Idea Sheet

POSSIBLE 4-H CLUB ACTIVITIES

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New and potential 4-H leaders and clubs require assistance in understanding the activities and the opportunities which are available to them through 4-H. A written explanation efficiently utilizes University of Wisconsin Extension office staff time in responding to recurring questions and concerns. Verbal explanations are often inadequate and easily forgotten.

Listing all the possibilities is necessary so clubs may consider all the options when planning their annual program. An annual county 4-H calendar is distributed to each club and contains the dates of county, district, and state 4-H events, enabling clubs to make their plans accordingly. This list, used in conjunction with the "Steps in 4-H Program Planning" booklet (#4-H 259), will assist clubs in being well organized and more successful. Being aware of events and early planning for them increases participation in county activities.

The main purpose of the "Possible 4-H Club Activities" list is for new leaders and clubs, but experienced leaders may also require support and assistance in answering questions by new members and parents. The 4-H program has many facets and repeated efforts are necessary to fully explain it. This task is facilitated by providing printed handouts.

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UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX requirements.
This handout has been used repeatedly in the past three years. New leaders have especially expressed appreciation for the overview of the possibilities available to them and for helping them to better understand how these events fit into the 4-H program. The list presented here pertains to Marinette County, each agent will have to adapt it to his/her unique county program.

"4-H Member & Club Activity List"

**Activities at meetings:**
- Games (4-H game book)
- Work on record books
- Members give demonstrations or talks on their project
- Work on projects
- Music & singing at club meeting
- Work on crafts
- Halloween Party
- Christmas Party

**Club Activities:**
- June Dairy Month Promotion
- Christmas Caroling
- Sports, Swimming, Bowling, etc.
- Roller Skating or Tobogganing
- Club Picnic
- Club Tour—to see what other members are doing on their projects
- Club Trip
- Club Parent Night or Club Achievement (fall)

You may obtain ideas and literature from the Extension office on the following: Health & Safety, Recreation and Conservation, Community Improvement. Example, work on cemetery, town hall, park, Adopt-A-Friend. Entire club or single members call on elderly, handicapped or retarded, short term project.

**County 4-H Events**

**Contests:**
- Music Festival - October
- Speaking Event - February
- Drama Festival - March
- Demonstrations - June

- Fashion Revue - July
- Favorite Foods Revue - July
- Softball League - June to August
- 4-H Week Window Display Contest October

**Camping:** June & July
- ages 9-13
- camp counselors: ages 15 & up

**County Awards Program** - October

**Leaders Recognition Banquet** - November

**Leaders Training Sessions**

4-H Project Training for Members

4-H'ers LEARN BY DOING
POSSIBLE 4-H CLUB ACTIVITIES

County Fair: End of August
Exhibits
Help at Food Stand

District: District Project Workshops
District 4-H Dairy & Livestock Judging Events - June
District Junior Leader Weekend Camp - February
District Leader Training Sessions
District Adult & Junior Leader Meetings

State: State 4-H Congress - Madison - June
Citizenship Shortcourse - Washington, D. C.
National 4-H Trips

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