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Calendar

Jan 10th and 11th – Woodworking Project Starts

Jan 11th – New Family Orientation

Jan 12th – Poultry Project Meeting

Jan 14th-15th – Night with the Stars

Jan 17th – Kiwanis Awards Dinner

Jan 19 & 21- Dog Project Event

Jan 19- Mandatory Horse and Pony Project Meeting

Jan 23 – Junior Leader Association and Adult Leader Association meetings

To see a full view of our 4-H Calendar, including club meetings, click or scan the QR Code !

Letter from the Educator

Hi everyone!

Sorry for the delay, but with the holidays and all the events coming up this month, the newsletter took a back seat until today!

As always, please reach out with any questions you might have! If you have feedback, you can submit a Care To Share Form! This is different from an Incident Report, which handles specific instances that you feel need to be reported to maintain safety!

Parent Pop-Up

This is a reminder that if you intend to exhibit a project at the Racine County Fair in 2022, as a 4-H member, **you will need to make sure that all of your projects are listed correctly on your 4-H Online (wi.4honline.com) profile before Tuesday, March 1st, 2022**.

For 5K-2nd graders, the only project you will have on your project list is the Cloverbud project.

Even if you think you are all set, we recommend that you log onto your 4-H Online account, with a browser other than Internet Explorer, to double check your project list. It is good to double-check as **you will not be able to add projects to your 4-H Online project list after the March 1st deadline as the system will be locked**.

The registration process to exhibit at the Racine County Fair as a fair exhibitor is an additional and separate process from adding projects on 4-H Online and is done directly through the Racine County Fair. The Racine County Fair may have different age and/or grade requirements for exhibiting as compared to participation requirements in a 4-H project. **Please direct any fair-related questions to the Racine County Fair (fairadmin@racinecountyfair.com).**

New Families:

You are invited to a virtual

NEW FAMILY ORIENTATION

On January 11, 2023

from 6:30 to 7:30

We will be discussing several topics including

- **4-H Structure**
- **4-H Clubs**
- **Countywide Programming**
- **Volunteering**
- **Awards, Experiences, Record Books**
- **County Fair**

You can register to attend this meeting and receive the zoom information following the registration.

Reporter Review

Happy New Year Racine County 4-H! I hope 2022 was a great year for you and your families. Our last large county event was the Holiday Ball. There were many different activities at the ball: bowling, cornhole, dancing, games, pizza, and a yummy dessert bar. The evening kicked off with the crowning of this year's Outstanding Teens. to this year's Outstanding Teens Shannon Roberts and Mary Weisensel!

I had an opportunity to interview this year's outstanding teens and a few other attendees. I hope you enjoy the interviews as much as I did.

Shannon Roberts-

(C) How did you feel when you were elected as a 2023 Outstanding Teen?
(S) I felt surprised and excited.
(C) What projects do you participate in?
(S) I participate in goats, chickens, arts and crafts, basketry, photography, flowers, and plants.
(C) What is your favorite project?
(S) Probably either goats or photography

Reporter Review continued:

Emilyanne Giese-

(C) What was your favorite part about being on honor court?
(E) It was cool and being able to do it for the first time because I am normally busy when Holiday Ball time comes around.
(C) Is there anything you feel could make Holiday Ball even better?
(E) I think more people attending would make it better, and I would like to see more people that do come involved in the activities.

Mary Weisensel-

(C) How did you fell when you were chosen to be an Outstanding Teen this year?
(M) Excited and I think it is cool to be a role model for younger members.
(C) What projects are you involved in?
(M) I do arts and crafts, drawing and painting, crochet, goat-less goat, beef, paper crafts, jewelry, and houseplants.
(M) Showing animals for the first time

Addy (a non 4H attendee)-

(C) How do you feel about 4H now since you have attended an event?
(A) I want to be a member if 4H it seems really fun.
(C) What was your experience like?
(A) It was fun and not what I expected
(C)- What were your favorite parts?
(A)- The dancing and the photo booth

Rebeka Liberto-

(C) How do you feel about your term ending as Outstanding Teen?
(R) I am kind of glad but a little bit sad at the same time.
(C) What was your favorite part of being an Outstanding Teen?
(R) Talking to people and informing them about 4H
(C) How did you feel when you were first chosen to be an Outstanding Teen?
(R) It felt weird being in the spotlight

Policies on Parade

Every week we will feature a new 4-H policy or FAQ!

If you register to be a volunteer after December 2022, you will need to take the Building Safe Spaces Training!

Shine the Spotlight

This month we will be shining the spotlight on the **KAN-DO CLUB**

Their club is collecting donations of mittens, gloves, hats & coats as well as non-perishable food items during the months of January and February! Donations are set up to support the Winter Warm Up drive for Love Inc. Daisy Gehrand and Sarah Steinhoff are heading up this community service project! Thanks for all your hard work!

Remember, if you want to shine the spotlight on a volunteer, club, member, or project, you can click the link below for your nomination! **SHINE THE SPOTLIGHT**

Last, but not least...

If you would like to be a part of our Adult Leaders or Junior Leaders Association, you can join us every 4th Monday of the month at 7:00 at the Ives Grove Offices!

14200 Washington Ave, Sturtevant, WI 53177

This is a great time to share your thoughts, join a committee, and just a part of the decision making that goes on in 4-H!

I am in need of photo submissions for our November Issue. If you have a photo that features some good Thanksgiving food, please submit your entry below!

PHOTO SUBMISSION

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteers come in so many forms! You can lead a project you are passionate about, sign up to be a chaperone, join a committee, or be an officer!

If you have questions, please contact your 4-H Program Educator,

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