Hi 4-H Families,

The University of Wisconsin-Extension 4-H Youth Development Program inducted 100 laureates into the brand new Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame on Saturday, November 15th. The Hall of Fame induction ceremony was the last statewide event celebrating 100 years of 4-H in Wisconsin.

The Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame was established to recognize 4-H volunteers, financial supporters, staff, and pioneers who made major contributions to 4-H at the local, state, and national levels. The honorees represent 4-H in the broadest sense, according to Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development State Program Director Dale Leidheiser. “We are inducting volunteers, supporters, and UW-Extension employees who had an impact on the lives of children, their community or state through significant contributions of time, energy, or financial resources to 4-H and its members,” Leidheiser says.

Manitowoc County 4-H is proud to be represented by Marilyn Suprise in the 4-H Hall of Fame. Marilyn (in the middle) is accepting her award from Kandi O’Neil (left), Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development Associate Program Director and Debbie Heth, Wisconsin 4-H Youth Leader Council Vice-President (right). 

Congratulations Marilyn!

Long-time Manitowoc County 4-H Agent, Reg Rensink, was also inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame. Reg served as 4-H Agent in Manitowoc County from 1947 - 1972. His passion for environmental education was instrumental in working with the Junior Leaders and Leaders Association to fundraise and purchase 77 acres that would become Camp TaPaWingo. The lodge at the camp, Rensink Lodge, is named after Reg.

Another former Manitowoc County 4-H Agent, Kathi Vos, was inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame. Kathi served as 4-H Agent in Manitowoc County from 1973-1983. Kathi left Manitowoc County to become a State 4-H Youth Development Specialist, a position she held until retirement in 2008.

Linda Kustka, who hails from the Valders area, was inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame. Linda served as Brown County 4-H Agent and then went on to become the State 4-H Volunteer/Leadership Development Specialist.

I would say Manitowoc County was well represented at the 4-H Hall of Fame Event!

4-H Youth Development Educator & Department Director
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http://manitowoc.uwex.edu/

Youth and Adult Applications for Winter Leadership Camp
Tree Order Information & Form
Camp TaPaWingo Wish List

MEETING CANCELLATIONS

Announcements for cancellation of meetings and events at the Manitowoc County Office Complex, due to dangerous driving conditions, will be aired over WOMT, WCUB, and WKTT radio stations. You can also call the UWEX/4-H Office at 683-4169 during office hours (8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.) to ask if a scheduled meeting or event has been cancelled.

The office will not have information on club meetings or events Check with your Main Leaders to see what procedure they use for cancellations.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

Manitowoc County has a liability insurance policy for volunteers. Leaders are automatically covered under this policy if they are enrolled as a 4-H leader and have completed Youth Protection Training. This policy is a backup policy for your personal liability coverage to protect volunteers from damages.

This insurance is not accident insurance. Accident insurance can be purchased for specific events to supplement health insurance.

Please call Kevin at 683-4168 to verify liability insurance coverage for activities that could be considered “out of the ordinary” and might increase risk.

As a 4-H leader, it is important to reduce liability risks as much as possible. Be sure to provide safety instruction in all risk situations and take precautions to assure safe activities.

WINTER LEADERSHIP CAMP

Where: Camp TaPaWingo, Mishicot
When: Friday, February 6, starting at 7 p.m. – Sunday, February 8, ending at 11 a.m.

Attention youth leaders in grades 6-8 and adult 4-H volunteers. Don’t miss your chance to participate in the 2015 East Metro Region Winter Leadership Camp. It is always a great weekend full of leadership development and fun! From teambuilding, group facilitating, and goal setting to sledding, night hikes, and campfires, there will be something for everyone!

Older youth from throughout the East Metro Region will come together at 4-H Winter Leadership Camp to work on improving their leadership skills through hands-on, interactive leadership sessions. Youth will gain a better understanding of what it means to be a leader and how to apply youth leadership skills in their club, county, and school. Along with leadership learning, youth will have opportunities to participate in a variety of recreational activities that may include sledding/tubing, snowshoeing, crazy games, and other outdoor activities.

Adult leaders are needed as chaperones to support youth in learning leadership skills and experiencing the great outdoors. A flyer is attached and the application forms for youth and adults are on our website. Applications are due January 19th.

2014-2015 LEADERS BOARD

Thanks to the following adults and youth who will serve on the Manitowoc County 4-H Leaders Board for the coming year: Jackie Mueller, President; Sandy Sickinger, Vice-President; Nichole Paulow, Secretary; Margaret Lenth, Treasurer, Jody Ackley, Member at Large; Heather Chase, Camp Op Representative; and Ashley Anhalt, Lacey Swetlik, and Ambrose Wiering, Youth Representatives. Also thank you to our outgoing Board members: Barb Remiker, Michaela Remiker, Sally Thomsen, Anatole Wiering, and Ed Zahn.

LEADER TO LEADER TRAINING

The co-hosting neighbor counties of Ozaukee, Sheboygan, and Washington invite youth and adults from surrounding
counties to participate in their upcoming Leader to Leader Training on Saturday, January 10, 2015 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cost is $5.00/person.

This morning workshop takes place at the Washington County Fair Park in West Bend. Youth and adult leaders can participate in focus sessions in an area of their choice, which are mixed with whole group “rally sessions” that offer training in important youth development concepts. The goal of this training is to offer a forum for leaders to learn best practices from other leaders, and to share ideas across counties. Participants will strengthen their knowledge of the essential elements and experiential learning process, and will identify ways to apply those concepts back in their home counties.

For more information and an application form, call Ruth at 683-4169. Applications are due January 5, 2015.

EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS

The 2015 National 4-H Trips have been announced and we don’t want you to miss these exceptional experiences! You may apply for one or more of the trips. Here are summaries of the trips.

**Space Camp**  Explore the fascinating world of space science and technology in Huntsville, Alabama from April 16 – 20, 2015. Delegates will complete a simulated Space Shuttle mission, experience training simulators, tour the U.S. Space and Rocket Center, and learn about becoming an astronaut.

Applicants must be in 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade with a maximum age of 15 at the time of trip. Space Camp alumni are welcome to apply and enrollment in the 4-H Aerospace project is not required. The 4-H Leaders Association and the 4-H Teen Ambassadors provide financial assistance. Please call Ruth at 683-4169 if you are interested in attending this trip by Monday, December 22. Online enrollment for this trip starts on January 2 and runs through January 12. Complete information can be found at [http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/spacecamp/index.cfm](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/spacecamp/index.cfm).

**Citizenship Washington Focus**  This week-long experience is held at the National 4-H Center in Washington, D.C. 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.

You can choose which week to attend. Tentative dates are: June 13 – 21, July 4 – 12, or July 11–19. To be eligible for this trip, you must be in 10th-12th grade at time of selection. Minimum age is 15 at the time of the trip.

Financial support is given by the 4-H Leaders Association and the 4-H Teen Ambassadors. Online enrollment for this trip is open from February 13-28, 2015. Please call Ruth by January 30<sup>th</sup> if you are interested in participating. NOTE: Once you sign up for this trip, you are committed financially to the trip whether you go or not so please keep that in mind when signing up. This includes reimbursing the financial support from the 4-H Leaders Association and the 4-H Teen Ambassadors. For more information about the trip, go to: [http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/cwf/index.cfm](http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/cwf/index.cfm).

**Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarships Available**

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than $10,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing higher education in 2015. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by March 15, 2015.

Scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance, and future educational goals.

To be eligible for the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships, students must have been a 4-H member for at least one year; have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college or technical school during the 2015-2016 academic school year. For more information on how to apply, go to: [http://wis4hfoundation.org/](http://wis4hfoundation.org/)

**Animal Sciences – Livestock**

**Youth Pig Project Scholarships Available**

The Wisconsin Pork Association Youth Committee is offering up to ten $50 Youth Pig Project scholarships designed to
assist 4-H and FFA members in establishing swine projects that can lead to development of life skills and career opportunities in the Wisconsin pork industry. Age divisions are: Ages 9-12, 13-15, and 16-19 (as of January 1, 2015). Applications can be downloaded at www.wppa.org. Deadline to apply is February 1, 2015.

MAQA TRAINING

The MAQA training for Manitowoc County will be held on Monday, December 29, at the Manitowoc County Office Complex, 4319 Expo Drive. The morning training will run from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., with a repeat in the afternoon from 1:30-3:00 p.m. Class size is limited and pre-registration is required. Contact Ruth at 683-4168 or ruthaebischer@co.manitowoc.wi.us to register by Monday, December 22.

MARKET ANIMAL EXHIBITORS


4-H ART LAB

4-H Art Lab is for adults and teens in grades 9-12. This statewide arts workshop will be held at Camp Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells, starting at 6 p.m. on January 30 and concluding at 3 p.m. on January 31. Cost is $50.

4-H youth and adults will select one educational track to go “in-depth” to explore for the weekend. Tracks offered this year are Theatre Arts and Digital Storytelling (new this year), Photography, Basketry, Tae Kwon Do, Print Making, and Film Making! Each participant will choose one track for the entire weekend.

The registration deadline is January 6th. A description of the art tracks and the registration form can be found at: http://www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/events/artsleadership.cfm

WINTER CAMP IS COMING!

Join us for Winter Arctic Exploration Camp on January 23-25, 2015 at Camp TaPaWingo. Camp TaPaWingo provides a fun, caring, and safe environment for campers to try new activities and practice new skills. We are committed to the growth and development of each individual camper. By providing safe, yet challenging experiences, campers will develop an appreciation for the importance of team work and share in all group members’ successes.

At Arctic Exploration Winter Camp, campers will learn important life skills such as independence, team building, communication, and decision making. They’ll also enjoy fun winter activities such as snowshoeing, sledding, snow snake races, and night hikes.

Plan to join us for our famous Family Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, January 25, at 9 a.m.! Enjoy a warm meal and see how your camper spent the weekend! Tour the grounds and see what Camp TaPaWingo is all about!

Cost of camp is $100, and 4-H members receive a $15 discount. For more information and a flyer, go to: http://manitowoc.uwex.edu/2014/11/20/arctic-exploration-winter-camp-january-23-25-2015/. Registrations are due Friday, January 16, 2015.

TRACTOR & FARM SAFETY CAMP

Does your son or daughter work on a farm or do you hire youth to work for you during the year? Do these young people have adequate safety training? Accidents cause more deaths to individuals between the ages of 15 and 24 than all other causes combined. To help reduce accidents, a Tractor and Farm Safety Camp is being coordinated by Manitowoc County UW-Extension.

The camp will be held at Camp TaPaWingo, Mishicot and will begin on Friday evening, April 17th and end on Sunday afternoon, April 19th. Cost for the camp is $195 and includes lodging, meals, training materials, and 24 hours of instruction.
The camp will focus on the safety aspects of operating farm equipment and daily farm tasks. To complete the course, youth must attend all sessions and pass a written and driving exam. Certificates will be issued by the Manitowoc County UW-Extension office following successful completion of the course. For more information and/or to obtain a registration brochure, please call the UW-Extension/4-H Office at 683-4169.

CAMP TAPAWINGO
CHRISTMAS WISHLIST

If your club or family would like to support Camp TaPaWingo, please consider donating towards any of the camp’s wishlist items included with this newsletter or you can also find it at: http://manitowoc.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/camp-tapawingo/wish-list/

You’ll notice that many of the items listed are “institutional” or “industrial” grade. Camp is used by many groups and these items get a lot of wear and tear. Many of our cleaning staples (mops, brooms, etc.) are simply worn out. Institutional or industrial grade items hold up much better than residential grade items at our facility. If you would like to donate the cost of an individual item, that is fine—we can combine gifts donated and get the best price on many items when we purchase a case at a time.

If you have questions, or would like to donate something not presently on the list, please contact Kevin Palmer, 4-H Youth Development Educator, at 920-683-4172 or kevinpalmer@co.manitowoc.wi.us

CAMP BANQUET

Here’s a heads-up to put April 11 on your calendar for our 9th Annual Camp Banquet. Details will be upcoming.

LET’S THINK SPRING

Have you been thinking of enhancing your property by planting trees or shrubs? Camp TaPaWingo’s tree sale offers the perfect opportunity to get healthy sapling trees and shrubs and support camp at the same time. Order forms are due March 13, 2015. Tree numbers are limited so order early. The order form and tree and shrub descriptions can be found on the camp website at http://www.camptapawingo.org/

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The 4-H Endowment Fund Committee would like to thank the many donors for their generous support of the Manitowoc County 4-H program and the Julie Duchow 4-H Endowment Scholarship at the Manitowoc County Fair in August.


CLARKS MILLS GOOD SPORTS by Katherine Ackley

Clarks Mills Good Sports 4-H Club met on October 14th. We elected our club officers for the 2014-2015 4-H year. They are Mallory Miles, President; Jared Zutz, Vice-President; Marlee Meulemans, Secretary; Cassie Zutz, Treasurer; Katherine Ackley, Reporter; Devan Meulemans, Historian; and John Miles, Camp TaPaWingo Representative. At our next meeting, we will be doing Mail for Heroes which is a service project where we make holiday cards for men and women serving in the military.

One of our recent service projects was a highway clean-up. On October 25th, we picked up trash on our Adopt-A-Highway section.
4-H Youth and Adult Leaders ... you are invited to a

A-H WINTER LEADERSHIP CAMP

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Youth .....
* Do you like having fun?
* Do you want to develop your leadership skills?
* Do you want to make new friends from other counties?
Then apply to be one of your county’s 4-H Winter Leadership Camp delegates!

Cost: $35.00
(Half of the $70 cost will be paid by the Manitowoc County 4-H Leaders Association and 4-H Teen Ambassadors. Please make your $35 check payable to the Manitowoc County 4-H Leaders Association and send to: UWEX-Manitowoc County, ATTN: Ruth, P.O. Box 935, Manitowoc WI 54221-0935)

Adults .....
* Are you interested in improving and learning new and effective ways to engage youth leaders in effective youth-adult partnerships?
* Do you want to spend a weekend supporting youth in grades 6-8 in learning leadership skills and experiencing the great outdoors?
Then apply to chaperone your county’s 4-H Winter Leadership Camp delegation.

Cost: $20.00
(Half of the $40 cost will be paid by the Manitowoc County 4-H Leaders Association. Please make your $20 check payable to the Manitowoc County 4-H Leaders Association and send to: UWEX-Manitowoc County, ATTN: Ruth, P.O. Box 935, Manitowoc WI 54221-0935.

For more information, contact Kevin Palmer, 4-H Youth Development Educator, at 683-4168 or email kevinpalmer@co.manitowoc.wi.us.

An EEO/Affirmative Action employer, University of Wisconsin-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IX and ADA requirements. Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the program or activity so that proper arrangements can be made. Requests are kept confidential.
Camp TaPaWingo Christmas Wishlist

If you, your club, or your family would like to support Camp TaPawingo, please consider donating towards any of the following camp needs:

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