

2021 JULY - OCTOBER

4-H NEWSLETTER

Extension Ashland County 4-H



Dear 4-H Families,

Happy sloppy season! What a great summer and early fall we had throughout the Northland. Summer 4-H programs mostly ran like normal; the weather was cooperative if not a bit hot and dry. Spring and summer shooting sports programs were literally a breath of fresh air. 4-H Summer Camp and the Fair were successful and after a year of not, our local and 4-H families were ready to dive in. Fall programming is off and running, though with modifications due to high COVID-19 Variant numbers in Ashland and neighboring counties.

Congratulations to our ME Award winners. Interviews were very impressive across the board. See information in this newsletter about what else is happening this fall in the Ashland County 4-H world. I encourage club leaders to plan safe activities this fall, to welcome new members and families, and to think about what our community needs as we head into winter. If you need ideas for COVID safe or otherwise activities, contact our Rez Berries club who did amazing things throughout the past 18 months, keeping both youth and community involved.

As well, we can help with ideas through our office. One recent example is that we just concluded a STEM take-home activity that we ran jointly with the UW-Madison School of Engineering titled 'Learn to Use the Force! Experiments in Electromagnetism'. At-home kits contained all materials necessary for three experiments in electromagnetism and UW engineering students processed the experiments with youth via Zoom meetings.

November has had a lot of deadlines for our office. Financials and Club Charters were due earlier this month, thank you for your hard work! Please help us to encourage members and leaders to re-enroll on 4-H Online. If you need assistance with this, or any other tasks, don't hesitate to contact our office. For those of you who haven't interacted with her, Blake Frost is our new Extension Front Office Manager, and she is both smart and competent, and delightful to talk to.

As the days grow shorter, don't forget to get outside for some fresh air and sunlight with your family. Safe and happy hunting!

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- Monday, November 8th- Leaders Association Meeting via zoom
- Tuesday, November 9th- Ambassadors Meeting, 3:30, Chequamegon Co-Op Community Room
- Thursday, November 11th- Veteran's Day, Ashland County Courthouse Closed
- Thursday 25th-Friday 26th Thanksgiving Holiday, Ashland County Courthouse Closed
- End of November: Virtual Achievement Night video comes out!

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- Thursday, December 23rd- Friday, December 24th: Happy Holidays!! Ashland County Courthouse Closed
- Friday, December 31st- New Year's Eve- Ashland County Courthouse Closed

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- Monday, January 10th- Leaders Association Meeting via zoom
- Thursday, January 13th- Middle School Recreational Skiing Starts
- Friday, January 14th- Ashland Elementary Skiing Starts
- Sunday, January 16th- Washburn Elementary Skiing Starts

Coming in February...

- Saturday, February 5th- Ashwabay Summit Event
- Early February- The Outdoor Adventure Leadership Program is a partnership program led by UW Extension 4-H staff and SOEI Youth Outreach Programs staff. It is developed for



youth in 6th-9th grade interested in learning and practicing skills for adventuring outside in safe and fun ways. We know that getting outside is fun and it's a great way to connect with your community! Plus, being outside with friends supports increased happiness, greater self-confidence, compassion for others and leadership development. Possible topics include snowshoeing, shelter building, fire building, staying warm in winter and more! Other topics may be included based on student interest and returning participants.

Come join us this winter!

4-H Re-Enrollment Time

The 4-H Year starts in the fall, so if you have not re-enrolled yet there is still time! For detailed directions please use the [Family Enrollment Guide](#) to get started with the re-enrollment process. EVERY leader and member must enroll through 4HOnline, if you have questions please contact Doug Liphart at the Extension Ashland County office at 715-682-7017, press 1.

ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT 2021

4-H Achievement Night 2021 will be presented virtually with a link being sent to your inbox on or around November 30th. Ashland County 4-H Youth Ambassadors and Leaders Association have been working to bring a meaningful alternative to the much loved Achievement Night. Join us in celebrating all of the amazing work done in the past year; please share this event with loved ones you want to celebrate with! Due to COVID-19 variant levels in Ashland County, awards will be presented virtually with certificates to follow in the mail.

WHAT IS A 4-H PROJECT?



A 4-H project is an area that you want to learn more about during the year. Art, Outdoor Adventure Leadership, S.T.E.M. projects, rabbits, shooting sports, and service learning projects are just a few! Explore something new! Your club organization leader or 4-H Educator can tell you what projects and resources are offered in your county.

Use 4-H Online to select your project for the year and find project literature. For information on statewide projects, internet resources, links of interest, county fair exhibit suggestions, and state specialist contacts visit <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hprojects/>

You'll learn many life skills that you'll use every day, such as communicating better, solving problems, making decisions, and working with others. Good luck in your projects this year! Please email Doug in the Extension 4-H & Youth Development Office with any questions - doug.liphart@wisc.edu



**SEE WHAT
WE'VE BEEN
UP TO**



**Canoe Safety Program
with Ashland Parks and
Rec**



**Fair Queen Viddy Wabindato with County
Board Supervisor Kathy Schutte**



Bad River Wild Rice harvesting



**4-H Summer
Camp 2021!**





Outdoor Adventure Leadership

Shooting Sports



Electromagnet Building Activity in Madeline Island School!

GIVING BACK



As always, all of our amazing clubs gave their time to the Dairy Bar during the Ashland County Fair! Thank you!



The Rezberries were asked to decorate gifts for female elders on Mothers Day to help out the Bad River Elderly Program



Ashland County 4-H served pancakes at the Northern Aged Iron Tractor Show on September 19th. The proceeds of \$748.00 were donated to the MMC Cancer Center as a 4-H fundraiser.

MEET BLAKE, OUR NEW OFFICE MANAGER!

Hi! My name is Blake Frost and I'm the new office manager for Ashland County Extension. I found my way to Ashland through Northland College, and am working on settling my roots here. During my time at Northland, I worked as an intern for the office under Doug, and I'm excited to be back! I have been a CANSKI coach for two winters now (despite my lack of confidence in the photo to the right) and I'm looking forward to a third! When I'm not in the office, you'll find me at the lake, taking a walk down Ashland's main street, or reading a good book! Stop by the office to say hi :)



4-H CANSKI MISSION:
To promote **FUN, fitness, excellence, and safety** in the lifelong sport of cross-country skiing. 4-H CANSKI provides on-going instruction, social ski opportunities and leadership development for skiers of all levels.

Scholarships are available!

A partnership between Ashland and Bayfield County 4-H, local schools, BART, and the Ashwabay Outdoor Education Foundation

Date	Event	Location	Time
January 5th	4H CANSKI executive committee meeting	zoom	6:30 PM
January 13th	Middle school rec. starts	Mt. Ashwabay	4:00 PM
January 14th	Ashland Elementary starts	Ashland Hospital Trails	3:40 PM
January 16th	Washburn Elementary starts	Mt. Ashwabay	2:00 PM
December- Early January	Gear check out	VFW Building	Schedule with Doug/Ian
February 5th	Ashwabay Summit	Mt. Ashwabay	
Tentative February 2022	Book Across the Bay high school team waxing event	BATB	

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2021-2022 Registration for 4-H CANSKI takes place online at wi.4Honline.com. Families of youth members and adult leaders will need to register and pay online, 4-H CANSKI will appear in a club dropdown box during registration. Scholarships are available! If your child or family was registered last year you will just need to re-enroll online and update your account. Register and pay online or mail your payment to:
Treasurer 4-H CANSKI, 201 West Main Street, Courthouse, Rm 107, Ashland, WI 54806

Congratulations to Member Evaluation Award Recipients: Viddy Wabindato (Japan Exchange 2022), Matthew Nortunen (Citizenship Washington Focus 2022), and Louis Fischbach (Citizenship Washington Focus 2022) for your hard work and an impressive interview process!

PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CHEQUAMEGON FOOD CO-OP

4-H partnered with the Co-Op to participate in the Round for Partners Program in August 2021. Generous shoppers chipped up their total and raised a total of \$1690.49 for 4-H programs and events like: The Dairy Bar, County Fair Awards of Excellence, Achievement Night, and the Spring Food Contest!

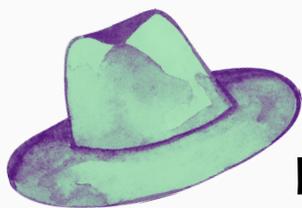
Doug Liphart receiving the Round for Partners Program check from Sara Beadle at the Co-Op



4-H also helped recognize two 4-H families that are sellers at the Co-Op!

The Nortunen Family with Hidden-Vue Farm and the Fischbach Family with Wild Hollow Farm! Thank you for all you do to be active members in our community!

THANK YOU



"HATS OFF" : A HUGE THANKS TO ALL LEADERS AND VOLUNTEERS INCLUDING

- Philomena Kebec, Kathy Schutte, and the other County Board members who strongly advocated for funding for the County Fair in the budget!
- Stephanie LaPointe - Bakker and John Paitl for assisting with 4-H Member Evaluation Interviews!
- Katherine Jenkins, Clair Emmons, and Annalee Mott of Northland College's Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute for their collaborative work and resources for our successful outdoor adventure leadership program this past summer and fall.
- Scott Griffiths and the (4-H Extension Supported) SPARK after school program for lending resources and staff to enable programs to happen during COVID.
- Chequamegon Archers Club for support, facilities, and equipment to help our archery programs.
- The Nortunens, for opening their farm, home, and hearts for the Riflery Series!