

4-H Notes

December 23, 2020

What's New!

4-H at Home, Ornaments, and Holiday House!

You can find a link to everything we sent out last week with all of the directions and the correct link for the Holiday House project on our website! Go here: [4-H at Home, Ornaments, and Holiday House](#)

Winter Leadership Camp Registration Now Open!

Attention youth leaders in grades 7-12 and adult 4-H volunteers! Don't miss your chance to participate in the 2021 Winter Leadership Camp. It is always a great weekend full of leadership development and fun, and this year we are making it happen in a virtual format! The camp is scheduled for Friday evening, February 12 and Saturday, February 13. Youth from throughout Wisconsin will come together at Virtual 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 being a youth leader in their club, county, and school. Along with leadership learning, youth will have opportunities to participate in a variety of virtual recreational activities. Adult leader volunteers are also needed to support youth in learning leadership skills. Cost for youth is \$20, which includes supplies that will be shipped to you.

Registration can be found here: <http://bit.ly/4HWinterCamp>

After you submit the form, you will receive a link for payment of a \$20 registration fee that can be paid with a debit or credit card. Please contact Kevin Palmer, Manitowoc County 4-H Educator, kevin.palmer@wisc.edu or (920)242-5448 with any questions.

Camp TaPaWingo Annual Tree & Shrub Sale

Help support 4-H Camp TaPaWingo and Manitowoc County 4-H program by purchasing trees or shrubs from our wide assortment of species available.

[Camp Tapawingo Tree Shrub Fundraiser](#)

Eggs-travaganza

If you missed last week's Eggs-travaganza Zoom, you can go to the Extension website (link below) and get information on each of the hands-on learning activities. A follow-up Zoom is scheduled for January 11, 2021 at 6:00 pm. Please send an e-mail to Kevin Palmer kevinpalmer@wisc.edu if you would like to attend the Zoom in January. Go here for the hands-on learning activities: [Eggs-travaganza](#)

Wisconsin Youth Livestock Presents

The Wisconsin Youth Livestock Program (WYLP), in connection with the University of Wisconsin Madison Animal & Dairy Sciences Department, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences and Division of Extension, are excited to offer these LIVE Virtual Zoom educational programs for the winter/spring of 2020-2021.

[Wisconsin Youth Livestock](#)

Scholarship Applications Now Being Accepted

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than \$15,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin 4-H members and alumni pursuing higher education in 2021.

[Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarship](#)

Adult and Youth Mental Health First Aid Training Available

Mental Health First Aid is a program that teaches participants how to identify, understand and respond to illness and substance use disorders. The program gives participants the skills and confidence to provide initial support to those who are experiencing a crisis in their community.

<https://wirose.wisc.edu/mental-health-first-aid/>

Important Updates and Changes to Junior Eligibility at Wisconsin State Fair

Wisconsin State Fair is changing their eligibility requirements for Junior Division competitions, contests, exhibits, demonstrations and special activity opportunities that are provided by Wisconsin State Fair. The message states:

“Youth are encouraged to actively participate in youth educational programs/organizations which enhance project awareness but there are **NO YOUTH ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS** to exhibit in Youth Expo or the Junior animal Departments of Wisconsin State Fair. Rules for acceptance; Wisconsin State Fair Park does not and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), physical ability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status, in any of its activities or *operations*.”

In Case You Missed It!

There is Still Time to Purchase that Last Minute Christmas Gift!

Do you have someone on your Christmas list that is hard to buy for?

If you do, the Manitowoc County 4-H Leaders Association has an idea for you, Why not buy that “special someone” a new 2020 Manitowoc County Plat Book or Wall Map!

[2020 Plat Book](#)

New 4-H Committees

We’re starting two new committees in Manitowoc County 4-H. The 4-H Project Box Committee and the 4-H Community Service Committee. Both committees are in response to our current programming situation and they will have a countywide focus. The 4-H Project Box Committee will help develop projects and project resources for our county 4-H members. The 4-H Community Service Committee will plan and coordinate a monthly community service project for all of Manitowoc County 4-H. If you are interested in either of these committees or would like more information please contact 4-H Youth Development Educator, Kevin Palmer, at kevinpalmer@wisc.edu or 920-242-5448. We would like to kick-off the new year with both committees in place!

Project Kits Available

Through generous donations from Home Depot and Lowe’s we have a number of free project kits available for younger 4-H members. The kits are: Battleship, Football Goal, Santa Treats Tray, Elf Ornament, and Birdhouse.

Go here for a description of the kits: [Free Project Kits](#)

Go here to order: https://bit.ly/Project_Kits

Supplies are limited. The kits can be used as a fair project.

We Need Your Help to Fill the Hill with Clovers!

Camp TaPaWingo needs your help! The ***Fill the Hill with Clovers*** fundraising campaign's goal is to fill the sledding hill at camp with clovers by Christmas! The COVID-19 pandemic has created some unique challenges for Camp TaPaWingo. This campaign is a chance for us to come together as a community and support this important resource and ensure it will be there for future generations of youth. You can help now by sponsoring one, two, or ten clovers! Clover donations are \$25/clover, and clovers will be placed on the hill daily. At the end of the campaign, the clovers will be given to 4-H families across the county to display in their yards to show that Manitowoc County is 4-H strong! Go here to donate: https://bit.ly/4-H_Clovers (link is not supported by Internet Explorer)

Watch Your Mail!

Earlier this week we mailed the following: 4-H at Home Activity Guide, 4-H at Home Cookie Recipes, templates to make holiday houses, a link to a YouTube video that shows you how to make them, and instructions for two of Kevin's favorite ornaments. You should be receiving it in the next week! If you make cookies or any of the other projects, please send us a photo of your efforts to post on our Facebook page! Send photos to Wendi Holschbach, wendiholschbach@co.manitowoc.wi.us.

Plans Underway for the 2021 Manitowoc County Fair!

The 2021 Manitowoc County Fair is set for August 25-29 with the theme Stars, Stripes and Fair Delights! The fair board is working on the 2021 fair to include the new Sea Lion Show, an Opening Day Kick Off parade, the New Ladies' Day Event, entertainment, and more!

Reminder that the Junior Fair deadline is July 1 with exhibitor registrations to open on May 1. All fairbook rules and regulations will be available online starting February 1.

We will also be selecting the 2022 Manitowoc County Fairest of the Fair during the week of fair with application details on the website after May 1. As the official ambassador of the Manitowoc County Fair, the fairest of the fair attends parades, Sundae Thursday, and other events including the Manitowoc County Fair. Watch for the current fairest of the fair Lydia Luebke who will be attending events and will be a guest on WOMT this summer!

The Manitowoc County Fair board is excited for the upcoming fair and looking forward to seeing you at the 2021 Manitowoc County Fair, August 25-29.

Re-Enrollment Deadline Extended to December 31, 2020

4-H enrollment is still open! Returning members will have until Sunday, December 31, 2020 to re-enroll. Enrollment fees are reduced this year and are \$10 for 4-H members and \$11 for 4-H members in the horse project (an additional \$1 for insurance). Enrollment fees are paid directly to your 4-H club. The enrollment software, 4-H Online, has been updated to version 2.0 and there are some changes. The enrollment software, 4-H Online, has been updated to version 2.0 and there are some changes and there are some glitches/bugs that are in the process of being fixed by the developers. The 4HOnline System will no longer support Internet Explorer 10 and older versions, due to security concerns. It also does not support Safari version 6 and older versions due to the same security concerns. Please update your browser to: IE version 11, or use Chrome, Firefox, Safari Version 7 and newer or another preferred browser to access the system. We apologize for any inconvenience.

- Youth will only be able to see the projects that are open to enrollment for them. For example, a youth in grades K-2 will only see Cloverbuds 1, 2, 3 and 4. By the way, Cloverbuds should enroll in 1 (first year), 2 (second year) or 3 (third year). We do not use Cloverbuds 4.
- If you are home schooled, choose an equivalent grade when enrolling. Do not choose “Not in School”. For youth in their final year and no longer in high school choose “Post High School Education”.
- 18 and 19-year-old members who are enrolling are getting a screen asking them if they want to be a Club Member or a Volunteer – choose Club Member. The software developers are working on a fix.
- Families cannot add/remove projects after enrolling. Please contact Wendi or Kevin for adding/removing projects.
- Only adults with the role of “Project Leader” can select projects.
- In 2.0 all youth can select a volunteer type when selecting a project, so a separate project selection for Yth Ldr is no longer needed.
- The new version collects birth dates for adults and version 1.0 did not. All adult birth dates are currently entered as 1/1/1920 and only our office can correct that. For adults, if you would like the correct birth date entered please send your name and birth date to Wendi or Kevin.
- 4-H Main Leaders do not currently have the ability to confirm enrollments. All enrollments will be confirmed by the Extension office.
- If you have any questions or have trouble enrolling please contact either 4-H Youth Development Educator, Kevin Palmer, at kevin.palmer@wisc.edu or 920-242-5448 or Extension Program Assistant, Wendi Holschbach, at wendiholschbach@co.manitowoc.wi.us or 920-683-4169.

To re-enroll go here: <https://v2.4honline.com>

If you need help or need more information about enrollment like the 4-H Online 2.0 Enrollment Guide or the 4-H Project Guide go here: <https://manitowoc.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-online-enrollment/>

4-H Online 2.0 does not collect 4-H project literature order information. Please go here to order 4-H project literature: <https://forms.gle/b1hmUMZjMUVC71uH9>

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[4-H Camp TaPaWingo](#)

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.