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# 4-H IN ACTION

## NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE!

Please submit articles for the May-June 2017 edition of 4-H in Action by June 15, 2017. Articles can be submitted to: [sarah.tarjeson@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:sarah.tarjeson@ces.uwex.edu).

## 4-H COUNTYWIDE LEADERSHIP NOTES

### WELCOME MOLLY ABRAHAM!

Please join our program in welcoming Molly Abraham to UW-Extension and to the 4-H Program. Molly's responsibilities will include supporting the the 4-H Youth Development Program as well as UW-Extension in financial operations. Thank you Molly and Welcome!

### 4-H FAMILY PICNIC – ENJOY SUNSHINE AND FRIENDS

The 4-H picnic committee would like to invite everyone to mark the June 24<sup>th</sup> 4-H Family & Friends Picnic on their calendars. Final plans are still being made, but we are planning a day filled with contests, games, lunch, lawn games, prizes, fellowship and door prizes. Once the location and events are finalized a flyer will be send out (at the end of April), followed by invitations and the RSVP request towards the end of May. Please watch for the details in the near future for this fun Milwaukee County 4-H event.

### USING THE 4-H NAME & EMBLEM

The 4-H Name & Emblem is a highly valued mark within our country's history. As such, it has been granted a very unique and special status; it is in a category similar to the Presidential Seal and the Olympic Emblem. This federal protection makes it a mark with protection that supersedes the limited authorities of both a trademark and a copyright. As a result, responsibility and stewardship for the 4-H Name & Emblem were not given to the US Patent Office but were given to the Secretary of Agriculture, a member of the cabinet. The "18USC707" is the statement in the US Code that outlines the protection of the 4-H Name and Emblem. The official 4-H Emblem is a clover with four leaves and an H on each leaf. The clover's stem must point to the right as you look at the image. It should appear in specific colors and its entirety. The 4-H Name and Emblem belong to the 4-H Youth Development Program under the authority of the United States Department of Agriculture and anyone wishing to use it must obtain permission. If you are a 4-H member or volunteer, you are permitted to use the Emblem. For detailed information on using the 4-H Emblem contact Sarah at the Extension Office at [sarah.tarjeson@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:sarah.tarjeson@ces.uwex.edu) or go to <http://www.national4-Hheadquarters.gov>



### INVITATION TO JOIN THE MILWAUKEE COUNTY 4-H LEADERS COUNCIL

Milwaukee County 4-H Leaders Council is inviting community members, 4-H youth, parents/guardians, and 4-H volunteers to the monthly council meetings. The Leaders Council is a representative board and association for adult volunteers and 4-H youth (9th Grade and older) enrolled in UW Extension 4-H Youth Development Programs.

Meetings are held on a monthly basis with alternating business and educational meetings. Join us on the second Monday of the month from 6:30pm to 9:00pm. Below are dates for upcoming meetings:

May 8th    June 12th    June 26th Annual Leaders Meeting

Please forward any requests for the business meeting and agenda to President, Tricia Kessler 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. Tricia can be reached via email at [triciakessler@aol.com](mailto:triciakessler@aol.com). Minutes, agenda, and other up-to-date 4-H Leaders Council news can be viewed on our website at: <http://milwaukee.uwex.edu/new-4-h-youth-development/leaders/>

If you are interested in joining the 4-H Leaders Council please call Sarah Tarjeson 920-838-0105 for more information.

## **ANNUAL 4-H LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING- ALL ENROLLED LEADERS URGED TO ATTEND!**

Please, Please, Please join us for an **Annual Meeting of the Milwaukee County 4-H Leaders Council on Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup>** at the Old Country Buffet at 4902 S. 74<sup>th</sup> Street, Greenfield, WI with dinner at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting starting promptly at 6:30 p.m. **Dinner will be provided at no cost to enrolled (in <https://wi.4honline.com>) leaders! Guests are \$13.75/person CASH ONLY!**

All enrolled adult leaders are members of the Milwaukee County Leaders Council. It is imperative that you engage in this once a year- annual meeting to help us frame the direction of the program through policies, budget decisions and establishing program priorities. Your voice is needed! RSVP to Sarah Tarjeson, 4-H Youth Development Educator by texting your name and the number attending to 920-838-0105 or e-mailing [sarah.tarjeson@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:sarah.tarjeson@ces.uwex.edu).

## **LIABILITY INSURANCE**

Milwaukee County has a liability insurance policy for volunteers. Leaders are automatically covered under this policy if they are registered as a Certified 4-H Volunteer Leader and have completed Youth Protection Training. This policy is a backup policy for personal liability coverage; it is provided by Milwaukee County to protect volunteers from damages. 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.

Please call Sarah at 920-838-0105 to verify liability insurance coverage for activities that could be considered "out of the ordinary" and might increase risk. This insurance is not accident insurance. The 4-H Leaders Association has purchased accident insurance for all of our certified volunteer leaders and members and can be purchased for specific events to supplement health insurance.

## **EXPLORING 4-H AND 4-H SCIENCE FESTIVAL**

Join 4-H for a day of fun as we combine our last Exploring 4-H Saturday of the 4-H year with our Annual 4-H Science Day. Exploring 4-H will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will focus on planting flowers and vegetables – members will be taking home potted arrangements of both flowers and vegetables they have learned about.

After the planting is completed, a free lunch will be served and then we will move right into our Science Day activities, which include:

Make a Lava Lamp	Slime Fun
Measure Up – animal sizes	Animal Habitats
Make Rock Critters	Make some snow
Learn about constellations	Print with Veggies
Learn how salt helps keeps roads ice free	Water purity
. . . . And other fun science type activities	

We will end the afternoon with litter pick up around the UWEX building and surrounding area from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. We will be part of the Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful spring clean-up and all participants will receive coupons for area attractions. Please RSVP by Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, to Laura Brushaber at [lbrushaber@wi.rr.com](mailto:lbrushaber@wi.rr.com) or 414-463-1592 (after 4:00 p.m. weekdays or anytime on the weekend).

## **REGION, STATE AND NATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

### **SPEND YOUR SUMMER AT UPHAM!**

Upham Woods will be providing a variety of camp programming this summer open to participants state wide. Programs are available to 4-H and non 4-H youth and adults. Whether this is the first time or part of a long tradition make this summer a chance for an amazing Upham Woods camp experience. For details on all of our 2017 Summer programs go to: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/programs/>

#### **Upham Woods Summer Camp Session 1: June 10-13, 2017**

*Campers learn about the natural world, themselves and each other in our traditional summer camp program. Camp activities include hiking, canoeing, archery, swimming, our low element challenge course,*

and so much more. The traditions of summer camp and unique qualities of Upham Woods combine for an unforgettable experiences.

Cost: \$180 /camper

Camp is open to youth currently in 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade

Register in 4-H online

Adult volunteers needed! No charge for Adult volunteers

Youth Counselors needed! Ages 14+, \$30 counselor fee to participate

Counselors must attend Counselor Training at Upham Woods, April 21-23 or another 4-H Camp Counselor training

### **Upham Woods Family Camp: July 1-3, 2017**

Join us for 3 fun filled days of family friendly camp on the Upper Dells. Hiking, Swimming, Archery, S'mores and more. Stay in our rustic cabins or more modern dormitory. Adults can relive summer camp or go to camp for the first time. Youth get a taste of summer camp with the comfort of family. A nostalgic experience for campers of all ages. Come as a family or organize a larger group.

Fee's are per person or per cabin/dorm. Go to [fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/programs/family-camp/](http://fyi.uwex.edu/uphamwoods/programs/family-camp/) for more information

Upham Woods is an inclusive environment and welcomes families of all types to our camp.

Registration packet available at the Upham Woods web site

### **Upham Woods Summer Camp Session 2- "Island Explorers": August 5-8, 2017**

Participate in our themed summer camp for 2017: Island Explores. Stay in cabins on site at Upham Woods and spend the days exploring Blackhawk island, a 200 acre island in the Wisconsin River. Campers will also participate in traditional camp activities. Spend extended time on Blackhawk island, hike a variety of trails, canoe along the shore and stop along the way. A unique experience for first time or returning Upham campers.

Cost: \$180 /camper

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**Outpost River Trip** Join us on a trip on the beautiful Namekagon River, in the St. Croix River National Scenic Riverway. Canoe on a northern section of the Namekagon River. Outpost provides opportunities for lifetime friendships and memories. Must be between the ages of 14-18.

Dates and Fees to be determined

Limited spaces available! To be added to list of interested participants please email Upham Woods: [uphamwoods@ces.uwex.edu](mailto:uphamwoods@ces.uwex.edu)

## **4-H PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES**

### **4-H ARCHERY AND WHEP**

Whether you are a member of another club or want to join the **4-H Shooting Sports SPIN CLUB** you are welcome to join in the fun! Please join us at Good Shepherd Trinity, 3302 North Sherman Blvd, Milwaukee, WI for Archery Action on May 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> and June 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> from 6-8:00 p.m.

An additional opportunity to practice your skills includes every other Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>, and June 5<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at **Buckrub Outfitters, LTD** (located just off of Exit 290 I-94). Members pay just \$3.00 each and are able to utilize the equipment and range for practice.



**WHEP (Wildlife Habitat and Educational Program)** Education is also being offered to young people on May 18<sup>th</sup> and June 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at UW-Extension Milwaukee County 9501 W. Watertown Plank Rd Wauwatosa. WHEP is a great way to get started in the world of shooting sports if you are too young to shoot. For more information about all of these and more call Mark Kessler at or check out the scope of the project at <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingports/> or <https://fyi.uwex.edu/whepwi4h/>!

**DON'T FORGET:** The Shooting Sports SPIN Club and Archery Project Members will participate in several fundraising opportunities at **Sentry Food Store Brat Wagon** at 92<sup>nd</sup> and Lisbon. Help is always needed. We sell candy, baked goods, brats, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs, chips soda and water. Join us to help or support the project on **Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> or June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> anytime from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.**



### 4-H MODELCLUB MEETING SCHEDULE 2016-2017

Learn how to assemble and create scale models of trains, trucks, cars, ships, motorcycles, submarines and tanks. This project describes how to obtain the materials you need, paint your model, display your model and how to judge it.

5/13/17	VA HOSPITAL- SHOW MANDATORY ATTENDANCE FOR TEAM
5/20/17	NIMCON IPMS Show McHenry II - NOT MANDATORY to attend.
6/10/17	Modelclub Meeting & Deadline Date for WE2017
7/6-7/10/17	World Expo 2017 Chicago Conrad Hilton Hotel.

The U.S. Junior Scale Modeling Team competed at the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern California Area Historical Miniatures Society Show in Anaheim Ca. on Sat April 8, 2017. **Congratulations** to Milwaukee Team member Kayla Kessler for being awarded a Commended for her Saddle in 1/4 Scale.

Most meetings will be at Milwaukee County UW-Extension Offices 9501 W. Watertown Plank Rd Wauwatosa. **Meetings At Milwaukee 4-H Start at 9:30 AM!** Just contact Mr. Luedke at 262-567-9147 or [Highlanderforensic@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Highlanderforensic@sbcglobal.net) to sign up.

## FUND DEVELOPMENT

### VOLUNTEER TAX DEDUCTIONS

A number of tax benefits are available for volunteers under the General Charitable Contribution Deduction of the Internal Revenue Code. Volunteers may deduct un-reimbursable, out-of-pocket expenses directly related to a charitable organization, such as 4-H, if they itemized deductions for 2016. Detailed information is available in IRS Publication 526.

### TAX EXEMPT STATUS

Every 4-H Club/Group in the state uses the UW Board of Regents Tax Exempt number 5966. Chartered groups have their own EIN and are listed with the IRS as Subordinate Groups of the UW Board of Regents. Please contact the 4-H office if you need a copy as proof of Tax Exemption. If you need something from the state that clearly state your club name, please request that.

### HEY CLUB and COMMITTEE TREASURERS!!!!!!

#### Mid-Year Club/Committee Audit

Are you a club or committee treasurer or chair? Has anyone mentioned the annual financial accounting form? Would you like to know more about what you have to do, before you have to do it? Treasurers, General Leaders, and Committee Chairs are invited to call for an appointment for a mid-year check on your books and a heads up for the end of fiscal year reporting. This is an unscheduled opportunity, not a burden. Get on board with the latest and greatest of financial accountability. Call Sarah at 920-459-5903.

## 4-H CONNECTIONS: CLUB AND PROGRAM UPDATES

### KUDO's TO YOU:

This year's **Music/Drama Festival** was a very entertaining event. There were two club presentations in the drama category and the remaining acts were solos and duets. Members from the Hillside, Franklin, TBCA, and Northstar clubs certainly let their talents shine and the audience was treated to many outstanding performances by our 4-H club members. Thanks to our judges, Tim and Patty Talen, our clubs and individuals for their time spent on their acts, parents of the members participating, and our Music/Drama committee. Thanks also to the Hillside Club who operated a food stand before and during the Festival so that we had refreshments to enjoy. The placings awarded are as follows:

- Dominique Mauhar – Flute Solo – Red ribbon
- Ethan Schille – Vocal Solo – Blue ribbon
- Mark Leto – Cello Solo – White ribbon
- George & Ethan Schille – Piano duet – Red ribbon
- Emily Leto- Vocal Solo – White ribbon
- Krystal Schille – Piano Solo – White ribbon
- Amere Watson – Dance Solo – Red ribbon
- Aniah Woodall-Harris – Vocal solo – Red ribbon
- Franklin 4-H Club – One Act Play – Red ribbon
- Dominique Mauhar – Solo Dance – Blue ribbon
- Ethan Schille – Piano Solo – Red ribbon
- George Schille – Piano Solo – Red ribbon
- Amere Watson – Vocal Solo – Red ribbon
- Northstar 4-H Club – Skit – Red ribbon
- Amere Watson & Aniah Woodall-Harris – Vocal Duet – Red ribbon

### Congratulations to the 4-H members who were awarded the following 2017 plaques:

**Best Dramatic performer** – Iris Lay for her role in Franklin 4-H Club's play – Where No 4-H'er has GONG Before

**Best Solo – Dance** – Dominique Mauhar for her Irish Dance

**Best Solo – Vocal** – Ethan Schille for his vocal solo of 'If I Were A Rich Man'

### 4-H CLUB AND PROGRAM UPDATES

The **Just for Kicks SPIN Club** members had a great time practicing basic kicks, punches, and blocks. Members even had a session where we learned how to fall and basic breakaway from holds. We learned when we should depend on ourselves with ground fighting techniques or when to breakaway and run. We want to extend our appreciation for our parents, instructors and classmates. We hope to have another session in the Fall of 2017.

**4-H SySTEMatics** is partnering with seven schools: **Albert Story, Carson Academy of Science, Fernwood Montessori, Humboldt Park Elementary, Journey House, La Causa Charter School, and St. Martini Lutheran School**. Youth in the program complete university researched hands-on 4-H science and engineering experiments, and pre-college activities at their school site. Students also learn about higher education resources, the college application process, financial planning, academic and career exploration through pre-college activities at their school sites. In addition to the lessons at their school, these youth also attended a trip to **UW-Waukesha** for a fun filled day of learning on March 25th. At UW-Waukesha, students interacted with a college student panel, toured a two-year campus, and participated in STEM workshops in the college labs lead by STEM professionals and professors. These workshops are a great introduction to STEM fields the youth may not have been exposed to before. On May 17<sup>th</sup> the students will participate in **a Science Fair** from 4-6:30pm at Journey House, where students will present a project to STEM professionals. Youth are presented 4-H ribbons and top science fair awards for their work. Youth will receive a certificate from UW-Waukesha and UW-Extension that can be used when applying for high school.





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