

4-H UPDATE 3-27-2020

Reminder that **scholarship applications** are due April 1. Applications and reference letters may be emailed to me at cathleen.mauer@wisc.edu or placed on the table outside the office door. Please put them in a sealed envelope. They may also be mailed by regular mail, but need to reach the office by April 1.

YQCA is offering a discounted price of \$9 for anyone who wants to get their YQCA certification online. This applies from April 1-April 30. Visit [this Youth Livestock page](#) for details. Instructions for getting the discounted price are on that page. YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) is required for those showing animals in the MASS program.

[“National Emergency Library”](#). Many people are at home and may be running out of books to read. Libraries and schools are closed so some options that we usually use are not available. There are many online options, including free ones. The Internet Archive, which has over 4 million books available online for free, is suspending waitlists for 1.4 million books through the end of June or the end of the national emergency.

Remember that the Governor’s “Safer at Home” order allows us to enjoy the outdoors. Just remember to stay at least 6’ from other people, and as we should all be doing regularly, wash your hands thoroughly, don’t touch your face, and stay home if you are ill. Spring is here, birds are returning and starting to sing, tree buds are starting to open, and spring flowers are starting to work their way out of the ground. Going outside is good for our mental, emotional, and physical health.

I am still in the office our regular hours (M-F, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.). Access to the building is limited. Although the doors are not locked, visitors are asked to enter by appointment only. You may reach me by phone, 715-748-3327 x3 or email, cathleen.mauer@wisc.edu.

Stay well!

Cathy