



ATTENTION SWINE EXHIBITORS:

No weigh in for swine. Terminal fair for swine.
Process of identification will be same as in 2014 due to PEDv.

More information will be provided at the Meat Animal Auction meeting on March 2nd. at 7pm. Please plan to attend.

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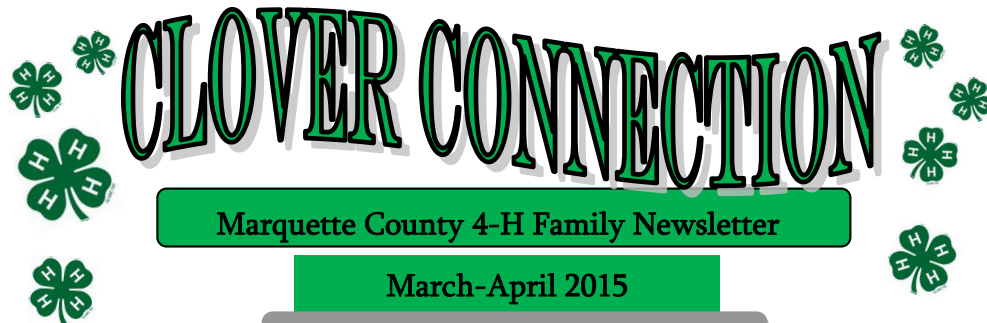
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IMPORTANT DATES

March

- 1 New 4-H Enrollments Due to exhibit at Marquette County Fair
- 1 Deadline to Add/Drop 4-H Projects
- 1 Marquette County 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
- 2 Meat Animal Auction meeting, 7pm, Services Center, Montello
- 7 State 4-H Livestock & Skillathon Contest, UW-Madison
- 7 Cloverbud Morning and Candy Making, 9-11:30am, Services Center, Montello
- 9 4-H Leaders' Assoc. meeting, 6:30pm, Services Center, Montello
- 14 Arlington Sheep Day
- 15 Grant County Rabbit Youth Show, Lancaster, WI
- 18-19 UW-Extension office closed (North Central Region All colleague training - Minocqua)
- 26 Fair Board meeting, 7pm, Services Center, Montello

April

- 1 Camp Counselor Applications Due
- 11 Sheep & Goats Weigh-in, 9-11am, Fairgrounds, Westfield
- 23 Fair Board meeting, 7pm, Services Center, Montello

Candy Making Workshop

There will be a Candy Making makeup workshop offered on Saturday, March 7th from 9-11:30am at the UW-Extension office in Montello.

This workshop is from the one that was originally scheduled for the Leadership Summit.

Please call Amy Kolano at 608-617-6418 to register.



Cloverbud Morning March 7th

All Marquette County youth in grades K-2 are invited to attend Cloverbud Morning, filled with hands-on activities and exciting projects. This event will be from 9-11:30am at the UW-Extension office in Montello.

If you have a friend, you are encouraged to bring him or her along.

Please register by calling 608-297-3141.



April 24-25, 2015
Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center
Wisconsin Dells, WI

Grades 6-8
6 pm arrival | 4 pm departure
\$55 – Includes meals, lodging, t-shirt, and supplies

Do you like science, technology or engineering? Have you always wanted to know what makes things work? Would you like to do cool, hands-on experiments—including activities in food science, DNA, and electricity, learn about the science of herpetology and more? If so, then I Want To Know! Camp is for you! Space is LIMITED! Registrations will be taken on a first come basis with a waiting list if necessary.

Registrations are due March 13, 2015, but space is limited and will be taken on a first come basis.

Special financial circumstances will be handled on an individual basis. For more information, contact Joanna Skluzacek, UW-Extension 4-H STEM specialist at 608.265.2949 or joanna.skluzacek@ces.uwex.edu.

National Geographic Engineering Exploration Challenge

Coming in Summer 2015, the second annual National Geographic Kids Engineering Exploration Challenge asks students worldwide to design, build, and test solutions to challenges that National Geographic explorers face in the field every day. This year's set of Engineering Exploration (NGX) challenges are inspired by how our explorers use robots in the field to help complete work that is considered dull, dirty, or dangerous. This summer, participants ages 6-18 are invited to develop solutions to these real-world STEM challenges and submit a photo and/or video of their solution to National Geographic. Participants that submit solutions will have the chance to have their solution featured in the new National Geographic Kids book, *Everything Robots!* More information is coming at <http://movies.nationalgeographic.com/movies/robots/>.

Four County 4-H Camp

4-H Camp will be held June 15-17 at Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells. Camp is open to all 4-H youth in grades 3-8.

Registrations will be available soon.

Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification in Lodi

Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports Leader may be certified in archery, coordinator, muzzleloader, pistol, rifle and shotgun disciplines. Leaders may only teach in the discipline in which they are certified. An adult leader cannot provide hands-on or safety instruction without a certified leader supervising the range.



All leaders must first complete one 12-hour workshop to be certified. After that, you may be eligible to attend a Saturday, eight-hour range workshop to receive an additional discipline certification. If three years lapse before adding an additional certification, the full 12-hour certification must be repeated. Only one certification may be obtained at any one certification workshop.

Southern Area

April 10-11, 2015 – Lodi, WI

Disciplines: Archery, Muzzleloader, Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun

Registration Deadline: March 27, 2015

More information and other locations available at:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingports/certification-workshops/>

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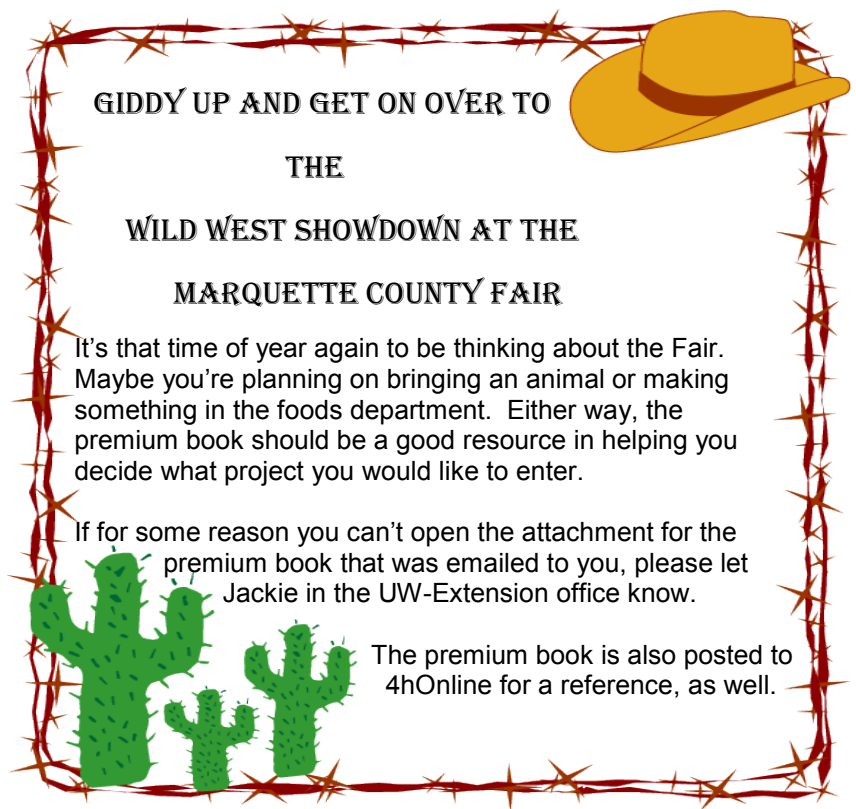
WILD WEST SHOWDOWN AT THE

MARQUETTE COUNTY FAIR

It's that time of year again to be thinking about the Fair. Maybe you're planning on bringing an animal or making something in the foods department. Either way, the premium book should be a good resource in helping you decide what project you would like to enter.

If for some reason you can't open the attachment for the premium book that was emailed to you, please let Jackie in the UW-Extension office know.

The premium book is also posted to 4hOnline for a reference, as well.



Tree Seedlings Available for 4-H Clubs

The Wisconsin DNR – State Nursery Program would like to encourage 4-H clubs and other youth groups to plant trees. Trees provide a home for wildlife, protect our soil and water, and help clean our air. The State Nursery Program has a long tradition of providing tree seedlings to 4-H, FFA and other youth groups. These seedlings may be used for reforestation, soil erosion prevention and wildlife habitat improvement. This is a great way for youth to get outdoors and learn about nature, especially those members involved in the Forestry project or other nature projects.

Here's how your club can order:

Go online to <http://dnr.wi.gov/> key word Tree Planting and download an order form for a list of available trees and prices. Or you may contact one of the two state nurseries for a tree order form. Phone (608) 375-4123 or (715) 424-3700.

Determine the quantity and species of trees each family would like to order. Tree seedlings come in bundles of 25 and should be ordered in increments of 25. Consolidate everyone's order and have the club place the order.

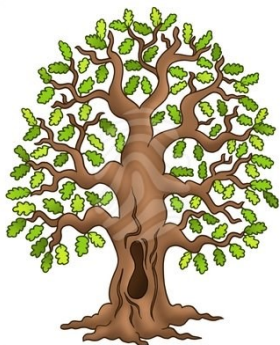
You can either choose to pick your trees up at one of the 3 nurseries or have them shipped to your county. You will receive a notice from the State Nursery Program in April about receiving your seedlings. Normally state nursery policy requires a minimum order of 1000 trees, 500 shrubs or one packet. However the minimum order requirement is waived for 4-H and other youth groups, allowing them to consolidate orders to give students the opportunity to plant smaller tree volumes on their family's property.

While the nurseries try to be accommodating to youth groups, the statutes and administrative codes concerning seedling distribution still need to be followed. The above exemptions apply only to current, active members, not alumni or outside individuals. Seedlings cannot be re-sold or given away. They may not be planted for landscaping or for Christmas trees.

Youth Development Summer Assistant Position Available

This position is designed to provide assistance to County Extension staff during the busy summer months. The Youth Development Summer Assistant will increase his/her knowledge of youth development programs, community partnerships, volunteer development, the UW-Extension Service and the 4-H Youth Development Educator responsibilities. This summer position provides valuable pre-professional experience for educational and community based careers. The 4-H Summer Assistant is supervised by the Marquette County 4-H Youth Development Educator. Applications are due March 1st.

More information is available at: <http://marquette.uwex.edu/>



Seeking Camp Counselors

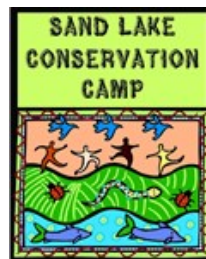
Four County 4-H Camp will be June 15-17 at Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells. We are currently taking applications for camp counselors in grades 9 and above. No camp experience necessary.

Applications are available at www.marquette.uwex.edu/ and are due April 1st.

Explore Wisconsin trip for youth grades 4-7: July 28-30, 2015

For this year's Explore Wisconsin Trip, we will be traveling to Mt. Horeb, Dodgeville, and the Spring Green area. A \$50 deposit is required by March 15th.

The group is also looking for a Fundraising Coordinator...if you are interested, please let Christa know.



June 24-26, 2015

Camp Bird Youth Camp
N8395 Caldron Falls Road
Crivitz, WI 54114

Students entering grades 6-8 in the fall and have an interest in the outdoors are encouraged to attend.

Here's some of the cool stuff you can do...

- Find out what it takes to be a DNR Conservation Warden
- Get an up-close look at amphibians & reptiles in the nature center
- Learn about protecting and managing wildlife habitats
- Play, fish, swim, hike, canoe, shot a bow, use a GPS & compass, and more

To request Registration materials & information, please contact Anne Bartels, Information & Education Specialist, 715-732-7784 or abartels@marinettecounty.com

Arlington Sheep Day

The 7th Annual Arlington Sheep Day will be held Saturday morning, March 14, 2015 at the Public Events Facility of the UW-Madison Arlington Agricultural Research Station, Arlington, WI. The morning program for adult producers will cover facilities, grazing, and health. David Kammel, UW-Madison Extension Agricultural Engineer, will return to the program with a presentation on "Remodeling Facilities for Sheep", Gene Schriefer, Iowa County Extension Agent and Sheep and Beef Producer, will present his experiences the last few years on "Growing Cover Crops for Sheep Grazing", and Dave Thomas, UW-Madison Professor of Sheep Management and Genetics, will discuss the work at the Arlington Agricultural Research Station in "Reducing the Incidence of Ovine Progressive Pneumonia".



Concurrent to the adult producer program in the morning will be a program for youth sheep project members on "Selection of Your Project Market Lamb or Breeding Ewe, Halter Training, Showing Techniques, and Tools for Your Show Box" presented by Tom Murphy, Bernie O'Rourke, and Todd Taylor of the Department of Animal Sciences, UW-Madison and Hannah Taylor, a sheep project member from Columbia County. Attendance forms will be available for all youth that attend this session if your county approves this activity as a qualifying educational meeting for your sheep project.

Registration for the Arlington Sheep Day program is \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 per family and includes morning refreshments and materials. Advance registration is preferred and is available by mail, or persons can register the day of the event at the door for the same price.

For additional information, contact Dave Thomas, dlthomas@wisc.edu, 608-263-4306 or Jill Alf, wisbc@centurytel.net, 608-868-2505.

Grant County Happy Hoppers Rabbit Club Spring Youth Show March 15, 2015

Registration: 7:30-9:00am

Show starts: 9:00am

Entry Fee per rabbit before March 1st: \$2.00

Entry Fee per rabbit after March 1st: \$3.00

Showmanship per exhibitor: \$1.00

All rabbits must be PERMANENTLY EAR MARKED in the left ear.

No limit on entries per exhibitor grades 3-13.

Pet, Fryer, Roaster and Meat Pen Classes are included. Single Fryer- Not over 69 days or 5 lbs. Single Roasters- between 70 & 180 days and 5-8 lbs. Meat pen- Not over 69 days or 5 lbs. (3 rabbits of the same breed and variety)

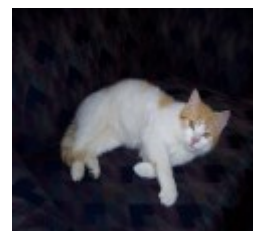
For more information, contact Gary Wetter (608) 943-8869 or garynickiwetter@centurylink.net



25th Anniversary of Monroe County's
Fur, Fin & Feather Show
April 11, 2015
9:00 a.m.
Sparta Barney Center

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LUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE
COME SEE WHAT 4-H KIDS HAVE TO SHOW!



Visit monroe.uwex.edu or call 608-269-8722 to enter or more information.

Trail and Pattern Class for Horse Project Members

The Waushara County 4-H Horse Association invites 4-H Horse Project members to a Pattern Clinic for Trail, Showmanship and Equitation/Horsemanship taught by Stacie Riehl. The clinic will be held at the Waushara County Fairgrounds in Wautoma on June 13 starting at 9 am. The registration information and a flyer are attached. The Clinic is being supported by grant from the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association.



2015 Area Animal Science Days Set

The 2015 area Animal Science Days have been set. They are as follows:

Southwest – June 26 – Lafayette County

Northeast – June 29 – Kewaunee County

Northwest – June 30 – Dunn County

Southeast – July 1 – Rock County

For more information go to:

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/area-animal-sciencedays/>