

# 4-H EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

The opportunities for 4-H members are endless. There are club, county, state, national, and international events in which to participate. The 4-H year runs from October 1st to September 30th. Calendar dates are set at the October Adult Leaders Association meeting and the calendar is distributed with the November newsletter. Be sure to read your monthly 4-H newsletter and yearly calendar or call the Extension Office at 395-1363 to keep informed.

## COUNTY-WIDE EVENTS

Each club will be asked and encouraged to help organize and sponsor at least one county-wide event during the year. If a club wants to include an event on the county calendar it needs to be mentioned at the October leaders meeting so it can be put on the calendar.

Specific dates for the following events vary from year to year but approximate months are listed below:

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| <b>Jump Start 4-H</b><br>(October)                            | National 4-H Week Celebration event. All community youth are invited to a day long, hands-on, educational event that will give youth an idea of what 4-H is like.  |
| <b>Awards Banquet</b><br>(October)                            | This is a special time to honor 4-H members, volunteers and friends of Douglas County 4-H. Various awards, scholarships and trips are presented at this time to members 14 and older who filled out ME (Member Evaluation) forms. Club general and project leaders and the 4-H Family of the Year are also recognized. |
| <b>Project Night</b><br>Northwestern High<br>School (January) | This 4-H event, held in the Maple area, gives 4-H'ers the chance to give attention to a particular 4-H project or try a new one. 4-H'ers can attend two 45-minute sessions of their choice.  |
| <b>4-H Family Overnight</b><br>YMCA (January)                 | This is an overnight experience for 4-H'ers and their families during which members and adults can participate in educational sessions and recreational activities of many kinds.  |
| <b>Cross-Country Ski Day</b><br>(February)                    | Learn to cross-country ski and take in some great scenery along the way.   |
| <b>Ski &amp; Snowboard Night</b><br>Mont Du Lac<br>(February) | This is a night of fun on the slopes for all 4-H families. 4-H'ers are invited to bring their friends and families and join in the festivities of skiing, snowboarding, tubing and eating.   |
| <b>Cultural Arts Festival</b><br>(April)                      | The Cultural Arts Festival gives members a chance to perform and exhibit. Clubs and individuals can perform in drama, music or speech, or exhibit crafts, posters or photography.  |

**Demonstration Contest**  
(April)

This event, held during the Cultural Arts Festival, gives 4-H'ers a chance to demonstrate anything from baking cookies to setting up a tent. Ideas are limitless. Be creative! Participants will be expected to repeat their demonstrations at the Head of the Lakes Fair. Members ages 14 and older may be selected to give their demonstrations at the Wisconsin State Fair.

**Clothing Revue**  
(April & July)

The Clothing Revue is open to members enrolled in the clothing, clothes horse, consumer savvy, crocheting or knitting projects. It gives 4-H'ers a chance to model their garments and be judged on garment construction and modeling techniques. Members ages 14 and over have their revue in April and may be selected to model their garments at the Wisconsin State Fair.

**Junior Camp** (June)

Leisure Lake Youth Camp in Washburn County is the site of this fun 3-day 4-H activity for youth ages 8 - 13. Older youth are eligible to be counselors. While making new friends and having fun, 4-H'ers will enjoy learning new games, swimming and taking night hikes through the woods.

**Exploring/Cloverbuds Camp** (June)

Youth in grades K-3 can enjoy a day of games and crafts at the Pattison Park or Lucius Woods Day Camp. Adult and youth leaders work together to bring younger 4-H'ers the opportunity to learn new skills while making 4-H friends.



**Head of the Lakes Fair** (July) The Head of the Lakes Fair is held in July/August each year. All 4-H members are encouraged to enter at least one exhibit from each project in which they are enrolled. Premium money is awarded. Volunteers are always needed to set up displays and work with the judges.

**Dairy Bar** (July) This is the part of the fair where clubs receive hands-on, real-life experience in running a food stand. Every club participates and profits are used to fund some of the county 4-H activities mentioned in this section.

**Foods Revue** (July) Members in the foods and nutrition projects are encouraged to participate in this event. Members prepare a food item, then show it off with an appropriate table setting at the Head of the Lakes Fair. 4-H'ers discuss their display with a judge and receive premium money. You may participate in the foods revue by listing it on your fair entry blank.

**Newsletter Assembly** (Monthly) Each club will be assigned a month for which they are responsible for assembling the monthly newsletter. Look for which month your club has been assigned in the yearly 4-H calendar that comes out in November.

