

## **Youth and Adults Invited to Learn More About 4-H**

Whether it's learning to build and shoot off a rocket, raising a prize animal to show at a county fair, honing skills as a photographer, or riding a horse, there's something to interest every youth in 4-H.

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills. 4-H is about having fun, learning, exploring and discovering. In 4-H, young people make new friends, develop new skills, become leaders and help shape their communities. About 50,000 Wisconsin youth are enrolled members of 4-H clubs in Wisconsin. Another 195,000 Wisconsin youth get involved in 4-H through special educational opportunities at school, in after school programs, or at neighborhood or youth centers. These youth live in cities, suburbs, small towns and rural communities.

4-H gives them a chance to pursue their own interests - from photography to computers, from building rockets to raising sheep. 4-H members go places - to camp, to state and national conferences, even to other countries on 4-H exchange programs. They learn to be leaders and active citizens.

In 4-H clubs, they serve as officers and learn to conduct meetings, handle club funds, and facilitate group decision-making. In a growing number of communities, 4-H youth serve as youth representatives on local coalition or as members of Teen Courts. They give back to their communities. 4-H members get involved in volunteer projects to protect the environment, mentor younger children and help people who are less fortunate.

There are 17 4-H clubs located throughout Lincoln County waiting for more young people and adult volunteers to join them. Individuals interested in learning more about Lincoln County 4-H can visit our website at [www.lincolncounty4h.com](http://www.lincolncounty4h.com). You can also contact the UW-Extension office at 536-0304 and we will be happy to send you an information packet about 4-H.