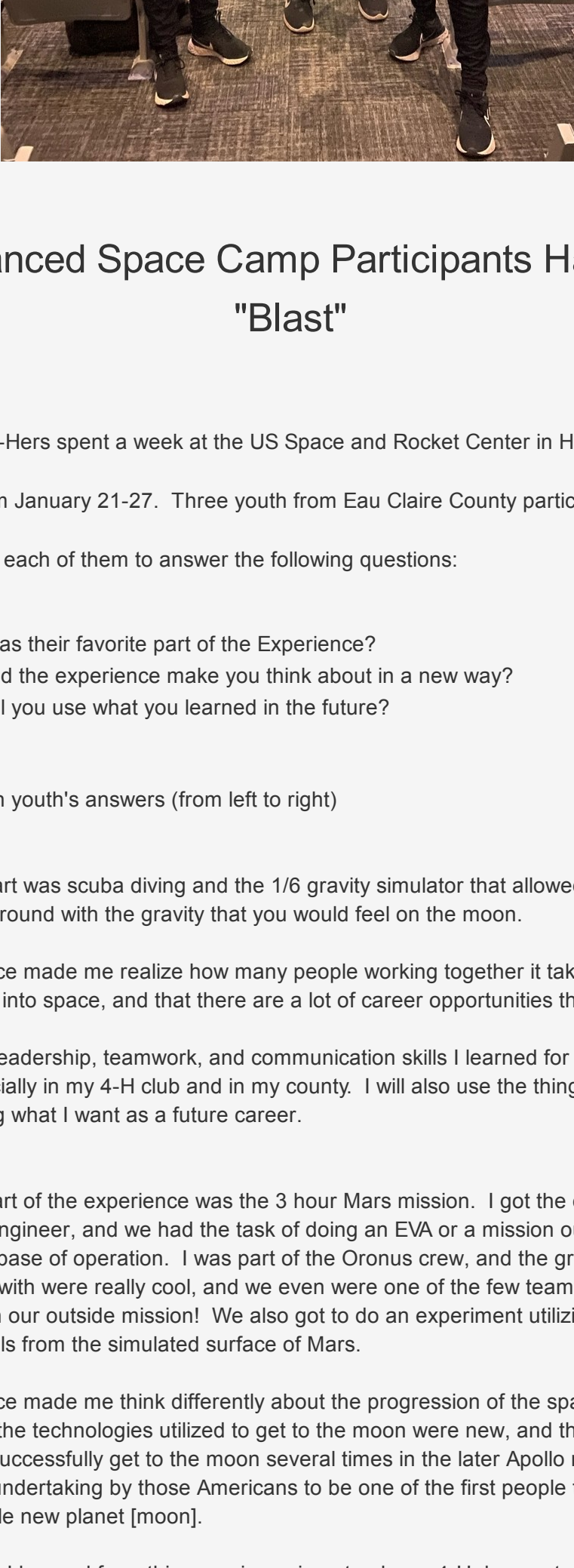


February 7, 2023



Advanced Space Camp Participants Have a "Blast"

High school 4-Hers spent a week at the US Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama, from January 21-27. Three youth from Eau Claire County participated.

Rachel asked each of them to answer the following questions:

- What was their favorite part of the Experience?
- What did the experience make you think about in a new way?
- How will you use what you learned in the future?

Here are each youth's answers (from left to right)

Sydney:

My favorite part was scuba diving and the 1/6 gravity simulator that allowed you to be able to walk around with the gravity that you would feel on the moon.

The experience made me realize how many people working together it takes to send things/people into space, and that there are a lot of career opportunities through NASA.

I will use the leadership, teamwork, and communication skills I learned for the rest of my life, but especially in my 4-H club and in my county. I will also use the things I learned when deciding what I want as a future career.

Ben:

My favorite part of the experience was the 3 hour Mars mission. I got the opportunity to be the flight engineer, and we had the task of doing an EVA or a mission out in space repairing our base of operation. I was part of the Oronus crew, and the group of people that I worked with were really cool, and we even were one of the few teams that had the ability to finish our outside mission! We also got to do an experiment utilizing a rover to collect minerals from the simulated surface of Mars.

The experience made me think differently about the progression of the space race, and how many of the technologies utilized to get to the moon were new, and they still managed to successfully get to the moon several times in the later Apollo missions. It was a brave undertaking by those Americans to be one of the first people to ever step foot on a whole new planet [moon].

I will use what I learned from this experience in not only my 4-H demonstration and my youth leadership project, but this experience has motivated me to explore the engineering courses offered at my school, like aerospace engineering, and to look at future jobs where I could utilize all that I've learned.

Brooke:

My favorite part was the missions and scuba diving.

The experience made me think that there are many career opportunities within the space programs from all over the United States.

I will use my teamwork and communication skills to help me within my club and use the skills in the future as well.

Upcoming Events and Programs

Wildlife & Woods VIRTUAL SERIES

FEB. 22
MAR. 22
APRIL 26
MAY 24

Register via 4-H Online
wi.4honline.com

To learn more about virtual learning opportunities, please visit 4h.extension.wisc.edu/vlc

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2023 Wildlife & Woods Virtual Classes

Wildlife and Woods is Wisconsin 4-H's statewide natural sciences, wildlife, and forestry monthly, virtual event.

Outdoor enthusiasts connect with other 4-H youth of all ages from around the state. Together, we explore the natural world with a special focus on wildlife, wildlife habitats, and trees. Participants learn about wild places across the United States following the 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Program (WHEP) and the 4-H Forestry Program. Materials are designed for all ages and knowledge levels, so everyone can benefit. Since the sessions are co-presenter by youth and adult leaders, the youth leadership opportunities are plentiful.

Youth leaders research about wildlife, trees, management concepts and management practices; prepare slides; lead activities; present topics from slides; record videos; or read announcements. Youth leaders also meet virtually the week before for prep and practice. Being a part of this team is great preparation for WHEP and Forestry competitions. For more information or to join the Wildlife & Woods Leader Team, contact: Lee Delcore and Kerri Ast at wi4hwildlife@forestry@gmail.com

To register for the virtual sessions, log into your family account in 4HOnline. Under the EVENTS tab look for "Wildlife & Woods Virtual Series", register and then you will receive an email with the Zoom link. Registration is open until 6:30 the night of each session. If you need help registering or are registering as a participant, please visit the Virtual Learning Community website [here](http://4h.extension.wisc.edu/vlc).

Mark your 2023 calendars for the three Wednesdays, 7- 8 pm.
February 22
March 22
April 26
May 24

Join us January 25 for "a New Year and Planting Seeds for the Future"! and visit the following website for ongoing information: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/wildlife-whep-wisconsin-4-h-wisconsin-4-h-forestry/wildlife-woods-virtual-classes/>

Sarah Nelson Memorial
Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 26
8:00 AM TO NOON
PLEASANT VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER

Adults \$8.00
Children \$5.00
Children 4 & Under Free

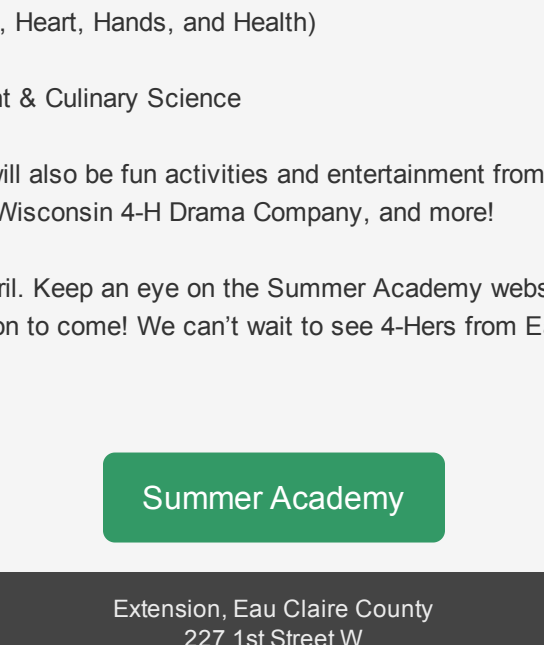
Presented by South Jackson's Camp and Eau Claire County Older Youth Council service projects

19th Annual Sarah Nelson Memorial Pancake Breakfast

February 26, 8:00am - Noon

Join us for the 19th annual Sarah Nelson Memorial Pancake Breakfast! Come on out on February 26, 8-Noon at the Pleasant Valley Community Center, S 10414 County Road HH, Eleva, WI 54738. \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for kids -- ALL YOU CAN EAT! Pancakes, sausage, elevate curds. Bring the family out for a delicious breakfast serving a great cause!

This event is in memory of Sarah Nelson who was an extremely involved 4H and Older Youth Council member. She was also a cancer survivor of 15 years. She acquired a vision and challenged OYC to start a Relay for Life team. In 2003, Sarah passed away in a car accident at the age of 17. As a memorial, OYC dedicated their pancake breakfast and donate the proceeds to organizations that support childhood cancer survivors.



Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarships

Available

#WI4HFoundation is accepting scholarship applications

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than \$20,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin 4-H members and alumni pursuing higher education in 2023. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via email by Wednesday, March 15, 2023, 5:00 pm.

Click the button below for more information and registration.

Information and Registration

Wisconsin 4-H National Conference Delegates Application Deadline Extended

Great News!! The application deadline for Wisconsin 4-H National Conference Delegates has been extended until February 3!

National Conference is the ideal program for youth ages 15-19 who:

- + Are passionate about change in their communities
- + Want to meet their congressional representatives
- + Have an interest in careers in government

Youth will travel with a small delegation to Washington, D.C. where they will work with other 4-H youth from around the country to select, research, and present a topic to a federal agency. They will also meet with Wisconsin congress members, participate in a career fair, and tour monuments and museums. Youth will also bring home what they have learned to create change in their local communities.

If this sounds like a young person you know, please encourage them to apply by February 3. The Conference is April 14-20, 2023. Scholarship funds are available.

Registration Information

Presented by
Dyan B. Larson Photography

Photography Introduction

Interested in learning more about Photography?
Join the Fall Creek Country Cousins 4H for an exciting hands on demonstration to explore the world of photography.

Please bring a phone or camera to work with.

6:00 pm - February 20, 2023
Lincoln Town Hall
5555 Green Meadow Rd,
Fall Creek, WI 54742

RSVP and Questions
Jenni Haan
715-864-0102

Volunteer in Preparation Training

One of the first steps in becoming a registered 4-H volunteer with Extension is to attend this volunteer orientation called "Volunteers in Preparation." Rachel will be holding the next Volunteer in Preparation Training (VIP) on **Thursday, March 2, at 7:00 PM** at the Extension office.

Help needed to promote 4-H! 4-H Discovery Day is scheduled for the LE Phillips Memorial Library in the Riverview Room on March 4 from 1-4PM. Please help showcase 4-H projects & sign up to host an activity. This is an outreach program to give a taste of lots of different projects. (I have heard stories that this is how people found out about 4-H and joined.) Activities should be hands-on and will be move-at-your-own-pace. If you don't want to plan an activity, you can sign up in the "General help" section. Animals are allowed in the building, but plans should be made to keep things clean.

The Extension Office can provide supplies if a list is given to the Extension Office by February 13.

I have suggestions for Project Areas that could be highlighted, but others are welcome. Please sign up by February 13 so that I have time to order supplies and check in on activity plans.

Sign Up Here

Event starts at 1:30PM

SAVE THE DATE

MARCH 12, 2022

FOODS REVUE

Extension Office

Foods Review - Save the Date - March 12, 2023

We are happy to bring back the Foods Revue in 2023. We had set a date, but needed to reschedule to have a little more time to make sure the Fair Book is ready.

Look for the registration form next month.

Art U 2023

MORE INFO COMING SOON

UW-MADISON EXTENSION

ARTS INTERVENTIONS MADISON

Art U 2023

Art U is in the planning stages... Save the dates for Mondays March 27-May 1. There will be virtual sessions for those grades K-6 plus an in-person option for those in grades 7-12. AND . . . there will be a celebration and art gallery hanging on May 1 at UW-Stout.

Enrollment open soon...

Wisconsin Youth Livestock Program

UW-MADISON EXTENSION

NEW! NEW! NEW! NEW! NEW!

Upcoming Livestock Programs

If you are involved in a livestock project, click the button below for a schedule of upcoming events.

Livestock Programs

SUMMER ACADEMY 2023

EXPLORING YOUR WHY

Summer Academy - Exploring Your Why

Wisconsin 4-H and UW-Madison Extension are excited to announce a new opportunity: the Summer Academy!

This program is open to any 4-Hers in grades 7-10 and will be held from June 19-22, 2023 on the UW-Madison campus. Students will be able to experience life in a residence hall, with the chance to build lifelong friendships with other students from across Wisconsin. Registration opens in April.

The theme of the inaugural Summer Academy is "Exploring Your WHY," with the goal of providing students the resources to discover pathways to their futures. There will be chances to learn about higher education from UW-Madison and Madison College, as well as career discovery and networking opportunities.

Students will be able to choose from 7 SPARK tracks to learn what it takes to have a career or hobby in a field that fits them the best. These tracks are:

- * Arts & Communication
- * Leadership & Civic Engagement
- * Agriculture & Animal Science
- * STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math)
- * Human Services (Head, Heart, Hands, and Health)
- * Construction & Trades
- * Hospitality Management & Culinary Science

During the event, there will also be fun activities and entertainment from the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council, the Wisconsin 4-H Drama Company, and more!

Registration opens in April. Keep an eye on the Summer Academy website using the button below for more information to come! We can't wait to see 4-Hers from Eau Claire participate this June!

Summer Academy