

#### Oconto County 4-H Friday Notes



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#### Summer Camp Registration Open Now-May12th

Summer Camp registration is open now for all youth in grades 3-6 for the current school year. 4-H members' cost is \$75 per camper. This includes bus transportation, meals, camp T-shirt and all activity supplies. See pages 8-9 for brochure. Register at:

#### https://goo.gl/forms/OvI2tV9BDtecAA9X2

#### Horse Project Annual Meeting Rescheduled

The annual meeting for those participating in the Horse project has been rescheduled for April 22<sup>nd</sup> because of the bad weather. See page 2 for more.

#### New Communications Contest, May 20th

A brand new Communications Contest will be held at the Little River Town Hall on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm. Guest judge will be Tammy McCarthy from the Machickanee Players. Register at <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/jKwbhl6NOZ1GLWfJ2">https://goo.gl/forms/jKwbhl6NOZ1GLWfJ2</a>. More info on page 6. See Page 12 for flyer.

#### 4-H Project Sign-up Deadline April 30th

The project sign-up deadline to qualify 4-H projects to be exhibited at this year's fair is April 30<sup>th</sup>. More info on page 6. To sign-up for 4-H projects, go to: <a href="https://www.4honline.com/">https://www.4honline.com/</a>

#### Fair Seeking Billboard Contest Themes

The Oconto County Fair Board is looking for new and creative ideas for a theme for this year's Fair Billboard contest. More info on page 6.

#### Breakfast on the Farm Volunteers Needed, June 10th

4-H has a strong tradition of volunteering at the Breakfast on the Farm. Let's keep that tradition strong and sign up. Volunteer as an individual at the 4-H tent, as a family or as an entire club. More on page 3.

#### Swine Paperwork Due April 28th

Paperwork for swine project exhibitors at this year's Oconto County Youth Fair is due on April 28<sup>th</sup>. See page 6 for more info.

#### Communications Contest Seeks Youth MC, May 20th

The Communications Contest is seeking youth interested in acting as a Master of Ceremonies for the event. This person would announce each participant and their performance piece. Contact Brigid McDowell at (920) 834-9947 if you are interested. See page 6 for more info on the event.

#### Club Articles

Club articles must be submitted by Thursday noon to appear in that week's Friday Notes. All articles should be edited for proper grammar and spelling, cover the, who, what, where, when, how and why of the event, include the reporter's name and the club involved. If a headshot of the reporter is submitted, that will be placed alongside the article but is not a requirement.

No club articles were submitted this week.

#### New Family Handbook Committee Meeting, May 15th

The next meeting of the Oconto County 4-H new Family handbook Committee will be held on Tuesday, April 17th, 4:00pm at the Lena Library. This committee is working on creating a handbook to help our new families get acclimated to the 4-H program. If you are new to 4-H we would love to have your input. This meeting is open to everyone so consider attending and help us make 4-H great for all our families.

#### TrEx Committee Meeting, May 9th

The next meeting of the Oconto County 4-H TrEx Committee will be held on Wednesday, May 9th, 7:00pm at St. Clare Hospital Oconto Falls. This committee is charge of dispersing funds budgeted to them by the Leader's Association for 4-H travel experiences throughout the year. This meeting's agenda items include:

- Setting up the Calendar year
- Preparing pages for New Family Handbook
- Planning 4-H Youth Conference Orientation

This meeting is open to everyone. New members are always welcome.

#### 4-H Leader's Association Meeting, May 10th

The next meeting of the Oconto County 4-H Leader's Association meeting will be held on Thursday, May 11th, 6:30pm at the Gillett Library Community Building. All certified adult 4-H volunteers and youth members enrolled in 4-H Online are welcome to attend. Agenda topics will include:

- > Approval of 2018-2019 Budget
- New Club Charter requirements
- Breakfast on the Farm Volunteering
- Club information verification

#### Board of Director's Meeting, June 3rd

The next meeting of the Oconto County 4-H Leader's Association Board of Directors will be held on Sunday, June 3rd, 2:00pm at St Clare Hospital, Oconto Falls the Board of Directors is the governing body of the Leader's Association. It is made up of 4-H certified adult volunteers and youth members elected by the Leader's Association.

This meeting's agenda items include:

- Review Breakfast on the Farm Event
- Board member recruitment

This meeting is open to everyone.

#### Horse Project Annual Meeting Rescheduled for April 22nd

Plan to attend the upcoming annual Horse Project meeting at HSHS St. Clare hospital meeting Room A on Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Enter the hospital through the main entrance under the large canopy. The meeting room is located on your left hand side just past the restrooms. We will be handing out the 2018 Horse Project Handbook and all necessary paperwork.

#### Mandatory paperwork must be completed and postmarked by May 1, 2018 (no exceptions).

Come to the meeting to get it all taken care of, ask questions, catch up with old friends, and hear about some new exciting things happening in the Horse Project! We will also be awarding prizes for last year's completed credit books. You must attend to claim your prize.

If you have any questions, please contact Danna Magnin (920) 373-7058 or djmdmm@bayland.net. If you are new to 4H and/or the Horse Project, please be sure to enroll online for the "Horse" project so you receive all our email communications and potentially be eligible to show, if desired. Some emails are sent directly from the Project Leader/s and some come from the UW-Extension. Use an email which you check frequently.



This section is devoted to the volunteer opportunities available in our 4-H program. Consider giving back by becoming involved in 4-H at a deeper level and offer to help out in any of these areas.

#### **Summer Camp Youth Staff Volunteers**

Our summer Camp Directors, Laura Huff, Brandon Dehne and Kristen Lipinski are gearing up for another great summer camp program this year. Camp dates will be Wednesday, **June 13**<sup>th</sup> **through Saturday, June 16**<sup>th</sup> (see pages 9-10 for all

awesome details). Youth Staff will head up to camp on the evening of Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> for a special pre-camp retreat to prepare for camp (and Pudgy Pies!!). As a thank you for all your hard work during camp, you stay for FREE!

In order to be eligible for the Camp Counselor role, you must be 15 years old by June 1st. Resource Counselors must be 14 by June 12th. Counselors need to enjoy hanging out with younger youth

(grades 3-6), handle being adored by campers and genuinely like to have fun. Each Counselor must also attend 8 hours of training provided by our Camp Liaison Team.

Not sure if you would enjoy being a Camp Counselor or Resource Counselor? Attend the next session.

There is no commitment until you are sure you are a good fit. Come prepared to work as a team with the other youth staff. There will be 2 more meetings between now and June, and youth staff are expected to attend all trainings.

**Camp Counselor Training Dates** 

May 5<sup>th</sup> 4-6pm Pound Town Hall May 26<sup>th</sup> 4-6pm Pound Town Hall

#### Volunteer for Breakfast on the Farm, June 10th

One of the Board of Director's goals this year is to promote 4-H by creating a larger presence at the annual Oconto County Breakfast on the Farm event. This year's event will be held on the Sunrise Dairy Farm located at 9101 State Highway 32, Suring from 8:00am-1:00pm.

will be field off the Suffise Daily Faith located at 9101 State Fighway 52, Suffig from 8.00am-1.00pm.

We are planning to have a tent with 4-H promotional information to hand out and activities for youth attending the event. We will be looking for older youth from our clubs to volunteer to hand out promotional materials and help with the activities. Shifts will be set up for sign up as we get closer to the event.

We would also encourage all the clubs to contact the Breakfast on the Farm Committee when their request for volunteers comes out. The committee anticipates this year's event to be very busy and they will need as many volunteers as possible. Volunteers are needed to set up the Friday before and many volunteers are needed to help with serving the food, helping the guests and clearing tables.

The Breakfast on the Farm Committee donates the bottled water we sell at our 4-H fair food stand each year. We can say thank you by helping out at this event. Consider doing it as a community service project with your whole club or maybe as a 4-H family.

Whatever you decide, please consider volunteering.



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#### **Food Stand Committee Volunteers**

Thank you to the following members who have stepped forward as members of this year's Food Stand Committee. This group will begin meeting soon to organize the annual food stand fundraiser at the Oconto County Youth Fair.

Being on this committee counts towards the extra duty each club is expected to sign up for during the fundraising event.

Kim Kamke 4-H C.L.O.V.E.R.S.

Dale Baker Southernline

Teresa Raddatz Christy Brook

Cheryl Meyer Brazeau Eagles

Brooke Schaal Little Seedlings





#### **Communications Contest Organizer**

Thank you to Brigid McDowell for organizing the new Communications Contest to be held on May 20<sup>th</sup> at the Little River Town Hall. If you are interested in helping Brigid with this event, contact her at (920) 834-9947.

#### Spring Fling Community Service Project Participants

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Spring Fling Community Service project on April 7<sup>th</sup>. This project was a continuation from the January Thaw project of making scarves. We needed 80 scarves and between the efforts of both events, we achieved our goal!

The scarves will be given to the Oconto County HCE (Home and Community Education) committee. They will be adding our scarves to bags they prepare along with a hat, mittens, crayons and a book. The bags are then distributed to youth in Oconto County.





Fleece scarves made by 4-H members during the Spring Fling project Challenge event on April 7th

#### Fair Premium List Available Online

The Oconto County Youth Fair Premium List is now available online at <a href="http://www.ocontocountyfair.org/fairrulesandforms">http://www.ocontocountyfair.org/fairrulesandforms</a>.

4-H members interested in exhibiting projects at this year's fair, August 16-19, should read through the premium list thoroughly to ensure your project is ready to exhibit according to the fair's general guidelines.

This is a new edition of the premium list and there have been changes made. Please discard any old lists you may have. Each project area has its own specifications so read the list carefully to avoid exhibiting issues at fair time.

If you have questions about the premium list contact Fair Board Premium List Committee member, Clara Luther, at clara.luther@yahoo.com.



#### Fair Seeking Billboard Contest Themes

Each year the Oconto County Fair Board offers a Fair Billboard contest. The billboards are placed in strategic places throughout the county to help advertise the fair. The billboards are then displayed at the fair and judged with cash prizes awarded to several places as well as public favorite.

This year the Fair Board is looking for new and creative ideas for a theme for this year's Fair Billboard contest. If you have an idea for these you think would be great, submit it to the UW-Extension office at 4h@co.oconto.wi.us.

#### New Directors Appointed to Leader's Board

The 4-H Leader's Association Board of Directors is made up of twelve 4-H members elected by the Leader's Association each December. Six members are certified adult volunteers and six are youth members.

When the Board has positions open after the election they may appoint members they feel are qualified. At their meeting this past Saturday, the Board appointed Sierra Seizyk as a youth director and Ann Sievert as an adult director. Sierra is a member of Team Green 4-H club, served as a Resource Counselor at camp last year and is in training as a Counselor for this year. Ann is a member of Morgan Badgers 4-H club and presented the Swine session at Spring Fling this year. Both these members will be important assets to the Board. Congratulations!

#### 4-H Project Sign-up Deadline April 30th

Wisconsin 4-H requires all 4-H members intending to exhibit at a county fair be signed up for their project area(s) in 4-H Online several months before the fair. This requirement gives members ample time to explore the project(s) thoroughly prior to exhibiting. Non-animal exhibits are judged face-to-face and exhibitors will be questioned by the judges about all aspects of the project before receiving their ribbon.

The project sign-up deadline to qualify 4-H projects to be exhibited at this year's fair is April 30<sup>th</sup>. To sign-up for 4-H projects, go to:

#### https://www.4honline.com/

To see what projects your family members are signed up for:

- 1) Login to 4-H Online and click on Continue to Family
- 2) Click on Edit to right of the member's name
- 3) Click on the Participation tab
- 4) Click on the Projects tab
- 5) Scroll down to see the list of projects the member is already signed up for

From this point you can add or delete projects as needed. If you have questions as to which projects a member needs to be signed up for contact the UW-Extension Office at 920-834-6846.



#### New Communications Contest, May 20th

A brand new Communications Contest is being introduced this year. Good communication skills travel with us throughout our lives. They help us express who we are, make good decisions, solve problems and understand other's points of view.

The contest will be held at the Little River Town Hall on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm. Many different styles of communication are available to participants of all ages from kindergarten through high school. Participants will be judged on their own merit and will receive prizes based on their performance.

Our guest judge will be Tammy McCarthy. Ms. McCarthy is a retired teacher and long-time member of the Machickanee Players Theatre in Oconto where she has served as actress, director and board member. See page 12 for flyer. Register at

https://goo.gl/forms/jKwbhl6NOZ1GLWfJ2

#### Announcing YQCA (formerly known as MAQA)

One more YQCA in-person training will be held in our area for participants 8-11years old **ONLY**. Please sign up online for the class at yqca.org click on *Sign in with 4H Online*.

### Saturday, May 12—Gillett Community Center, 200 E Main Street, Gillett 9:30-10:30 am

See attached pages 10-11 for a letter from UW-Extension Ag Educator, Sarah Mills-Lloyd or contact her at or (920) 834-6845.

#### Door County 4-H Small Animal Swap, April 21<sup>st</sup>

Door County 4-H will be holding a Small Animal Sale & Swap event on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at the Door County Cooperative Country Store in Sturgeon Bay.

Pullorum testing will be available on site. Health papers for all species are required to meet state and federal regulations. For more information see page 14 for event flyer.

#### Sheep Weigh-In, April 28th

If you are planning on exhibiting your sheep at the Oconto County Youth Fair and would like to be eligible for the Sale of Champions, your sheep must be weighed-in prior to the fair. This year's Sheep Weigh-in will be held at the Oconto County Fairgrounds in Gillett on April 28<sup>th</sup> from 9-10am. Contact Chris Engebretsen at (920) 373-3799 if you have questions. Be sure to consult the Dept. 4 Sheep pages in the Junior Fair Premium List at <a href="http://www.ocontocountyfair.org/Home">http://www.ocontocountyfair.org/Home</a> for other exhibiting requirements.

## \*\*New\*\* Swine Exhibitor Identification April 28<sup>th</sup>

A decision has been made by the Oconto County Fair Board to have a terminal show for the 2018 swine project at the Oconto County Youth Fair. There will be no breeding classes shown. All swine brought to the fair will be sent to slaughter at the termination of the fair.

Swine exhibitors must obtain RFID tags for each animal, available from the UW-Extension office. New this year, a 2018 Swine Exhibitor form must be emailed to <a href="mailto:staciepienta@gmail.com">staciepienta@gmail.com</a> with two digital photos of the swine. See pages 15-16 for further information and a copy of the Swine Exhibitor form.

#### Save the Date! Area Animal Science Days

The dates for the 2018 Area Animal Science Days have been announced:

Kewaunee County June 14

Clark County June 22

Lafayette County June 29

Mark your calendars. More information will be posted as it becomes available. So Watch Friday Notes!

Attending this event counts an education point for Oconto County 4-H members participating in the Oconto County Youth Fair Sale of Champions.



#### Dairy Fitting and Showing Clinic, June 20th

Learn how to get your dairy animal exhibits ready for the fair at the Dairy Fitting and Showing clinic to be held at the Oconto County Fairgrounds in Gillett on June 20<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm. This clinic is especially helpful if you are new to exhibiting a dairy animal or just want to brush up on your skills.

For more information contact: Erin Buhrandt ehbuhrandt711@yahoo.com.

Attending this event counts an education point for Oconto County 4-H members participating in the Oconto County Youth Fair Sale of Champions.

#### Swine Showmanship Clinic, June 25th

Get all the information you will need to do your best at exhibiting your swine project at the Swine Showmanship Clinic to be held on June 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm on the Oconto County Fairgrounds in Gillett.

For more information contact:
Ann Steffel at
(920) 373-4984
asteffel77@gmail.com.

Attending this event counts an education point for Oconto County 4-H members participating in the Oconto County Youth Fair Sale of Champions.

#### Wisconsin Towns Association Scholarship Program, May 31st

The Wisconsin Town's Association, Rural Mutual Insurance Company and Scott Construction, Inc. will be awarding \$7000.00 in scholarships to high school seniors graduating in 2018 from either a public or private high school in Wisconsin that plan to enroll in a Wisconsin public or private college or a university in 2018. The winners are determined by independent judging of an essay contest.

The essay should address the topic: "Why is town road investment important to economic development in Wisconsin?\*\*

#### **Essay Requirements**

- The essay must be typed and between 500 and 1000 words, double spaced.
- Essays must include a bibliographic listing of sources if appropriate
- Essays must be postmarked no later than May 31, 2018 and mailed along with Background Information Form (see page )to:

Wisconsin Towns Association W7686 County Road MMM Shawano, WI 54166-6086

\*\*Applicants do not need to be residents of towns. See pages 17-18 for more information.



#### Super Summer STEM Spectacular for Kids of Military Families

Super Summer STEM Spectacular is offered to youth with a parent/guardian/sibling in the military, ages 9 -13. Camp will be held August 2 -5 at Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center in Wisconsin Dells. This is a four day, three night camping experience where youth stay in cabins at Upham Woods.

The following activities are part of the camp programs: swimming in lake/river, canoeing/boating, hiking on irregular terrain, and ropes challenge course. Counselors are youth ages 16 -18 and adult leaders. Registration forms and payment are due by Sunday July 1, 2018. The fee is \$100 and covers all meals, lodging, and activities for the four day camp. If you need financial assistance for camp, please contact Sue Curtis, 4-H Military Liaison, sue.curtis@ces.uwes.edu.

An email letter with more information and materials will be sent to participants after registration closes July 1. Check it out at <a href="https://fyi.uwex.edu/wiomk/camping-programs/">https://fyi.uwex.edu/wiomk/camping-programs/</a> or see the flyer on page 13.

#### Wisconsin 4-H STEM Team Host Free STEM Training, May 7th

The Wisconsin 4-H STEM Team is hosting a hands-on workshop for colleagues and volunteers interested in expanding STEM programming in their local areas.

This free event will be held on <u>May 7<sup>th</sup></u> at <u>Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Center</u> from <u>10 a.m.-4 p.m.</u> and will provide tools and training around simple STEM efforts that clubs/groups can incorporate into their meetings in a matter of minutes, as well as ideas for more long-term programming. Materials/topics shared will have potential with all types of clubs/groups (afterschool, school-based, day camps, special interest, etc.).

Lodging is available at Upham Woods to those traveling long distances; just communicate that need when you register. If you will be arriving on May 6, please specify what your estimated arrival time will be. Upham Woods just asks that you arrive by 8 p.m. and bring a sleeping bag or your own sheets, so that linens are not needed. Please share any special dietary requests that you might have, as well. To register, contact Adam Trunzo at <a href="mailto:adam.trunzo@ces.uwex.edu">adam.trunzo@ces.uwex.edu</a> or (715) 538-2311 by May 1. See the attached flier for additional information.

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#### **How to Register**

#### Register at

https://goo.gl/forms/OvI2tV9BDtecAA9X2

Registration may also be made by phone: (920) 834-6846.

Deadline: May 12, 2018

NOTE: No registrations will be allowed at camp.

Camp Fee

\$ 150.00 per camper

\$ 75.00\* Oconto County 4-H members

Camp fees cover lodging, t-shirt, meals, crafts, transportation, and insurance.

\*The Oconto County 4-H Leaders Association pays \$75 towards camp fees for Oconto County 4-H members.

<u>Bus Transportation</u>: Bus transportation is provided for Oconto County resident campers. Pickup locations and times will be provided at a later date.

Refund Policy: If there is a cancellation for any reason 14 days or more before camp starts, half of the camp registration fee will be refunded. NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE FOR CANCELLATIONS LESS THAN 14 DAYS BEFORE CAMP START DATE. Emergency situations will be reviewed by the UW-Extension Office.





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#### Open to Youth Grades 3rd-6th

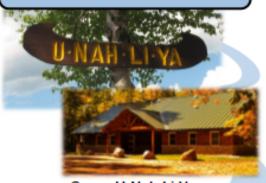
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2018
Oconto County
Youth
Summer Camp

Registration Deadline May 12

Join us for a summer adventure at Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya June 13th-16th

Financial Assistance is available. Contact UW-Extension (920) 834-6846, 4H@co.oconto.wi.us for more information.



Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya 12101 Y Camp Rd Suring, WI 54174

## Come Enjoy Nature and Have FUN!

Oconto County Youth Camp is for any youth in grades 3-6, as of the 2017-18 school year. At camp you will enjoy a variety of activities from swimming to arts and crafts to recreation. Nature and the campfire are always popular too! We have some new and exciting things planned for this year.





#### Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya Provides:

- Wisconsin Certified Kitchen Staff
- · Certified Medical Staff
- Lifeguards on duty

#### Our Staff includes:

- UW-Extension Camp Coordinator
- 3 Adult Directors
- A ratio of 1 Adult 4-H Volunteer for every 10 campers
- A ratio of 1-2,15-19 year old specially trained youth counselors for every 7 campers

#### **Camp Activities**

Arts and Crafts:

As a camper you will explore your creative abilities to make things and express yourself.

#### Waterfront:

You will enjoy swimming, boating, paddle boarding, kayaking and canoeing on beautiful Chute Pond. A swim test will be

given and all campers are required to wear PFD's (provided) during water activities. Certified lifeguards will be on duty.



#### Nature:

You will have opportunities to explore the many natural wonders with fishing, night hikes, nature trails, streams, animal tracks, birds, and trees. (Hiking may include uneven terrain.)

#### Campfires:

As a camper, you will be able to celebrate with music, skits, storytelling, and entertainment.

#### All-Camp Activities:

Camp will offer a variety of activities including skits, group dancing, scavenger

hunts, eco-exploring, and archery. Some activities may require a volunteer to position a camper but only with the child's permission.



(Some activities may include running and personal contact with other campers.)

#### At Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya...

Cabins: All campers sleep in comfortable cabins. Beds are twinsize bunks. Most cabins have indoor fireplaces and common areas with room to hang out. Trained youth counselors sleep in the camper cabins with certified 4-H adult volunteers a separate





cabin nearby. A bath house, with individual showers and bathroom facilities, is conveniently located near each cabin unit.

Cabin Mate: Each camper may ask to have ONE other camper of approximately the same age as a cabin mate. All efforts will be made to honor your request, but the match cannot be guaranteed. The requests must be mutually agreed upon between the two campers. The best part of camp is meeting new friends!



Three meals a day will be provided by the Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya kitchen staff. Meals consist of well-balanced, fresh food, prepared from scratch. A full salad bar with fresh fruits and vegetables will be available daily. The kitchen can handle any dietary restrictions your child may have.

December 22, 2017

Livestock Animal Exhibitors,

Wisconsin has replaced the MAQA (Meat Animal Quality Assurance) program with the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) national program. This new and interactive program provides youth options for annual quality assurance certification. Exhibitors of the following species in Oconto County must complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) national program: **beef, dairy, dairy goat(s), meat goat(s), poultry, rabbit, sheep and swine and poultry** in order to be eligible to sell in the 2018 Oconto County Youth Fair Sale of Champions. In addition, it will count as one of your educational points for the Oconto County Fair, and be required for those who intend to show beef, sheep, swine, goats, dairy, poultry and rabbits at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair.

The YQCA training will provide a common framework for food animal quality assurance programs which will strengthen the youth educational experience, improve the care of food animals, and promote a higher level of consumer food safety. In addition, youth will learn about other species of animals; not just the species they show. Each year, youth will complete one new module in each the following categories: Animal Welfare (basic needs, proper animal handling, biosecurity, etc.), Food Safety (medications, medicated feeds, withdrawal times, avoiding residue, etc.), and Character Education (ethics, goal setting, career exploration, etc.).

The YQCA program was peer-reviewed for content and age appropriateness. It is supported by Wisconsin 4-H and FFA leaders. Youth for the Quality Care of Animals training content and modules will demonstrate a progression of topic knowledge in designated age categories (age as of January 1):

• Junior (8-11 years old) • Intermediate (12-14 years old) • Senior (15-18 years old) • Young Adult (19-21 years old).

The new YQCA training is an effort to provide flexibility to accommodate busy seasonal schedules while providing relevant age-specific food animal quality assurance training. Youth exhibitors will complete three interactive online modules and quizzes which can be accessed according to your schedule. In Wisconsin, face-to-face trainings may be offered in specific counties for juniors (8-11 year olds) only. On average, it will take 60 minutes per year to complete all the required online training modules or in-person training—depending on age.

Maintaining current information, developing creative modules on an online learning platform costs a significant amount of money, and youth exhibitors will pay depending on the training option. Youth completing the online modules will pay \$12/person/year, and face-to-face trainings offered for juniors (youth age 8-11) only will pay \$3/person/year.

To complete the YQCA online training or register for face-to-face training, log into <a href="http://yqca.org">http://yqca.org</a>. Follow the step-by-step instructions to create a user identity and password. All payments for either online or in-person training will be made using the YQCA website. Additional material fees (beyond the \$3.00 payment to YQCA) for in-person training may apply, and if so will be collected at the time of the face-to-face training.

Two in-person trainings will be offered for juniors (8-11 year olds). The dates and locations of the trainings are listed below. Space will be limited, and registration will be taken only through the YQCA website (http://yqca.org).

#### **In-Person Trainings for <u>Juniors (8-11 year olds) ONLY:</u>**

Thursday, April 19—Pound Town Hall, Coleman 6:00 - 7:00 pm Saturday, May 12—Gillett Community Center, 200 E Main Street, Gillett 9:30- 10:30 am

It is recommended to print the completion certificate at the end of the online session as the ten-digit certificate number will be required on your paperwork for training verification. The certificate and ten-digit certificate number can only be accessed through your account at <a href="http://yqca.org">http://yqca.org</a>.

If you are not YQCA certified, you will not be eligible to sell in the Sale of Champions at the 2018 Oconto County Fair. Training must be renewed every year for YQCA. Exhibitors must complete all online modules, or attend the entire in-person training to be certified. Please choose the option that works best for you!

If you have any questions about YQCA, please contact Sarah at (920) 834-6845. If you know of any new 4-H, FFA, or Scouts members which might be showing livestock this year, please pass this information along to them.

Thank you,

Sarah Mills-Lloyd, DVM

**UW-Extension** 

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# Oconto County Communications Contest May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm Little River Town Hall Open to

Open to All Oconto County Youth

Kindergarten

Puppetry (Individual, Duo or Group)

Speak or sing through puppets. Be sure to bring any supplies you may need including stage, puppets, music and/or props.

Bring a copy of your script for the judge.

**Time Limits** 

K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade: 2-8 min. grade 3 & up: 5-10 min

#### Show What You Know

(Individual or Duo)

Give a presentation on something you know or something you can do. May use props, computer-based visual aids, posters, handout, videos or music. Judge may ask questions after presentation.

**Time Limits** 

K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade: 2-8 min. grade 3 & up: 5-10 min

Register online at

https://goo.gl/forms/jKwbhl6NOZ1GLWfJ2

No internet access? Just call Brigid McDowell 920-834-9947

> Prizes will be awarded Face to face judging on your own merit Pie social to follow event

## Interpretive Reading (Individual, Duo, Group)

Perform a from a Reader's Theatre script. Read a story from a book or any other literary form.

Recite a poem.

**Time Limits** 

K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade: 1-2 min. grade 3 & up: 2-5 min

#### Speech (Individual)

Deliver a speech written by you.

Be sure to acknowledge the source of your information.

You may use note cards.

Visual aids, props, posters are encouraged.

**Time Limits** 

K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade: 1-2 min. grade 3 & up: 2-8 min

#### Storytelling (Individual)

In your own words, tell a story or fairy tale you know or one you have made up. You may use costumes, makeup or other special effects.

Props and music also allowed.

**Time Limits** 

K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade: 2-5 min. grade 3 & up: 3-10 min

## Super Summer STEM Spectacular

August 2 - 5, 2018

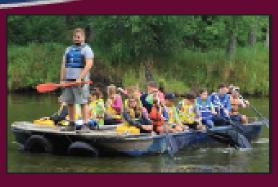
Ages 9 - 13

Youth with a parent/guardian/sibling in the military are eligible to participate.

Wisconsin Dells







#### \$100 Participation Fee

Youth will be divided into appropriate age groups for programming and lodging.

Do you want to add some excitement to your summer? Join us for a Super Summer STEM adventure! Participants will delve into robotics, aerospace, insect collection/identification, and using digital observation technologies in the woods. You'll spend time with other military kids canoeing and swimming, exploing the beautiful winding trails of Black Hawk Island, and telling stories around the campfire. Upham Woods, the camp location, is located along the beautiful Wisconsin River and includes experiences in team building and low ropes challenges as well as raptors and reptiles nature programs. Come and enjoy this fun-filled adventure and make new friends and memories to last a lifetime!



This camp is open to all branches of the military.

#### For questions contact:

Sue Curtis: sue.curtis@ces.uwex.edu or 608-778-7747
You can find more information and registration forms (Due July 1) at:
http://fyi.uwex.edu/wiomk/camping-programs/





The participation fee has been raised due to lack of support grants for camp this year. If you need financial assistance to attend camp, please contact Sue Curtis at 608-778-7747

We would like to thank the Wisconsin American Legion Juniors for their generous donation for camp.

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## 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Door County 4-H Small Animal Sale & Swap

## April 21, 2018 7 a.m.

Door County Cooperative Country Store OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

> Everyone Welcome

317 Green Bay Road, Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin

#### RAIN OR SHINE!

- Inside Space available in case of inclement weather
- Electricity available at no charge

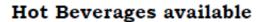
Contact Mike: 920-825-7693/ 920-737-1741 or the Country Store: 920-743-3422





Pullorum Testing available on site.

Health papers for <u>ALL</u> species are required to meet state and federal regulations!







#### Sponsored by:

Door County 4-H Small Animal Committee

The Small Animal Committee reserves the right to refuse any exhibit.



## 2018 Swine Exhibitor Information

Oconto County Youth Fair August 16-19, 2018

March 16, 2018

Dear Oconto County Fair Swine Project Exhibitor,

Due to the animal health rule establishing herd testing requirements for Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS) and Swine Enteric Coronavirus Disease (SECD) of swine in Wisconsin, the Oconto County Fair swine initial weigh-in will not be held in 2018. The decision has been made by the Oconto County Fair Board to have a terminal show for the 2018 swine project at the Oconto County Youth Fair. There will be no breeding classes shown, and all swine brought to the fair will be sent to slaughter at the termination of the 2018 Oconto County Youth Fair.

Identification of swine will be via RFID tags available from the Oconto County UW-Extension office. Please call the UW-Extension office at (920) 834-6845 to report how many swine (per exhibitor) you plan to identify, and tags will be mailed directly to the exhibitor. Directions for the proper placement of the ear tag(s) will be mailed along with the RFID tags. Exhibitors may initially tag up to four animals, but will only bring two animals to the fair.

Exhibitors will need two digital photographs (side-view and front-view) of each swine once they have been tagged with the RFID fair tags. The side-view photograph should include the entire animal with the exhibitor, and the front-view photo should include the swine's head with the tag number able to be clearly seen. Exhibitors will submit one completed 2018 Swine Exhibitor Form with accompanying photographs of identified fair animals. The <a href="mailto:submission deadline">submission deadline</a> for the completed 2018 Swine Exhibitor Form with photographs is <a href="mailto:April 28, 2018">April 28, 2018</a>, to <a href="mailto:staciepienta@gmail.com">staciepienta@gmail.com</a>. Note: when submitting photographs as attachments, please include exhibitor name and RFID tag number.

If you have questions regarding acquisition of tags or completion of the form, please call the Oconto County UW-Extension office at (920) 834-6845.

Sincerely,

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#### ביסוס 2018 Swine Exhibitor Form

Oconto County Youth Fair August 16-19, 2018

Please complete the entire form—one form per exhibitor with all swine RFID ear tags listed. Include photographs displaying discernible RFID ear tag and exhibitor—side-view and front-view. The side-view photograph should include the entire animal with the exhibitor, and the front view should clearly display the entire head and tag number of the animal. The photograph file will need to contain the exhibitor name and RFID tag number. The <u>submission deadline</u> for the completed 2018 Swine Exhibitor Form with accompanying photographs is April 28, 2018, to <u>staciepienta@gmail.com</u>.

Exhibitor Full Name:	-	
Club/Chapter Name:	-	
Street Address:	-	
City:		
State:		
Zip Code:		
Phone Number:		
Email Address:		
RFID Tag Numbers:		

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: APRIL 28, 2018 SUBMIT COMPLETED FORM TO: staciepienta@gmail.com

#### SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY REQUIREMENTS



Entrants must prepare an essay addressing the 2018 WTA Scholarship program topic.

# "Why is town road investment important to economic development in Wisconsin?



The typed (not handwritten) essay should be between 500 and 1,000 words and double spaced.



Essays must include a bibliographic listing of sources used.



The completed essay should be postmarked no later than May 31, 2018 and mailed to:

> Wisconsin Towns Association W7686 County Road MMM Shawano, WI 54166-6086

Your thoughts — combined with your writing skill and creativity — can put you in line to receive one of seven scholarships.



Rural Mutual Insurance Company, Wisconsin Towns Association, and Scott Construction, Inc. are again offering the following scholarships to winners of an essay contest. Scholarships will be awarded on the following basis:

- Two (2) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded, one each to the highest ranking boy and highest ranking girl from a town or village insured by Rural Mutual Insurance Company as of May 1, 2018.
- Five (5) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to the top five additional students.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

All applicants must graduate from a Wisconsin public or private high school in 2018 and plan to attend a Wisconsin public or private college or University in 2018.

- Essays will be judged independently on originality and subject matter in relationship to the topic. The essays must also contain correct spelling, grammar and punctuation.
- Judging will be completed by August 14, 2018.
- Recipients will be announced by August 31, 2018.
   Successful recipients are strongly encouraged to attend the Wisconsin Towns Association Banquet on the evening of October 15, 2018 at the Holiday Inn & Convention Center in Stevens Point, WI. Proof of enrollment in a Wisconsin public or private college is required to receive a scholarship.

#### 2018 Wisconsin Towns Association Scholarship Program

**Background Information** 

Name:	
Telephone:	
Mail Address:	
City/State/ Zip:	
Email:	
Residence	
Town/Village/City of:	
Residence County of:	
Parents' Names:	Father:
	Mother:
Is either parent a town or	Yes:
village officer?	No:
	If "yes" specify office held:
Name of High School from	
which you are graduating in	
2018?	
School or institution of	
higher education you plan to	
attend after Graduation?	
Date of intended	
enrollment?	
Career you plan to pursue?	
Hobbies or activities in high	
school of interest to you?	
Your signature:	
Date:	

Mail this completed form and your essay to the following address by May 31, 2018
Wisconsin Towns Association
W7686 County Road MMM
Shawano, WI 54166-6086