

July 21, 2023

**Marathon County Upcoming Events, Programs, and Activities**

Due to the Wisconsin Valley Fair and vacations, the next newsletter will be August 18.

**Potato Booth**

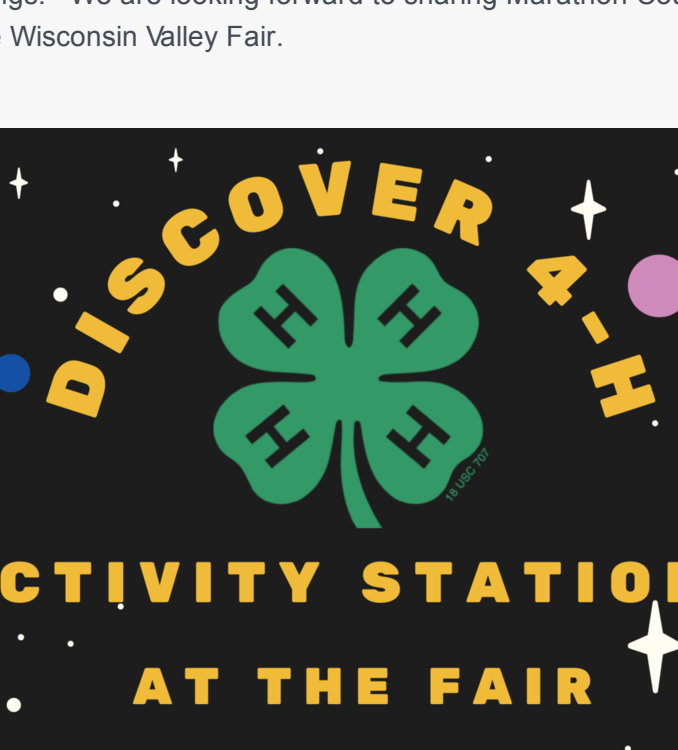
There are still several shifts open for the potato booth this year. It's a great way to meet new friends, serve the community, and help the Marathon County 4-H Leaders Federation earn funds for county wide programs and activities. Current booth openings as of 7-19-23 are:

- \*Wednesday 3:30-5:30
- \*Thurs 3:30-5:30, 5:30-7:30
- \*Friday 9:30-11:30, 11:30-1:30
- \*Saturday 3:30-5:30, 5:30-7:30
- \*Sunday 11:30-1:30

For more information check out [bit.ly/4HPotato23](https://bit.ly/4HPotato23).

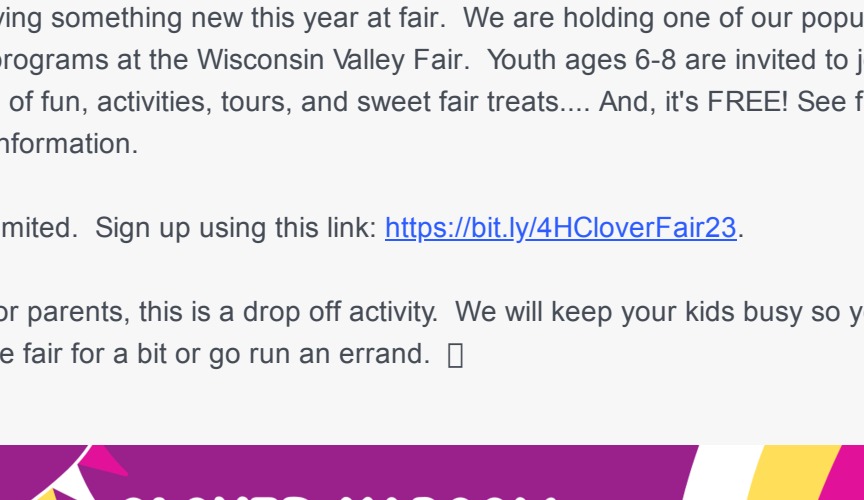
If you have any questions, please contact Shirley at 715-506-0123.

Several clubs in Marathon County have also made donations to the potato booth this year. THANK YOU TO THOSE THAT HAVE DONATED SO FAR, including Plover Valley, Wein Wildcats, Halder Hornets, Rib Mountaineers, Naugart Knights, and Brighton Recnepls! If you would like to make a donation as well, checks can be made out to the Marathon County Leaders Federation or contact Shirley for specific items.



**Discover 4-H at the Fair**

Stop by the Youth Expo Building during the Wisconsin Valley Fair to participate in a variety of free activities and check in with our 4-H staff. There will be daily giveaways and other fun things. We are looking forward to sharing Marathon County 4-H with the community at the Wisconsin Valley Fair.

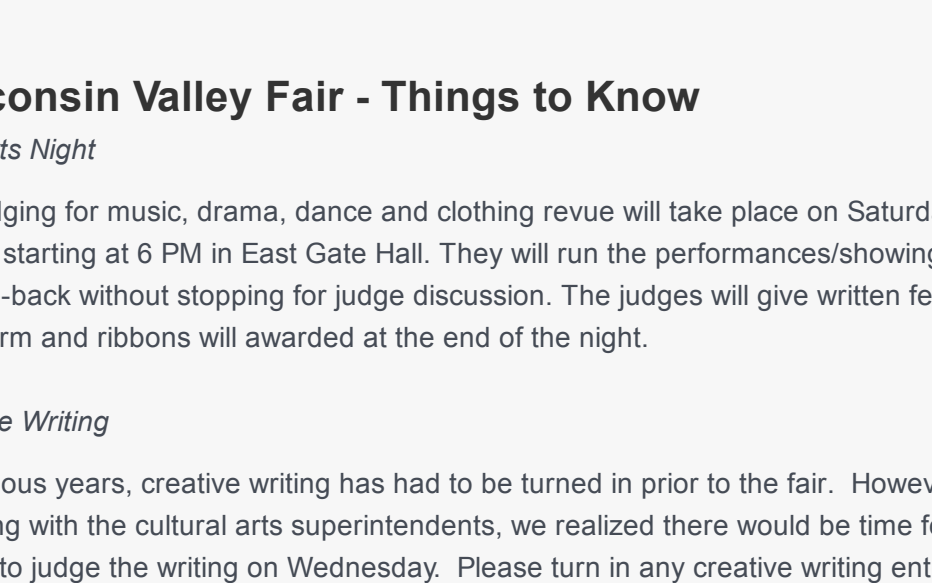


**Clover Kaboom**

We are trying something new this year at fair. We are holding one of our popular Clover Kaboom programs at the Wisconsin Valley Fair. Youth ages 6-8 are invited to join us for a morning of fun, activities, tours, and sweet fair treats.... And, it's FREE! See flyer below for more information.

Space is limited. Sign up using this link: <https://bit.ly/4HCloverFair23>.

A bonus for parents, this is a drop off activity. We will keep your kids busy so you can wander the fair for a bit or go run an errand. ☐



**Wisconsin Valley Fair - Things to Know**

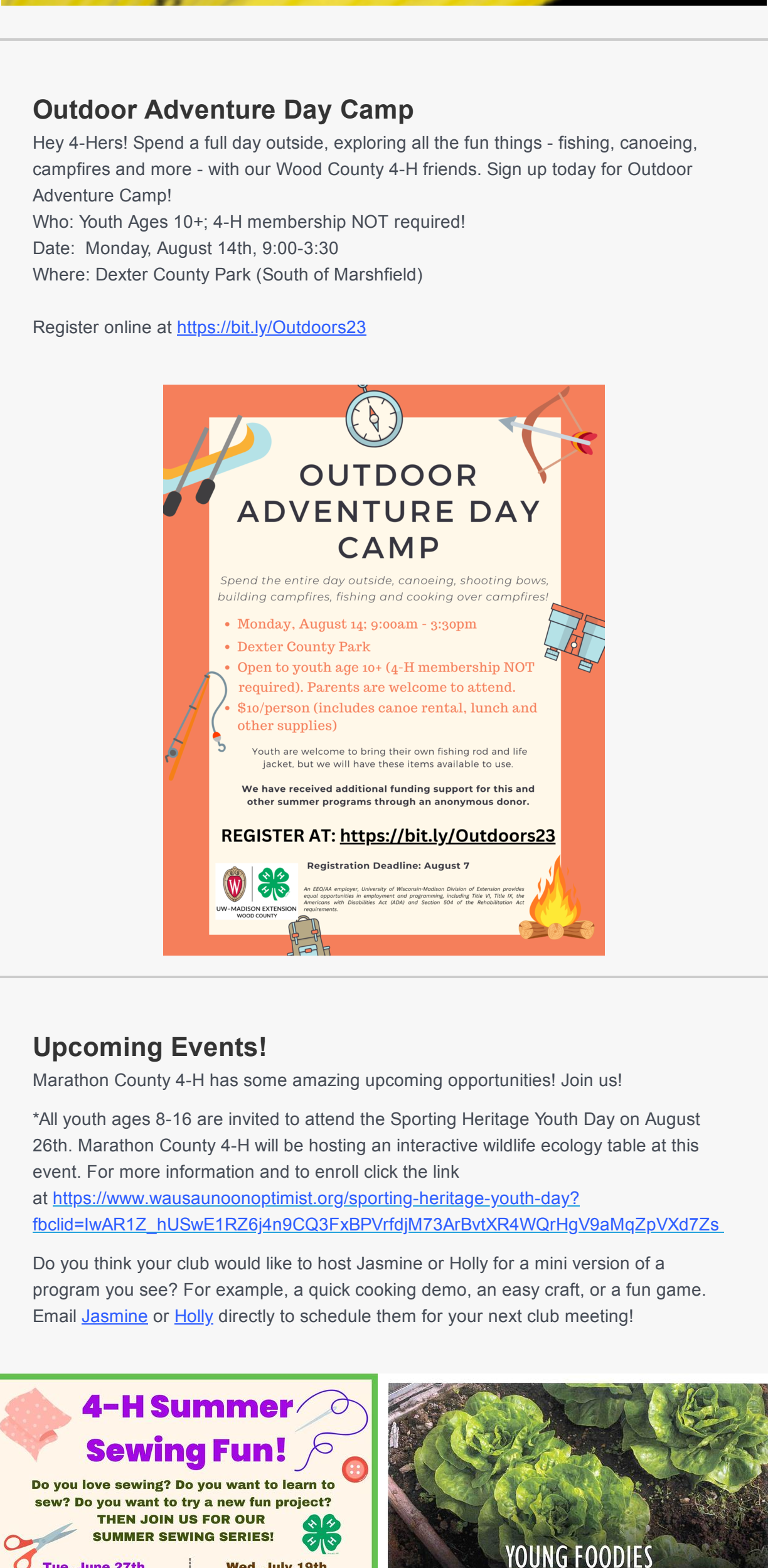
*Fine Arts Night*

The judging for music, drama, dance and clothing revue will take place on Saturday of the fair starting at 6 PM in East Gate Hall. They will run the performances/showings back-to-back without stopping for judge discussion. The judges will give written feedback via a form and ribbons will awarded at the end of the night.

*Creative Writing*

In previous years, creative writing has had to be realized in prior to the fair. However, in speaking with the cultural arts superintendents, we learned there would be time for the judges to judge the writing on Wednesday. Please turn in any creative writing entries on Tuesday along with your entries from other departments.

If you registered for either of these, you should have received an email from Jodi at the fair office. Any questions, please contact her at [jodi@wisconsinvalleyfair.com](mailto:jodi@wisconsinvalleyfair.com).



**Outdoor Adventure Day Camp**

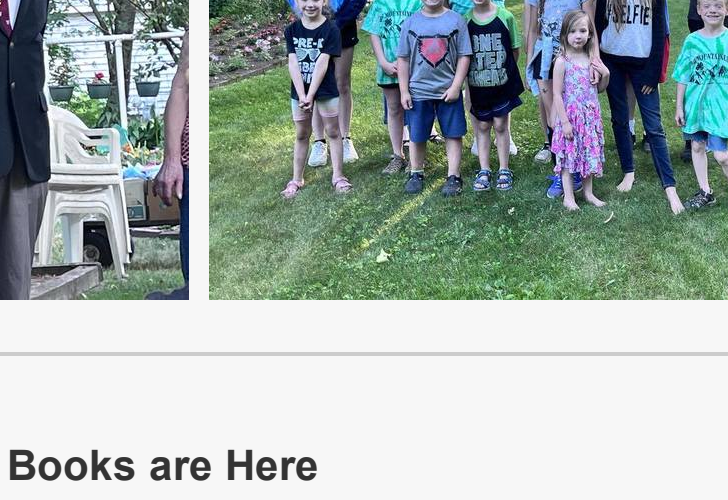
Hey 4-Hers! Spend a full day outside, exploring all the fun things - fishing, canoeing, campfires and more - with our Wood County 4-H friends. Sign up today for Outdoor Adventure Camp!

Who: Youth Ages 10+; 4-H membership NOT required!

Date: Monday, August 14th, 9:00-3:30

Where: Dexter County Park (South of Marshfield)

Register online at <https://bit.ly/Outdoors23>

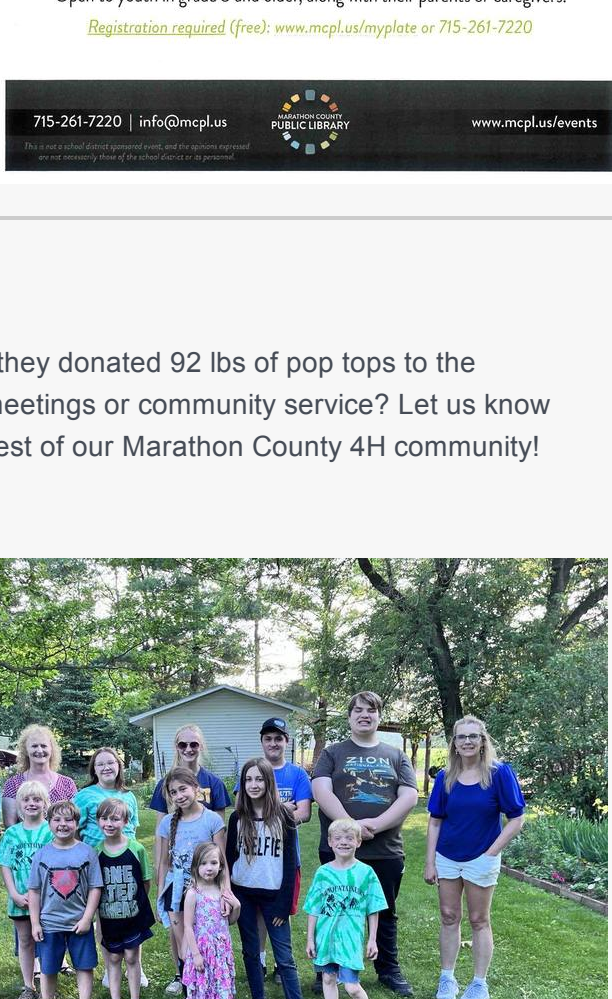
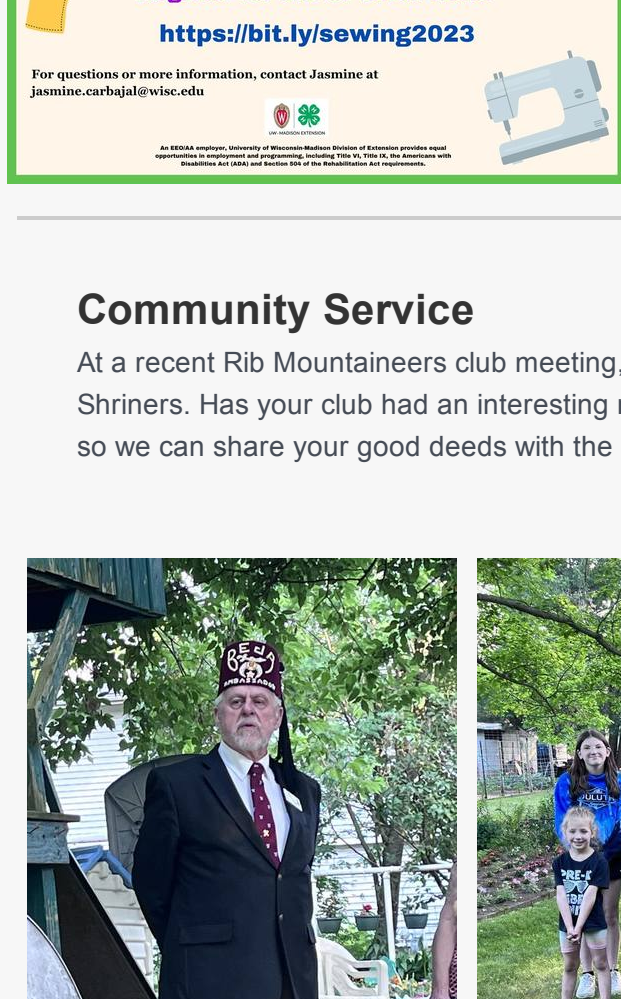


**Upcoming Events!**

Marathon County 4-H has some amazing upcoming opportunities! Join us!

\*All youth ages 8-16 are invited to attend the Sporting Heritage Youth Day on August 26th. Marathon County 4-H will be hosting an interactive wildlife ecology table at this event. For more information and to enroll click the link at [https://www.wausaunoonoptimist.org/sporting-heritage-youth-day?fbclid=IwAR1Z\\_hUSwE1R26j4n9CQ3FxBPVrdjM73ArBvXR4WQRHqV9aMgZpVXd7z5](https://www.wausaunoonoptimist.org/sporting-heritage-youth-day?fbclid=IwAR1Z_hUSwE1R26j4n9CQ3FxBPVrdjM73ArBvXR4WQRHqV9aMgZpVXd7z5).

Do you think your club would like to host Jasmine or Holly for a mini version of a program you see? For example, a quick cooking demo, an easy craft, or a fun game. Email [Jasmine](mailto:Jasmine) or [Holly](mailto:Holly) directly to schedule them for your next club meeting!



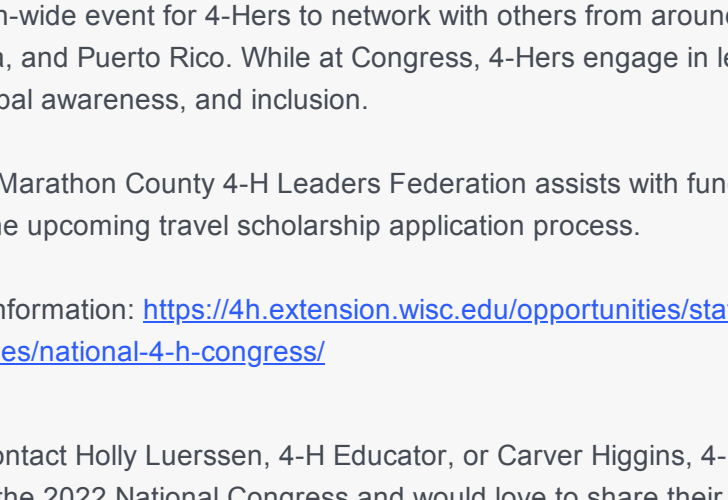
**Community Service**

At a recent Rib Mountaineers club meeting, they donated 92 lbs of pop tops to the Shriners. Has your club had an interesting meetings or community service? Let us know so we can share your good deeds with the rest of our Marathon County 4H community!



**2023 Plat Books are Here**

Plat Books for 2023 are here! This year includes information on the Extension Marathon County, a School Districts Map, Watersheds Map, Wausau Area Bike Map, Snowmobile Trails Map, Recreation Areas Map, Municipality Maps and much more. Stop down at the UW Extension Office at 212 River Drive or the Clerks Office in the Marathon County Courthouse to get yours today! Each book is \$40 for the public and \$35 if purchased by the club and is a Marathon County 4-H Fundraiser.



**WI 4-H Upcoming Events, Programs, and Activities**

**National 4-H Congress**

National 4-H Congress Registration is OPEN and will run until August 5, 2023. This educational experience will be held from November 24-28, 2023. The National 4-H Congress is a five-day Educational Experience held in Atlanta, GA. Congress is the premiere nation-wide event for 4-Hers to network with others from around the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico. While at Congress, 4-Hers engage in leadership, citizenship, global awareness, and inclusion.

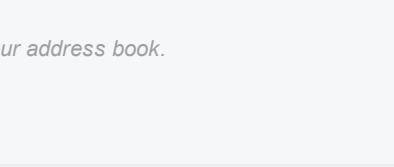
Funding: The Marathon County 4-H Leaders Federation assists with funding if youth participate in the upcoming travel scholarship application process.

Link for more information: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/national-4-h-congress/>

Questions? Contact Holly Luerssen, 4-H Educator, or Carver Higgins, 4-H Member. Both attended the 2022 National Congress and would love to share their experience with you.

**Cloverbud Resources and Tipsheet**

Cloverbuds (4-H members K-2nd grade) are energetic, enthusiastic, and ready to learn. Are you looking for some great ideas, resources, and tips for providing amazing activities for Cloverbuds? Several Wisconsin Positive Youth Development Educators and 4-H Educators created the perfect tool for you.



**SAVE THE DATE**

- July 23 - Woodchucks Game
- August 1-6 - Wisconsin Valley Fair
- August 5: Registration closes for National Congress
- August 9: Sewing - Intro to Quilting
- August 26: Sporting Heritage Youth Day

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