

## February 25, 2023 Family Learning Day

### Session Descriptions

8:30 – 9:00 registration

9:00 – 10:00 Session 1

10:15-11:15 Session 2

11:30-12:15 lunch

12:15-1:15 Session 3

1:30 – 2:30 Session 4

**Amp-Up Your Applications (Session 2)** *Marie Witzel* Trip application? What do you write? How about the resumes, they seem to become your life story? This session is designed to give you some ideas on what to include in those applications and what to do to prepare for the interview for a job, travel experience, or other awards. Please come to the session no matter what grade you are in and we can start to work on what you need to help you prepare for those next steps.

**Bee Besties (Session 3)** **Fee \$2 Limit 20. Grades K- 3.** *Holley Westenberg and Greg Schwartz.* Are you interested in nature or bees? Attend this session and learn all about our pollinator friends and the many roles they play. We will also be making a pair of bees wax candles to take home. Available in March.

**Beef for Beginners (Session 1)** *Andy Neff.* Are you a new or young beef project member? Learn about your beef project, discover the answers to your project questions, and find out who to ask if you have more questions. *Counts for 1 point on Livestock Education Activity card.*

**Beekeeping Basics: Inside the Hive (Session 4)** **Fee \$2 Limit 20. Grade 4 and older.** *Holley Westenberg and Greg Schwartz.* Are you interested in nature or bees? Attend this session and learn all about our pollinator friends and the many roles they play in agriculture. This class will be more in depth and teach some beekeeping basics. We will answer any question you have about starting beekeeping. We will also be making a pair of bees wax candles to take home. *Session will also be available in March.*

**Bovine Reproductive System (Session 2)** *Dennis Gunst* from CentralStar Cooperative will cover heat detection and demonstrate about the bovine reproductive system. This will be an interactive session where participants will be able to try the AI technique of breeding a bovine using a real reproductive tract. *Counts for 1 point on the Dairy and Livestock Education Activity Card.*

**Cake Decorating (Session 3)** **Fee \$4. Limit 12 (youth under the age of 10 must have an adult with them)** *Jennifer Othmer.* This session will focus on buttercream and cake. Students will be able to practice using different tips and we will explore a little into frosting techniques and cake molding. Available in March.

**Cat and Kitten Project: Here Kitty, Kitty! (Session 2)** **Limit 20. Grade 3 and up.** *Kimberly Hall* Learn about taking care of your kitten or cat. Ask the judge what you need to do to prepare your cat or kitten for showing at the county fair or other shows.

**Camp Here We Come (Session 3)** *Heather Rynearson* Learn all you need to know about getting ready for overnight camp this summer. This session will include a combination of camp songs and games, information about our new camping facility, Camp Lakota, and what to bring/how to get ready, along with time for questions. If you are interested in camp, you don't want to miss this session! Available in March.

**Cheese Making (Session 2)** *Charles Crave* Join the dairy fun and learn to make cheese and culture yogurt. *Counts for 1 point on Dairy Project Member Education Activity Card. Session also available in March.*

**Cupcake Decorating (Session 1)** **Fee \$2 Limit 15. Grade 5 and up.** *Allyson Roberts* Are you interested in learning different ways to decorate a cupcake? I will teach you how to use different cake decorating tips. You will even get to choose your favorite techniques to decorate your own cupcake. Available in March.

**Dairy Jeopardy (Session 3)** **Grade 3 and up.** *Brenda Conley* Love trivia games? Then try your hand at Dairy Promotion Jeopardy! We will have 8 teams of 4 people. Bring a team or we will make your team at the session. Prizes will be given out to the top team. We will also be going over the 4H Dairy Promotion funding and share dairy promotion ideas with each other. This session is required if your club is asking for Dairy Promotion funding, with a minimum of 1 person from each club. *Counts for 1 point on Dairy Project Member Activity Card.*

**Do You Want to Be a Farmer Someday? (Session 1)** *Charles Crave.* Many youth aspire to farm or raise their family on a farm. Let's have a discussion about the journey. Learn how the Crave family got started farming. Mr. Crave will be sharing tips about what you can do now to pursue a career as a farmer later. *Counts for 1 point on Dairy and Livestock Project Member Education Activity Card. Session also available in March.*

**Felted Soap (Session 2)** **Fee \$1** *Jan Zander.* Learn to make a bar of felted soap. This will be a fun craft activity. You can take it home when it's finished.

**Finishing Wood Projects (Session 1)**. **Limit 15.** *Rich Grulke.* We will discuss and have hands-on demonstrations with sand paper and finishes. We will talk about various grits of sand paper and removal of imperfections such as dents and tool burn marks. We will cover different types of stains and final finishes like polyurethane and mineral oil. Wear clothing that can get stained in case of "accidents". Bring your questions and we'll learn together.

**Fondant Fun! (Session 4)** **Fee \$4. Limit 12. (Youth under the age of 10 must have an adult with them)** *Jennifer Othmer.* This session will focus on fondant. We will talk about covering cakes and practice cutting out shapes and making simple flowers with fondant. *Session also available in March.*

**Fun Snacks (Session 2)** **Fee \$2 Limit 15** *Heather Rynearson* Come learn how to make easy and yummy snacks those of all ages are bound to enjoy! Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult or responsible older youth (13+). Come ready to try some fun new snacks. *Session also available in March.*

**Games Galore (Session 1 or 4)** *Heather Ryneason* Come and learn how to play some new games that are sure to be a hit on the playground. Get ready to run, sweat, and have tons of fun. Tennis shoes required. *Session also available in March.*

**Incredible Edibles (Session 4)** **Fee \$1.00** *Bonnie Borden* Learn to cut and then sample fruits and vegetables that you may have seen at a grocery store but never had the opportunity to taste.

**Introduction to Photography (Session 1)** *Anne Rosenau* We all take photos nearly every day. Come learn some simple techniques to help you improve your abilities. All ages welcome and encouraged to attend. Please bring a camera (whatever you use to take pictures with).

**Introduction to Portraiture/People Pictures (Session 4)** *Anne Rosenau* From one person to a group of 100 or more, learn how to position the people in your photos so everyone looks their best. Cameras not needed. (*Minimum class size of 10.*)

**Lenticulars and Flexangles (Double Session 3 and 4)** **Limit 15.** *Jan Zander* Create an optical illusion with a Lenticular, amaze your family and friends! Before there were fidgets, there were flexangles. Learn how to make both of these.

**Let's Work as a Team (Session 2)** **Age 11 and up.** *Leah Weninger* Let's work together as 4-H'ers in fun hands on games and activities! Be ready to burn some energy, work positively with others, and challenge your team building skills! *Session also available in March.*

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**Painted Tiles (Session 1)** **Fee \$1 Limit of 15** *Jan Zander* Paint a ceramic tile that can be used as a coaster or trivet. You'll be amazed at the beautiful work of art you can create!

**Rabbit Games and Trivia (Session 1)** *Vicki Redecker and Kendall Wrucke.* The games and trivia will be a review of the information provided at the previous rabbit meetings since October. Prizes will be given. This session counts as a point on your cards for fair. *Session also available in March.*

**Sheep 101: For Beginners (Session 2)** *Josh Voigt and Amy Voight.* This is a discussion for new sheep members and will cover the basic information needed to make this a successful year, and to be able to show at the Dodge County Fair. It is for all of those questions the new exhibitor doesn't realize they need to ask. *Counts for 1 point on Livestock Project Member Activity Card.*

**Stained Glass Craft (Session 1)** **Limit 15 Youth under age 9 need to be accompanied by an adult.** *Leanne Gensch.* Learn how to apply tissue paper to glass with Mod Podge for a stained glass effect.

**Swine 101: For Beginners (Double Session 3 and 4)** *Eric Salmi.* This is a beginner's swine class. New or 1<sup>st</sup> year members and parents are welcome to attend. We will cover all the required tools and material for showing. Along with the required paper work – start to finish. We will talk about pulling DNA samples, ear tagging, and supplying the county with the information they need. Also what to expect at the fair – what happens play by play on each day. *Counts for 1 point on Livestock Project Member Activity Card.*

**Tie-Dying (Session 2)** **Limit 20.** *Sara Witzel and Allyson Roberts.* Are you interested in tie-dying? Well we will teach you how to make a shirt with sharpies and rubbing alcohol. Please bring a clean white shirt to make colorful!

**Traveling Rocks (Session 4)** *Lisa Schwartz* Learn how to interact with your community through rock painting. Groups around the nation are passing words of encouragement through the use of painted rocks. We will talk about how we explore our community; find different types of rocks and how our painted rock messages can travel as well! Great for project members from Explorers, Cultural Arts, Backpacking and Hiking, or Club members and leaders looking for community service ideas!

**Trick Photography (Session 3)** *Anne Rosenau* Snack on a tiny friend, go headless, roll yourself into a pretzel, and more! Well, at least PRETEND to do those things. Come learn how to fool friends and family and get some great photos to prove it all. Attendees will be encouraged to participate in activities. Camera optional.

**YQCA (Double Session 3 and 4)** **Fee \$3, Grade 4 -12** *Alice Kern.* Youth for the Quality Care of Animals. For all livestock members to learn about caring for their animal projects and insuring a quality food product. Required for youth showing beef, dairy, sheep, swine, goats, rabbits or poultry at the state fair. Required for county fair swine project members, and beef exhibitors whose farms are not BQA certified. Will additionally need to enroll for certification at <http://yqca.org/> a coupon will be provided after the completion of the class. *Counts for 1 point on Dairy, Livestock and Small Animal Project Member Activity Card. Session also available in March.*