

# WINNEBAGO COUNTY



MAR-APR 2025

NEWSLETTER

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## Register for 2025 4-H Summer Camp Before It Fills Up!

Winnebago County

**2025  
4-H SUMMER CAMP  
SAFARI**

JUNE 26-29TH  
UPHAM WOODS, WISCONSIN DELLS

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**Cost \$100 per camper**

Registration Form:

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## March

- 1st: Horseless Horse (FULL)
- 1st: Horse & Pony Tack Sale
- 8th: Camp Counselor Training 9:30AM-2PM Upham
- 12th: MAB Meeting 7:30PM @JPCC
- 16th: Dairy Project Meeting 1PM at JPCC
- 18th: Leaders Board Meeting 7PM @JPCC
- 20th: Dog project Meeting
- 24th: Horse & Pony Meeting 7:30PM @JPCC
- 27th: Fair Board Meeting 7PM @JPCC



## April

- 5th: Rabbit Fun Show
- 6th: Camp Counselor Training 1PM-3PM @JPCC
- 9th: MAB Meeting 7:30PM @JPCC
- 10th: WI Idea Week ChickQuest 6PM @ JPCC
- 14th: Pizza Count 6PM @JPCC
- 15th: Leaders Board Meeting 7PM @JPCC
- 18th: Good Friday– OFFICE CLOSED
- 22nd: All County 4-H Meeting
- 24th: Fair Board Meeting 7PM @JPCC
- 25th: Pizza Set-up 3PM @Expo
- 26th: Pizza Making @Expo
- 28th: Horse & Pony Meeting 7:30 @JPCC



### 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



PIZZA COUNT NIGHT  
4/14/2025  
6-7PM @ JPCC

ONLINE ORDERING OPTION!  
GO TO:

<https://winnebago4hleaders.square.site/>

Online orders close on April 13th

Be sure to tell your family & friends  
ordering online which 4-H club you are from.

Printable order forms are available at:

<https://winnebago.extension.wisc.edu/4h/leaders/fundraising/pizza/>

### CLUBS:

Please designate a person to bring your club's in-person  
(non-online) pizza orders to Pizza Count Night.  
You do not need to do anything with online orders placed.

**Pizza Making Sign Up**

We need your help to make pizzas!

Sign up at: [bit.ly/3G3sfsP](http://bit.ly/3G3sfsP)

Keep an eye out for emails regarding updated pizza info

**PLEASE PICK YOUR PIZZAS UP BY 11AM ON APRIL 26TH**

## NEW!

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

Forms are available online:

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





## FUNDRAISING

### 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 Kuehnl 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

### 4-H Dipper Survey

As the 4-H Dipper Committee prepares for their leadership transition, we wanted to get feedback from our families and volunteers. The committee has created a survey that we would like as many of you as possible to respond to in order to provide planning information to the committee moving forward into the future of this fundraising opportunity at the fair. All responses are confidential, but we are asking for your role, club, and number of years you have been a part of our volunteer team to help put context around the responses. The survey will be open until April 30<sup>th</sup> and we encourage everyone to respond with their feedback. The survey can be found at <https://forms.gle/VeDCuAyj7NbjZbeu5>.

## 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**

# YOUTH LEADERSHIP

## National 4-H Congress

The National 4-H Congress is a premier event that brings together outstanding 4-H members from across the United States. Held annually, it serves as both a celebration of their achievements and an opportunity to inspire future leaders. 4-H members who have excelled in their local clubs are invited to attend this prestigious event, where they participate in a wide range of educational workshops, leadership training, and service opportunities.

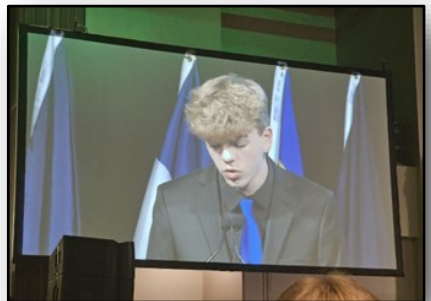


At the National 4-H Congress, youth leaders are exposed to diverse topics, from science and technology to community service and sustainable agriculture. The workshops are designed to encourage personal and professional growth, equipping participants with the skills and knowledge to make a positive impact in their communities. These sessions, led by experts in various fields, provide practical tools for tackling real-world challenges.



One of the event's most important aspects is the emphasis on community service. Participants engage in hands-on service projects that focus on giving back and addressing pressing societal issues. This focus on service is a core value of the 4-H program and helps foster a spirit of empathy and responsibility in youth.

In addition to workshops and service projects, the National 4-H Congress features motivational speakers and inspiring leaders who share their stories of success, resilience, and community involvement. These speakers serve as role models for the young attendees, showing them that they too can make a difference.



# YOUTH LEADERSHIP

The National 4-H Congress is more than just an event—it's a life-changing experience. It offers young people the chance to develop leadership skills, gain new perspectives, and connect with like-minded individuals from across the country. Ultimately, it embodies the values of 4-H: Head, Heart, Hands, and Health—preparing youth to lead with confidence and integrity.

Written By Evan N.  
Ridgeway 4-H club Member  
11th grader



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## National 4-H Congress 2024

By: Madison Oeftger

At the end of November and beginning of December, I had the privilege to go on a 4-H experience called National 4-H Congress. It is a conference for 4-Hers to gain knowledge of how to become a better leader and meet others from around the country and learn about our differences.

About 40 4-H Wisconsin delegates including myself went to Atlanta, GA to experience this conference. We flew on a plane from Madison, WI and that is where we all met for the first time. I have never been to Georgia before so I was excited to get out of the cold we have in Wisconsin and learn something new about Georgia.

The first day we got there, there was a lot going on. We got our roommates, traded pins and went to the Equal Rights Museum. I enjoyed doing all of this and especially making connections with other Wisconsin 4-Hers.

The second day we started with the conference in the morning and had different sessions to go to throughout the morning and afternoon. These included speed-meeting where I got to meet many people from around the country and learn about their life, learned some new ice breakers, had a speaker about how to lead a service project and how to be a charismatic teenager. That night was probably one of my favorite activities we did. It was the night of culture. This means that we got to eat food from around the world and try new things. It was super yummy and delicious.

# YOUTH LEADERSHIP

## Continued...

The third day we met in the conference room in the morning and had a speaker who was a cheerleader for the Kansas City Chiefs. She talked to us about our goals and continuing to reach them. For lunch, we went on a walk to Mary Mac's which is a southern restaurant with a unique story behind it. Again, the food was amazing and it was a nice experience. In the afternoon, we had different workshops. I attended a workshop to learn about icebreakers we could do and then afterwards I did Pilates for the first time. It was fun to try something new. That night we went to the Atlanta History Museum and had a fine dinner with different experiences to learn. We learned dances from the Victorian days, listened to a new kind of music and learned some African dances.

The fourth day was our day of service. Everyone who attended the conference was assigned somewhere to go to help in Atlanta, GA. I was assigned to the Chattahoochee Nature Center where I helped clean out the shed to help solve their mouse problem. Then that afternoon, we got to explore Atlanta by being a tourist. I got to go to the World of Coke Museum and try a lot of fun, unique kinds of soda. In the evening, we had a fancy dinner and a dance to follow afterwards.

The last day, we had a speaker in the morning who had come to the National 4-H Congress many times to speak. I enjoyed each of the speakers we had and they helped me to see something new. That same day, we took a plane back to Madison to return to our normal lives.

I am very grateful for this experience that I was offered. I enjoyed every second of it and even made many new friends throughout the state and the country. I highly recommend it to any highschooler in 10th-12th grade because first off, you get to miss school and next you will enjoy many fun and different experiences



# SUMMER CAMP



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# EVENTS & MEETINGS

Winnebago County  
**4-H Family Ice Skating**

GRAB YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR FRIENDS AND JOIN US!



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**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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## **All County 4-H Meeting & Volunteer Appreciation Night**

**April 22, 2025**

**7:00 PM**

**at James P. Coughlin Center**

Topics of Discussion:

2025-2026 Budget  
Thrive Survey Results  
Summer Fundraising  
Summer Programming

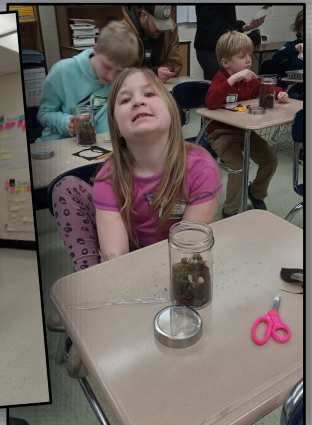
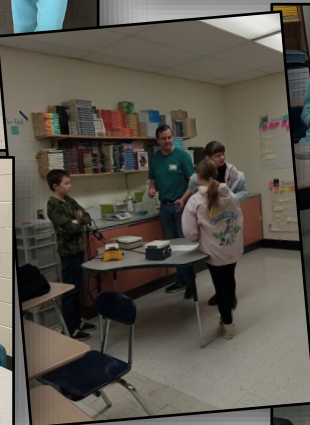
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# FUN DAY



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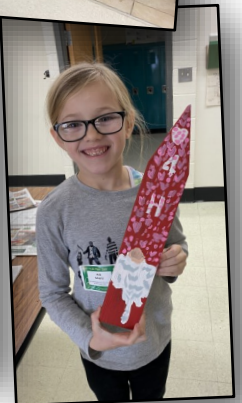
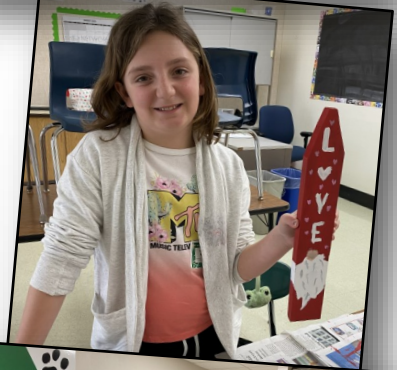


**FUN**





# FUN DAY



## CLUB HAPPENINGS

### **Poygan Go-Getters-December**

The Poygan Go-Getters December 8, 2024 meeting was called to order at 4:08p.m. Pledges were led by Claire and Audrey. Roll call was completed by Ava Larson; followed by the secretaries report.

Treasurer's report was given by Riley McCollian and reminder that dues of \$10 each were due last meeting. Please turn this in as soon as possible. We celebrated 1 December birthday, Devyn. Reminder was given by Heather that you are able to make changes to your fair projects until Jan. 31st and we recommend signing up for multiple projects for the fair. New business; we talked about fundraiser ideas and possibilities such as a Culver's Night and Candy bars. Caroling and playing the ukulele is December 21st at Country Villa. Thank you to Joanna who volunteered to be the new Goat leader for our club. Please sign up for a snack/beverage if you haven't already. County reminders: optional officer training January 6:00 p.m. at the Coughlin Center. 4-H Fun Day is February 2nd, 2025. Watch for sign up to come by mail. Our next meeting will be on January 12th. Speech sign up will be available after the meeting. Volunteer to talk about projects you submitted last year at the fair or new projects you hope to do this year. Speeches can be up to 10 minutes long. Whoever does a speech gets an entry to a drawing for a free ride pass at the upcoming Fair. Lilly and Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 4:46pm which was followed by our Christmas party that included games, ornament exchange and a variety of holiday cookies!

Submitted by Ava Larson

### **Poygan Go-Getters- January**

The Poygan Go-Getters January 12, 2025 meeting was called to order by Katelyn Resop at 4:02 p.m. Pledges were led by Liam and Nolan. Roll call and secretaries report was completed by Ava Larson. Jennifer McCollian provided the Treasurer's report with reminder dues of \$10 per child are due ASAP if you haven't paid. New Business: We recognized January Birthdays; present was Tristan. Heather reminded all of the club goals as well as requirement to attend at least 5 out of the 10 meetings to have a youth exhibitor band and fair entries paid for by the club. You can make changes to projects until January 31st. Fundraising ideas were discussed which included a future night at Pizza Ranch as well as possibly selling chicken nuggets from Chick-fil-a. We made \$250 from the sock sale. Thank you to all who participated. Please remember each family is asked to sign up for a snack or drink donation at a future club meeting. Sign up Genius is posted on our Facebook page. County Activities: Reminder February 1st is 4-H Fun Day at Perry Tipler Middle School. Deadline to register is January 19th. Katelyn shared some new distance learning opportunities being offered in February and March. Ava shared information about Interstate Exchange and a 4-H Roller Skating Fundraising Event at Skater's Edge on January 19th. 50% of the entry fee helps fund the Interstate Exchange Program which Ava and a few other members are a part of. Ava made a motion and Drew second to move the February 9th meeting up to 3:00 p.m. due to the Super Bowl. Our next meeting will be February 9th at 3pm. The meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

Submitted by Ava Larson

## CLUB HAPPENINGS

### **Poygan Go-Getters– February**

The Poygan Go-Getters February 9th meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. Pledges were led by Devyn and Adelyn. Roll call and secretaries report was read by Ava Larson.

Katelyn Resop provided the Treasurer's report on Riley McCollian's behalf and reminded everyone to pay dues of \$10 per child if you hadn't already. We welcomed Brielle and Avery Gorte back to the club. Member expectations were reviewed and a reminder every time you volunteer you get a free entry to a free ride pass at the Fair.

Updates from committee leaders were given. Jen is still talking with the Y for a club winter activity. Heather talked about scheduled club fundraising opportunities to help with fair decorations. A Culver's fundraiser is scheduled for Tuesday, April 15th from 5-7pm, Panera fundraiser on Thursday, April 24th 4-8pm and a Pizza Ranch fundraiser in December (only month available). It was asked to share these fundraisers with family, friends and on Facebook as dates get closer. County project updates were provided by Toni and Heather. Kateyln shared upcoming county activities.

Reminder paper order forms for pizza sales need to be turned in at the April club meeting. Online ordering is preferred. Tristan Hodgen provided a speech on his grandma's cat Boot's who he is planning to show at the fair. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Devyn, second by Savannah at 3:38 p.m. Our next meeting is Sunday, March 9th at 4pm.

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### **Winchester– January**

The meeting of the Winchester 4-H club took place on January 14 2025 at Norbirt rich president Finn Lettau called the meeting to order at 7:39 then christopher led the pledges and Jackson gave the secretary's report, followed up by that Max gave the treasurer report. The old Business that was discussed was Officer training, pottery workshop, the meet animal board meeting and the county leader board meeting. New business that was discussed was registration for the fair, the dog project, 4-H summer camp which is June

26-29 and 4-H funday which is February 1st. Lastly, we talked about the 4-H roller skating event. Then Edmund gave a demonstration on his woodworking project followed up by Finn's demonstration on the Wisconsin leadership

console. The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 by president Finn Lettau. After the meeting Jim Melby led a tour through the forest and we played board games.

# CLUB HAPPENINGS

## Winchester

December 10, 2024, 6:30pm

Pledges led by Sgt at Arms - Kristopher Walsch

Secretary's Report - Jackson Morton

Treasurer's Report - Max Keifer

### Old Business:

The meat animal board and the dog project met this last month. Did we have anyone who attended either meeting?

### New Business:

- Check out the newsletter, there is a link to many exciting opportunities for older youth. There are opportunities to travel to Costa Rica and Japan. There is Washington Focus in Washington, DC this summer, American Spirit in June and Space Camp this May for youth in grades 6-8. Take Advantage of all that 4-H has to Offer!
- Ambassadors- JOIN 4-H AMBASSADORS IN THE WINNECONNE HOLIDAY PARADE Parade is December 14th @ 4:30 PM Meeting at Jim Selle's farm to decorate (2:00 / 2:30 PM) 531 Highway 116. All are welcome to come help and/or walk in the parade.
- RABBIT PROJECT HOLIDAY PARTY - 12/14/24 – 12PM at JPCC RSVP to rtaff14@gmail.com
- Attention to youth in grades 9-13! 4-H members can now apply to join the state Arts Ambassadors! This is our new state art team that will allow youth and adults to collaborate and further their art interests. The Arts Ambassadors will have involvement in Arts Camp, Art Beat, Fall Forum, State Fair, and more! Arts Ambassadors will also learn valuable skills tied to leadership and interpersonal skills as well as how to promote the 4-H expressive arts.
- Club Officer Training- Officer Training will take place Wednesday, January 8th at the JP Coughlin Center. Please register by December 30th. We hope all of our new officers can attend and come back with great ideas to share with the club.
- **Project Enrollment** - Project Selection for Fair Entry is due by January 31st. Please think about what you would like to learn more about and sign up by the deadline. Some projects have Winchester club leaders that can help, others have county wide events and training that take place. Now is the time to think about what you might want to learn more about. Cloverbuds and Exploring projects are a great way for the younger youth to try all sorts of things and see what they really like.
- 4-H Fun Day will be coming up on Saturday February 1st. Look for sign up in the newsletter, this will be a great opportunity for younger members to try a variety of hands-on activities.
- 4-H Summer Camp Counselors- 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. Interviews will take place on January 19th.
- Who has attended camp before or has been a counselor? (Talk about your experience)





## CLUB HAPPENINGS

### **4-H Friends– January**

The January 5th meeting of the 4-H Friends 4-H club was called to order at 3pm. 21 members, 11 parents, and 2 leaders were present. A motion to approve the secretary's report was made by Becket and seconded by Hadley. We reminded families that 4-H Fun Day is February 1st, the Leaders Board is hosting an ice-skating event on March 5th, and the All County meeting is January 28th. Auggie went to the Holiday Cookie Exchange where he got to eat cookies and play games. Fiona and Jon brought in their three Netherland dwarf rabbits. They feed them pellets, hay, and water. They took them to the fair last year and got first place. Fiona and Jon also have 12 rabbits in total. Lucy put on the game this month which was called head, shoulders, knees, toes, plate. Against an opponent, members would put their hands wherever or do whatever the announcer says, and when they said plate, grab the plate. Sam was our champion for that game. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Lucy and seconded by Isaac. Our next meeting is February 2nd at Calvary Lutheran church at 3pm.

Submitted by Anna Thiemke

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### **4-H Friends-February**

The February 2nd meeting of the 4-H Friends 4-H club was called to order at 3:01pm. 15 members, 7 parents, and 1 leader were present. Hadley made a motion to accept the secretary's report and Hannah seconded. Upcoming events include our clubs Culver's fundraiser February 17th (sign up in Team Reach), our Echos of the Past setup fundraiser is Feb 20th at 4:30pm and take down is Feb 23rd at 3:30ish. 4-H Summer Camp is also around the corner so sign up! Pizza count night is April 14th, setup is April 25th, and Pizza Making is April 26th. The free Leaders Board ice skating at the Community First Champion Center is March 15th. We went around and asked members if they went to 4-H Fun Day! Jon said he made DIY lotion and participated in the Wave Robotics session, Will helped with the terrarium and rocket sessions, Sam made a DIY Dog Toy and DIY sweatshirt sewing, and Anna presented the Slime Science sessions. Hadley presented her diorama from the Agg Badge program which had pigs in a little barn setting. Our activity for the meeting was introduced by Aspen. We cut out hearts, dipped them in shaving cream and paint, and wiped off the shaving cream to create abstract Valentine's Day hearts! Becket and Hadley's family will be bringing a treat next meeting and Anna will bring the activity. Hadley made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Henry seconded it. Our next meeting will be March 2nd at Calvary Lutheran Church at 3pm.

Submitted by Anna Thiemke

# CLUB HAPPENINGS

## White Cedars

**Monday, January 13, 2025**

**Meeting was held at Butte Des Morts Lions Club**

Meeting was called to order at 6:41pm by Lexi.

**Pledges-** were led by Leah and Lainie.

**Roll Call-** 22 members present, 11 Adults present. Any new members or guests? No

**Secretary's Report** is posted on White Cedars Google Drive.

**Treasurer's Report-** Our previous months balance was \$1725.12, we had deposits of \$505.

**Vice President** Gabby read the county highlights from the Newsletter. Some highlights included: Volunteers must log at least 4 hours of community service each year to be eligible for any 4-H community service awards. Board meetings open to ALL members every first Tuesday of the month. Join committees (interstate, dipper, banquet & more). Summer Camp & Wisconsin Dells registration open February. 2024 record book awards (Gabby, Jonah, Blakeleigh, Cody, Anna, Leah, Zoe, Harper, Kat, and more!). Barn diorama workshop January 22nd at the JPCC.

**Icebreaker:** Led by Lainie & Blakeleigh. We all did Valentine's WYR.

**Cloverbud project:** Led by Kenna & Lainie, the Cloverbuds and Explorers (up through grade 5) made ornament snowflake out of beads and pipe cleaners.

**Demonstration(s):**

**Gabby- 4-H Record Book Requirements**

Documents your journey, valuable skill, sets goals, recognitions, applications, college scholarships. There are many Winnebago County Formats (will be posted on Facebook). Template for cloverbuds.

**Emma- How to Pack for 4-H Camp**

Make a detailed list, bring a big suitcase-you have to carry your belongings up cabin hill! June 26th-29th at Upham Woods.

**Old/New Business**

- **Clothing/Sewing-** Wool applique sweatshirts & "kitty pouches" at 4-H Fun Day
- **Foods-** Science of chocolate chip cookies, bake off on Jan. 26th, microwave truffles for Valentine's Day zoom meeting
- **Adventures-** Escape room from December "it was so fun!" Rock climbing in summer
- **Woodworking-** Sign up for projects soon! Send pictures to Jenni and/or Mark
- **Horse + Pony-** Tax sale on March first & meeting coming up in March (state is May 3rd)
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- **Rabbits-** April 5th Fun Show 8am

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## Other Business

what - Brat fry around May and/or candy sale?

Caleb made a motion to do the brat barn, Zoe seconded. Motion carried by Lexi. Restaurant volunteering (youth voted for Pizza Ranch)

**Famous White Cedars:** Lucas student of the month, Zoe VEX award, Kenna made deans list

**Birthday Bin:** Anna, Caleb, Cody & Zoe, Gabby, Blakeleigh, Taylor

## Reminders for Next Meeting

- **Next meeting will be: 2/13/24 - where: Neenah Plaza**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm. Motioned by Zoe and seconded by Lanie

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## **White Cedars**

**Monday, February 10, 2025**

**Meeting was held at The Plaza, Neenah**

Meeting was called to order around 6:20pm by Lexi around the fire and between skating.

**Pledges-** omitted tonight

**Roll Call-** 25 members present, 15 Adults present. Any new members or guests? Yes, we welcomed the Dudenhoeffer’s to our club, as well as Summer B. who may join this next month. We also welcomed all our club friends who joined us tonight.

**Secretary’s Report** is posted on White Cedars Google Drive.

**Treasurer’s Report-** was not read tonight with our shortened meeting

**Vice President** Gabby read the county highlights and events, all shared on White Cedars Facebook page:

**Icebreaker:** Ice skating

## Old/New Business

- **Clothing/Sewing-** With Fun Day over please see Jenni for individual project meetings. Jenni will also host a JoAnn’s night to get patterns and fabric for your projects, watch for that on Facebook.
- **Foods-** Watch for this year’s Chopped Challenge in next months newsletter!

## CLUB HAPPENINGS

**Woodworking-** Send pictures of project you would like to work on to Mark

**Horse + Pony-** Tack sale in March. Lexi proposed the club help to support a club raffle basket at the sale. Lanie motioned to have the club donate \$50 toward a raffle basket, Blakeleigh seconded the motion. All members approved.

**Dogs-** Watch for information on February meeting.

**Rabbits-** April 5th Fun Show 8am. Jenni mentioned that it is a good show to learn at, buy a bunny and cages, etc. White Cedars always has a raffle basket at the show. Zoe made a motion to donate \$25 of club funds toward that basket, and Jordan seconded the motion. All members approved.

### Other Business

**what** - Brat fry (signup Feb 18th)

**Famous White Cedars:** omitted tonight

**Birthday Bin:** omitted tonight (we will do both of these next month)

### Reminders for Next Meeting

- **Next meeting will be:3/10/25 - where: Butte des Morts Lions Club**
  - **Pledges-** Jordan and Kaylin Knapp
  - **Cloverbud Project-** Jordan and Kaylin Knapp
  - **Educational Demo-** Caleb and Anna Westphal
  - **Snack and Refreshments-** Hopp Snack, Grundman Drinks
- The meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm to return to skating.

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### **Ridgeway**

Started at 2:45pm Sunday December 8th at JPCC

Demos

Alivia - how to make friendship bracelets

Evan - how to make a demo

Madison - how to have a beach day of fun

Madison and Evan talk about National 4-H Club Congress

Demos continued

Anna - Talked about Frogs

Conner - Mark Rover

Games

Adjourned at 5:09pm

# CLUB HAPPENINGS

## County Line 4-H Club Meeting Minutes January 12, 2025

Maxine called the meeting to order. We welcomed the new members to the club.

5th graders said the pledges.

Secretary's Report was given by Lauretta Harleman Lark made a motion to accept the minutes as written.

Violet P. second.

Motion passed

Treasurer's Report was given by Violet Perkins. We have \$895.51. Every member owes 10 dollars for club dues.

Old Business. Lauretta H, Violet P, And Maxine went to officer training. They spoke about making motions with cookies. We broke off into Parent Meeting/Ice Breakers. While the kids played frogger, the adults discussed the events coming up.

Current Business.

Fun Day is Feb 1st don't forget to sign up.

Roller skating, Ice skating,

Basket Raffle keep watching sales and collecting your items. If you need any assistance on this talk to Mrs. Perkins.

In The February meeting we will be making a craft. Bring paint brushes, hair dryers and shirts that can get paint on them. Do not forget to bring more valentines to go to our Nursing home pen pals.

Henry H. made a motion to close the meeting and Atlas second it.

Motion passed

Demos were done by: Violet Lane on her Trumpet, Brynn Perkins on her guitar, Atlas and Daphne Dauntes on Rolo pretzels, Lauretta Harleman on Sock bunnies, Lark Scott on rubber band Bracelets, Violet Perkins on her bell set.

Refreshments by the Lane family, next month will be the Harleman family.

Looking ahead:

Keep collecting for basket raffle  
And pay attention to all the fun activities held on the county level.



# AG BADGE #2 BARN DIORAMAS





# AG BADGE #2 BARN DIORAMAS



# PROJECT NEWS & INFO

## Winnebago County 4-H Horse & Pony TACK/CRAFT SALE



Sunnyview Expo Center (Fairgrounds)  
500 East County Rd Y, Oshkosh, WI

**Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, 9AM – 2 PM**

\$1.00 Admission per person. \*\*\*100% of admissions will be donated to the Winnebago County 4-H Upham Woods Camp in June. \*\*\*

NO PETS ALLOWED!!!

### Huge Consignment Area

Come drop off your horse related equipment and we will sell your items for you while you enjoy a day of shopping in the HEATED Sunnyview Expo Center. Consignment items will be accepted Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 PM and Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup> starting at 7 AM. 10% commission fee for sold items. Unsold items can be picked up after 2:00 PM.

**\*\*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\*\*** We are limiting the number of consignment items to 50 items per person. Sales tags and consignment sheets can be picked up during the Horse and Pony Project Meetings on January 27<sup>th</sup> or February 24<sup>th</sup>. Tags will not be sent in the mail due to the increase in postage fees. \*\*\*Same day payout is available\*\*\*

### Commercial & Private Vendor Area

Wide selection of vendors selling horse related and craft items. Commercial vendors & private individual spaces available to sell their own tack and/or crafts. Advanced reservations are required for all commercial vendors. See bottom of flyer for more information.

### Amazing Food Stand

Great food (hot turkey and beef, pizza, and our amazing homemade tortes) at great prices. Free coffee for all vendors.

### Pig Raffle (two ½ pigs being raffled \$200 Value- Donated by BECKS Meats)

Tickets are \$5.00 a piece or 5 for \$20.00. 2 lucky winning tickets will be drawn at the Tack Sale at 1 PM. Tickets are available through Horse & Pony Project members or at the Tack Sale on March 1<sup>st</sup>. DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN!!!

### Bucket Raffle

Loads of great items to be raffled from vendors & local businesses. \$1.00 per ticket, 6 for \$5.00 or a Wingspan for \$20. The Bucket raffle will start after the Pig Raffle. MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!!!

### Midwest Horse Fair & Steers

Come on down to the tack & craft sale, shop a bit, get a bite to eat, and purchase your tickets to this year's Midwest Horse Fair in Madison. This year's Midwest Horse Fair is April 11-13, 2025. Steers will be onsite!!!

### Dawn Brandow Hat Shaping

**Bring your hats for shaping and cleaning. Dawn will be there all day!!**

A wide variety of vendors as in year's past selling tack, clothing, crafts, and much more!

[Watch our Facebook page for future updates!!!](#)

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Winnebago County 4-H Horse & Pony TACK SALE Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, 9am-2pm.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number of 8'X10' spaces (2 table max) \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Chairs \_\_\_\_\_ Trailer Space \$75.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_

For more information contact: Allyson Hildebrand at 920-420-0561 or email [Winnebago4hTackSale@gmail.com](mailto:Winnebago4hTackSale@gmail.com).  
To reserve a spot please return this form/check payable to Winnebago County 4-H Horse & Pony Project  
Mail to: Carol Beck, 5398 Zoar Rd, Pickett, WI 54964

# PROJECT NEWS & INFO



## Winnebago County 4-H

### Rabbit Fun Show

April, 5th 2025

Sunnyview Expo Center, Barn E  
500 E County Rd  
Oshkosh, WI, 54901

Showroom Opens at 7:00 AM  
Entries due by 8:30 AM  
Show begins at 9:00 AM

#### Ages:

Youth ages 8-19 may participate in the fun show

#### Entry fees:

All Breed Show: \$1.00/animal  
Costume Class: \$1.00/animal  
Showmanship: FREE  
Day of Show Entry!

#### Rabbit Awards given:

Best of Breed  
Best & Reserve in Show

#### Showmanship age divisions:

Intermediate (Grade 6-9)  
Senior (Grades 10-12)  
Awards will be given for the top showman in each division.



- Current ARBA Show Guidelines and Rules are strictly abided by.
- Rabbits MUST have a tattoo in their left ear (permanent marker is acceptable)
- Purebred rabbits only, with the exception of crossbreds for pet class.
- Rabbits with signs of illness will be dismissed from the showroom.
- Carrying cages must have solid bottoms; exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after themselves and their animals
- Remark cards must be filled out, in addition to the attached entry sheet. Remark cards will be available at the show, please arrive in time to fill them out before entries are due.
- Food will be available for purchase.
- Raffle filled with fun items!

#### **Any questions can be directed to:**

Remi Taff  
(920)379-7807  
rtaff14@gmail.com

Sara Anderson  
(920)360-4916

Melissa Helms  
(920)379-4190

# PROJECT NEWS & INFO



## Winnebago County 4-H Rabbit Fun Show Entry Form

EXHIBITOR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

SHOWMANSHIP CLASS (CIRCLE ONE):  
 BEGINNER INTERMEDIATE SENIOR

EAR NUMBER:	BREED:	SEX:	AGE: (Jr/Int/Sr)

-If entry is for the costume class, please mark "COSTUME" as the breed.  
 -If you are NOT participating in showmanship, leave the "Showmanship Class" section blank.  
**All varieties will show together, breed classes will be divided between the following rabbit age divisions:**  
 Junior Bucks (Under 6 months of age)      Senior Bucks (Over 6 months of age)  
 Junior Does (Under 6 months of age)      Senior Does (Over 6 months of age)  
 Intermediate Bucks & Does (**for 6 class breeds ONLY**, 6-8 Months of age)

WINNEBAGO COUNTY 4-H FOODS REVIEW 2025



# CANDY MAKING

## Chopped



**MAY 4, 2025**

**1:00-5:00PM**

**JAMES P. COUGHLIN CENTER**

RSVP AND REGISTER AT

[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/5FF268S3](https://tinyurl.com/5FF268S3)



SCAN ME



# PROJECT 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!



UW-MADISON EXTENSION

WINNEBAGO COUNTY 4-H

## AgBadge #3 Ag & the Environment Compost Bottle & Desktop Greenhouse:

Learn how to turn leaves, grass and food scraps into a nutrient rich soil amendment.

Make desktop greenhouses and learn how light affects plant growth.

Please bring an empty 2-liter plastic bottle with you.

This workshop experiment can be documented and taken to the county fair!

**MAY 15, 2025**

**6PM AT JPCC**

**COST \$5 PER YOUTH**

**LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!**

Register by May 1st

<https://bit.ly/40L4jUp>



## Dairy Project

Dairy Meeting will be on March 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm @ JPCC

Dairy Bingo

All fun, lots of learning!

RSVP by texting name to 920-379-3251





# PROJECT / COUNTY NEWS & INFO

## 4-H Interstate

Have you been on any of the 4-H trips? What did you like about them? What did you not like about them? Well, 4-H Interstate Exchange gives you an opportunity to see for yourself and experience what the area looks like, what the culture is like, and the history of the area and state. The bonus part is meeting other teens and becoming friends for life. The adult chaperones also are meeting people and staying in touch with them. It's interesting learning how other states 4-H is run. Some states have project clubs while others have clubs just like ours.



### Upcoming fundraiser:

May 17-18 at the Oshkosh Fairgrounds will be the 4-H May Horse Show. Interstate will be working 4-H Dipper.

Thank you to everyone who came out to support us at Skater's Edge and Echoes of the Past Trade Fair.

If you have questions, please let me know or one of our Interstate Teens.

## Dog Project

**Next Meeting : March 20, 2025 at JPCC**

Topics: Registration for dog training classes  
and veterinarian guest presenter

More info will be emailed about registration.

## Meat Animal Board

March MAB meeting will be March 12, 2025,  
at JPCC at 7:30 PM

There will be a google form to request swine tags.  
Watch our website and Facebook for details.

April 11, 2025, will be the deadline for requesting  
swine tags.

The swine tag pickup will be from 7p - 7:30p before our April MAB meeting on  
April 16, 2025. If you can't make it at this time, please make arrangements for  
pickup.

Swine tag deadline to turn in photos will be postmarked no later than May 3rd.  
This includes 3 pictures of tagged swine with the exhibitor's name listed.  
Instructions for tagging will be provided when tags are picked up.

Sheep and Goat weigh-in will be May 3rd from 9am to 11am at the Doug Reese  
Farm. We will be keeping the scale open from 11am to 1pm for any beef  
members to bring their animals to check their weight, so you know how they  
are doing.



# Endless Adventures

Friday, August 1, 2025 | 4:30 - 6:00 pm  
Winnebago County Fairgrounds | Barn B Overhang

- ★ Endless Adventures is a goat, calf, sheep and pig show that allows youth ages 8-18 with special needs to have an opportunity to show an animal alongside a Winnebago County Fair youth exhibitor. Each participant will be paired with a youth exhibitor in order to learn how to show an animal species of the participants choice. We currently have 20 open spots
- ★ It's in honor of a former 4-H Friends 4-H Club member Josh Perry who had Asperger's syndrome. Josh was a boy who had a heart of gold and found that showing dairy cattle at the county fair and spending time with animals made him the happiest kid ever. Josh was an outstanding leader to so many youth around him and we are hoping to continue carrying on Josh's legacy throughout this event
- ★ Please reach out to [exhibitorexperience@gmail.com](mailto:exhibitorexperience@gmail.com) or fill out the google form if you have a youth interested in participating (deadline is June 21, 2025): <https://forms.gle/vZB9k19dyALgVo1y5>



# COUNTY NEWS & INFO



FAIREST OF THE FAIR  
WINNEBAGO COUNTY FAIR

Entry Deadline  
**March 15**  
Contest April 12

<https://winnebagoountyfaironline.com/fairest/>



A special THANK YOU to our  
**CONTEST SPONSORS:**



**ALL COUNTY 4-H MEETING &  
VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT  
APRIL 22, 2025  
7PM AT JPCC**

**ALL CLUBS MUST SEND ONE REPRESENTATIVE  
TO THE MEETING!**

# COUNTY NEWS & INFO

The 57th Miss Rural Winnebago applications are due May 31!!

Who's eligible for Miss Rural Winnebago?

- A person interested in attending local events to learn about and promote the "rural life" of Winnebago County.
- Females ages 13-17 years.
- Resides in or attends school in Winnebago County, WI.
- No agricultural background or related experiences are required.
- A person willing to volunteer a year of service as MRW.

This year applications are available to be submitted online and by mail! To request a paper copy of the application please email [missruralwinnebago@gmail.com](mailto:missruralwinnebago@gmail.com).

Applications are due May 31, 2025.

Link to the 2025 MRW online or printable application: [missruralwinnebago.wixsite.com/mrwwi/become-a-miss](https://www.missruralwinnebago.wixsite.com/mrwwi/become-a-miss)

[#57thmissrural](#) [#WinnebagoCounty](#) [#youthleadership](#) [#waukauwi](#)



The poster features two circular images: one of a young woman in a pink dress holding books titled 'AIRPLANE' and 'Bearplane', and another of a young woman speaking into a microphone. The text on the poster includes the 'Miss Rural Winnebago' logo with a crown, '57th MRW APPLICATIONS OPEN!', a description of the program as a youth leadership position for females in Winnebago County, Wisconsin, supported by the Waukau Youth Group. It lists 'PREVIOUS MRW APPEARANCES' such as Waukau Youth Days, Winnebago County Fair, Local Business Tours, Parades, Local Farmers Market, Holiday Community Events, Personalized Leadership Training(s), Group Meeting Visits, and Other Requests. A 'QUALIFICATIONS' section lists the same criteria as the text above. Contact information for email, website, and application deadline is also provided.

**Miss Rural Winnebago** 

**57th MRW APPLICATIONS OPEN!**

Miss Rural Winnebago is a youth leadership position for females in Winnebago County, Wisconsin. The program is supported by the Waukau Youth Group.

**PREVIOUS MRW APPEARANCES**  
Waukau Youth Days | Winnebago County Fair | Local Business Tours | Parades | Local Farmers Market | Holiday Community Events | Personalized Leadership Training(s) | Group Meeting Visits | Other Requests

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

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**EMAIL:**  
[missruralwinnebago@gmail.com](mailto:missruralwinnebago@gmail.com)

**WEBSITE:**  
[www.missruralwinnebago.wixsite.com/mrwwi](https://www.missruralwinnebago.wixsite.com/mrwwi)

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:**  
May 31, 2025



# COUNTY NEWS & INFO

## Farmer For A Day

The Farmer for a Day program is seeking mentors for year 5!! Those interested in being a mentor do not need to have animals at the fair, but are passionate about sharing what it is like to be an exhibitor at the Winnebago County Fair. Youth should be ages 10 and older and available for 1 or more hours during July 31 to August 2. You will be provided with the tools to give youth from our community a walking tour around the barn and expo building(s) at the county fair. You may also be paired with another fair exhibitor to share the mentorship experience (i.e. you don't have to mentor alone!).

CALLING ALL WINNEBAGO COUNTY FAIR



# EXHIBITORS



for a community service opportunity!

## FARMER FOR A DAY

A mentorship program for local youth to learn more about agriculture, fair and other hands-on activities!

### WHEN IS IT?

**JULY 30-AUGUST 2** AT THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY FAIR IN **OSHKOSH, WI.** EACH PARTICIPANT IS GIVEN A ONE OUR TIME SLOT WITH AN EXPERIENCED YOUTH.



### HOW TO APPLY?

COMPLETE THE FORM BY [JULY 1](#)

EMAIL [WINNEBAGOCOUNTYFAIRPROGRAMS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:WINNEBAGOCOUNTYFAIRPROGRAMS@GMAIL.COM) WITH QUESTIONS OR TO REQUEST A PAPER APPLICATION.

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

YOUTH AGES 10 AND OLDER WILLING TO TEACH OTHER YOUTH ABOUT THEIR PROJECTS

- **ANIMALS:** BEEF, SHEEP, DAIRY, PIGS, CHICKENS, RABBITS, GOATS & HORSES
- **PLANTS:** GARDENING, HOUSEPLANTS, CROPS & SOIL, AND FLOWERS
- **NATURAL SCIENCE**
- **CULTURAL ARTS:** ALL THINGS ARTS & CRAFTS
- **PHOTOGRAPHY**
- **WOODWORKING**
- **MECHANICAL SCIENCE:** SMALL ENGINES, ELECTRICITY, ROBOTS, AND LEGOS
- **FOODS & NUTRITION:** COOKING, CANNING, BAKING
- **CLOTHING:** SEWING, KNITTING, CROCHETING





# WI 4-H AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS

*Save the Dates*

**PIERCE COUNTY  
JUNE 13TH**

**CALUMET COUNTY  
JUNE 30TH**



**WATCH INBOXES AND SOCIAL MEDIA FOR FUTURE REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

## WISCONSIN YOUTH LIVESTOCK PROGRAM (WYLP) PRESENTS



### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING 2025

**February 20 - Cooking with Beef**

**Speakers:** Angie Horkan and Kaitlyn Kesler, Wisconsin Beef Council

**March 18 - Management for your animal project, Biosecurity**

**Speakers:** Dr. Gretchen May, Dept of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Veterinarian

**April 17 - Creating Charcuterie Boards**

**Speakers:** Jessica Brown, Joshua Brantley, Heather Hunt, UW Madison.

All events are free, *virtual* and begin at 6:30 p.m. CST  
Can meet county educational requirements.

Hosted by Bernie O'Rourke, UW Madison/Division of Extension.

For more information & how to register: <https://go.wisc.edu/tnq61h>



## NEWS FROM EXTENSION

WISCONSIN

# IDEA WEEK

AT EXTENSION WINNEBAGO COUNTY



Extension  
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON  
WINNEBAGO COUNTY

April 7-11, 2025

FREE

VISIT [WINNEBAGO.EXTENSION.WISC.EDU](http://WINNEBAGO.EXTENSION.WISC.EDU) FOR MORE INFORMATION

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### LAYING THE PATH

5:30 PM Sensory Walk Workshop

4/8

### BUILDING FOUNDATIONS

10:00 AM Planning AHEAD

6:00 PM Credit. Credit? Credit!

4/9

### NOURISHING TOGETHER

5:00 PM FoodWise in the Kitchen

4/10

### BRIDGING COMMUNITIES

5:30 PM Program & Partner Fair

6:30 PM Badger Talk

4/11

### STRENGTHENING CONNECTIONS

10:00 AM Reach Your Audience with  
Plain Language

5:00 PM Seed Starting for Success

ALL  
WEEK

### MAPPING THE NEED

8:00AM - 4:30 PM Hygiene Drive

# NEWS FROM EXTENSION



**Extension**  
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON  
WINNEBAGO COUNTY



# JOIN OUR HYGIENE DRIVE

**March 31 - April 11**

08:00am - 04:30pm  
Mondays - Fridays

Let's come together to make a meaningful impact in the lives of those in need!

*All items will be donated to Day By Day Shelter, Christine Anne's and Ruby's Pantry.*



**YOU'RE  
INVITED!**

**EARN 1 RAFFLE  
TICKET FOR EACH  
ITEM DONATED!**

- ✓ Soap
- ✓ Shampoo
- ✓ Toothpaste
- ✓ Feminine Products
- ✓ Floss
- ✓ Deodorant

## Drop-off Location:

**UW Extension | JP Coughlin Center**  
625 E CTH-Y, Ste 600 | Oshkosh



## For More Info

Visit Our Website

[winnebago.extension.wisc.edu](http://winnebago.extension.wisc.edu)



# NEWS FROM EXTENSION

## Human Development & Relationships

End-of-life planning is a gift for your loved ones. A medical crisis can leave you unable to make health care decisions, regardless of age. Join our **Planning AHEAD** program for tools and resources to start or continue your planning. It's not just for the elderly or ill—plan ahead and leave a legacy!

**Dates:** Wednesdays for six weeks, April 2 through May 7

**Time:** 10:00AM-11:30AM

**Location:** Westgor Funeral Home, 1140 Appleton Rd, Menasha

**Cost:** \$20 for workbook, materials, and guest speakers.

(Scholarships available to cover the cost if you are unable to pay)

**Registration:** (920) 832-4763 or online at <https://bit.ly/PlanningAheadWestgor>



**Rent Smart** equips individuals with the skills for a successful renting experience. Designed for those with little rental experience or difficulty securing housing, participants will learn how to build positive relationships with landlords and neighbors, navigate the application process, and understand tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities.

**Rent Smart** classes are offered online via Zoom and are FREE! See the 2025 schedule and register for **Rent Smart** classes at <https://go.wisc.edu/Rentsmartregister>

**March 2025:** 15, 22, 29 @ 9:00AM-11:30AM; Saturdays

**April 2025:** 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 @ 7:00PM-8:00PM; Tue/Thurs

**May 2025:** 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23 @ 1:00PM-2:00PM; Mon/Fri

**June 2025:** 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25 @ 9:00AM-10:00AM; Mon/Wed

**Todd Wenzel**

[todd.wenzel@wisc.edu](mailto:todd.wenzel@wisc.edu)

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## Community Development

### Introduction to Plain Language is back!

Join this FREE virtual workshop to learn strategies for word choice, font selection, grammar use, user testing, and more that help us communicate quickly and effectively with both native and nonnative English speakers.

**Thursday, March 13 - 6:00 - 7:30 PM**

**Wednesday, March 19 - 1:00 - 3:00 PM**

**Register at:** <http://go.wisc.edu/plain>

A partnership between UW-Madison's Cultural Linguistic Services and UW-Madison Division of Extension.

*Mia Ljung*

[mia.ljung@wisc.edu](mailto:mia.ljung@wisc.edu)



## NEWS FROM EXTENSION



### FoodWise News

#### 2025 WISCONSIN CHILI LUNCH

The annual Wisconsin Chili Lunch (WCL) supports local food purchasing by encouraging cafeterias to serve a chili dish made with local ingredients in the cafeteria. On February 27th, cafeterias around the state will participate in

the WCL by preparing local chili and celebrating Wisconsin farmers. This event provides a fun way to practice local food procurement and promotion.

The goal of the WCL is to create strong connections between Wisconsin farmers and eaters, and demonstrate how cafeterias can serve Wisconsin grown — even in winter. This statewide chili lunch event inspires nutritious school meals and supports farm-to-institution initiatives throughout the state, while encouraging year-round purchases of local foods.

Learn More and Register on: <https://health.extension.wisc.edu/wi-chili-lunch/>

Download this great Recipe: <https://winnebago.extension.wisc.edu/files/2025/02/Chili-Recipe.pdf>

-Christi Gabrilska: [christi.gabrilska@wisc.edu](mailto:christi.gabrilska@wisc.edu)



## BEEF SCHOOL

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Cecil Village Hall & Community Center  
Scenic downtown Cecil, WI

- Registration \$25**
- 5:30 PM Registration & Meal  
*Catering by Primal Eats*
  - 6:15 PM Beef Genetics - Understanding EPD's and Bull Selection Criteria, Selecting Replacements (In a High Value Market)
  - 6:45 PM Virtual Fencing: Current Realities of a New Technology
  - 7:10 PM Hands-On Handling Facilities: Understanding Movement Patterns From Your Animals' Perspectives
  - 7:45PM Forages for Your Herd - Options and Practices to Get the Best Animal Performance from Your Forage Acres
  - 8:15PM Heading Homeward

Register at: <https://bit.ly/416riJK>



# NEWS FROM EXTENSION

## JOIN US FOR 2025 UW-EXTENSION DAIRY PROGRAM “DAIRY FEEDING SCHOOL” WINTER WORKSHOPS

This workshop will address dairy feeding concerns in Wisconsin, including feed safety, management, transition cow health, and the economics of feeding. It will be offered in **English** and **Spanish**.



**FEB 20** Darlington  
**MAR 5** Green Bay  
**MAR 19** Madison  
**MAR 26** Fond du Lac  
**APR 2** Abbotsford

10AM- 3PM



SCAN ME

**COST: \$15 INCLUDES LUNCH**

**REGISTER TODAY**

<https://go.wisc.edu/ext-feeder-school>

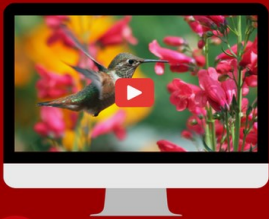


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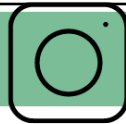
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