

4-H Staff Report Leaders Association Meeting 2-20-17

Scholarships are coming due March 1st. The Leaders Association will award 5 scholarships this year. A committee will be coordinated to review scholarships and will consist of a mixture of 4-H Leaders and community members.

Summer Internship Applications are due on March 1st. Please encourage previous/graduated 4-H members (or really anyone that you think would be a great addition) to apply. This is always an excellent opportunity for young adults to really get involved with the 4-H program and the UW Extension office.

Camp Staff Interviews will take place on March 16th. Additional help is appreciated and would be needed from 5:30-9:30 that evening. Please contact Nancy if you are available to help and let her know which session you would like to help with Campfire Fun, Questions and Answers, Health and Safety, Planning and Teaching, or Goal Setting.

Summer Camp is right around the corner, July 15-19th. Registration for the event is open on 4HOnline so sign up now! As always we are looking for adult staff who would like to help this year as chaperones and support the youth staff development meetings. The perks of going to camp involve 5 days of nature, lots of laughter and making a difference in the lives of about 100 young people. Now who can pass this up???

Project Day registrations are due on Wednesday, February 24th. The event is taking place on Saturday, March 18th at Riverview Middle School. There are many different sessions (some repeating from previous years and some are completely new) that youth are able to take part in and hopefully even complete a project for the fair!

Music and Drama Festival took place on February 18th with performances of both musicals and plays/dramas and individual/duet vocal or instrumental performances. It was held at the UW Sheboygan Theater. The youth did an amazing job performing on stage and hopefully it will create a lasting memory. It was a very exciting day with so much talent shared.

Communication Arts Festival will be held this year on April 23rd (back to Sunday) from 1-4pm. Please promote this excellent opportunity for youth to take. It will take place here at the UW Extension Office.

Movie and Pizza Night will be on February 24th. They will be showing 2 movies, "Finding Dory" and "Zootopia". This will enable the Youth Association to hold some ice-breakers, allow some casual time for eating pizza and socializing and enabling parents to get kids home at a reasonable time. Please promote this with the youth of your clubs. The youth association will be finalizing the details at the February meeting.

New Leader Orientation is set for Tuesday, February 21st from 6-8pm. If you have interested parents or potential new volunteers, please let them know about this date! To volunteer, adults must complete all 4 steps: attend this training, have a background check done, complete a mandatory online reporting training and enroll on 4HOnline.

Several **Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics** related project leaders will continue with the concerted effort to meet the needs of local and 4-H youth in the development of STEM related learning. We are excited to be introducing a series of project-based opportunities to explore science and technology related to Aerospace this year. This effort will be held in partnership with Spaceport Sheboygan.

4-H Youth Association will be holding a **fundraiser at De-O'Malley's Pizza and Pub** on March 19th from 11-2:00 p.m. This lunch will include all you can eat Pizza or Spaghetti, Garlic Bread and a beverage. Delicious homemade tortes will be on sale for just \$3/large slice. Tickets are on sale in advance from UW-Extension and any 4-H Youth Association member. Tickets in advance cost \$8/adult and \$4/child ages 10 and under. All ticket prices will go up by \$2 at the door. Join us and support our youth association!

Projects are underway for 2017! Please be sure to double and triple check that your children are entered correctly. Remember All Animal Projects and Shooting Sports project members must be enrolled by March 1, 2017. All non-animal related project members must be enrolled by May 1, 2017! **These deadlines must be met in order to show at the 2017 Sheboygan County Fair!**