

4-H Friday Notes

May 26, 2017

4-H Friday Notes Changes and Article Format Reminder

Manitowoc County 4-H Program Assistant, Amanda Cordova, will be sending out 4-H Friday Notes each week. We're hoping this change will help provide the newsletter to 4-H families on a weekly basis as it was intended. Please keep in mind, that only articles sent in the body of an e-mail or attached as a Word or PDF document will be accepted for 4-H Friday Notes. Send articles for 4-H Friday Notes by e-mail to both Amanda Cordova, amandacordova@co.manitowoc.wi.us and to Kevin Palmer, kevinpalmer@co.manitowoc.wi.us by Wednesday noon for inclusion in that week's Friday newsletter. **Please put "4-H Friday Notes" in the subject line.** Thank you!

Poultry and Rabbit Fun Day

The Manitowoc County Poultry and Rabbit Committee will be hosting a Fun Day on **Saturday, May 27** at the Manitowoc County Expo Poultry and Rabbit Building. The day will start with Pullorum testing at 9:00 am followed by poultry judging at 10:00 am. Rabbit judging will follow poultry judging. Youth will be able to enter breed classes as well as showmanship. It's a great way to get your poultry, rabbits, and your own knowledge evaluated for the fair! See *attached Fun Day flyer*.

Pullorum Testing for Poultry Dates

Please keep in mind that Pullorum testing dates have changed! Pullorum testing will only be conducted on the following dates at the Manitowoc County Expo Poultry and Rabbit Building: **May 27** at 9 am, **June 7** from 5-8 pm, **June 17** from 9 am - 12 pm, and **June 21** from 5-8 pm.

4-H Youth Dog Training Starts May 31

Kids and dogs learning together is the focus of the 4-H Dog Training classes starting on Wednesday, **May 31** at the Manitowoc Kennel Club, 40 Albert Drive, Manitowoc. Registration and first class will start at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, May 31 with Agility Class at 6:00 pm, Obedience Class at 6:45 pm and Showmanship Class at 7:30 pm. Cost for the eight-week course is \$15 for agility, \$15 for obedience, and \$5.00 for showmanship. If taking all three classes the cost per dog and handler is \$30.00.

To register for the class you will need your dog's up to date shot record and fecal check. Your dog will need a good collar and a six-foot leash for obedience and lots of dog treats. Showmanship leads will be available for purchase for the Showmanship Class.

June is Dairy Month! 2017 4-H Dairy Promotion Program Presented by the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board

Each 4-H club in Wisconsin is invited and encouraged to participate in the 2017 Dairy Promotion Program, presented by the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board (WMMB). Please read the information below very carefully to ensure that you don't miss out on the opportunity to earn free dairy promotion merchandise!

- 1.) The 2017 4-H Dairy Promotion Program is open to all Wisconsin 4-H clubs in good standing.
- 2.) Any 4-H Club who conducts a local dairy promotion activity or event during June Dairy Month and submits a dairy promotion report form to the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board will receive \$50 toward merchandise from the Wisconsin Cheese and Dairy Gear online store <http://www.cheeseanddairygear.com>. Gift certificates will be issued beginning July 1, 2017 and will expire June 30, 2018.
- 3.) All 4-H clubs will submit their own dairy promotion report form directly to WMMB.
- 4.) The dairy promotion report form can be found online at www.wmmb.com/4H. All submissions must include a photograph of your activity or event as back-up for your report. Enter your activity or event no later than December 1, 2017

If you have any questions about the 2017 4-H Dairy Promotion Program, please contact:

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Attention Manitowoc County 4-H Alumni - Raise Your Hand through June 30

Joining is the effort easy:

1. Go to <http://4-h.org/raise-your-hand/> to show your pride as a 4-H alum. **2.** Compete for your state – Raising your hand is a vote towards a \$20,000, \$10,000 or \$5,000 award for the states with the most alumni hands raised. **3.** Pay it Forward – Tweet, post and share your #4HGrown experience or support and tag fellow alumni asking them to raise their hands for their state at <http://4-h.org/raise-your-hand/>.

2017 Wisconsin State Fair Exhibits

If your exhibit was selected as a State Fair Exhibit during last year's county fair, we will be looking for your exhibit in July. We will send out letters in early July to all State Fair Exhibitors to bring their exhibit to the Extension office for transport to State Fair. Please wait until you receive the letter to bring your exhibit in to our office. Thanks!

Date to Add Projects Extended

In order to exhibit an item at the Manitowoc County Fair, you need to be enrolled in the project that corresponds to the exhibit. The deadline to add a project has been extended to **June 1, 2017**. If you would like to add a project, please login to 4-H Online and go to Member/Volunteer List, Edit, Participation, Projects, and Add a Project.

Area Animal Science Days Registration Packet Posted

The 2017 Area Animal Science Days will be:

June 21 – Hosted by Wood County

June 22 – Hosted by Trempealeau County

June 23 – Hosted by Dodge County

The registration packet is now posted on the 4-H Website and can be found at this address:

www.fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/files/2014/06/AASD-Registration-Packet-2017.pdf .

Registrations are due June 2, 2017.

East Twin River Outlaws- Performance Trail Obstacle Challenge:

Enjoy a day of beautiful scenic trails, cross and ride through the East Twin River, and expose your horse to numerous natural and artificial obstacles in a controlled environment. The event will commence on **Saturday, June 3rd** (Rain date: Sunday, June 4) at Camp TaPaWingo. Registration starts at 8:30AM and trail courses run 9:00AM to 3:00PM. *See 2017 Trail Obstacle Challenge flyer for details.*

As part of the event they are also hosting a dance with a DJ, Creative Sound, at Camp TaPaWingo on **Friday, June 2**. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Creative Sound will play from 7:00 – 10:00 pm. The theme is of course – Western! There is a \$3.00 admittance fee and there will be food for sale. It is open to all 4-H members and their friends! Bring your friends and see y'all there!

Alpaca Project Meeting and Alpaca Odyssey

The May meeting was a lot of fun as always. We had the alpacas out for halter training and learned about fiber density and the differences between alpacas and llamas. We also discussed the events for the fair as well as the upcoming

Odyssey. Please join us for family fun at the Alpaca Odyssey on Sunday, **June 4th** from 10am to 3pm at the London Dairy Alpaca Ranch. This event is open to the public and admission is free. You can see, pet and feed the alpacas and enjoy food, demonstrations and more! This will be a great time to purchase your Manitowoc County 4-H Alpaca Club 18-month calendars for only \$20 each! Our next Alpaca Project meeting will be on Sunday, June 11 at 2pm at the London Dairy Alpaca Ranch. If you have any questions, please email alpaca4H@hotmail.com or call 920-246-6377.

State Fair Day Camp Counselors Needed, June 9th

Selected counselors will provide leadership and perform duties for the Wisconsin State Fair Day Camp, during the fair. No fees are required; complimentary lodging (same gender rooms with bunk beds) will be provided for Thursday and Friday nights. Counselors will receive meals in the Youth Center Thursday evening through Saturday evening. Counselors work alongside similar-aged youth to assist day campers with memorable state fair camp experience. Counselors will spend most of their time under the direct supervision of Wisconsin State Fair Day Camp staff, adult 4-H volunteers, and other camp supporters.

Camp activities include: a visit to Exploration Park, tour of Discovery Barnyard and a Giant Slide ride. Activities may also include: large group games, crafting, public speaking and performing camp songs. For additional information visit, [State Fair Day Camp – Wisconsin State Fair](#)

Free Breakfast - Breakfast on the Farm

As we prepare for the upcoming Manitowoc County Dairy Breakfast on **Sunday, June 11** at Habeck Homestead Farms it takes many volunteers to help make this event happen. We are looking for 4-H clubs and their families that would be interested in helping for a few hours serve/prepare food.

Shift times available are the following:

7:30AM to 10:30AM

10AM to 12:30PM

Volunteers who work a full shift will receive a free breakfast, but they must pre-register with Sherrie and they must check-in at the Volunteer Check-In booth at the event. Parking will be in the hay field north of the farm. It takes well over 200 volunteers to help make this event happen.

To volunteer or for questions please contact Sherrie Pinkerton at sbspinkerton@gmail.com or 920-973-4944. Your support and volunteerism is crucial to us supporting the 4-H program in the future.

Rocket Workshop

The Star Splitters 4-H Club is hosting their annual Rocket Workshop and launch. Rocket kits are available for ages 7 and up and can be assembled with assistance from experienced rocket builders on **June 7** at the MCOG from 6pm to 8pm. The completed rockets will be inspected and launched on **Jun 17** behind the Two Rivers High School with prizes awarded. Donation of \$8 is requested to defray the cost of the rocket and motors. Please email starsplitters4h@gmail.com by **June 3** with names, ages and past rocket experience. Or call Russ at 920-553-7370 for more information.

Manitowoc County Open Speed Shows

Manitowoc County 4-H Open Speed Shows will be held on **June 11 and July 9, 2017** at the Manitowoc Co Expo Grounds. Cash winnings & great high point prizes. Fun and Games! Special all day entry fee \$60. See more info on the attached show bill. Current Negative Coggins required! Call [920-323-9554](tel:920-323-9554) with questions or for more information.

Summer Programs at Camp TaPaWingo – Camp Flyers Attached

Clover Bud Day Camp – June 16, 2017

Cloverbud camp is designed to get children aware of the camp experience but may not be ready for an overnight stay. Our goals are to have a fun time, a great learning experience and to have a project that can be ready for fair. Grades K-2.

Fiber Fun Camp – June 24, 2017

Fiber Fun camp is designed to get children aware of different creative opportunities with fiber arts. Project created at the camp will be suitable for entering as exhibits at the Manitowoc County Fair. Ages 8-17.

Hunter Safety Camp – July 17-20, 2017

Summer Camp – July 24-27, 2017

Summer Camp Counselors Needed

Camp TaPaWingo is looking for responsible teenagers willing to assist with our summer camp program. These are unpaid positions for teens age 15 and over.

We realize that some of you have summer jobs lined up, but most employers encourage their employees to become involved in community service. Camp counselor experience translates into excellent management and personnel skills. Hunter Safety and Summer Camp dates can be found above and on the attached brochures.

To apply please visit: [Summer Camp Counselor](#)

4-H Dog Project Workshop Dates

The 4-H Dog workshops for June and July will be held on the third Saturday of the month due to Dog Shows at the Kennel Club. The Dog Project Workshops for summer will be **June 17 and July 15**, with the Fair Dog Show on **August 12** at the Manitowoc Kennel Club.

Multi-County Goat Show

The Sheboygan Goat Project is hosting a Multi-County Goat Show on **June 22** at the Sheboygan County Fair Park. The event is open to all 4-H Goat Project Members, FFA, and family and friends. *Please see attached flyer for details.*

State 4-H Dog Show

The Monroe County 4-H Dog Project will be hosting the State 4-H Dog Show this summer. It will be held August 18-20 in Tomah at the Tomah Recreational Park. Entries will be due on **July 1st**. The show booklet and complete details will be posted on the 4-H Website when they become available.

Summer Tractor & Farm Safety Camp

Does your son or daughter work on a farm during the summer? 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 & Farm Safety Camp is being coordinated by UW-Extension Manitowoc County. The course focuses 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 a driving exam.

Federal law requires that youth younger than 16 years must be certified before being hired to work with tractors and tractor machinery. Effective May 1, 1996, state law mandated that no person may direct or permit a youth younger than 16 years of age to operate a farm tractor or self-propelled implement on a public road unless the youth has been certified as successfully completing a tractor and machinery certification course. Youth must be the minimum age of 12 by the first day of the Tractor & Farm Safety Camp in order to register.

Teenagers who drive a tractor for their parents may still do so without the formal training program as long as they do not operate the tractor on a public road. The law also does not apply to situations where a youth is driving a tractor and implement directly across (perpendicular to) a public road.

If you intend to hire any teenagers on your farm, make sure that they enroll in this course for your protection as well as theirs. There are penalties for not complying with the law. Also, some insurance companies have indicated that, technically, they cannot cover an accident to an untrained youth

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, farm tractor accidents cause more fatalities than any other type of accident on the farm. Accidents involving farm tractors result in about 270 deaths annually in the U.S.

Don't be a statistic! Get your certification now!

Tractor & Farm Safety Camp, **July 18-20**, 2017

Held at: Camp TaPaWingo 915 W. TaPaWingo Rd. Mishicot, WI 54228

Cost: \$195 per person Registration Deadline: **July 1, 2017**

*Includes meals, lodging, all training materials, and 24 hours of class time. Open to any youth in Wisconsin.

Recommended: Six hours of driving practice prior to attending the course. **Please see attached flyer to register - don't delay, these camps fill quickly!**

State 4-H Dog Agility Show Booklet Posted

Sheboygan County will be hosting the State 4-H Dog Agility Show on **July 22** at the Sheboygan Training Club in Sheboygan. The show booklet has been finished and is now post on the 4-H dog Website. The booklet contains all details and registration for the show. It can be found at: www.fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/files/2014/07/2017-State-4-H-Dog-Agility-Show-Book.pdf .

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Reminder: Deadlines for articles

Updates to the Manitowoc County 4-H website are done Friday afternoons. Please send your updates by Wednesdays at noon to amandacordova@co.manitowoc.wi.us. *4-H Friday Notes* information is also due by Wednesday noon. Send to amandacordova@co.manitowoc.wi.us.

If you have specific questions, concerns, or suggestions for our 4-H Youth Development Educator, please send those emails directly to Kevin Palmer at: 920-242-5448 or kevinpalmer@co.manitowoc.wi.us .