



**Marinette County
4-H Newsletter
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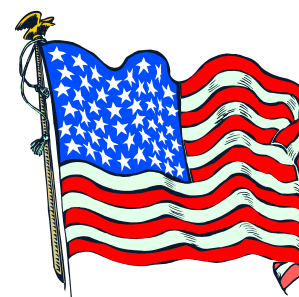
Greetings Marinette County 4-H Families!

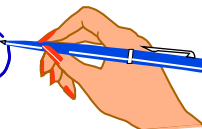
I hope you are all having an incredible summer so far! I don't know about you, but for me summer seems to really be flying by. Summertime is such a great time for 4-H! So many of you are very busy finishing up projects, working with your animals, and preparing for fair season. I am so excited to get to see all of your hard work highlighted during the County Fair! Your family, leaders, and I are all rooting for you. Keep doing all you can to make the best better! Be sure to keep taking the time to enjoy the little things. Take care of yourself and each other!

Your Marinette County 4-H Team,
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Just A Reminder 

IMPORTANT
REMEMBER—YOUTH FAIR ENTRIES AND OPEN ANIMAL FAIR ENTRIES
ARE DUE JULY 7 TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE.
QUESTIONS?? CALL 715-732-7514

LOOK INSIDE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION.



HAPPY 250TH BIRTHDAY AMERICA!



4-H ROYALTY INFORMATION

A dinner will be held either the weekend of July 25/26, 2026 or August 1/2, 2026 for the Coronation of the Queen. Duties for this year's Royalty will start on Saturday, August 22nd, with the Dog and Vet Science judging. These are new changes.



Call Dorothy Kaminski (920-897-2316 or 920-471-2775), if you need more information.



4-H RAFFLE

Barb Kolosowski is asking that clubs let her know what they will be donating for prizes. Please let her know as soon as possible. Either e-mail her at barbmira-cllell@yahoo.com or call 715-927-5213.

Also, Barb is asking that you have the raffle stubs filled out **completely** (full name, address and phone number).



FAIR NEWS

FAIR PASSES

Family Fair Passes for families of youth exhibitors are still \$25 per family. Each club needs to collect a list (club name and members of each family living in the house) and money to turn into the 4-H Office no later than August 3. NOTE: The Family Pass only includes immediate family members living in the same household. Please make checks payable to: [Marinette County Fair](#).

FAIR ENTRY FORMS AND PREMIUM BOOKS

Premium books and fair entry forms have been picked up by all of the 4-H clubs. Contact your general club leader if you have not received your copies.

ENTRY FORM REQUEST

If you plan on entering both in the youth and open fair, **please put each division on a separate entry form**. Each division (youth, open and senior) are treated separately in the Fair computer program and exhibitors are issued separate exhibitor numbers.

NEW PREMIUM BOOKS THIS YEAR

Please do not use copies of prior year(s). There have been several changes and additions to the new premium books and would not like to have your exhibit entered in the wrong category.

WISCONSIN STATE FAIR—August 6-16th.

FOOD STAND DONATION LIST

The following items are still needed:

~~Butter (8 to 10 lbs.)~~

Coffee filters (1 bag—8 to 12 cup basket holder style)

~~Plastic forks~~

~~Plastic knives~~

~~Plastic spoons~~

Sauerkraut (2 cans—1 lb. each)

~~Swiss Miss Hot Cocoa (1 big container)~~

The Food Stand Committee asks each club to make a donation to the Food Stand. Please give your donation to either Margaret Graese or the 4-H Office by August 3. Monetary donations would be accepted as well. Contact Margaret with questions at 715-927-3577.

MEAL TICKET INFO FOR FOOD STAND

Meal tickets are still \$50 this year. Only youth exhibitors (including FFA) and leaders will be able to purchase meal tickets. Parents of the youth exhibitors will not be able to purchase them unless they are leaders. **Please make checks payable to: Marinette County 4-H.**

▪Lunch and dinner will need to be used on the same day assigned. They will need to be used up by 9:00 pm of that day and 4:00 pm on Sunday.

▪New this year will be the inclusion of one meal on Wednesday.

NOTE: There will be NO sharing of meal passes.

NOTE: The food stand will NOT be offering breakfast this year. (In lieu of that, we will work to open a little earlier as food is ready, with the full menu ready by official time of 11 am.)

FOOD STAND DRESS ETIQUETTE - FROM THE FOOD STAND COMMITTEE

Hats must be worn and hair pulled back. Do NOT wear flip flops, sandals, short shorts or mini skirts. Comfortable closed toe shoes should be worn. T-shirts or sleeved shirts must be worn; NO spaghetti straps permitted.



MEMBERS WORKING AT FOOD STAND

Members **must work a full shift** or more or contact the Extension office to do alternative positions to receive some of the awards or travel. The basic guidelines are as follows (Parents should not work a member's shift for the member to receive the credit):

1. 4-H members (3rd grade and up) are to work a full shift or more in the food stand.
2. Members purchasing meal passes **must** work a full shift in the food stand.
3. Members participating in the county-sponsored event form activities **must** work a full shift in the food stand and are strongly encouraged to work an extra shift at the fair or help with clean up on Saturday before the Fair, set up on Tuesday before the Fair, Wednesday morning (as the food stand will be open on Wednesday afternoon with a limited menu) or clean up on Sunday evening of the Fair or Monday morning the day after the fair or, if needed, during the Fair.
4. Clubs should wait at the back door of the food stand when their shift will be starting to get instructions from the food stand manager before the shift starts.
5. All members/people working in the stand need to be working during their shift. You need to eat before or after your shift, no leaving during your shift to eat.
6. Drinks are **NOT** free while you are working in the stand or at any other time.
7. **NO** cell phone use while you are working in the stand.

REMEMBER: **NO** DRINKING/EATING DURING YOUR SHIFT.



Take care to fill out food stand sign-up sheets as they will be checked after the Fair to verify volunteer obligations. If you are not available to help during your club's shift at the food stand, contact the 4-H office for an alternative volunteer opportunity.

Shifts available to clubs to work at the Food Stand can be found at the end of this newsletter. Help is also needed on Saturday, August 22nd for clean-up and set-up before the Fair, Wednesday, August 26th, to help serve—will have limited menu, and Sunday, August 30th, after the Fair for clean-up and take down, and Monday, August 31st, for final clean-up and take down.

REQUIRED - PREMISE ID INFORMATION

On entry forms there is a space for the Premise ID. Please include your no. w/your animal entries. For info, visit: https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Licenses_Permits/Animals.aspx or <https://wiid.org/>

ATTENTION ANIMAL EXHIBITORS

■When entering your animal for the Fair, also list a non-animal exhibit or poster in that particular project, in case your animal gets sick so that you can still have something entered.

■If you are showing two or more different animals, talk to the Superintendents involved so that classes can be adjusted for everyone to exhibit.

■If you are a dairy, livestock &/or horse exhibitor, please remember to keep trash out of the manure at the Fair. This inc. cans, paper cups, twine, wire, medication containers & needles. Please use the trash barrels in the barns.

CLOVERBUDS

These young members do not need to submit entry forms to show at the Fair. They do need to fill out a 3"x5" card w/name, age, club, & item being entered, and take it to the Clothing Bldg. Cloverbuds will have face-to-face judging from noon to 8 pm on Wed. or you can drop off the items without seeing the judge. Cloverbuds may enter up to eight items.

CAMPING NEAR THE FAIRGROUNDS

4-H families wanting to camp during the Fair may call the Village Clerk at 715-856-5341 to camp at Evergreen Park, in Wausaukee. The park is across the creek on the north side of the Fairgrounds.

BARN DECORATING AND COSTUME CONTESTS TO BE HELD AT THE FAIR

The 250th Anniversary of the USA (Sesquicentennial) will be celebrated on July 4, 2026, marking 250 years since the signing of the Declaration of Independence. In honor of this, the Fair Association has decided to hold a Barn Decorating Contest at the Fair in August. They are asking clubs to decorate around the theme of America's 250th Anniversary.

The theme of this year's costume contest at the Fair will also be America 250.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT TIMES TO BRING ANIMALS TO THE FAIRGROUNDS

All animal entries except horses will be entered on Wednesday, August 26th, from 3-7 pm. Dairy may come in at this same time or Thursday from 7:30-10 am. Horses will be entered on Thursday, from 9 am-12 pm.

FACE TO FACE JUDGING

Face-to-face judging provides an opportunity for the youth to communicate with the judge (one-on-one) on details of his or her exhibit. This judging style gives the judge the opportunity to directly ask questions. It provides an opportunity to understand why the exhibit was selected for construction, if there were any problems with it & tools used to create the exhibit. The judge can then use this discussion to decide the placing.

PREPARING YOUR ITEMS TO EXHIBIT

Be sure to read the rules in the Fair premium listing. Entry tags need to be securely attached before judging. Remove and keep the bottom part of the entry tag. It is used as a claim check to pick up your items on Sunday at 5 p.m.

ANIMAL SCIENCE



POULTRY TESTING DATES

Rich Kempka will be testing birds July 8 and July 25 at the Oconto County Fairgrounds—August 1 and August 15 at the Marinette County Fairgrounds. All testing starts at 10 am. If you have any questions, contact Rich at 920-672-9540.

NEXT LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Livestock Meeting will be held August 3, 7 pm, at the Fairgrounds. YQCA is also due then.

"4-H IS A COMMUNITY OF YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS AMERICA WHO ARE LEARNING LEADERSHIP, CITIZENSHIP AND LIFE SKILLS"

MINUTES

Marinette County 4-H Leaders Association June 15, 2026 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm at the Grover Town Hall by Jennie Pillath. In attendance were Jennie Pillath, Julia Lepinski, Suz Deschane, Dorothy Kaminski, Barb Kolosowski, Kassandra Bayer & Jazmine Bayer.

Pledges were said.

Motion to accept the Secretary's report as printed in the newsletter by Julia Lepinski, second by Suz Deschane. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report by Dorothy Kaminski, second by Kassandra Bayer, motion carried.

Committee reports:

Food Stand—Jennie reported Mursau Piggly Wigly will be the main store for food. (not sure if this should be in here)

Fair Board—none.

Raffle tickets—still tickets available if needed. Contact Barb Kolosowski.

Awards & Trips—none.

Royalty—Dorothy reported there are 2 possibly 3 candidates. 7/14 at 6 pm will be interviews at the Crivitz Fire Station.

Old Business:

Summer Trip to the Dells—quite a few are signed up but there are still seats open. More information in the last newsletter.

Budget—Approval of the '26-'27 annual budget, motion by Suz Deschane, second by Barb Kolosowski. Motion carried.

Peshtigo Planters—A suggestion was to put a 4-H flag in the planters so we can identify easily.

Motion by Barb Kolosowski to adjourn the meeting, second by Dorothy Kaminski, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Suz Deschane



■ Please return to the Extension Marinette County Office, 1926 Hall Ave., Marinette WI 54143. by August 3.

4-H FOOD STAND SIGN-UP SHEET

Name of Club: _____

Number of Workers: _____

Contact Person: _____

Telephone No. _____

List adults who will be working the shift: _____

SHIFTS

***HELP NEEDED SATURDAY &/OR TUESDAY BEFORE THE FAIR. Saturday—Badger Buds (Ben and Lisa Patterson).**

***LOOKING FOR A FEW VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WORK ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, AS THE FOOD STAND WILL BE OPEN FROM APPROX NOON—8:00 OR 9:00 PM WITH A LIMITED MENU.**

**PERSON(S) ABLE TO WORK ON WEDNESDAY: (PLEASE INCLUDE CLUB AND CONTACT #):
Wednesday, Noon to 4 pm—Badger Buds. Wednesday, 4-9 pm—Stargazers.**

***ALSO HELP IS NEEDED TO DO THOROUGH CLEANING OF STAND AFTER THE FAIR SUNDAY & MONDAY:**

<u>Thursday, August 27</u>	<u>Friday, August 28</u>	<u>Sat., August 29</u>	<u>Sun., August 30</u>
10:45 am to 2:45 pm <u>EOTT</u>	10:45 am to 2:45 pm <u>B4LC</u>	10:45 am to 2:45 pm <u>MIM</u>	10:45 am to 2:00 pm <u>B4LC</u>
2:30 pm to 6:30 pm <u>MGG</u>	2:30 pm to 6:30 pm <u>MGG</u>	2:30 pm to 6:30 pm _____	1:45 pm to close (5) <u>FG</u>
6:15 pm to 9:00 pm <u>MGG</u>	6:15 pm to 9:00 pm _____	6:15 pm to 9:00 pm <u>GO</u>	

REMEMBER the 4-H Fair Food Stand is one of the main sources of income for 4-H. Each club must sign up for at least one shift. **Clubs with 10 or more members over the age of 10 need to sign up for two (2) time shifts (younger kids can work during both shifts).** All regular members are expected to work. One teen or adult is needed to help in the kitchen. Each club should have two adults to work with their members. Clubs with only young members and/or few members should sign up for the early morning shifts or work with another club. LARGER CLUBS ARE ASKED TO TAKE BUSIER SHIFTS, FRIDAY & SATURDAY. Clubs NOT signing up for a shift will be assigned a shift that has been left vacant. Below, please list your first, second and third choice. Be sure to list both the day and time shift. The times scheduled will be on a first come, first served basis.

1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice: _____ 3rd Choice: _____

If you need to share a shift with another club, state that: _____

