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Where is the Oneida County 4-H Office located?

The 4-H Office is located in the lower level of the Rhinelander/Oneida County Airport. Park in the parking lot labeled “UW-Ext” and enter through the side door.

Oneida County 4-H Calendar

January
5………………………Volunteer Training
6……………………Art Lab Signup Deadline
12……………….Space Camp Application Due
14……………………………………4-H Legos
16…………Junior Leaders CHAMPS Mtg
17</u>…………Ice Fishing on Lake Julia
18……………………Skiing at Camp 10
18……………….4-H Phone-In Meeting
24………………Cloverbud Activity Day
24………………………….4-H Drama
28………………CHAMPS afterschool program
30-31………………………….Art Lab

February
20………………….Art Beat Signup Deadline
March
20-21……………………….4-H Art Beat

Online Calendar

Always know when and where 4-H events are happening! Check out the NEW online Oneida County 4-H calendar!

Bookmark this page:
http://oneida.uwex.edu/4hyd/4-h-forms

4-H Website

Updates have been made! Visit:
http://oneida.uwex.edu/4hyd
Volunteer Training on Jan. 5

- **What is it?** Being a certified 4-H volunteer allows you to:
  - Guide and mentor our country’s future citizens and leaders!
  - Give back to the community.
  - Build connections with others.
  - Be covered under county 4-H liability coverage and insurance when working with youth.
  - Receive letters of recommendation from UW-Extension educators.

- **When?** Monday, Jan. 5.
- **Where?** The UW-Extension Oneida County office (lower level of the Rhinelander/Oneida County Airport).
- **RSVP by:** As soon as possible by calling Lynn Feldman at 715-365-2750 or email her at lynn.fedman@ces.uwex.edu.

Art Lab — Sign Up by Jan. 6

- **What is it?** An opportunity to explore in-depth an “art track” of your choice: film making, photography, digital storytelling, theatre arts, tae kwon do, basketry or print making.
- **When?** Jan. 30-31
- **Where?** Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells.
- **Cost?** The cost is $50, but Oneida County 4-H Leaders Association has scholarships available to attend this event.
- **How do I sign up?** Sign up online at www.4honline.com. Sign into your personal 4-H account (if you don’t remember your password, type in your email address and you can get a new one).
- **Deadline to sign up?** Tuesday, Jan. 6.
- **Ride sharing?** Lynn Feldman is offering to drive to Art Lab and there is still room in her car! Call her at 715-365-2750 for a ride.
- **Questions?** Contact Lynn Feldman at 715-365-2750 or by email at lynn.feldman@ces.uwex.edu.

4-H Art Beat— Sign up by Feb. 20

- **What is it?** Created for 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their parents and leaders to learn more about Wisconsin 4-H Arts and Communication. The weekend will feature a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, arts and crafts, juggling and more!
- **When?** March 20-21
- **Where?** Camp Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells.
- **How do I sign up?** Sign up online at www.4honline.com. Sign into your personal 4-H account (if you don’t remember your password, type in your email address and you can get a new one).
- **Deadline to sign up?** Feb. 20.
- **Cost?** The (to be determined) fee will include all materials and supplies, special snacks, overnight lodging and breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

Keep it in the Northwoods Club

Bring your family and friends to a weekend full of winter fun!

Jan. 17—Ice Fishing

- **When:** 1-3 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 17
- **Where?** Lake Julia. Meet at boat access, located on Timber Lodge Road, off of Boyce Drive in Rhinelander.
- **Cost?** Nothing!
- **Prizes!** There will be a drawing for fishing tip-ups to take home!

Jan. 18—Downhill Skiing

- **When:** 10 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 18
- **Where?** Camp 10: W1604 Ski Hill Road, Rhinelander.
- **Cost?** $6 for rentals; $10 for lift tickets.

**How do I sign up for both?** No sign up is necessary, but you and your family or friends must
enroll in 4-H online (it’s free and easy to do) at www.4honline.com. If you forget your password, type in your email address and 4honline will send you a new one. If you don’t have internet access, visit the county 4-H office, the Oneida County courthouse, or your local library.

**What should I bring to both?** Warm clothes and money if you choose to do skiing.

**Deadline to sign up for both?** There is no deadline, but please let Lynn Feldman know if you are coming by calling 715-365-2750 or email her at lynn.feldman@ces.uwex.edu.

**Parents — Let us hear from you!**
Lynn Feldman, 4-H youth development educator, is hosting a phone conference with everyone who has been enrolled or who will be enrolled as a leader or parent in the Oneida County 4-H program. The call will take place at 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 18. It will last only one hour. The purpose of the call is just to touch base, have adults network with others in 4-H, learn how the 4-H office can meet your needs, and to find out what we can work as team to continue to plan new 4-H activities this year. Those who phone in are absolutely under no obligation to volunteer as a result of just phoning into the conference call. At 6 p.m., call the toll-free number below. The automatic reply will ask for the passcode (see below). Press the passcode and you will be entered into the call. The nice thing about this networking session is that nobody has to leave the house!

6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 18
Dial-In: 1 (855) 947-8255 US Toll Free
Passcode: 9357741#

**CHAMPS Afterschool Program**
Older 4-H youth (junior 4-H leaders) who are interested in helping plan and help run 4-H activities for an afterschool program are invited to attend a planning meeting from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16, at the UW-Extension.
Oneida County Office (lower level of the Rhinelander/Oneida County Airport). The next Champs After-school Program “early release” day is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 28.

**What is CHAMPS?**
- CHAMPS is a Rhinelander School District after-school program that aims to increase student academic performance through tutoring, physical activity, and enrichment activities.

**4-H liability coverage protects those who enroll!**

Re-enroll in 4-H today by going online to www.4honline.com.

*Why is this important?*
By re-enrolling, you are covered under 4-H insurance and liability coverage, should you choose to participate in 4-H activities at any point in time. If you don’t re-enroll, you may not be covered. PLUS—isn’t another year in 4-H worth it!? The time to re-enroll is today!

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**4-H Legos—Come join in the fun!**

*Interested in building Lego creations and meeting new friends?*
Join the 4-H Lego group from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, in the lower level of the Rhinelander District Library.

Youth in grades 3 and up are welcome to participate! Bring a friend! Don’t have Legos? We have some for you to use! Please make sure you are enrolled in 4-H online at www.4honline.com before you participate. It’s free and easy to do! Contact Amy Engel if you have questions at 715-362-5334.

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**Thank you, Holiday volunteers!**

*Thank you to those who helped with the 4-H Holiday Craft Workshop on Dec. 6!*
Children and families delighted in making various crafts throughout the morning and getting to meet our wonderful 4-H youth and adult volunteers. Those who volunteered with this event are:

**Adults:** Linda Coleman, Mary Puestow, Trista Alsteen, Jill Cullen, Amanda Parish, Amy Engel, Taylor Payne, Carol Lofquist, Shonda King, Kathy Winkler, Kesha Siewert, Lexy Henckel, Katie Kubisiak, Tracy Paquette, Kim Gauthier, Traci Wehrman and Amanda Parish.

**Youth:** Nava, Mira and Caleb King, Grace and Sophia Parish, Jane and Ben Kubisiak, Louie Malais, Bella Walkowski and Alex Engel.

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**Space Camp—Sign up soon!**

*Where:* U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama

*When:* April 16-20, 2015 (includes travel dates)

*What is it?* Boldly go where other
4-H’ers fear to tread! Explore the fascinating world of aerospace, astronomy, and technology! 4-H Missions in Space program is a fun-filled weekend at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center where participants will complete a simulated Space Shuttle mission, experience training simulators, tour the U.S. Space & Rocket Center and learn about becoming an astronaut.

2015 Mandatory teleconference: A mandatory teleconference orientation for all participants is scheduled for 7-8:15 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26.

2015 Optional Workshop: An optional workshop is scheduled for 1:30-4 p.m. Saturday, March 28, at UW Space Place (Madison, WI) so delegates can meet others from their mission and experience hands-on space exploration activities prior to travel.

Pick-up sites: Eau Claire, Wausau, Madison, and Milwaukee before traveling overnight to Huntsville. Return sites will be the same.

Qualifications:
- 4-H members in grades 6-8 may apply. Maximum age of 15 at time of trip.
- Must be currently enrolled and carry county approval through time of trip.
- Enrollment in 4-H Aerospace project is not required.

Interested adults should ask their county 4-H office staff for an application, due Feb. 13.

Cost: Tentative costs including coach travel are approximately $525. Payment is due March 15 payable to UW - Extension. Oneida County 4-H Leaders Association has scholarships available! Check with Lynn Feldman for more information.

Applications: Applicants can register online between Jan. 2-12. All applicants will be notified by the State 4-H Office late January whether confirmed or on a waiting list.

Cloverbuds—Fun starts here!

Youth in grades K-2 are invited to attend the next 4-H Cloverbud Activity Day set for 10 a.m. to Noon on Saturday, Jan. 24, in the lower level of the Oneida County Department on Aging building (located next to Trig’s). As part of their fun activity, youth will be making puppets. The last 30 minutes will be dedicated to exploring the world of 4-H drama—plays, games and skits! Bring your family or bring a friend! Please make sure you and whomever you bring are enrolled in 4-H by going online to www.4honline.com. Signing up is free and easy to do!

Answer questions, win a prize!

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources offers fun weekly quiz for anyone who likes to learn about wildlife and plants. Every week that you submit your answer, your name will be entered to win a weekly prize!

Go to: http://www.wiatri.net/NHC/Quiz/

Here is a sample question:

This bird’s song has been described as “Boo-boo-boo-boo” with up to 20 notes per song. It is a:
- Short-eared Owl
- Barn Owl
- Barred Owl

Did you guess Short-eared Owl? If so, you are correct! The short-eared owl is almost completely silent in flight and hunts primarily by sound. It has the scientific name **flammeus**, meaning “fiery,” which refers to its boldly streaked plumage. It nests on the ground and favors flat terrain.

December meeting minutes

The following are minutes taken from the Dec. 15, 2014, Oneida County 4-H Leaders Association Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by President, Carol Lofquist at 7:07 p.m. The American & 4-H pledges were said. In attendance were: Lynn Feldman, Carol Lofquist, Amanda Parish, Mary Puestow and Kathy Winkler.

Reports

WMMB: Jim W. attended the WMMB annual workshop in DeForest this fall and received an additional $250 for WMMB promotions for Oneida County. $1528.62 is available.
Financial: Checking

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Kathy W. moved and Amanda P. seconded to approve the report. Approved. Mary will be transferring $5000 to the Money Market account this week.

Secretary: The minutes from September 22 were presented. Mary P. moved and Amanda seconded to approve the minutes. Passed.

Project Report: Five Cloverbuds met in November to measure dry & liquid ingredients and to make cheese balls and playdough.

Agent Report:
- Lego Project has met twice and rocketry will be starting soon
- Three leaders trained in Skynet will resume this project in January
- Champs – there is no 4th & 5th; 6th-8th graders will have Champs for six weeks including Skynet, Crocheting, Sewing & Native American Culture
- Drama begins in January; one Saturday/month at the Senior Center beginning Saturday, January 24, 10-11:30. Cloverbuds will take place at the same time making puppets from 10-11:30 with an extra half hour of drama with Lynn from 11:30-12.
- Art Lab-Lynn is going the last Saturday in January and can take others (teens & adults)
- Art Beat for 3rd-5th graders will be in April
- County Fair Meeting – 42 people attended and committees will be set up in the New Year.

Unfinished Business

Election of Officers: Treasurer – Mary Pustow – Kathy W. moved & Amanda P. seconded to elect Mary as Treasurer. Unanimous! Vice President – Amanda P. – Kathy moved & Mary seconded to elect Amanda P. as VP. Unanimously approved!

Constitution & By-Laws: Each Leaders Assn. needs to review these annually – completed!

Budget: Mary identified proposed and actual expenses for the last two years and changes to the 2015 budget were discussed. Amanda P. moved and Kathy W. seconded the approval of the 2015 budget. Passed.

Holiday Craft Workshop: 70 attended with a large quantity of food pantry items donated. Mary P. had an adult and youth at each station and was free to assist as needed. The animal photos with Santa were inside the upstairs hallway – much better than the entry way. Animal photos need several adults to deal with dogs and get people signed in for photos. A sign to not allow animals downstairs will need to be posted next year!

Fall Forum: Carol L., Lynn F. & Grace Parish attended. The workshops were helpful and county staff were invited to be involved. Grace had a positive experience with her first state 4-H event.

New Business:

Chamber Renewal: Dana agreed to allow Platbooks to be sold at the Chamber, however the Adult Leaders 4-H Assn. needs to submit their annual fee. Mary moved that we add $100 to the budget under #207 for the Chamber Renewal fee to be submitted annually. Kathy W. seconded. Passed. Carol will get the form to Mary so the fee can be sent. Lynn is going to check with Ann to see if she can keep the Chamber notified of 4-H events to post monthly the Chamber website & calendar.

Platbooks: 240 remain (down from 575 last June). Carol will go to the Minocqua and Three Lakes Chambers to see if they will carry Platbooks to sell. Amanda will ask Dunham Sports. Carol will check with Mitch Mode at Mel’s for next year. Ideas for selling the remaining books are needed.

Fairbook: The Fairbook will be reviewed in February and March for any minor changes. Fair premiums will be evaluated.

Adjournment
Mary moved and Amanda seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Winkler

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Thank you volunteers for all that you do!