

# The Harbinger



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# What is Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation?

The Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation was established in 1982 to help fund education and leadership opportunities for its youth and adult programs. Since its inception, the 4-H Foundation has provided financial support for:

- CONTINUING EDUCATION: Annual scholarships for high school seniors
- LEARNING EXPERIENCES: Sponsorship of state, national, and international educational experiences
- LIFE SKILLS OPPORTUNITIES: Camp counseling opportunities as well as regional workshops and conferences
- RECOGNITION: of outstanding youth through the 4-H programs highest award, the "Key Award"

In 2013-2014, 117 Ozaukee County Youth benefitted directly from funds received by the 4-H Foundation to participate in camp, attend state and national educational opportunities, and fund their college educations. The amount each youth received ranged from \$35 to \$1900. In the past year, \$11,940 was given directly to youth to support their involvement in 4-H activities. An additional \$5,200 was awarded in college scholarships to deserving 4-H youth leaders.

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## What is Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation (Cont.)

You might ask, "Where does this money come from?" The answer is simple. The funds have come from people who know the value of the 4-H program and want to support the future of 4-H in Ozaukee County. Longtime supporters of 4-H often ask that memorials for loved ones be given to the Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation. Adults who believe in the program financially support it. Many employers offer a company match for employees who donate their time or money to a non-profit organization. Youth and adults in 4-H earn money for the Foundation each January at the Bowl-a-thon or at the County Fair with the Change War Wagon.

Money contributed to the Foundation is invested wisely, and only the interest earned on the money is spent each year to support the 4-H program, assuring there will be funds available for future generations. Your support of the 4-H Foundation will continue to be appreciated by 4-

Hers in the future...maybe even your grandchildren or great grandchildren!

The Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation is a registered 501 (c)3 non-profit organization.

For more information or to make a donation, please visit the <u>Foundation's website page</u>.

Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation Contacts:

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## 4-H Bowl-A-Thon

#### Let's Roll for a Cause!

Help Support the Youth of Ozaukee County 4-H with glow-in-the-dark bowling!

What: Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation Bowl-A-Thon

When: Sunday January 25, 2015

Where: Circle B Recreation - 6261 Hwy 60, Cedarburg

Times: 10:30pm,12:30pm, 2:30pm

Please see the <u>Forms</u> page of the website where you will find more information, pledge sheet and registration form.

#### Register by January 18, 2015.

\$4.00 Per Person Due on Day of Event (Includes Shoes)

Any questions, please contact Alvese N

Any questions, please contact Alyssa Newell: 262-894-7940 or email alyssanewell@me.com

## Deadline Reminder

Important dates to remember regarding all 4-H Projects including Livestock!

Deadline to Add projects: November 1st, 2014

Deadline to Drop projects: February 1st, 2015

Any changes to your project information should be made through 4-H Online by the due dates above.

New member can join 4-H at any time throughout the year. Please have them call the UW Extension Office for more information.





## The Final 4-H Centennial Celebration!

A celebration of the Wisconsin 4-H Centennial will take place on Friday night, January 16 at Jumping Country in Grafton. Please mark your calendars and save the date to join the fun. Details and registration information will be in the January Harbinger.



Youth in Kindergarten through 7th grade can join us at 6:00 pm for jumping fun. A birthday party for 4-H, complete with birthday cake, will be held at 8:30 pm. Cloverbuds (grades K-2) should be picked up at 9:00 pm. Youth in 3-7th grade can stay for more bouncing fun, a movie, and a sleepover. Breakfast items will be available in the morning, and youth should be picked up at 8:00 am.

Trained adult leaders will be needed to meet chaperone quotas, and a few high school youth will be selected to supervise in each jump. Please contact the UW-Extension office if you are willing to help.

#### Centennial Cows Available



Centennial 4-H Cows are available for just \$7.00 each, and are only available for a limited time. Pick up one today at the UW-Extension Office.

## Cookbooks Are Great Gifts

Are potlucks your favorite? Everyone loves potlucks because cooks bring their best recipes for all to enjoy. Get a copy of everyone's favorite recipes by purchasing a copy of the Ozaukee County 4-H Cookbook. They are available for \$15 at the UW-Extension Office and make great gifts!

## 4-H Photographers...

Plan ahead so you're ready for the Photography contest that will take place in April. Begin now taking photos focusing on the photography basic composition rules such as 1.) Get Close 2.) Simplify the Background 3.) Rule of Thirds 4.) Frame the Subject and 5.) Use Leading Lines. More information will be in the January Harbinger, but begin now taking great photos!



# Leader Training Class

The statewide Annual Leader training, The Road to Retention, will be held on:

Thursday, November 6th, 7:00-9:00 pm at the Ozaukee County Administration Center Auditorium.

At least one leader for each club should attend.



Of 4-H Youth Development Programs

## Reminder: Trip Interviews

Fall Trip Opportunity Interviews are right around the corner! If you submitted an application for any of the upcoming trips (American Spirit, CWF, National 4-H Youth Conference, Space Camp, Winter Leadership, Camp), you should have received a letter in the mail with your assigned interview time. Please plan on arriving 5 minutes prior to your schedule time and wait in the hallway.

Thursday, November 13th, 5:00-9:00pm. Ozaukee County Admin. Bldg. Room 102 (WisLine Room)

Any questions, please contact the Ozaukee County UW-Extension Office.

For more information on Opportunities and Awards, as well as information about writing resumes and cover letters, see the <u>"4-H Opportunities and Awards"</u> page of the website.

## New Volunteer Orientation

We welcome all new volunteers and thank you for your wiliness to serve in this capacity. 4-H takes steps to ensure a safe and healthy environment for youth and encourages safeguards for adult leaders. Each new volunteer is required to attend one evening of new volunteer orientation. Volunteers who have not enrolled in the last five years must also be retrained.

The next new volunteer orientation training is: Wednesday, November 19th: 6:30-8:30pm. Ozaukee County Admin. Center, Rm. 118

Please call or email Kathy to reserve your spot today! 262-284-8288 or <a href="mailto:kathy.butler@ces.uwex.edu">kathy.butler@ces.uwex.edu</a>

## Upcoming Skills Workshops

Are you interested in the travel and award opportunities offered for youth 6th grade and above?

Workshops are offered to support 4-H members as they complete their application materials, as well as prepare for interviews.

Upcoming dates for these skills workshops are:

#### 4-H Resume & Cover Letter Workshop

Tuesday, January 6, 2015, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, Ozaukee County Admin. Bldg. Auditorium, Register by Jan. 2nd.

#### 4-H Interview Preparation Workshop

Thursday, February 5, 2015, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, Ozaukee County Admin. Bldg. Auditorium, Register by Feb. 3rd.

To Register, email <u>kathy.butler@ces.uwex.edu</u> or call 262-284-8288 by the registration deadline.



## Leader to Leader Training

Leader to Leader: A 4-H Project Leader Training. Sponsored by Washington County 4-H.

Who: 4-H Youth and Adult Leaders

What: An exciting regional training sharing ideas for

leading 4-H projects

When: Saturday, January 10, 2015

Where: Washington County Fair Park Pavilion, West

Bend

Cost: \$5.00 per participant. The 4-H Foundation will reimburse the cost of the training after completion.

For more Information & Registration Form, please see the **LINK** here or contact Washington County UW-Extension.

Registration due January 5, 2015.

#### Communications Festival

Mark your calendars and start your preparation... Communications Festival is January 20th, 2015!

4-H members have the opportunity to participate in the Communications Festival. Members can come and demonstrate their artistic creativity by presenting a demonstration or illustrated talk, teaching a craft, game or song, an expressive reading, an original or impromptu speech, creative writing, poster, or a power point presentation. All 4-H Members including Cloverbuds are encouraged to participate.

Awards will be presented.

More information will be coming. Keep an eye on the 4-H website.

The Communications Festival is looking for chairpersons. This would be an ideal Youth Leadership project! If you're interested please contact the UW-Extension Office at 262-284-8288.

## Leading Games Seminar

Strategies for Leading Games! Sponsored by Washington County 4-H.

Don't get stuck in an awkward situation when the game you planned turns into a chaotic mess! Come to this workshop to learn strategies for leading group games effectively. You will take home some fun new game ideas to try with groups.

Who: 4-H Youth Leaders

When: Monday, December 1, 6:00-8:00 pm.

Where: Public Agency Center, Room 1113A/B, West

Bend

For more Information & Registration Form, please see the **LINK** here or contact Washington County UW-

Registration due November 21, 2014.

## 4-H Dance Coming Up!

Come kick your heels up, moon walk, or worm on over!

The family fun annual 4-H Dance date is now set.

Who: All 4-H Youth, Families and General Public When: Saturday, February 28, 2015, 6:30-10:30pm Where: Ozaukee Fairgrounds Pavilion How Much: \$4.00 at the door, 6 and under are free. Maximum cost per family is \$20.

We will have our Annual Dance off. Mr. & Miss Court will be introduced. Music for all ages provided by DJ Dan Bichler. Concession Stand run by Award Trip winners.

This event is open to the public so bring your neighbors and friends! Any questions, please contact Dorothy

Parchim: 262-370-4745





# 4-H Variety Show Dates

Variety Show Dates: Mark Your Calendar!

The dates for the show are set: Auditions will be March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Show will be March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Both will take place at PWHS Auditorium.

Applications for the Variety Show are due February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Application forms will be available to all clubs and will be posted to the 4-H website under the Forms page.

Any questions, please contact Jamie Nevins, Variety Show Coordinator at <u>Jamie.nevins@gmail.com</u>.

## 4-H Poultry Project Dates

The 4-H Poultry Project has set it's 2015 meeting dates along with Achievement guidelines. Please see the Poultry page under the County Wide Projects on the 4-H website for meeting dates, topics, and more information.

Any questions, please contact any of the Poultry

Delores Bores, 262- 675-6343 Shela Lederer, 262-689-1917 Bob & Mari Schmidt, 262– 242-5788 Erin Stewart, 262-689-6910

Other countywide project meeting dates will be posted on the project webpages as information is available.

## 4-H Calendar Reminders

Here's some simple reminders about the new 4-H Calendar. The 4-H Calendar is a Google Calendar and can be linked to personal online calendars. The calendar will feature county & state 4-H events only. See your club newsletter for club activities.

#### Bookmark it here!

To submit county or state 4-H events, please email event information to Claudia or Kathy at UW-Extension office. Email: <a href="mailto:cbreitengross@co.ozaukee.wi.us">cbreitengross@co.ozaukee.wi.us</a> OR <a href="mailto:kathy.butler@ces.uwex.edu">kathy.butler@ces.uwex.edu</a>.

Fairgrounds building reservations must be made through the Marketing Coordinator for Ozaukee County, Mary Sheffield, 262-366-4736 or <a href="mailto:msheffield@co.ozaukee.wi.us">msheffield@co.ozaukee.wi.us</a>.

4-H Summer Camp will be held June 20-23 at Upham Woods. Please remember this when planning your 2015 summer vacations.

Next Harbinger will be published January 2nd, 2015.

Information must be submitted by December 15th, 2014 to be included in the next issue.

Dates, time, and locations will be added to the online calendar as they are received.



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# Club Officer Training Recap

September 6th, all club officers attended training for the upcoming 4-H year. Lots of fun was had and good information was passed along about club leadership to the officers. Good Luck and have a great 2014-2015 4-H Year!

Check out the <u>Ozaukee County 4-H Facebook</u> page for more photos.



## 2014 Farm Safety Day

September 20th marked the first annual Ozaukee County 4-H Farm Safety Day. Roden Barnyard Adventures hosted the event at Rob-N-Cin Farms. The event was open to youth grades 3-8 to learn about farm safety on a working farm. The event was a success and planning has begun for next year!



## Mini Golf Tournament Results

Thank you to everyone that participated in the  $2^{nd}$  Annual 4-H Ambassadors Mini-Golf Tournament. We had 64 Participants that included 42 youth and 22 adults. It was a great day! Here are the final results of the mini-golf tournament.

The winners are:

1st place team with lowest score—Jay Road team of the Barber family

Last place team with highest score-- Knellsville team with Rebecca Dowe, Claire Penkwitz and Addison and April Heusdens

They will be receiving ribbons and Ozaukee Sport Center passes for Mini Golf.

1st place Youth with lowest score -- Kathryn Paulus (Holy Cross)

Last place Youth with highest score -- Addison Heusdens

(Knellsville)

They will be receiving gift cards to Dairy Queen.

The clubs that participated were: Cloverleaf, Lindenwood, Holy Cross, Knellsville, Lakeview, Jay Road, Little Kohler and Waubeka.

The Ambassadors are planning on running the event next year!

-Marie Paulus







Last Place Team



## Leaders Association Recognition Banquet Recap

On September 21st, 135 Ozaukee County Leaders and guests enjoyed a wonderful evening of recognition for the past year of volunteer service to Ozaukee 4-H. Along with recognizing years of service awards, the Leaders Association also recognized two Leadership Awards and two Friends of 4-H awards.

2014 Friend of 4-H Awards were presented to Saukville Rifle and Pistol Club, and Richard Rathke.

Saukville Rifle and Pistol Club has been instrumental in providing support for the shotgun and rifle projects for the past five years; helping make these projects such a big success from year to year.



Richard Rathke was instrumental in starting the Ozaukee County Fair 4-H Livestock Auction in 1969 and supported the auction every year since then.

2014 4-H Leadership Recognition Awards went to Jody Brzezinski and Susan Karolczek for their outstanding dedication to Ozaukee County 4-H. Thank you!

Marlene Glander was also recognized and celebrated for her 50 years of leadership in Ozaukee County 4-H!

Thanks to all who attended the event and a bigger thank you to the planning committee for a wonderful and yummy evening!



## National 4-H Week

October 6-12th marked National 4H Week! Three local libraries showcased Ozaukee County 4-H exhibits. Thank you to our featured award winners for lending your projects for this great 4-H promotion,! Also, a Big Thank You to Niederkorn Library in Port Washington, the Oscar Grady Library in Saukville and the Grafton Public Library for supporting 4-H. 4-H is very grateful for their support! Hope you had a chance to view one or all of these displays during the month of October.





## 4-H Open House Review

Mid-September also saw two 4-H Open Houses to showcase all aspects of 4-H to new youth and families interested in joining the 4-H fun! Both the North & South Open Houses were well attended.

Thanks for Jody B. and Marie P. for organizing those events. Also, many thanks to the current 4-Hers who helped make the events a success by manning booths, set -up, clean-up and whatever else needed to be done!

Recap of the South Open House:

What Countywide event has 27 4-H youth, 22 adult leaders and a whole lot of 4-H spirit? Yes-it's the 4-H Recruitment Fair-South!!! Approximately 100 guests came to learn what Ozaukee 4-H is all about and many were able to enroll on the spot! If you weren't able to attend, check out the many photos added to the Ozaukee 4-H Facebook page. Missed your chance to get involved this year? No worries! Plans are already under way for next year, and all are welcome to help!



## State 4-H Arts Camp Review

Gabbie Gventer was a Youth Staff member for the State 4-H Arts Camp this year. Here's what she had to say about the experience:

Wisconsin 4-H Arts Camp was held on October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, located at Upham Woods in the Wisconsin Dells. Throughout the weekend there were many activities that campers participate in. Campers attend 6 different tracks that include: Juggling, Drama, Music, Communications, Photography,



and Visual Arts. In each track there are different activities that corresponded with the theme of 100 years of Growing to go with the 4-H Centennial. In each track everyone learned about how the arts have changed over

100 years. There was also a dance "Sally Down The Alley" and fun line dances. Everyone enjoyed the campfire, sang lots of songs and participated in different skits. If you are in Grades 6th through 8th Grade this is a great opportunity to attend the Wisconsin 4-H States Arts Camp. It is a great experience, and a fun time to participate and learn all about the arts.

Ozaukee County 4-H Youth who attended were: Abby Gventer, Riley Schoneman, Anna Kiskunas, Megan Zaczyk, and Devin Curran. Youth Staff were Gabbie Gventer and Joey Montaine.



## Jack-o-Lantern Jamboree

October 19th was the annual Jack-O-Lantern Jamboree held at the Ozaukee County Fairgrounds.

A very special thank you to the 4-H youth and parents who helped with this year's Jack-o-Lantern Jamboree. We had an awesome group of volunteers who helped with set up and decorating, running the games and crafts, working the concessions, giving Haunt tours and hayrides, and cleaning and packing up the many bins and tubs full of supplies, prizes, and decorations! This wonderful event for the children of our community would not be able to happen without your support and joyous volunteering.

Looking forward to next year's event,

Diane Pfaffenroth Jamboree Chair

## 4-H Enrollment Recap

September marked the opening of re-enrollment on 4-H Online for the 2014-2015 4-H Year. There was a huge push to get all current 4-Hers reenrolled in the 30 days of that month, along with payment of club dues. A free t-shirt was the prize!

Upon review, we didn't do too bad! To date, we have 635 youths enrolled for the 2014-2015 year. T-shirt orders have been placed and should be arriving to the UW-Extension office in the beginning of November.

A reminder to anyone still interested in joining Ozaukee County 4-H: You still can join for the current year,

however, please contact the Ozaukee County UW-Extension office for assistance. Thank you!

