership activities, community service and join a great group of people who are ready to have fun!

"Join 4-H" Sign Display Contest!

The Outagamie County 4-H Outreach Committee asks you to once again proudly display the "Join 4-H " sign in your yard or business between August 1 and October 10. Those wanting to participate for a prize drawing of gas cards must email the address of the display to Sheila at: dvanderzanden1@new.rr.com by October 10. Please one entry per address. Drawing will take place at the November 29 Leaders Association meeting. You must be present at this meeting to win!!! Don't have a sign?? You can pick one up at the August Leaders Association meeting, or contact Sheila Vander Zanden at 920-540-3894.





Upcoming Events



The Outreach Committee is hoping you will join them this fall to promote 4-H

Northland Festival Foods is wondering if any 4-H clubs/members would be interested in hosting a petting zoo at Festival Foods on Saturday, September 25 from 9 am – 2 pm. We will need to know who, when and what animal(s) would be attending so we can have the proper equipment available. Please contact Alicia Schroeder-Haag, 4-H Program Coordinator at Alicia.schroederhaag@wisc.edu as soon as possible to sign up.

Oops, we have a conflict! We have Outreach opportunities at two different events on the same day.

Grignon Mansion, Fall Fest in Kaukauna, Saturday, October 2 | 10:00-3:00 We will need to be set up by 9:30 and clean up done by 3:30. We hope to provide a petting zoo along with our Outreach promotions. Please contact maryhoefer@att.net or call 766-7933

Tough Kids Challenge, Highlands Elementary School, Appleton, Saturday, October 2 | 8:30-1:30, we will need to arrive by 7:30 to help set up.

We would like youth and adults to assist and help promote what 4-H has to offer. Although some animals will be nice to showcase, at this event we plan to have promotional items and simple crafts. Please contact Mary Hoefler maryhoefer@att.net to sign up or with questions.

Volunteers in General

We are looking to generate a list of volunteer contacts that could help us with occasional outreach events around the county. The main responsibilities include: promoting Outagamie County 4-H at local events, engaging in conversations with the attendees and answering questions about 4-H and what it has to offer. Members make great presenters!! The committee would organize for the events; we just need a list of members, families and leaders that would be willing to help that day if available.

If interested in helping out occasionally, please contact an Outreach Committee member or simply reach out to dvanderzanden1@new.rr.com to sign up.

Thanks! Promoting 4-H is all of our responsibility!

2021-2022 Club Officer and Leader Training

If you are a club officer or club leader, please mark your calendars and plan on attending the upcoming County-Wide Club Officer & Leader Training. You will meet new friends from around the county, learn what it is like to hold different officer positions, and participate in breakout sessions with fellow officers to share ideas and learn more about your specific position. Throughout the evening we will mimic a club meeting, learn about Roberts Rules, play some fun recreation games, and enjoy pizza! Watch your email/mail for more details!

Club Leaders: Please watch for further contact from Alicia. We would like at least one youth representative from each club to attend the recreation officer session, even if you do not have anyone in that position. Some clubs may not have officers voted in yet for this new year, that is okay. Please send at least one youth to attend the President/Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and recreation sessions. This is a great way to learn about the responsibilities and expectations of each position. All additional interested youth, not currently holding a position, are welcome to attend, but must RSVP to alicia.schroederhaag@wisc.edu by Friday, September 10!



Upcoming Events



4-H Project Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 9 | Center Town Hall | 6-8

All non-chartered project committees are invited to attend a meeting on September 9 from 6- 8 pm at the Center Town Hall. All project committees are encouraged to attend to connect with any new members and learn of committee and program updates for this next year. Leaders and Youth Leaders will connect with each of the committees they have signed up for to discuss plans and ideas for events, activities, workshops, etc. and the budget they will need to support these plans. Alicia will review the purpose, expectations and goals for the committees and be on hand to help with planning, answer questions and provide examples.

Did you miss your chance to sign up for a committee, and you are interested in helping with the planning process? Come join us! Committees are always looking for more volunteers and new ideas. Youth Leaders are strongly encouraged to attend and participate.

Pumpkin & Sunflower Contest

Sponsored by Corey Ertl – CropSource LLC

Thursday, October 7 | Center Town Hall | 4:30-6:30 pm

Members that obtained seeds for the Big Pumpkin and Giant Sunflower contest are to have their biggest pumpkin weighed and largest sunflower measured at the contest. If you have questions, please contact Julie Marcks, contest coordinator, at 984-3599.

Pop Tab Challenge

Thursday, October 7 | Center Town Hall | 4:30-6:30 pm

Bring your club's Pop Tabs to Center Town Hall to be weighed-in for the annual challenge. Money raised from the pop tabs will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House Charities.

2021 Member Recognition

Tuesday, October 19 | 7 pm | Seymour High School Auditorium

The 4-H member and club recognition program is based on members' record books submitted to the Extension Office. Letters to award recipients will be mailed early October. Each member receiving a county award will get a plaque (unless they already received one) and a project disc. If a member's first plaque is filled they need to show their completed plaque to their main leader along with a \$5 payment to request a second plaque from the Extension Office.

Photo Request: We are looking for photos from the 2020/2021 4-H year. Please send all photos to Becky at becky.zoglman@outagamie.org



Upcoming Events



Save the Date!

2022 4-H Summer Camp!!!!

Outagamie and Calumet (Cal-Agamie) Counties 4-H Summer Camp is scheduled to return to Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center in Wisconsin Dells on Wednesday, July 6 through Saturday, July 10 for base camp (for youth in grades 3-6). For youth in grades 7-8, Outpost Camp is held at Mirror Lake State Park, also in the Dells. Camper registration will be available in March. Applications for our youth counselors and adult staff will be due December 31. Please check our website under the Summer Camp tab for more information about camp.

Day Camps

This year Calumet and Outagamie held our first day camps; they were extremely successful! We will be providing similar opportunities next year. We will be looking for counselors, adult staff, campers, and supplies. Please start considering how you can support our youth and these day camps. Watch the newsletters and your emails later in the year for more information. We cannot wait!

2021 Cedar Crest Ice Cream 4-H Flavor Contest

What: Develop and name an ice cream flavor

When: Entries must be submitted no later than November 12 via the online entry form or email.

How: Submit the online form, www.cedarcresticecream.com

According to Brenda Scheider, Executive Director of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, the contest is a great opportunity for 4-H youth to work together to develop and name their flavor. "The most exciting part of the contest is the winning flavor will be available through Cedar Crest beginning next July."

A panel of ice cream experts chosen by Cedar Crest judges the entries. The company manufactures more than 80 flavors of ice cream, along with frozen custard, sherbet and sorbet at its Manitowoc plant, and distributes products in five states. Many of the flavors now produced by Cedar Crest, including Wisconsin Campfire S'mores and Big Muddy, are a result of the contest.



Thank You Corner



Summer Adventure Day Camp & Cloverbud Camp

Thank you to all of our amazing camp counselors. Also, thank you to our great adult camp staff. You all did an amazing job making these two day camps just as fun as the real thing. Carlea and I cannot wait to get down to Upham again, but you all did such a fantastic job with these day camps that we are for sure going to plan another one or two for next year as well!

Thank you to all the campers and their families for making camp a fun and memorable experience. Everyone did a spectacular job at making a great and safe camp! I hope you will grab a friend and I will see you all next year at Upham or Camp Forest!





Bits & Pieces



2021 Fall Forum

Saturday, November 6 | Green Lake Conference Center |
9:30 am - 8:00 pm

Fall Forum will be held as a one day in-person event at the Green Lake Conference Center. Fall Forum is an opportunity for youth and adult leaders to attend the statewide training weekend with county and state staff. Planned by a team of youth and adult volunteers from the Wisconsin 4-H Leaders Council with the support of county and state staff; we hope you will promote to youth and adult leaders in our county!

This year at Fall Forum, a select group of 4-H volunteers, pioneers, financial supporters, and staff who made major contributions to the 4-H movement at the local, state and national levels will be inducted into the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony will take place during dinner Saturday night.

The purpose of Fall Forum is to:

- Provide an educational opportunity for youth and adult volunteers
- Develop youth and adult partnerships
- Create an engaging and welcoming environment to facilitate discussion between counties and regions
- Provide an opportunity for youth and adult volunteers to be involved in the planning and evaluation of statewide programs
- Encourage diversity of thought, perspective, interests, and people

Who: Each county is encouraged to send a delegation of youth and adults

- Youth grade 7th – 13th
- Adult volunteer leaders

This is a great opportunity for a team of county/state staff, volunteers, and youth to work together and present an interactive workshop for youth and adults as well as staff from throughout Wisconsin.

Wisconsin Leadership Council

Applications Due by OCT 1

<https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hvolunteers/wi-4-h-leader-council/>

The Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council (WLC) provides a statewide forum for youth and adult volunteer leaders to discuss ideas and provide input to enhance UW-Extension 4-H Youth Development programs at the state, county and local levels.

WLC members:

- Serve as leaders and role models for 4-H youth and adults
- Advocate for Wisconsin 4-H
- Provide input for enhancing the 4-H program
- Provide educational opportunities to 4-H members and leaders
- Connect the county, regional and state levels of Wisconsin 4-H, as well as the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation

2021 Thrive Survey

This fall, Wisconsin 4-H will be inviting members (ages 13-18) to complete a survey about their 4-H experience.

The survey will help Wisconsin 4-H to learn about the quality of our programs. The survey will be sent to all Wisconsin 4-H members by e-mail in the first week of October. Youth who complete the survey will be entered into a raffle to receive gift cards, scholarships to 4-H events, and other prizes.

For more information on the 4-H Thriving Model and some of the results from the 2019-2020 4-H Thriving Study in Wisconsin, visit

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/4-h-foundations/4-h-thriving-model/>

Please keep an eye out for messages and more information about this important survey.



Outagamie County Fair



"Kick Up Your Boots & Get Your Moo On"

Action Center Stage



Thank you for another successful year on the Action Center Stage! We were pleased to be back on the stage again. This year's stage hosted several events: dance routines, close-up animal visits, member hosted Make n' Takes, the Pie Contest, Tap dancing, Sing-a-longs, member involved Food demonstrations, the Food and Clothing Revue, a Wolf River Bank donation presentation and our 4-H Graduating Scholarship Award presentation. We had visits from The Wisconsin Holstein Association Princess Attendant, Emily Stumpf and Wisconsin Fairest of the Fair, Cayley Vanden Berg. We can't forget to mention our cow and pig mascot. It was very warm for them this year!

We would like to thank the following for the support in showcasing what our 4-H has to offer. Be it that you helped once or several times, we appreciate everyone! The following is a list of helpers we want to thank as well as those who helped and didn't sign in.

Ben Harrmann
Sue Erdmann
Ella & Iris Schill
Libby Wojnowiak
Lindsey & Chase Niesen
Lydia Schmidt and Family
Morgan & Terry Wolter
Kahlan & Kendra Scherg
Mike & Aimee Stevens
Sandy Buman

Sharon Reynolds
Claire Rickert
Carlee and Katelyn Schlueter
Alayna Johnson and friend Augie
Taia McSherry
Jackie Dirkes
Anne Gagnow
Susan Koleske
Logan Stevens



A special thank you to our continuing growing audience.

Thank you again and see you next year! The 2021 Outagamie County 4-H Outreach Committee: Mary Hoefler, Burke Sprangers, Katie Rickert, Lisa Sprangers, Phil Hietpas, Stacy Marcks, Duane and Sheila Vander Zanden

Cloverbuds

Cloverbuds had fun at the fair! Below Clare Vanderloop from Valley Eagles tries out milking the cow, Claire Rickert showing "Spuds" during the Pee-Wee show and artist Jack Wagenson with the Busy Bears Club shows his art!





Outagamie County Fair



Outagamie County Fair Cat Show

Submitted by Kerry Marcks, Cat Superintendent

This year's Cat Show at the fair was a success and I believe that everyone that participated had a lot of fun. I enjoyed being the Cat Superintendent and watching the kids get their cages and cats ready for showing. Every cat shown received either a 1st or 2nd ribbon. Below are the special awards given out.

Neutered Male Cat – short hair

Grand champion- Mary Ellen Marks, Pouncer

Female Cat – short hair

Grand Champion- Rachel Sullivan, Bella

Female Cat – long hair

Grand Champion- Dylan Frank, Puffball

Cat Cage judging

Merit award – Mary Ellen Marks

Showmanship

Showmanship Champion – Keira Leiternann

Judge's choice

Best in show

1st- Bella, Rachel Sullivan

2nd- Lily, Stacy Marcks

3rd- Puffball, Dylan Frank

4th- Pouncer, Mary Ellen Marks

5th- Thunder, Sofie Wheaton

6th- Rogue, Keira Leiternann

7th- Wedge, Donald Leiternann

Congratulations to all!

If you are looking for a way to help with the cat show and project, please sign up for the Cat Committee!

Cannot wait to see you in 2022!

2021 Fair Pleasure Show

Submitted by Gail Leiternann, Horse Superintendent

Our pleasure show was a beautiful day for a change (no tornadoes, or severe thunderstorms). Thank you to our many volunteers, without whom we could not operate. A special thank you to Danielle Schlueter, our president for the last two years. These past two years held special challenges for us but we made it to the 2021 Fair with Zoom meetings and then later outside meetings.

The youth who are going to represent Outagamie County in West Allis September 17, 18, and 19, with horses are Joy Vandenberg, Keira Leiternann, Taylor Ebben, Isabella Mauer, Allison Harikkala, and Anissa Cunningham. Grace Van Driel and Dylan Leiternann as well as Keira, Allison, Anissa, Taylor, and Isabella are participating in educational events. Education events include horse judging, photography, creative writing, model horse, team problems, plus others.

Our Gymkhana show was not as nice weatherwise as our pleasure show. The youth had to run their patterns in the rain. However, I think the rain kept the heat down and it did stop raining for the last couple of classes. The youth who participated in this show included Grand Champion - Lydia Ewing, Reserve Champion- Calen Plamann, Collin Garsow, Kyler Plamann, Joy Vandenberg, and Allison Maass.

Bonnie Zillmer pulled the winning name for the clippers that Sally Anderson donated for our monthly horse quiz competition. Names went in for every quiz. Keira Leiternann was the winner.

Once again thank you to Danielle Schlueter, Bonnie Zillmer and the rest of the parent and grandparent volunteers who helped set up and take down equipment on a sunny day and in the rain!





Outagamie County Fair



4-H Action Center Stage Pie Contest

...and the 2021 Best Pie at the Fair is...

4-H Division Winner: Fast Trackers- Abby Veaser
Open Class Division Winner: Kerry Marcks, using Johnny Cash's mother's Pineapple Pie recipe

Congratulations and thank you to the 25 contestants who entered this year's pie contest!

There were fifteen in open class and ten in the club division.

Our judges this year were:

- Kathie Bondioli, formerly of Tempest Café
- Joe Van Thull, Baker Joe's Mini Donuts and Kettle Corn
- Brenda Hungerford, The Bulk Food Store

This is a very fun and tasteful event!! It is enjoyed by all who attend. This year over 500 samples were enjoyed by the audience.

Thank you to our judges, Schwan's Ice Cream for the donation, our many volunteers that assist with the process and the Fast Trackers 4-H Club for the increased entries.

Dairy Bar

Submitted by Mary Koleske, Committee Chair

THANK YOU all that helped out in the Dairy Bar this year. Those that signed up and those that came in to help a shift, you all did an outstanding job. We were able to stay open for all the shifts and had fun doing it. Thank you to all the superintendents- you also did a great job. Everything ran smoothly. Awesome job. I can't wait until next year. We have a great group of people working together and have fun doing it.

Club Fair Promotion

Thank you for helping to promote the Outagamie County Fair in your communities! Congratulations to the winners!

Placings

- 1st- Bent Arrow
- 2nd- Wide Awake Forward
- 3rd- Buchanan Badgers
- 4th- Fast Trackers

Other participating clubs: B-Square, Crystal Star, Fairview, Valley Eagles, and Wolf River Beavers



Planter Contest

Thank you to each club that helped to decorate the fairgrounds with planters. They were all beautiful! Thank you for all your hard work!

Results

- 1st- Buchanan Badgers
- 2nd- Country Slickers
- 3rd- Crystal Star

Other participating clubs: Bent Arrow, B-Square, Busy Bears, Fairview, Fast Trackers, New Horizons, North Star, On the Go, Shooting Stars, Smile Awhile, Valley Eagles, Wide Awake Forward, Wild Grove, Wolf River Beavers

2021 4-H Scholarship Recipients

Makenna COX



Makenna has been a member of the Fast Trackers 4-H club for 10 years plus 3 years as a Cloverbud. During those years she has held several officer positions and was extremely active with her club and with the youth leaders. Some of her projects included: Archery, Art, Basketry, Cake Decorating, Home Environment, Food and Youth Leaders. Makenna attended trips such as the Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference and Space Camp. Makenna volunteered many hours for her club to help support the community service. From her essay, Makenna wrote, “through the hands-on learning of many projects over the years, I have learned to think creatively, efficiently, and work to solve problems while finishing my projects with ease and punctuality.” She adds, “The most impactful skill I have learned in 4-H, is leadership. Collaborating with peers, building relationships, and continuing on to teach and mentor younger Fast Trackers, has helped me grow and succeed in my 4-H journey.” Makenna wrote in her thank you card, to the committee, how grateful she is to 4-H and for the scholarship opportunity. We wish her well at UW-Madison.

CHRISTIAN JULIUS



Christian has been in the Fast Trackers 4-H club for the past 12 years. He has enjoyed projects such as Photography, Home Environment, Arts and Crafts, Scale Models, Rabbits and Youth Leadership. Christian has been providing service to our community through fruit baskets for the elderly, 4-H Dairy Bar, On the Farm event, making benches for the Outagamie County Fairgrounds, bell ringing for the Salvation Army, collecting pop tabs, and more. He has been able to participate in the Explore Wisconsin trip, Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference, Space Camp, American Spirit trip, Youth leader camping. He also was in the Drama Fest and played basketball.

Christian mentioned in his essay; “Through 4-H, I have also gained a certain mindset of determination and focus to do a job right and do something to the best of my ability.” He believes that 4-H has enhanced his leadership skills and will follow him throughout his education and career. Christian plans to attend St. Norbert college.

EMMALYN SPRANGERS



Emmalyn has been a member of the Country Slickers 4-H Club for the past 13 years. She has enjoyed a variety of projects such as: Ceramics, Dairy, Dairy Goats, Dogs, Flowers, Home Environment, Photography, Rabbits, and Youth Leaders. Emmalyn has serviced her community through bell ringing for the Salvation Army, caroling at nursing homes, worked a rummage sale to raise money for local historical buildings and more. She also held every officer’s position within her club as well as being on the Wisconsin State 4-H Leadership Council, State Youth Conference Planning committee, and Fall Forum planning committee and more. Emmalyn has been an active member participating in activities such as: Cheese Fest, Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference, Space Camp, Explore Wisconsin, Action Center Stage, Wisconsin State Fair, County Demonstration and Speaking contest, Drama, Music, Camp, Basketball and more. In her essay she mentions, “I hope to pass all the life skills 4-H has taught me on to future generations, and hopefully someday come back to support the organization that has made me the person I am today.” I have confidence that she will. Emmalyn plans to attend UW Platteville.

2021 4-H Scholarship Recipients

Anna STENCIL



Anna has been a member of the Fast Trackers 4-H Club for the past 13 years. She has enjoyed 4-H projects such as Home Environment, Foods, Dairy, Dogs, Beef, Photography, Horseless Horse and Youth Leaders. She also has many community service hours on behalf of her club. Some of Anna's activities include: Basketball, working at the Dairy Bar, Secret Santa, and helping with the preparation of the club's educational booth. Anna shares in her essay; "4-H has been a huge part of my life since I was able to join. I was given countless opportunities to grow as a leader, work as a team member, and learn the qualities of hard work and dedication." She adds; "I feel confident in myself that I have the skills I need to succeed thanks to 4-H." We are confident that she will succeed. Anna plans to attend Concordia University of Wisconsin.

BENJAMIN DIEDRICH



Benjamin is a 10 year member of Fast Trackers 4-H Club. He has taken many projects such as: Dairy, Beef, Home Environment, Swine, Ceramics, Drama, Photography and Youth Leaders. Ben's many hours of community service included: the Salvation Army Bell ringing, "On the Farm," the 4-H Dairy Bar, Fruit Basket delivery, Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House, the pound sale, and being a penpal to a child in El Salvador. He has been the club's Social Media Officer. His involvement includes: Livestock Quiz Bowl and Skill-a-thon Team, Basketball, Drama Fest, club and county recreational games, Youth Leader Camping, Dairy Promotions, and helping with the club planter. Benjamin mentioned in his essay: "If it were not for 4-H, I would not be where I am today. I discovered new interests that I never thought I would be interested in and tried new things." He goes on to say, "This skill of public speaking will greatly help me to excel in my classes by having a great base in a public speaking background." Benjamin plans to attend UW-Green Bay.

CLARISSA SPRANGERS



Clarissa (Cali) has been in the Buchanan Badgers 4-H club for 9 years. She has taken many, many projects. Some projects to try and some that she continued throughout all of her years. They included: Ceramics, Clothing, Beef, Photography, Drawing and Painting, Woodworking, Music, Goats, Small Engines, Aerospace and more. Cali has volunteered many hours for community service projects such as: Visiting the elderly, Chain Reaction Day, Animal Shelter, Bell Ringing and Children's Hospital packages. She held nearly every officer's position within her club. Cali was active with Drama and Music fest, speaking contest, basketball, 4-H camp, and has spent many hours helping the Outreach committee and has entertained us on the Action Center Stage every year! Cali mentions in her essay; "I think every kid should be in 4-H for at least a couple years because it teaches you a lot about life and caring for others." Cali is currently attending the University of Wisconsin-Superior.

2021 4-H Scholarship Recipients

LOGAN STEVENS



Logan has been in 4-H for 13 years. He has had the opportunity to be in two different clubs, Country Slickers and B-Square throughout his 4-H career. Logan has enjoyed projects such as Woodworking, Citizenship/Personal Finance, Horse, Rabbit, Foods, Poultry and Photography. He has been a camp counselor, worked in the 4-H Dairy Bar, Chocolate Fest and Breakfast on the Farm. Logan has helped with the Action Center Stage, Fright Night and other volunteering to service our community. He has performed in the county band, helped with the collecting of pop tabs, participated in the Pumpkin and Sunflower competition as well as the basketball tournaments. He has been a club treasurer for both clubs. He also attended Space Camp. In Logan's essay he mentions; "as a treasurer, this allowed me to grow my knowledge in finances which I will be attending college for." He also goes on to mention the importance of connecting with project leaders. Logan plans to attend Drake University.

CALISTA CAPAUL



Calista Capaul has been in the Bent Arrow 4-H club. Throughout her 13 years in 4-H, she has been in the following projects: Photography, Foods, Drawing & Painting, Home Environment, Cake Decorating, Youth Leaders and proudly started as a Cloverbud. Calista has served our community through 4-H by making holiday cards and playing bingo with nursing home residents. She also rang the bell for the Salvation Army and various other activities. Calista has been a camp counselor, helped with Family Learning Day, and participated in Drama Fest, Art Camp, Space Camp, Explore Wisconsin, Winter Leadership Camp and was selected for Citizenship Washington Focus; however, it was canceled. In her essay, Calista mentioned she noticed that "whether it was a community service project with my club, going to a camp, or going on educational trips, I was given the opportunity to pursue my passions, give back to my community and meet people from different backgrounds." She ended her essay with; "4-H will carry forward in my life after high school and help push me to success." We are confident it will.

ABIGAIL VEESER



Abigail has been in the Fast Trackers 4-H Club for the past 11 years. Some of her projects include: Youth Leaders, Basketry, Dogs, Drawing and Painting, Cake Decorating, Home Environment, Photography, Self-Determined, Theater Arts, Clothing, and Woodworking. Her leadership and activities include: Club secretary, Social media officer, Music Festival, Youth leaders, Wisconsin State Fair performances, Fall Photography contest winner, Youth leader camping, Key Award recipient. Abigail wrote in her essay, "My experiences have helped to make me be a better leader for my community as well as a successful adult." She goes on to say, "Overall, without 4-H I do not believe that I would have learned to work my hardest and put my best work in what I do. I feel that I can enter my future knowing that I can do most things that come my way." Abigail plans to attend Fox Valley Technical College.

2021 4-H Scholarship Recipients

ISABELLE DELFOSSE



Isabelle has been in the Wide Awake Forward 4-H club for 4 years. She has tried to gain as much as she could during those years. Isabelle has helped her club in leadership roles by holding various officer positions and was extremely involved with the design and preparation of her club's educational booth at the fair. Through her essay, she expressed that she has made so many connections which allowed her to further her life experiences. Isabelle adds "that not only has 4-H shown me who I want to be, it has shown me how to grow to get there." Using her 4-H experiences, we are confident that she will continue that compassion and growth in college and beyond.

Educational Travel Opportunities

The following trip scholarship applications are due October 1. If you have any questions ask Alicia Schroeder-Haag at 832-5127 or alicia.schroederhaag@wisc.edu. There are scholarships available through the Outagamie County 4-H Leaders Association for up to 75% of the Educational Travel fees. Information and scholarship applications for all trip opportunities are available on our website <https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/travel/>

Additional information is on the Wisconsin 4-H website:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/>

Space Camp

WHERE: Huntsville, Alabama

Delegates learn and experience many different aspects about life as an astronaut, working at NASA, and exploring places beyond Earth! Wisconsin 4-H Space Camp participants experience the Pathfinder Program. The Pathfinder Program is a 3 day experience where youth participate in a variety of simulated space activities. Qualifications: Be in 6th-8th grade with a maximum age of 15 at time of program. Camp Counselors also needed and may be in 8th-10th grade, 16 or younger at the time of program.

American Spirit Trip

Registration for travel week preference will be done on a first come, first serve basis.

WHERE: East Coast USA & Niagara Falls

Participants travel to New York, Pennsylvania and more while exploring Valley Forge, Statue of Liberty, the Plymouth Plantation, Whale Watching, Niagara Falls, and more. Qualifications: Be in 8th-10th grade when registering. Delegates carry county approval through the experience. Delegates must not have attended American Spirit East in the past. Youth need a passport (book or card).

Citizenship Washington Focus

Date(s): June 5-July 16, 2022

Where: National 4-H Center, Washington D.C.

In this leadership program, participants learn the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders. The week consists of participatory workshops, speakers, committee work, field trips and social events. Qualifications: Be in 10th-12th grade at time of selection, minimum age 15 during experience.

National 4-H Conference

2022 National 4-H Conference – Dates TBD

Where: National 4-H Center, Washington D.C.

Brings together 4-H youth and adults from around the nation to work towards strengthening and expanding the 4-H Youth Development program at the local, state, and national levels. This is the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture's premier youth development opportunity to engage youth in developing recommendations for the 4-H Youth Development Program. Qualifications: Be in grades 10-12 at time of selection with a minimum age of 15 and maximum age of 18 as of January 1, 2022.

Delegates must be selected at both county and state level.

Educational Travel Opportunities

Wisconsin 4-H International Programs ... and our world.

Summer 2022

Wisconsin 4-H International Programs emphasizes the 4-H values of belonging and understanding through international exchange. Every summer 4-H youth can apply for the amazing opportunity to experience life in another country by living abroad with a host family for one month. All programs are chaperoned by a trained 4-H adult volunteer, who remains in-country with the delegation during the exchange for support and assistance.

Qualifications: must be 12-18 years old.

For more information check out: <https://wi4hinternational.org/>

Outbound

Go Global with 4-H International Immersion Programs in 2022!

Interested in exploring all the world has to offer? If so, Wisconsin 4-H International Programs are for you! This is your chance to learn about the world by immersing yourself in daily life as a member of a family in a different country. By participating in a homestay instead of traveling as a tourist, you'll have the opportunity to learn about the country's culture from an insider's perspective, evolve as a global citizen, quickly adapt to new situations and ways of communication, and develop friendships and memories that will last a lifetime.

If you're a 4-H youth 12 years old or older, you can apply to participate with other 4-H'ers from around the U.S. to live for a month next summer in Japan, Costa Rica, South Korea, Romania, Taiwan, Argentina, or Norway!

Wisconsin 4-H partners with States' 4-H International Exchange Programs where advance preparation and safety are top priorities. All 4-H international delegations are accompanied by carefully selected and trained 4-H volunteers or staff Adult Advisors who support youth delegates to ensure that they have a positive experience.

Visit <https://wi4hinternational.org/> for additional information. Program dates, costs, and applications for Summer 2022 will be posted in early September. Applications are due to the Wisconsin 4-H International Programs Office by December 1, 2021. Questions? Contact wi4hinternational@extension.wisc.edu or call 608-262-2491.



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