



**Marinette County
4-H Newsletter
April, 2024**

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Greetings 4-H Families,

With the weather we have been having I hope everyone is staying safe, warm, and dry. I want to remind everyone that the deadline to be eligible to show at the fair is May 1st. If you or anyone you know needs any help registering for 4-H please do not hesitate to reach out to the 4-H Office.

Stay warm and have a wonderful Easter!

Alexis Witak
Interim Associate 4-H Program Educator
Marinette County



ATTENTION: 4-H CLUB OFFICERS

We are so thankful to have you as a part of our leadership team in the Marinette County 4-H Program! We want you to feel completely prepared to fulfill your club officer role, AND we know that our youth leaders are very busy! So, we decided to offer an opportunity to participate in club officer training in a unique and fun way using the Goosechase interactive scavenger hunt app. You will get to complete missions and tasks for points while learning all about the different officer positions. And, yes - there will be prizes!!! The scavenger hunt experience will be open from April 1st to May 1st.

In order to participate you must:

1. Download the Goosechase app <https://www.goosechase.com/download> to any smartphone or device. Or to download the app, search 'GooseChase' on the App Store or Google Play.
2. Enter our unique join code: 6X9VM5
3. Enter the password: 4-HYouthLeadersRock!

If you have any questions please reach out to Alexis Witak at awitak@wisc.edu or Aimee Elkins at aimee.elkins@wisc.edu.

We look forward to seeing your completed missions!

THE 4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION WOULD LIKE YOUR INPUT REGARDING FUTURE ACHIEVEMENT DAYS AND A COUNTY TRIP. SEE PAGE 9

URGENT

The 4-H Food Stand is in immediate need of a manager and cook.

If you or if you know of anyone who would be interested, please contact either Jennie Pillath at 715-938-2271 or the 4-H office 715-732-7514 **no later than May 1st.**

If we do not have someone by then, we will not be able to operate the food stand.

Anyone who is interested in the food stand should attend a Food Stand Committee meeting on Wed., April 3, 6 pm, at the Peshtigo Corral Restaurant.

An EEO/AA employer, University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title VI, Title IX, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act requirements.

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2024 MARCOSHA SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION OPEN

We are excited to be offering a three-day, two-night 4-H Camp for Marinette, Oconto

and Shawano Counties to be held at Camp Bird near Crivitz, WI from June 14th-16th this year!

Activities already scheduled are swimming, Raccoon Circles (team building), campfires, hikes, games, & canoeing or kayaking! Camp food is awesome, just ask former campers. Actively enjoy nature, the outdoors, and the fellowship of new friends while learning. We also have a health supervisor and lifeguard on staff.

Campers can choose to be transported by bus from one of several stops. The locations will be determined where campers are registering from. We will contact you closer to camp to confirm which location your youth would like to board. If a bus option is not chosen, a scheduled drop off time at Camp Bird can be arranged.

Registration is open for 4-H Members. If there are spots available, youth not enrolled in 4-H may register now. **4-H members cost: \$125 camp payment**. Due to the generosity of the Marinette Co. 4-H Leaders Association, & funds primarily obtained through the annual 4-H fair food stand & raffle, **Marinette Co. 4-H members are only responsible for \$50 (per camper)**. Money must be sent to the Marinette Co. Extension Office prior to May 10th or your spot may be given to a wait list camper.

Non 4-H members will be responsible to submit **\$150 camp payment** (per camper registered to attend). Money must be sent to the Marinette Co. Extension Office prior to May 10th or your spot may be given to a wait list camper.

CANCELLATION POLICY (New in 2024) - If you need to cancel your registration, you may do so, without penalty prior to June 1, 2024. If cancelling your registration on, or after June 1, a \$50/camper late cancellation fee will be assessed. Please contact the Shawano County Extension Office (715-526-6136).

REGISTER HERE: <http://tinyurl.com/MarOcoSha24> **More than one youth to register? Please submit a new form for **EACH** youth.

SAVE THE DATE—FREE MOVIE

April 20, at the Mariner Theater, in Marinette. Movie will either be Kung Fu Panda 4 or Ghostbusters Frozen Empire. Times TBA on Thursday before the movie. Free for 4-H members and leaders and also receive \$5 towards concessions.




SAVE THE DATE SUMMER ACADEMY


CHARGE YOUR SPARKS

JUNE 24- 27, 2024
UW-MADISON CAMPUS

OPEN TO YOUTH GRADES 8-11
WITH LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
AVAILABLE FOR 11TH GRADE +

REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 1ST, 2024
GO.WISC.EDU/4HSUMMERACADEMY





Registration is now open. For more information, visit <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/summer-academy/>



NEVER TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT 4-H ROYALTY

Any youth, male or female, at least 14 years old and in high school, interested in becoming part of Marinette County 4-H Royalty can apply. If interested, contact Dorothy Kaminski at 920-897-2316. Applications will be mailed out soon with interviews to be scheduled for May/June.



4-H SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Congratulations to our 2024 recipients of the Marinette County 4-H Association scholarships: Charli Broderick, Forever Green 4-H Club; Mackenzie Carlson, Merry Go Getters 4-H Club; and, Jacqueline Maye, End of the Trail 4-H Club.

We wish them much success in their future endeavors.

ATTENTION: ADULT VOLUNTEERS

We still have lots of volunteers that are in need of completing training. If you re-enrolled but did not receive a confirmation email from UW-Madison with your role descriptions, you are not yet fully approved and need to reach out to us as soon as possible. The 4-H office will let you know what is needed and where to find the site to complete the necessary training(s).

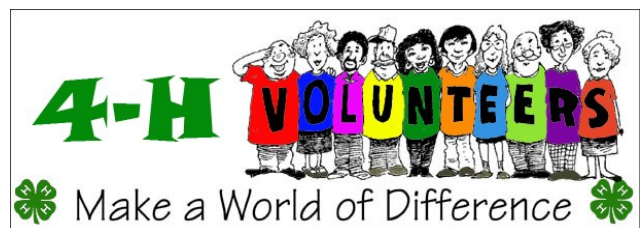
Contact the 4-H office at 715-732-7514 or email awitak@wisc.edu

4-H RAFFLE

Barb Kolosowski is asking that clubs let her know what they will be donating for prizes. Please let her know by June 1. Either e-mail her at barbmiraclell@yahoo.com or call 715-927-5213. Raffle tickets will be ready for clubs to sell soon.

SPRING REACTION DAY

May 11-19th (or choose a day that best works). Marinette County Elderly Services is asking for volunteers to lend a hand to help older adults in their community with basic outdoor chores, including raking and window washing. If you are willing to volunteer (individually or with a group), please contact their agency at 715-854-7453.



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

April 21-27 is National Volunteer Week! It's time to celebrate our volunteers and all that they do. Volunteering is a big part of 4-H. We rely on a network of volunteers to provide caring and supportive mentoring to our 4-H'ers helping them learn life skills and grow into true leaders. THANK YOU for your service! We could not have 4-H without our volunteers!

2024 UW-MADISON SCIENCE EXPEDITIONS
EXPLORE SCIENCE
APRIL 5-7
All events are FREE and open to the public

COME EXPLORE UW-MADISON – your public land-grant research university – and experience science as exploring the unknown. Talk with researchers, visit science venues across campus, enjoy our Science Spectacular Shows, and try your hand at our interactive Exploration Stations. From astronomy to zoology, UW Science Expeditions is the annual campus-wide science open house that connects you to UW people & places all year round.

EVENT CONTACT:
Liz Jesse | ejesse2@wisc.edu | (608) 265-2019

EVENT WEBSITE:
science.wisc.edu/science-expeditions

22ND ANNUAL UW-MADISON SCIENCE EXPEDITIONS CAMPUS OPEN HOUSE 2024

2024 UW-MADISON EXPEDICIONES CIENTÍFICAS
¡EXPLORA LA CIENCIA!
ABRIL 5-7
Todos los eventos son GRATUITOS y abiertos al público

VEN A EXPLORAR UW-MADISON – la Universidad que investiga sobre concesiones de tierras públicas – y ven a experimentar la ciencia como una exploración de lo desconocido. Habla con investigadores, visite lugares científicos por todo el campus, disfrute de nuestros Espectáculos de Ciencias y prueba su suerte en nuestras estaciones de exploración interactivas. De la astronomía a la zoología, UW Science Expeditions es la jornada anual de puertas científicas abiertas por todo el campus, que les conecta con personas y lugares de la UW durante todo el año.

CONTACTO DEL EVENTO:
Liz Jesse | ejesse2@wisc.edu | (608) 265-2019

SITIO WEB DEL EVENTO:
science.wisc.edu/science-expeditions

22º ANUAL EXPEDICIONES CIENTÍFICAS DE LA UW-MADISON CASA ABIERTA DEL CAMPUS 2024

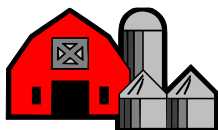


TSC PAPER CLOVER SPRING CAMPAIGN

The Tractor Supply Company (TSC) has worked with 4-H for the past several years. Proceeds from the sale of paper clovers at each WI TSC store go to the WI 4-H Foundation to be used for leadership programming. This year the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation is actively encouraging clubs and 4-H members to work with TSC stores in their area to do an in-store promotion during the Spring 2024 campaign scheduled for April 24 through May 5, 2024. ****ONLINE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.** Click this link to sign up: [Spr24 TSC Paper Clover In-store Promo Sign Up](#)

WI TOWNS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

The WI Towns Association, Rural Mutual Insurance Company & Scott Construction, Inc., will be awarding \$7,000 in scholarships to high school seniors graduating in 2024 from a public or private high school in WI that plan to enroll in a WI public or private college or a university in 2024. The winners are determined by independent judging of an essay contest. The essay should address the topic: "What strategies can be implemented by town officials in collaboration with citizens to maintain civility in local government?" Essays must be postmarked by **May 24, 2024**. For more information and an application, visit <https://www.wisctowns.com/resources/scholarship/>



MARK YOUR CALENDAR— BREAKFAST ON THE FARM DATES

Oconto County's event is at Shallow Acres, Molitor Rd, Lena, on Sunday, June 9th.

Marinette County's event is at Anderson Farms, northwest of Porterfield, on Sunday, June 23rd.



ANIMAL SCIENCE

COUNTY FAIR WEIGH-IN DATE

May 11, 8-10:30 am, at the Fairgrounds for sheep/goat. Swine pictures can be e-mailed to marinettefair@yahoo.com or given to Lisa Witak prior to May 11 at 10:30 am.

4TH ANNUAL TYLER THIEL MEMORIAL MEAT GOAT ESSAY

The Tyler Thiel Memorial will be gifting a commercial Boer goat doeling to a 4-H member in Shawano, Marinette, Oconto, Outagamie or Waupaca County. To qualify for this goat, you must show it in your local 2024 county fair. When old enough, doe must be bred to a meat breed buck. One of its kids must be shown at the first fair it is eligible for. Applicant must complete an essay postmarked by April 5, 2024. For an application and information needed to complete the essay, contact the 4-H office



WI 4-H AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS

Save the Dates

**SHAWANO COUNTY
JUNE 18TH**

**GREEN COUNTY
JUNE 20TH**



WATCH INBOXES AND SOCIAL MEDIA FOR
FUTURE REGISTRATION INFORMATION



**SPRINGS
HERE**



DAIRY MANAGEMENT INC. SCHOLARSHIP

The National Dairy Promotion and Research Board (NDPRB), through Dairy Management Inc. (DMI), annually awards up to eleven \$2,500 scholarships to eligible undergraduate students (rising sophomore through senior) enrolled in college/university programs that emphasize dairy. Majors include: communications/public relations, journalism, marketing, business, economics, nutrition, food science, and ag education. In addition, the NDPRB awards a \$3,500 James H Loper Jr. Memorial scholarship to the outstanding scholarship recipient.

Candidates fill out an [online application](#), submit an official transcript of all college courses, and write a short statement describing their career aspirations, dairy-related activities and work experiences. Scholarship recipients are selected on the following: Academic performance, courses related to dairy, apparent commitment to a career in dairy, involvement in extra-curricular activities, especially those relating to dairy, and evidence of leadership ability, initiative, character and integrity. Winners must be enrolled during the entire academic year for which the scholarship is awarded.

[Completed applications](#) should be submitted online by 11:59 p.m. CT on May 13, 2024. Questions can be directed to Sarah Hetke by calling 847-627-3301 or emailing ndbscholarships@dairy.org.

MINUTES

Marinette County 4-H Leaders Association March 18, 2024 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President Jennie Pillath. In attendance were: Jennie Pillath, Lisa Witak, Anne Biernasz, Trevor Nelson, Kari LaCount, Steve Marvin, Dorothy Kaminski, Wally Hitt, Barb Kolosowski, Julia Lepinski & Alexis Witak.

Pledges were said.

Motion by Barb Kolosowski, second by Kari LaCount to approve secretary's report as printed in the newsletter. Carried

Motion by Lisa Witak, second by Steve Marvin to approve the treasurer's report and pay bills. Carried

Update from Alexis Witak: 2 Zoom meetings will be held April 22 (12-1pm and 7-8pm) for volunteers throughout WI to connect, Tractor Supply Paper Clover campaign is 4/24-5/5, Fall Forum will be held in Stevens Point 11/2-11/3, Shooting Sports training is available in 4-H Online, In person shooting sports adult certification will be held 4/6, Summer Camp Registration is open, Summer Academy is 6/24-6/27,

Many volunteers still need to complete training, Clothing Revue on 4/13 at The Shop on Main in Oconto, Goat scholarships are available, Leader training activity is being planned on Goosechase

Committee Reports:

Food Stand—need to know by April if we are going to proceed

Fair Board—there are a lot of animals this year and the fair is trying to figure out housing for them all

Raffle—tickets are in and Barb is prepping them to distribute to clubs

Awards & Trips-None

Royalty—info will be in the newsletter

Scholarship—the committee recommends awarding 3 scholarships this year

Shooting Sports—none

Movie for April will be 4/20, time to be announced. Movies will be Kung Fu Panda 4 and Ghostbusters Frozen Empire. Motion by Lisa Witak, second by Steve Marvin to provide \$5 from the Leaders Association toward concessions for members and leaders in attendance. Carried

Achievement Day-will do a poll to see how we could get members/leaders to attend

Summer Trip-will do a poll to decide between Timber Rattlers game, Badger Sports Park, and Food + Farm Exploration Center

Want to do a camping weekend at Badger Park in Peshtigo July 12-14. Leaders Association will pay the camp registration fees. Must sign up by 4/24 if camping, but people can come to activities during the day/evening without camping also. If you sign up, but then don't show, you will need to pay the fees. Motion by Lisa Witak, second by Barb Kolosowski to approve the above. Carried

Hall of Fame application was submitted, but haven't heard the results yet

Record Book Forms will be looked at for 2025 records. Julia, Jennie, Kari, Anne, Lexi and Lisa will look at these

Next agenda: sponsor a flower pot in Peshtigo, scholarship requirements

Next meeting April 15, 2024 6pm Pound Town Hall

Motion to adjourn at 7:47pm by Kari LaCount, second by Trevor Nelson.

Respectfully submitted, Lisa Witak



CLOTHING REVUE

The Clothing Revue will be held on Saturday, April 13 at 1:00 pm at the Shop on Main, 821 Main St., Oconto. Please utilize curbside parking only!

What is a clothing revue?

The clothing revue is a fun event for all boys and girls in 4-H, grades kindergarten through one year post high school, to model what they have made or purchased. This event includes knitting, crocheting, sewing, consumer savvy*, or alterations*. You do not need to be enrolled in these projects. Ribbons will be awarded.

What you can do:

- ❖ Make something to wear – this can be an entire outfit or just one thing. (Ex: a hat or a hat, mittens, and scarf to match, a shirt, pajamas, etc.) Or you can purchase an entire outfit.
- ❖ You will wear your creation before the judge and tell him/her all about it. The judge may not touch your garment at all, they will only judge on how it looks on you.
- ❖ You will then model your outfit while the Master of Ceremony reads the card that you sent in with your registration.

*What is consumer savvy? Rather than making the garment, you go out and purchase it along with accessories to make a complete outfit. (Shirt, pants, shoes, socks, belt, etc.)

*What does alterations mean? This is a changed outfit that you wear, it can be something that is too big for you and you altered it to fit you, maybe a dress of your mom's. Or it can be a huge t-shirt that you made into a dress.

*You will be judged on: Overall look, construction of garment, knowledge, and presentation.



**SEE PAGES 7-8 FOR THE REGISTRATION FORM
AND JUDGING SHEET SAMPLE**



Clothing Revue

1:00 P.M.

April 13, 2024

The Shop on Main – 821 Main St, Oconto WI 54153

Name: _____

Address: _____

Male Female Age: _____ Phone: _____

Garment: _____

Garment Category: _____

Each participant must include a 3x5-index card with information about himself or herself. Please include this card with your registration form. Please include your name, age, fiber content, and things you like to do. Below is an example.

Watch out! Here comes 9-year-old John Doe looking cool and ready for the beach in his 100 % cotton button down shirt with a snazzy Hawaiian print and pocket. In this shirt, John is ready for all his favorite things, whether it be the church picnic, playing ball with his friends or riding his bike, he is sure to stay comfy!

Please return registration form by April 4th to:

Extension Oconto County ATTN: Amy

301 Washington Street

Oconto WI 54153

Or e-mail amy.brehmer@co.oconto.wi.us

Please call the office with questions: 920-834-6845.



Oconto County Clothing Revue Judging Sheet

2024 Clothing Revue



Extension

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

Name _____ Club _____

Grade _____ Age (as of January 1, 2024) _____

Date of competition April 13, 2024

Article Shown _____

	WELL DONE	ACCEPTABLE	NEEDS WORK	COMMENTS
OVERALL LOOK:				
Retains Fresh Appearance				
Color & Style				
Good Fabric Choice				
Accessories				
Appropriate Undergarments				
INDIVIDUAL:				
Grooming				
Posture				
Poise				
FIT:				
Neck Area				
Armholes				
Sleeves				
Bodice				
Waist				
Hips				
Hang of Garment				
CONSTRUCTION:				
Overall Sewing				
Hem Length				
Knowledge				

Placing (please circle): 1st 2nd 3rd



PLEASE RETURN YOUR COMPLETED RESPONSES TO THE 4-H OFFICE NO LATER THAN APRIL 10TH. THESE QUESTIONS WERE E-MAILED TO EVERYONE ON MARCH 21ST.

The 4-H Leaders Association is asking for your input regarding future Achievement/Leader Recognition Days. Please discuss with other club members.

[a] What would you like to see for Achievement Day/Leader Recognition in the future and what would encourage your attendance?

[b] Would you like to see the day for awards only, and no food provided?

[c] Or, snacks only (no meal) with awards?

[d] Or, have a catered/restaurant event?

[e] Would having the event held in the evening vs a weekend be better?

[f] Should a chance to win a 'large' prize be offered?

[g] Do you have any other ideas or suggestions?

The 4-H Leaders Association is also asking for clubs to choose from the following three most popular suggestions for a county trip. (Please circle letter associated to your choice.)

[a] Timber Rattlers Game in Appleton (minor league baseball);

[b] Badger Sports Park in Appleton (outdoor and indoor activities); or

[c] Food + Farm Exploration Center in Plover (Ag Education Center).

(OPTIONAL) SUBMITTED BY:

_____ Name

_____ Club



LAST CHANCE
4-H County Activities & Special Projects
Volunteer Sign-Up - Deadline Extended to April 15th

YOUTH and ADULTS—As you plan your new 4-H year, please consider sharing your time and talent in one or more of our county activities and special projects. Please sign up to serve in your area of interest for the coming year. Whether you are new or are already helping in an area, please complete this sign-up sheet. If there is more than one person to a sheet, please put name next to choices. Committee sign-ups are on an annual basis. You need to sign up each year to be on the Committee.

Name(s) _____ Club _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Please put your name next to the group you'd like to help with & return to the Extension Office. Limit of three (3) committees per person.

___ **Awards and Trips** - provides leadership in promotion of 4-H trips, works with Leaders Association and the County 4-H Office to determine candidate selection process. Meets February and October or as needed.

___ **Raffle/County Fundraising** - develops annual fundraising plan, makes recommendations on and helps coordinate and promote planned fundraisers.

___ **Food Stand** - provides leadership in developing 4-H food stand policies and procedures, recommends menu items, orders food and supplies, helps to evaluate, etc. Meets April-September, 1-2x/month as needed.

___ **Scholarship** - reviews scholarship procedures, assists in selection of scholarship winners.

___ **Royalty** - Prepares candidates, helps with all aspects of contest, secures judges, facilitates Royalty coronation at the Fair, awards & follow up. Meets April-August.

Yes No I am interested in serving as a Committee Chair or Co-Chair. List Committee: _____

4-H ACTIVITY COORDINATOR or COMMITTEE — Plan and implement special county activities. Can be youth or adult or youth/adult team. Duties include assisting with promotion and coordination of event, selecting judges, event follow up.

___ Speaking Contest & Music Fest (normally held in February/March)

___ Drama & Variety and Demonstration Contest (normally held in April)

___ Super Saturday/Project 101 Day

___ Fair help (office or at fair) (August)

___ Other. Please list: _____

Thank you! Please return to the Extension Office by April 15th.

