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OZAUKEE COUNTY

April 2023 Report

4-H Youth Development

Jayna Hintz, 4-H Program Educator



Positive Youth Development prepares the youth of today to become the effective, empathetic adults of tomorrow. Our research-based youth enrichment programs like teens in governance build youth and adult capacity and partnerships that help both sides grow. 4-H clubs, camps and after-school programs give young people the hands-on experiences they need to develop an understanding of themselves and the world.

4-H Program Highlights

- Held the 2023 Tri-County Visual Arts Festival where 4-H youth and youth not in 4-H explored and learned more about art and their choice of medium for self-expression. The goal of this effort is to provide youth with the opportunity to explore art and receive feedback.
- Support for 4-H youth interested in the visual arts, where they explored types of printmaking, learned how to critique their own and others' artwork, investigate the arts in their community and explored future career paths within the visual arts.
- Project management of the development for the Grow Green training, to be implemented in September of 2023, that will support and provide resources for new 4-H volunteers enabling them to identify the mission and philosophies of 4-H and its ties to UW-Madison and understand and share common goals, connections, and language of 4-H youth development.
- Guidance and support for youth and adult volunteers, helping them plan summer outpost camp. Through this work, youth and volunteers gain life skills related to project management, planning and working with the community



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Agriculture

Regional Agriculture Educators



If it happens on a farm or in a field, the Extension Institute of Agriculture works with you to achieve better results. Our innovative dairy management programs range from genetics to farm and business management. Extension researchers work hand-in-hand with row crop, forage and fresh produce growers to provide best practices for every aspect of the growing phase. We also advise communities on using sustainable practices to create inviting spaces free from invasive species

Agriculture Highlights

- **Crops and Soils:** Vacant, Area Crops and Soils Agent
 - New hire to start in May 2023.
- **Dairy:** Tina Kohlman, Dairy Agent
 - A conference for dairy owners/managers, engineers, agribusiness professionals where they learned about innovative manure handling processes to recycle nutrients, produce biomass (renewable) energy, and to reduce manure gas greenhouse emissions in order to improve business viability, environmental sustainability, and food safety through animal husbandry and welfare.
 - A presentation for dairy owners/managers, employees, and agribusiness professionals where they learned the impact of transport and best management practices to reduce stress from animal transport (hauling) which can improve animal care and welfare and business viability.
 - A webinar for dairy owners/managers, employees, and agribusiness professionals where they learned about providing an enriching environment for all management groups within the dairy herd to improve animal welfare and business viability.



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Community Development

Tania Spofford, Community Development Educator



Community Development provides educational programming to assist leaders, communities, and organizations realize their fullest potential. We work with communities to build the vitality that enhances their quality of life and enriches the lives of their residents. IN short, the Community Development Institute plants and cultivates the seeds for thriving communities and organizations.

Community Development Highlights

- New Community Development Educator, Tania Spofford, has scheduled meetings with community leaders to listen and learn about nonprofits in Ozaukee County. Some of the organizations she met with include Northern Ozaukee United Way, Grafton Area Chamber of Commerce, Ozaukee Nonprofit Center, Ozaukee County Tourism Council, Cedarburg Cultural Center, Ozaukee Economic Development Director, and Ozaukee County Administrator. She will visit others in the coming weeks. The goal of this effort is to discover where Tania can help strengthen the capacity of area nonprofits and coalitions for greater impact through facilitating collaboration and organization development processes, as well as offer leadership coaching and development.



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What's Next/Upcoming Events

- **May 3, 2023**
 - [Understanding Your Garden Soil](#), 12 Noon, Virtual session
- **May 9 & 23, 2023**
 - [4-H Harbinger Newsletter](#) published
- **May 10, 24, 2023**
 - [Badger Crop Connect](#), 12:30 pm., Virtual session
- **May 12, 2023**
 - [Bee Lawns](#), 12 Noon, Virtual Session
- **May 18, 2023**
 - 4-H Leaders Association Board Meeting, 6:00 pm., Ozaukee County Fairgrounds, Pavilion
 - 4-H Leaders Association Meeting, 7:30 pm., Ozaukee County Fairgrounds, Pavilion
- **May 24, 2023**
 - [Hydrangeas: Know Them, Grow Them](#), 12 Noon, Virtual Session
- **May 30, 2023**
 - 4-H Camper Orientation, 6:30 pm., Ozaukee County Fairgrounds, Pavilion

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