

4-H Notes

February 6, 2020

What's New!

Manitowoc County 4-H Alpaca/Llama Project Meeting

The first meeting for the Alpaca/Llama Project was held on Sunday, January 26. At the meeting, we discussed scheduled events and the project for the 2020 year.

The next meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 16, from 1 pm to 3 pm**. The meeting will be held at London Dairy Alpacas, at 6827 State Hwy 147, Two Rivers. We will learn how to put a halter on the alpacas as well as how the alpacas are scored in competition. We will also learn about the alpaca diet. Please dress for the weather because part of the meeting we will be working with the alpacas outside. Bring your alpaca/llama project books to the meeting.

If you have any questions, please call Kevin Stoer @ 920-793-4165.

Manitowoc County 4-H Livestock Judging

Tuesday, March 10th at the Manitowoc County Office Complex, 4319 Expo Dr. at 7:00PM.

Contact Barb Kortens at 920-901-0300 for any questions.

Targhee Starter Flock Opportunity

U.S. Targhee Sheep Association is awarding three free registered sheep to deserving youth!

[2020 Targhee Sheep](#)

Southdown Flock Opportunity

The Wisconsin Southdown Association is seeking applicants for the 2020 Starter Ewe program.

[Wisconsin Southdown Association](#)

University of Wisconsin Small Ruminant Webinar Series

The University of Wisconsin Animal Sciences Department and the Division of Extension will be hosting a small ruminant webinar series on February 12, 2020 related to **"Small Ruminant Animal Health"**

[Small Ruminant Webinar Series](#)

In Case You Missed It!

4-H Winter Horse Camp 2020- Next Weekend!

Manitowoc County 4-H Horse Project is offering a fun and educational 2 day camp, Friday, February 14th to Saturday February 15th. This open to any 4-H youth 3rd grade or older. The camp will include horse related arts and crafts, educational activities, as well as presentations.

To register click on the following link: [4-H Winter Horse Camp](#)

Small Ruminant Webinar

The January Small Ruminant (sheep and goats) Webinar recording can be accessed at the link below. The slides are also located on the website.

[January 2020 Ruminant & Small Animal Webinar](#)

Scholars Program Opportunity

The Chancellor's and Powers-Knapp Scholarship Programs at the University of Wisconsin-Madison were established to attract, support and develop the abilities and potential of academically talented and outstanding individuals from underrepresented groups.

The program is seeking youth to apply from rural and farming communities that are planning to apply to attend UW-Madison for the 2020-2021 academic year. Scholars benefit from individualized advising, a supportive peer network, leadership development, mentorship opportunities, and more. In addition to the structured support provided by the programs, Scholars also receive a competitive financial award. The deadline for students wishing to attend next fall is Tuesday, February 4th. More information and application details available here: <https://cspks.wisc.edu/>.

Manitowoc County Parent Cafés

Parent Cafés give parents a chance to come together to listen, talk, build friendships, and support each other around the topic of parenting!

Please click on the below link for more information Parent Cafés sponsored by Lakeshore Community Action Partner (CAP).

[Parents Cafe](#)

Spice It Up Results!

Last year, Manitowoc County 4-H Clubs collected 87 bottles of herbs and spices to help food pantry shoppers make healthier, tastier meals.

Just so you know, the spices you donated were usually the only spices available at the pantry. We had to limit to one per person. The spices were so popular, we've run out!

Could we try again? If you're interested, click on the following link to a "**Spice it Up**" poster promoting the project. [Spice It Up Drive](#)

Pantries can use herbs, spices, healthy oils, and vinegars. Please try to avoid glass bottles as these can make a HUGE mess if they break.

Contact Laura Apfelbeck, FoodWise Coordinator at 920-683-4170 or a llapfelbeck@wisc.edu

Thank you so much for your assistance.

2020 Scholarships now available!

Manitowoc County Farm Progress Day, Donald R. Peterson

And

Manitowoc County University of Wisconsin Agriculture Alumni Association

[2020 Scholarships](#)

4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl & Skillathon Contest

Date: March 7th, 2020

Location: UW-Madison Animal Sciences Building

Cost: \$12 per youth

Contact: Bernie O'Rourke

Phone: 608-263-4304

Email: borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu

Livestock Bowl is a quiz competition where all the questions are about beef, sheep, swine, and meat goat topics and students use a buzzer in order to answer the questions.

Skillathon contest is made up of a written quiz and learning stations such as breed identification, feed identification, equipment identification as well as some team activities such as demonstrating evaluation skills.

Manitowoc County 4-H Dairy Judging Kick –Off!

Kick off meeting, Monday, March 9th, 7:00PM

Room 300 at the Manitowoc County Office Complex, 4319 Expo Dr.

Questions? Call Angie Ulness, coach at 913-242-5725

Competition in Quiz Bowl & Skillathon encourages members to develop a more complete knowledge of animals and related subjects. This contest provides an educational program for all project members, including those who may not own a project animal, and provides a way to develop self-confidence. These programs are a great parallel to some similar programs that breed associations and other organizations conduct.

Registration Deadline: February 21, 2020, 5:00 pm. Registrations must be emailed.

More information: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/youthlivestock/programs/quizbowlskillathon/>

Order Your Pinewood Derby Car Now!

Manitowoc County 4-H will be holding their 10th annual Pinewood Derby competition on **Thursday, April 16 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., at the Manitowoc County Expo Ice Center**. What is a Pinewood Derby? Youth take a block of wood (7" long by 1¾" wide by 1" high) and they cut, carve, whittle, and sand it into the shape of a vehicle. They then add two axles and four wheels and race it down a 42-foot aluminum track. There is no motor to power the car, the track is elevated at one end and gravity pulls the car down the track. The car's speed is dependent on two factors – air resistance and friction.

The Pinewood Derby fits well within the 4-H program and it is a great way to engage youth of all ages in a project that involves science, technology, engineering, and math, as well as creative design. At the event, trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers for each age division and trophies will be awarded for the best finished cars (Best of Show) and the slowest cars (Best Fuel Economy). Age divisions for the Pinewood Derby are: Cloverbud (Grades K-2), Elementary (Grades 3-5), Intermediate (Grades 6-8), Senior (Grades 9 – 12), and Adult (must be related to a 4-H member).

Car kits must be purchased through the 4-H program, and they are \$5.00 each. Payment for the cars will be collected at your 4-H club meeting and cars can be picked up at your club meeting. Please order your car by January 17 if you would like your car at your February 4-H Club meeting. You can also pick-up your car at our office. Please order online and then call ahead before you come to our office to make sure your car is ready for pick-up. Car orders will be accepted and filled over the next several months. We will be announcing dates for our annual Pinewood Derby Car Building Workshop and Pinewood Derby Physics Day in the next few weeks.

To order please complete the following Google Form - [Pinewood Derby Car Order Form](#)

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[Manitowoc County 4-H](#)
[4-H Camp TaPaWingo](#)

Camp TaPaWingo Tree and Shrub Sale

Are you looking for a place to purchase trees and shrubs this spring? Look no further! Camp TaPaWingo

is running their annual tree sale fundraiser to help fulfill your planting needs.
[Camp TaPaWingo Tree & Shrub fundraiser](#)

Reminder: Deadlines for articles

Updates to the Manitowoc County 4-H website are done on a weekly basis.

Please send your updates by Mondays at noon to wendiholschbach@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 kevin.palmer@wisc.edu