



Extension
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OZAUKEE COUNTY



December 16, 2022

4-H Educator Report

Ozaukee County 4-H Book Read

*Sparks: How Parents Can Help Ignite
the Hidden Strengths of Teenagers*
by Peter Benson

Annual Leader Training



January 10, 17, or 31, 6:30-7:30pm

Register Now

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Each chartered 4-H club or group will appoint a leader to attend one of the three training dates. The person attending will be trained to take the book read back to their club and lead the book read for their leaders, parents, families, etc. A few books for each chartered 4-H Club and 4-H group are provided by the Leaders Association for this training.

Register your club representatives here: <https://forms.gle/GjBYrRzH6XdVPsYR8>

The trainings will be held at the Port Washington Administration Center, 121 W Main St. Port Washington, WI 53074

Register Now



Adult Volunteer VIP Trainings

One of the first steps in becoming a registered 4-H volunteer with Extension is to attend this volunteer orientation called "Volunteers in Preparation." Any new 4-H adult volunteers in need of the Volunteers in Preparation Training (VIP Training), there's several upcoming opportunities for you to attend a virtual session. We hope to see you there!

January 17th 6:30-8:00pm

January 26th 6:30-8:00pm

February 8th 6:30-8:00pm

February 21st 6:30-8:00pm

Register at this link <https://go.wisc.edu/8pr49v>

Tri-County Visual Arts Festival: Entries Open!

The 2023 Tri-County Visual Arts Festival is accepting entries! ALL youth in grades 3-13 from Ozaukee, Washington, and Fond du Lac Counties are invited to participate in the festival. So 4-H'ers make sure you enter and tell a friend to enter too! We look forward to seeing your creative projects.

- **Entry deadline is March 1st, 2023.**
- **Register using 4HOnline.**
- **This year's theme is *Local Inspiration*:** Be inspired by the place where you live, work, and play. This could be a location, town, city, park, school, your home or other local places!

Additional information can be found at link: <https://ozaukee.extension.wisc.edu/2022/12/06/tri-county-visual-arts-festival/>

Thank You /Recap

Ozaukee County 4-H New Family Orientation Recap

Ozaukee County 4-H New Family Orientation was held on November 30th from 6-7:30 at the Port Washington Administration Center Auditorium. New families that joined 4-H in the last three years were invited. We had a robust number of families attend and would not have been able to hold the event without the help of our volunteers! A shout out and a HUGE thank you to Sue Dowe, Sue Karolczek, Joe Schneider, Stacy Wilke, and Maria L. our 4-H Ambassador, Miss Ozaukee 4-H.

We started our evening together with a quick connection game using decks of playing cards, had a brief PowerPoint on the 4-H history and state 4-H organizational chart, types of clubs, parts of a meeting, county-wide project, the need for volunteers and then rotated through the following seven stations.



Station 1: Met with the 4-H Educator and asked questions one-on-one.

Station 2: Made a Clover Catcher and learned what we value in 4-H.

Station 3: Played a game of telephone and learned why it is important to get your communications from the source. 4-H Communication Resources were shared.

Station 4: Met 4-H Club Leaders, asked questions about club meetings, expectations, etc. and shared an idea for something fun you could do at a meeting!

Station 5: In 4-H we value belonging together, building connection, and being yourself. We played a game that promotes all these values.

Station 6: We created a spectacular 4-H plan and came up with fun ideas we could share with our clubs.

Station 7: We learned the difference between a project and an exhibit. Looked at resources available for projects. Talked about the project(s) we are most excited to learn about this year!!

It was an exciting night and based on the response, we plan to hold another new family orientation next year!

Youth Advisory Council

The Youth Advisory Council met on December 1 with adult advisors Abby Luerksen and Jayna Hintz. They shared many great experiences in 4-H and determined opportunities for growth. As a team they are developing a resource for 4-H Clubs on ideas for increasing participation. Their next meeting is February 2. Eight creative, authentic, forward-thinking, and reliable youth serve on the Council! 😊

Project Leader Orientation

The Project Leader Orientation was held on December 13, from 6:30-8:00 was offered to new and returning leaders. The in-person training, shared curriculum/resources, meeting planning, safety, and ideas for engaging youth. I will offer the same orientation in the next few months. Dates TBD.

Reminders

- **Fairgrounds Reservations Contact Info:** Please contact Melissa Alexander, Marketing Coordinator, at malexander@co.ozaukee.wi.us. Project Leaders and other 4-H Leaders that use the Fairgrounds, please make your 2023 building reservations soon!
- **Administration Building in Port Washington** reservations should be made through Joe Larsen, Extension office Support Staff, at joseph.larsen@wisc.edu