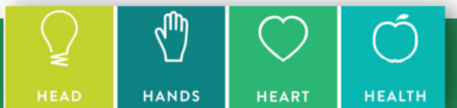


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DON'T MISS OUT!

Winnebago County 4-H Fun Day! February 1st, 2025

Perry Tipler Middle School

Registration form enclosed



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January

4th: Pottery Workshop– Full
 8th: Officer Training 6 PM @ JPCC
 8th: MAB Meeting 7:30 PM @ JPCC Room TBD
 19th: Camp Counselor Interviews & Meeting 1 PM @ JPCC
 19th: Interstate Exchange Rollerskating Fundraiser 1 PM @ Skaters Edge
 21st: Leaders' Board Meeting 7 PM @ JPCC
 22nd: AgBadge #2 (Registration Required)
 23rd: Fair Board Meeting 7 PM @ JPCC
 27th: Horse & Pony 7 PM @ JPCC



February

1st: 4-H Fun Day 8:30 AM-12 PM @ Perry Tipler
 12th: MAB Meeting 7:30PM @ JPCC
 18th: Leaders' Board Meeting 7 PM @ JPCC
 22nd: MAB Beef Weigh-in
 24th: Horse & Pony Meeting 7 PM @ JPCC
 27th: Fair Board Meeting 7 PM @ JPCC
 27th: Scholarship & Key Award applications due



4-H Club Meetings

*some meetings may vary from time to time

Date	Club	Time
1st Sunday	4-H Friends	3:00PM
1st Monday	Plain V-U	7:00PM
1st Tuesday	Golden Oak Kountry Kidz	7:00PM 6:00PM
2nd Sunday	Allenville Meadows Lakeshore County Line Newcomers Poygan Go Getters Zion 3-C Farming Friends	6:00PM 2:00PM 3:00PM 5:00PM 4:00PM 5:00PM 4:30 PM
2nd Monday	White Cedars	6:30 PM
2nd Tuesday	Country Roots (May-Oct) Ridgeway Winchester	7:00PM 6:30PM 6:30PM
2nd Thursday	Mears	6:30 PM
3rd Sunday	Westward	6:30PM
4th Monday	Horse & Pony Project	7PM

4 FOR 4-H



Proudly Log Your Volunteer Hours

Thank you for volunteering your time and talent with our 4-H Program!

During our January 2024 All County 4-H Meeting, volunteers in attendance voted and passed a motion to request that volunteers log at least **4 hours** of volunteer time within our 4-H program each year to be eligible for annual 4-H Volunteer Service Awards.

YOUR TIME COUNTS!

Please log your volunteer hours utilizing the form link or QR code below. Feel free to log ALL your hours, or just until you reach 4 for 4-H! Don't have internet access? Simply call 920.232.1974.



Log your 4 for 4-H:
<https://bit.ly/48zgBmi>



FUNDRAISING



**Spring Pizza Sale is
APRIL 26, 2025**



**THANKS TO ALL WHO SOLD AND HELPED MAKE PIZZA
FOR OUR 2024 FALL 4-H PIZZA SALE!**

**Paper order forms will be mailed in the March/April
newsletter.**

Order forms can also be downloaded after January 15th:
<https://winnebago.extension.wisc.edu/4h/leaders/fundraising/pizza/>

Beautiful Barn Quilts

Barn quilts not only look great on the side of a barn or shed, they also look great as front porch décor! Our very own Joe Kuehn does an amazing job of painting the barn quilts. Let Joe know what design you would like!

Sizes Offered Include:

2x2 \$75

4x4 starting at \$175

8x8 starting at \$300

To Order Call: (920) 836-1736



NEW!

**Ukulele's available now for checkout
through the Extension office.**

Forms are available online:

<https://winnebago.extension.wisc.edu/4h/resources/>



YOUTH LEADERSHIP

4-H Ambassadors

Spread the good news of
4-H and join the...
AMBASSADOR TEAM!



The **AMBASSADOR TEAM** is made up of youth in grades 6 and up.

They work together to:

- Plan Events such as 4-H Fun Day and Chalk on the Boardwalk
- Build and decorate a float for summer parades and pass out promotional materials to the parade-goers
- Learn how to create and paint barn quilts for our Barn Quilt Fundraiser
- Have fun! Every summer they plan a field trip

Questions? Call Joe Kuehnl—(920) 836-1736

2024-2025 4-H Club Officers

*not reported in last newsletter

Poygan Go-Getters

President: Katelyn Resop
Vice President: Lilly Black
Secretary: Ava Larson
Treasurer: Riley McCollian
Historian: Nora Albright
Recreation Coordinator: Kylie Behlman

Golden Oak Officers

President - Andrea Beck
Vice President - Emily Hunter
Treasurer - Briana Zentner
Secretary - Ryan Beck
Reporter - Isaac Pederson
Sergeant at Arms - Jase Peppler & Ezden Barthels

Horse & Pony

Adult officers

President - Avery Holmes
Vice President - Marcia Anderson
Treasurer - Wendy Stabler
Secretary - Heather Macklin
Reporter - Stephanie Biro

Youth officers

President - Annie Beck
Vice President - Kat Skadahll
Treasurer - Emily Hunter
Secretary - Katelyn Resop
Reporter - Kate Macklin



YOUTH LEADERSHIP

We Are Looking for 2025 4-H Summer Camp Counselors!

*Must be a 4-H youth in 9-13 grade.

2025 4-H Summer Camp will take place at Upham Woods June 26-29th.

There have been a few changes to the application and interview process, so please read the info carefully:

<https://winnebago.extension.wisc.edu/4h/camp/>

Application, resume' and reference forms are due to the Extension Office by January 10th

Please note: Reference forms are only required for **new** high school camp counselors.

Group Interview Process:

- Please prepare a 30 sec – 1 minute "commercial" to introduce yourself, summarize your leadership skills and tell us why you would be a good fit as a camp counselor. Your commercial should be taken seriously and considered as something you would prepare for a job interview. The interviewing panel may ask you some questions.
- After the commercials are completed, we will have our first camp counselor meeting where we will discuss camp roles and expectations as well as brainstorm a 2025 camp theme and discuss camp counselor training schedule

The GROUP Interview and first meeting will take place on January 19th from 1PM to 3PM at the James P. Coughlin Center. The group interview/first meeting is MANDATORY.

WINNEBAGO COUNTY 4-H

I ♥ 4-H

WE ARE LOOKING FOR CAMP COUNSELORS!

4-H YOUTH IN GRADES 9-13 CAN APPLY!

JUNE 26-29 2025

**2025 4-H SUMMER CAMP
COUNSELOR APPLICATIONS
AVAILABLE AT:**

[HTTPS://WINNEBAGO.EXTENSION.WISC.EDU/4H/CAMP/](https://winnebago.extension.wisc.edu/4h/camp/)
APPLICATION DEADLINE: JANUARY 10, 2025
INTERVIEWS & FIRST MEETING: JANUARY 19, 2025

LEADERS' ASSOCIATION

Your 4-H Leaders' Association Board of Directors is excited to start a new year. We would like to thank Brenda Nuite, Lilly Plungy, Madison Plungy, and Melanie Zillges for completing their terms on the board and look forward to working with our new and re-elected members at our January meeting.

As a reminder, our board meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month except for December and are open to all members. We have an open forum at the beginning of each meeting to hear feedback, suggestions, and ideas for 4-H in Winnebago County. It is a way to provide feedback more often than waiting for the quarterly all-county meetings. Our next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 21st at 7:00 PM at the JPCC. Our next all-county meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 28th at 7:00 PM at the JPCC.

With the start of the new year, we are always looking for committee members to help with our county-wide programs and fundraising. You don't have to be on the board of directors to join most of our committees. We are always looking for help for Ambassadors, the Dipper, Summer Camp, Pizza Making, Basket Raffle, Interstate, Family Banquet, and other opportunities that may arise throughout the year. The board of directors also has two open adult positions available for volunteers to join us in planning and directing our county 4-H program. If you are interested in joining the board please reach out to Dana Berger or Herb Numrich for more information.

Your 2025 4-H Leaders' Association officers are:

Herb Numrich and Mari Oeftger - Co-Presidents

Nick Hansen and Evan Numrich - Co-Vice Presidents

Nancy Pieper and Anna Thiemke - Co-Secretaries

Steve Thiemke - Finance Committee Chair

Kay Lettau, Elise Echola Smith, Lisa Dauntes, Anne Zillges, and Madison Oeftger - Members at large

Thank you again to all our leaders, volunteers, and members for the work you have been doing to keep our program alive and vibrant for our members.

Herb Numrich, President – Winnebago County 4-H Leaders' Association

LEADERS' ASSOCIATION

Winnebago County 4-H Leaders' Association Scholarship Applications, References and Record Book due February 27th

The Winnebago County 4-H Leaders' Association awards up to five \$500 scholarships to current 4-H members who are high school seniors. This includes one scholarship from the Judith Gruszynske Memorial (Oshkosh Area Community Foundation), one scholarship from the Stevenson Memorial, one scholarship from the Simpson Memorial and two from the Winnebago County 4-H Board of Directors.

Scholarships are available to 4-H members who meet the following requirements: must have been a 4-H member for at least 5 years, must have exhibited at the fair, must have displayed an active leadership role, must graduate from high school, must attend college, technical college, university or a special education program either full-time or part-time, tuition costs must be at least \$500, and student must achieve a 2.0 or higher GPA after their first semester.

The Academic Scholarships (for post-high school education) and Key Award are a combined application. Youth can apply for just one or both, depending on their eligibility.

All Requirements to apply are listed on the application: <https://winnebago.extension.wisc.edu/files/2022/12/SCHOLARSHIP.KEY-Application-1.pdf>

Save the Date for 2025 4-H Summer Camp!

June 26-29 2025 at Upham Woods, WI Dells
Registration info will be available in February.

**We are in need of Camp Chaperones.
Please contact dana.berger@wisc.edu for more info.**



LEADERS' ASSOCIATION

2025 Winnebago County 4-H Leaders' Association Committee Membership

Finance (Elected)	Executive (Elected)	Endowment	Banquet	Nominating
Steve Thiemke (chair)	Herb Numrich (chair)	Elise Echola Smith	Nancy Pieper	Evan Numrich
Nick Hansen	Steve Thiemke	Madison Oeftger	Madison Oeftger	Madison Oeftger
Anne Zillges	Lisa Dautes	Mari Oeftger	Mari Oeftger	Mari Oeftger
	Nancy Pieper			Anna Thiemke
	Elise Echola Smith			Lisa Dautes
				Nancy Pieper

Basket Raffle	Dipper	Pizza Making	Skating Party	Sunshine
Kay Lettau	Herb Numrich	Kay Lettau	Lisa Dautes	Nancy Pieper
Elise Echola Smith	Scott Richter	Steve Thiemke	Brenda Nuite	Herb Numrich
Lisa Dautes	Evan Numrich	Nick Hansen		
	Lilly Plungy	Joe Kuehnl		
	Madison Oeftger	Anna Thiemke		
	Mari Oeftger			

WINNEBAGO COUNTY 4-H ALL COUNTY MEETING

**JANUARY 28, 2025
7:00PM AT JPCC**

All clubs/groups are expected to send at least one
volunteer!

HOLIDAY PARADE



★ HAPPY ★
Holidays
★ ★
 



RECORD BOOK

2024 WINNEBAGO COUNTY 4-H "BEST OF" RECORD BOOK AWARDS

Digital Record Book

Gabby Hostettler - White Cedars

Traditional Record Book Grade 3-5

Lydia Weis - Lakeshore

Traditional Record Book Grade 6-13

Lizzy Parker - Westward

Cloverbud Book

Jonah Westphal - White Cedars

Secretary Book: Madison Oeftger - Ridgeway

Treasurer Book: Ethan Spielbauer - Ridgeway

Historian Book: Julian Morris - Ridgeway



2024 WINNEBAGO COUNTY 4-H OUTSTANDING RECORD BOOK AWARDS

Mariana Oeftger - Ridgeway

Madison Oeftger - Ridgeway

Kate Clover - White Cedars

Blakeleigh Last - White Cedars

Lucy Wurzbach - 4-H Friends

Leif Echola Smith - Winchester

Mitchell Morton - Winchester

Cody Skadahl - White Cedars

Stephanie LaChey - Ridgeway



RECORD BOOKS

2024 WINNEBAGO COUNTY 4-H MERIT RECORD BOOK AWARDS

Hailey Dornke - 4-H Friends
 Signe Echola Smith - Winchester
 Anna Westphal - White Cedars
 Emily Hunter - Golden Oak
 Madelyn Weis - Lakeshore
 Finn Lettau - Winchester
 Leah Hale - White Cedars
 Hallie Potratz - Golden Oak
 Zoe Skadahl - White Cedars
 Caleb Westphal - White Cedars
 Harper Rozek - White Cedars
 Evan Numrich - Ridgeway
 Charlotte LaChey - Ridgeway
 Lorelai Miller - Ridgeway
 Gabby Hostettler - White Cedars

Kat Skadahl - White Cedars
 Lizzy Parker - Westward
 Sam Thiemke - 4-H Friends
 Anna Thiemke - 4-H Friends
 Dylan Barter - Winchester
 Marit Lettau - Winchester
 Lydia Weis - Lakeshore
 Nicholas Miller - Ridgeway

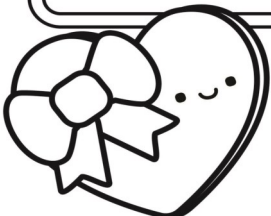


VALENTINE'S DAY WORD SEARCH

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 CUPID
 FRIEND
 GIFT
 HEART
 HUG
 LOVE
 ROSE
 SWEET



CLUB HAPPENINGS

4-H Friends November Minutes

The November third meeting of the 4-H Friends 4-H club was called to order at 3:06pm. 3 leaders, 15 members, and 10 parents were present. Chloe made a motion to accept the secretary report and Lucy seconded it. Becket also made a motion to approve of the treasurer's report and Hadley seconded. This month was elections for all officer positions. Our new president is Grace, VP: Max, S: Anna, and T: Chloe. Chloe brought her guinea pig named Fish as her demonstration. She showed her at the fair and explained how she cares for Fish. Sam also shared a demonstration which was painting rocks that look like stained glass with a 4-H logo in the center. November 19th is the leaders board meeting and January 28th is the all county meeting. Rachel volunteered to set up the activity next month. Chloe made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Becket seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 4:08pm.



Submitted by Anna Thiemke

4-H Friends December Minutes

The December 8th meeting of the 4-H Friends 4-H club was called to order at 3:01pm. 3 leaders, 21 members, and 10 parents were present. The secretary's report was read, approved by Hadley, and seconded by Grace C. The treasurer's report was also read, approved by Max, and seconded by Rachael. Rachael led us in an ornament making activity! We got a clear sphere ornament and put a bunch of holiday stickers, snowflake stickers, pom poms, and crumpled up paper inside! Everyone's looked super unique! Next, we decided to play a few games. The first one was 'Never Have I Ever.' Members had all 10 fingers up and if they've done the statement, they put down one finger. We went on until someone had all their fingers down and got a prize of one dollar! Lastly, we played a game where three teams get a topic and they have to write down as many things as they can in 10 seconds. We did sports, presidents, and holidays. Lucy volunteered to run the activity next month. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Grace C. and seconded by Becket. The meeting ended at 3:56pm.

Submitted by Anna Thiemke

CLUB HAPPENINGS

County Line 4-H Club Minutes

November 10th 3:00 Immanuel Lutheran Church

Our guest speaker, Lilly Plungy, led- “how to do a demo” She gave us good information on what it takes to present a good demonstration Maxine Harleman called the meeting to order. Shirley Shen led pledges. Lauretta Harleman read the minutes. It was good. Shirley Shen made a motion to accept. Brynn second it, motion passed.

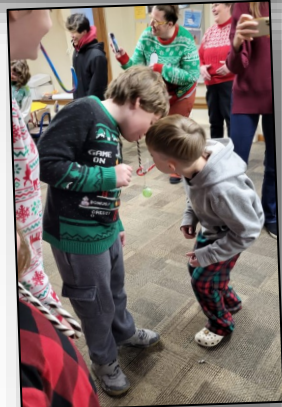
Treasurer’s Report. Violet Perkins led the Treasurer report.



Old business

- Atlas talked about the Roller-Skating Party
- Atlas and Maxine talked about Pizza Making
- Atlas and Daphne talked about Agbadging
- Henry talked about Cloverbud Blast

Ice breaker was killer frog



Current Business

- Re-enrollment closes November 20. Project changes can be made up to January 31, 2025.
- The Historian meeting will be November 14th at 5PM.
- Basket Raffle - Sleepover basket theme, Mrs. Perkins had post-it notes with items listed.
- Families will choose items they wish to donate. 1 for girls and 1 for boys.
- December meeting the 1st at 3, Lisa D. in charge of the Exchange. Harleman’s in charge of Hot chocolate. Nancy is in charge of cookies. Perkins in charge of craft. Scott’s in charge of games.
- The Christmas parade with county ambassadors is in Winneconne on December 14th. All are welcome to participate.

Close Meeting Motion by Brynn Seconded by Atlas. Motion passed

Following the meeting we all made pudding cup turkeys to be given to Care Partners Assisted Living residents.

CLUB HAPPENINGS

County Line Minutes- December 1, 2024

President Maxine called the meeting to order. The meeting started with Henry Harleman and Atlas Dauntes saying the pledges. Lauretta Harleman read November secretary notes. Lark made a motion to accept the minutes. Henry second. Motion passed

Violet Perkins gave the Treasury report.

Old Business:

Nancy Pieper talked about the historian meeting that was held last month. A reminder was given to post pictures to the Facebook page to keep track of the year for the new historian.

Current Business:

Don't forget to keep collecting for the basket raffle. Look for deals on the items you have.

Reminder about the ambassador parade Dec 14th in Winneconne. All members are welcome to participate.

Demonstrations for the January meeting: Violet Lane & Brynn, Lauretta, Lark, Violet Perkins, Daphne and Atlas

Everyone took coloring sheets to make Valentines for your care partners to bring back to January meeting.

Officer training is January 8th, at 6pm at the Coughlin building. All officers should plan on attending.

Watch for information on Fun Day in the upcoming newsletter.

We closed the meeting to have our Christmas party. Motion made by Atlas, second by Violet L. Motion passed.

Harleman family brought the hot chocolate.

Scott family was in charge of the games.

We played candy cane games. The Perkins family showed us how to make cute Christmas tree craft with a Hersey kiss base.

The Dauntes family had a game for the present exchange. Musical presents.

Lane's and Pieper brought snacks. Pieper supplied cookies for us to decorate and eat.

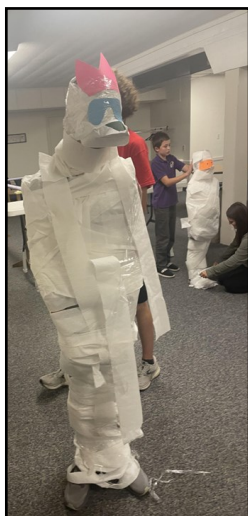
We all had a joyous time. See you all in January

Lauretta Harleman
secretary



CLUB HAPPENINGS

Winchester– October minutes



The meeting of the Winchester 4-H Club was called to order by Melanie Zillgess at 6:35 pm on Tuesday October 8, 2024. Jackson Morton led us in the pledges. Madelyn Melby gave the Secretary's Report. The minutes were approved and seconded by the club. There was no Treasurer's Report. Next we discussed the following Old Business: turning in record books, Sunflower and Pumpkin growing contest, and our clubs September rocketry demonstration last meeting. Our club made a motion to donate Steve Thiemke \$40 for his contribution to this club. We then discussed the following New Business: Re-enrollment closes on November 20, make sure to sign up for different projects for this year until January 31, 4-H Pizza Making, Winnebago County

4-H Fall Family Banquet, Halloween Roller Skating Party, New AdBadging Program, and the Cedar Crest Ice Cream Contest. After this, the Election of Officers took place. The following positions include Finn Lettau as President, Madelyn Melby as Vice President, Max Kieffer as Treasurer, Jackson Morton as Secretary, Sergeant of Arms is Kristopher Walsh, and Alternates are Mitchell Morton and Dylan. Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm by Signe Echola Smith and seconded by Edmond Kieffer. We had a fun time doing a mummy wrap competition. We learned about different types of apples and rated our favorites.

Written and Submitted by
Winchester 4-H Club's Secretary,
Madelyn Melby



CLUB HAPPENINGS

Winchester– November minutes

The regular meeting of the Winchester 4-H Club took place on November 12, 2024. Presiden Melanie Zillges called the meeting to order at 6:33. Jackson Morton led the pledges. Madelyn Melby gave the Secretary's report. Nora Good gave the Treasurer's report. The following Old Business was discussed: 4-H Pizza Making, 4-H Fall Family Banquet, 4-H Halloween Roller Skating Party, and the Ag Badge Thunder Gourd meeting. The following New business was discussed: Re-enrollment closing on November 20, project sign-up until January 31, AdBadge #2 is Tech and Engineering and will take place on January 22 at the JP Coughlin Center, 4-H Camp Counselors are needed for 4-H camp at Upham Woods June 26-June 29, 4-H Camp Counselor interviews will be on January 19, checking the 4-H newsletter for fun and exciting workshops, and the Cedar Crest Icecream contest. No demonstrations took place. Chris Lettau installed the new officer team which includes: Finn Lettau as President, Madelyn Melby as Vice President, Jackson Morton as Secretary, Max Kiefer as Treasurer, Kristopher Walsh as Sergeant at Arms, Marit Lettau as Historian, Mitchell Morton and Dylan Barter as alternates. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 by Signe Echola-Smith and seconded by Jackson Morton. We ended the night with pizza and a show-and-tell about our achievements from this year.

~Madelyn Melby, Winchester 4-H Secretary

Lakeshore

Our December meeting was called to order by president Aaden Davis. Roll call was taken with 9 members and 3 leaders present. The Secretary and Treasurer reports were read and approved.

Old businesses we discussed the Waukau craft event. It was fun. We donated the \$100 to Berlin, Ripon, and Omro food pantries. The angel tree family, the Girl got a unicorn and a unicorn blanket, the boy got a Carhartt hat and camouflage tie blanket.

New business we discussed officer training at the JPC center January 8th @6pm. Project changes need to be done by January 31st. Our winter outing is snow tubing Sunday the 26th 12:00 to 2pm. Demonstrations and refreshments sign up. Secret Santa exchange and Christmas craft will happen after the meeting. Our meeting was adjourned with the next meeting February 9th @2pm.



CLUB HAPPENINGS

Ridgeway– November Minutes

Beginning of the Meeting:

- Ridgeway 4-H Club met at Immanuel Lutheran Church on Tuesday
- November 12th, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 6:52 PM by
- Alternate Vice President Ethan Speilbaure.
- Sergeant-at-Arms Joey Nowak and the Cloverbuds led the pledges.
- The Secretary's Minutes by Secretary Madison Oeftger were shared in the agenda and a motion was made by Addy Murphie to approve the secretary's minutes, with a second from Max Oeftger. No discussion was had, and all voted yes, passing the motion.
- The Treasurer's report was then shared by Mari Oeftger and filed for audit.

Old Business:

- Nolan Smith shared the spin the wheel prizes with the club.
- The Historian report was shared by Sam Davies and members about going to the Winnebago County Banquet and Bowling, Achievement Night, Club Officer Training, Fall Pizza Making, and Thunder Gourd making.
- All members were reminded to sign up for icebreakers/meeting hosts/demos.
- Members were reminded that re-enrollment is now open.

New Business:

- There was a Monthly birthday Spin the Wheel for November birthdays.
- Then were told about 2025 Summer Camp Counselor applications, County Club officer training 1/8/25, and pottery workshop 1/4/25
- Later, Members were told about the Ag Badge program

Conclusion of Meeting:

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 PM by Alternate Vice President Ethan Speilbaure and a motion was made by Charli to adjourn the meeting, with a second from Cece. No discussion was had, and all voted yes, passing the motion.
- After the meeting there were some Dazzling Demos from Max Oeftger on Lacrosse Grips, Joey Nowak on How to Set Up a Trail Camera, and Mari Oeftger on How to get into the Christmas Spirit.

Spin the Wheel Winners (In Order):

Paul
Joey
Charli
Evelyn
Addy

-Submitted by Lilly Plungy, Ridgeway 4-H Club Secretary

CLUB HAPPENINGS

Golden Oak 4-H Club December Meeting Agenda 12/3/2024 at Nekimi Town Hall – 7:00 PM

Pledges

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jase Pepler and the 4-H Pledge was led by Catey Hunter

Roll Call

4-Hers stood up and said their name and their favorite Christmas Movie

Treasurer's Report

Given by Jess on behalf of Hallie

Reporter's Report

Not given this month

Birthdays

Old Business

Wreath Fundraiser

We wrapped up our wreath fundraiser selling a total of 332 wreaths.

Club Dues

Reminder to Pay Club Dues before the January Meeting

Golden Bucks Rewards

Announcement was made for 4-Hers to pick up their golden bucks if they sold wreaths, helped at pizza making or did any other 4-H related volunteer work.

Christmas Sponsorship

Day by Day Shelter: Emily Hunter spoke on the sponsoring of the Day by Day Shelter for Christmas. Items were purchased from their wish list and will be donated to the center.

Arianna Buehring helped connect the club with a family from the Oshkosh School District in need this Christmas. The club was able to sponsor four kids grades 1-11 to purchase toys and clothing. The items will be wrapped and gifted to the family in time for Christmas.

New Business

Chili Dinner

The Chili Dinner will be held on Sunday February 16th at the Nekimi Town Hall. Discussion on donation of needed items and creating a craft for the centerpiece.

Demonstrations

The cloverbuds came up and displayed their ornaments that they made during the cloverbud meeting. They made either a snowman or a reindeer ornament. Dylan also came forward to display a Lego creation.

Adjourn

Winnebago County 4-H Cookie Exchange



COUNTY NEWS & INFO



What Is An AgBadge?

AgBadging is a new series of workshops where youth explore how agriculture links to what we eat, wear and use every day!

Youth can earn a badge after completing activities from each of the 5 agricultural areas:

1. Geography & Culture
2. Technology & Engineering
3. Ag & the Environment
4. Plants & Animals
5. Food & Health

All grades are welcome!



JANUARY 22, 2025

6PM AT JPCC

COST \$5 PER YOUTH

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!

Register by January 15th

<https://bit.ly/4egMovS>

AgBadge #2 Tech & Engineering

Barn Diorama:

A barn is an agricultural building. There are many types of barns and each serves a different purpose. During this workshop, youth will create a shoebox barn diorama which houses any animal of their choice.

Diorama design will consider the following:

- Access to feed & water
- Lighting
- Fresh air
- Waste management & sanitation

4-H will supply materials (shoeboxes, paper, paint, markers, mini animal figures, etc.

Youth are welcome to bring any other items they choose to help build their diorama.

This project can be entered at the
Winnebago County Fair!



PROJECT NEWS & INFO

WINNEBAGO COUNTY 4-H

HORSELESS HORSE EXPERIENCE

Learn what daily horse care looks like such as hoof care, horse shoes, grooming and equipment explanation. Youth will also have the opportunity to ride a horse.

***This experience is geared for 4-H youth that do not have/own a horse or do not already take horse riding lessons.**



COST \$5 ea

**MARCH 1, 2025
11:00AM AT LUCKY STABLES
6976 WOODENSHOE RD - NEENAH
REGISTER BY: FEBRUARY 21**

<https://bit.ly/3BpHHjB>



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Dog Project

Next meetings are:

January 16th at 6:30 PM at JPCC

February 20th at 6:30 PM at JPCC

Youth leaders should bring project meeting ideas to the January meeting.



PROJECT NEWS & INFO

Interstate Skating Event

Where: Skaters Edge

5714 Integrity way, Grand Chute

When: January 19, 2025

from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.



4-H Roller Skating Event

- Open to ALL 4-H er's, friends, and family. Adult supervision is required for all children 12 and under.
- Registration is not required, but if you register, all 4-H members and Cloverbuds will save \$4.00!
- Registration is on page xx and due January 15, 2025.
- For day-of payment, Mention 4-H and 50% of your admission fee will help fund the 4-H 2025-2026 Interstate Exchange Program.

Cost

Skater: \$10

Non-skater: \$3.00

Skate Rental: \$3.00

Skate Mate: \$4.00



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COUNTY NEWS & INFO

Winnebago County
4-H Family Ice Skating

GRAB YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR FRIENDS AND JOIN US!



Saturday, March 15, 2025

Community First Champion Center Fox Cities
5000 W. Champion Drive, Appleton

1:00-3:00 PM

FREE!

(Thank you Leaders' Association)

RSVP appreciated but not required:

<https://bit.ly/3OP1xYw>

Each youth and adult who plans to skate should complete the waiver and bring it along.

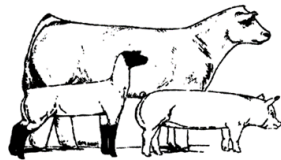
Waiver: <https://bit.ly/4g4APHB>

Skates are provided, but you may also bring your own.



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Meat Animal Board



BEEF WEIGH-IN will be Saturday
February 22 9-11 PM at Doug Reese Farm 3453 Breezewood Lane
Neenah, WI 54956

NEXT MEETINGS

January 8, 2024 @ 7:30 PM @ JPCC (Room TBD)
February 12, 2024 @ 7:30 PM @ JPCC



COMMUNITY NIGHT!

SAVE THE DATE

February 22, 2025 @ Brighton Acres
starting at 2pm

- Craft & Wine event
- Cribbage Tournament
- Kids activities/scavenger hunt
- Face painting
- Polka band
- Silent Auction/Raffle baskets
- 50/50 raffle
- Line dancing

THIS YEAR DONATIONS WILL BE GOING TO

*The American Breast Cancer
Foundation*

TUNE INTO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR FURTHER DETAILS AS THE
EVENT GETS CLOSER

THE SCIENCE OF THE CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE

In this program, you get to find or create your own perfect recipe that turns out every single time you make it.

There are so many variables or science to making the perfect chocolate chip cookie. By the time you're done going through all these lessons, you should have your perfect recipe!

AUDIENCE: Youth in grades 3-12

WHEN: February-March, 2025

**REGISTRATION OPENS DEC 20TH
& CLOSSES JAN 13TH**



LEARN MORE

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STATE NEWS & INFO

DINOSAURS AND UNICORNS!

This at-home lesson series encourages creativity and imagination while introducing science and building life skills. We will divide up our journey into four lessons:

- Sound
- Color
- Paleontology (the study of dinosaurs)
- Importance of creativity

AUDIENCE: Youth in grades K-2
WHEN: February-March, 2025

Registration opens December 20
and closes January 13



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PAPER CIRCUITS

Are you ready to accept the challenge of creating
a low-voltage electronic circuit?

We're going to use conductive tape, a battery, LEDs, and paper to learn about electrical circuits! Get ready to learn and have fun through this hands-on introduction to electric circuits.

This program will allow participants to explore and be challenged to problem-solve and think creatively and critically.

AUDIENCE: Youth in grades 4-9
WHEN: March, 2025

Registration opens January 2
and closes January 24

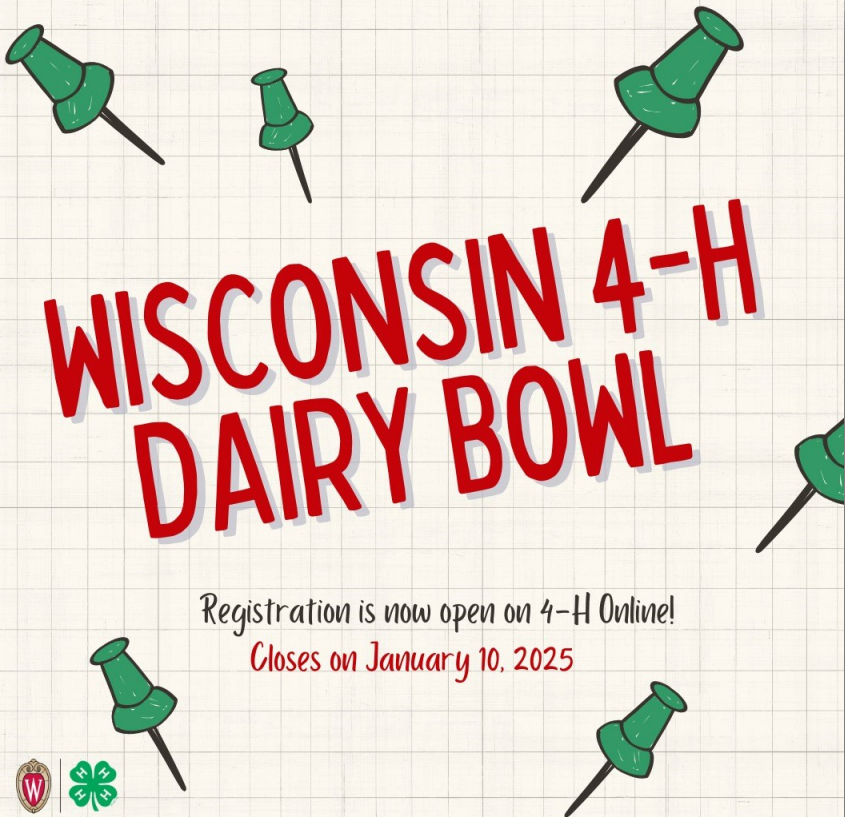


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WISCONSIN 4-H DAIRY BOWL

Registration is now open on 4-H Online!
Closes on January 10, 2025



Wisconsin 4-H Dairy Bowl registration is now open!
If interested, contact Amy Jo Domke:
Domke2892@yahoo.com or 920-232-5401

For more information on the contests and day of events,
please visit our website!
<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/.../statew.../dairy-quiz-bowl/>

NEWS FROM EXTENSION

Horticulture

Gardening with Climate Change in Mind: Upcoming Session

After successful presentations to a statewide audience and the Oshkosh Garden Club, we are excited to offer another opportunity to explore how climate change impacts our gardens and communities.

Our climate is shifting, bringing challenges that affect everything from energy use to plant health. Homeowners and gardeners are also facing increased time and effort to manage these issues. By understanding and responding to local climate trends, we can reduce our environmental footprint and create more resilient landscapes.

Join us for the next session!

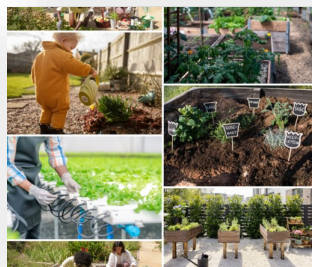
Date: March 18th, 5:30 PM

Location: Federated Church of Green Lake, 489 Scott Street, Green Lake

This session is free and there is no registration required. We hope to see you there!

Jacob Kluz

kluza@wisc.edu



Health & Well-Being

Registration Now Open for FREE WeCOPE Class!

Start the new year with tools to manage stress and boost your well-being!

Registration is now open for WeCOPE (Connecting with Our Positive Emotions), a free, virtual class designed to help you navigate everyday stress with confidence and positivity.

Dates: Mondays, January 27 – March 3 (6 sessions)

Time: 12:00 – 1:00 PM

Location: Virtual via Zoom (join from wherever you are!)

In this weekly one-hour session, you'll learn and practice 11 evidence-based skills to help you stay resilient and connected to positive emotions. These simple yet powerful tools can make a big difference in how you handle life's ups and downs.



We COPE

Sign up today by clicking [here!](#)

Take this step toward greater balance and well-being—we look forward to seeing you there!

Katherine (Katie) Jaegly

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NEWS FROM EXTENSION

Human Development & Relationships

Plan Ahead for Peace of Mind: Join the UW-Madison Division of Extension's Online End-of-Life Planning Series

End-of-life planning can feel overwhelming, but it doesn't have to be.

The UW-Madison Division of Extension's Planning AHEAD series is here to guide you through this important process with confidence and clarity. This 6-week online course covers essential aspects of end-of-life planning.

Designed for both individuals preparing for their own future and those supporting loved ones, Planning AHEAD provides practical advice and resources to make the process easier. A comprehensive planning workbook will also be provided to help you stay organized.

Dates: Wednesdays, January 22 - February 26, 2025

Time: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Platform: Online via Zoom

Sign up today and take the first step toward peace of mind for you and your family.

Register by calling 920-832-4763 or online at [https://](https://bit.ly/2025PlanningAheadVirtual)

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Todd Wenzel

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Community Development

Help grow our Community Gardens Directory!

The UW-Madison Extension for Winnebago and Outagamie counties is on a mission to map out community gardens in the Fox Valley and Oshkosh area, and we need your help!

How can you contribute?

- Fill out this [Google Form](#)
- Call Amy Beck at 920-832-5121
- Email Amy.Beck@outagamie.org

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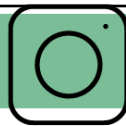
J. P. Coughlin Center
625 E. County Road Y, Suite 600
Oshkosh, WI 54901-8131
(920) 232-1974
FAX (920) 232-1967

HOURS: Monday through Friday
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

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