



NEWS FROM EXTENSION

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MARATHON COUNTY 4-H



November 10, 2023

Marathon County Upcoming Events, Programs, and Activities

Did you forget to re-enroll??

We noticed a few families have yet to re-enroll. Please enroll today to be included in communications, club member lists, and project lists. After December 1st, communication will only go to those currently enrolled. Don't miss out. Re-enroll via your family's 4-H online profile.

[Marathon County Enrollment](#)

4-H Thriving Survey

Thrive Survey: Thank you to Marathon County 4-Hers Braden, Rebekah, Halle, Velda, Brynn, Lilli, Morgan, and Celina for completing the WI 4-H Thrive Survey! You are rockstars and we appreciate your thoughts on our 4-H program.

Youth ages 13-17, who were enrolled last year, were sent a link last week via 4-H online. Most likely it went to a parent's email. Parents, please share the email/link with your children.

This survey gives our 4-H Educators a vibe on programs, relationship, partnerships, and so much more. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey. Got questions? Just ask.

Rabbit Committee

The 4-H Rabbit Committee is ready to start planning the 2024 educational workshops. Are you interested in joining the planning team? Sign up to get the meeting zoom link. <https://bit.ly/4HRabbitLeader23>



Upcoming Events!

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

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](#) or [Holly](#) directly to schedule them for your next club meeting! Click the button below and don't miss out on all the amazing programs!

- **Foodie**
- **Crocheting Basics**
- **Older Youth Movie Night**
- **Flakeout**
- **AND MORE!!**

[Marathon County 4-H Programs](#)

Save the Date!

4-H Teen Winter Camp will be February 16-18th at the Lions Camp in Rosholt. This is for youth 7th grade and up in Marathon, Lincoln, Langlade, Shawano, and Wood counties. More information and registration coming soon!

Adult Volunteer - Need to Know

Club Leaders

This one is for YOU! Let's learn more about 4-H enrollment, club participation, 4-H policy review, creating a welcoming environment, and HOW TO HAVE FUN! This gathering is highly recommended.

Enroll by November 12 at <https://bit.ly/4HClub23>



WI 4-H Upcoming Events, Programs, and Activities

Wisconsin 4-H & AmeriCorps

Wisconsin 4-H recently received an AmeriCorps grant to help us grow Wisconsin 4-H across the state! With funding from Serve Wisconsin, Wisconsin 4-H will have AmeriCorps members serving across Wisconsin to grow capacity! Learn more about AmeriCorps here! In 2023-2024, AmeriCorps members will work with Wisconsin 4-H to build relationships with partners, identify opportunities to increase capacity and begin new 4-H programming. Click the button to learn more about AmeriCorps and how to become an AmeriCorps member!

[AmeriCorps Information](#)

4-H State Teams

Teens can take their 4-H experience to a whole new level by joining a state team! The 2024 State Arts Team and Drama Company applications are NOW OPEN until January 16th, 2024.

When you apply to either of these state teams, you will be on a team with other youth from around the state of Wisconsin who share the same passion, and enjoy being creative! Whether that be by creating art or being involved in putting on drama shows, you can do it with Wisconsin 4-H!

You can apply now by clicking here:

State Arts Team: <https://23wi4hartteam.4honline.com/>

Drama Company: <https://23wi4hdco.4honline.com/>

Wildlife & Woods

Join us for virtual opportunities to learn about Careers & Competitions in Wildlife & Woods! This new virtual series is open to youth in grades 6-12 and adult leaders. Come learn about what's available for our older youth in 4-H! Event registration is open now in 4HOnline. You can attend as many hour long sessions as you like! Register at wi.4honline.com



The poster features the title "Wildlife & Woods" in a large, black, cursive font. Below it, the text "CAREERS & COMPETITION" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font, followed by "VIRTUAL SERIES" in a smaller, bold, black, sans-serif font. A list of dates is provided: "NOV. 27, 2023", "JAN. 22, 2024", "FEB. 26, 2024", "MAR. 25, 2024", "APRIL 22, 2024", and "MAY 27, 2024". To the right, a circular illustration depicts a forest scene with a large tree, a deer, and two rabbits. In the top right corner, the text "Register via 4-H Online" and "wi.4honline.com" is displayed. At the bottom, there is a small logo for Wisconsin 4-H and the University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension logo, along with the text "UW-MADISON EXTENSION".

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*To learn more about virtual learning opportunities,
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Cedar Crest Competition

DUE NOVEMBER 15! Cedar Crest Ice Cream and the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation have teamed up again to present the "Cedar Crest Ice Cream 4-H Flavor Creation Contest" for Wisconsin 4-H clubs. All Wisconsin 4-H clubs are eligible to submit their idea for a new ice cream flavor, along with a flavor description and interesting flavor name.

[Cedar Crest Ice Cream Flavor Competition](#)

National 4-H Conference

National 4-H Conference annually brings 4-H youth and adults from around the nation to work towards strengthening and expanding the 4-H Youth Development program at the local, state, and national levels. National 4-H Conference is the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture's premier youth development opportunity to engage youth in developing recommendations for the 4-H Youth Development Program. The National 4-H Headquarters is charged with sharing the recommendations that emerge from the conference with the Secretary of Agriculture, National Extension Program Leaders, and others who determine 4-H programs. At the same time, the conference is a rich and meaningful experience for the youth and adult participants. Held at a Washington DC area hotel (Hyatt Regency in Arlington, VA), it's usually scheduled around the beginning of April. In 2019, there were approximately 350 delegates, including seven from Wisconsin.

National 4-H Conference Information

Cooking with Meat Project Box

Do you want to learn more about cooking with meat from one of the following market animal projects: beef, swine, sheep, goat, poultry, or rabbit?

Calumet County 4-H and the Distance Learning Team brings you the opportunity to participate in the Cooking with Meat Project Box. By participating in this distance learning project, youth will learn the following:

- The safe way to cook, store, freeze and thaw meat of the different project species.
- How to find the correct internal temperature of the cuts of meat.
- Try different recipes, helping them learn different ways to flavor and cook meat.

We encourage youth to learn to cook with the animal species they may be raising, but also to try others to learn some differences and other skills. There will be a Zoom meeting hosted by Bernie O'Rourke, Extension Livestock Specialist, to lead youth through a cooking lesson, using the information in the Cooking with Meat box.

Youth participants will also have access to a Google website where copies of the handouts will be available, the recording will be posted, and for them to engage with other youth from around the state to share what they cook. This box will have some delicious recipes to help you learn some valuable life skills, so don't miss out on this scrumptious opportunity! Boxes will be picked up from your local county extension office. Registration closes on December 15th. You can [click here to register](#).

Included in the box:

- meat probe
- cutting board
- bamboo skewers
- internal temp magnet
- cooking with meat book

- Access to virtual cooking session in Jan or Feb 2024

Thank you to Conteva AgriScience and the WI 4-H Foundation for helping to provide funds for this opportunity for youth. Also, a special thank you to the WI Beef Council and the WI Pork Association for assisting with dissemination of information for the purpose of this project box.



Cooking with Meat
Project Box
Grades 3 & up



Objectives:

- Youth will learn the safe way to cook, store, freeze and thaw meat of the different project species.
- Youth will be able to find the correct internal temperature of the cuts of meat.
- Youth will be able to try different recipes, helping them learn different methods of flavoring and cooking meat.



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.

Cloverbud Resources

WI Pork Association

The Wisconsin Pork Association is looking for college students who have a vested interest in the swine industry and want to expand their knowledge and understanding of it. We encourage students to visit <https://wppa.org/youth/internship-program/> to learn more.

The Wisconsin Pork Association (WPA) is once again offering Youth Pig Project scholarships. These scholarships are designed to assist 4-H and FFA members in establishing swine projects that can lead to development of life skills and career

opportunities in the Wisconsin pork industry. 4-H and FFA youth are eligible to apply for a \$100 scholarship used to offset costs associated with their 2024 pig project. To learn more about this, visit <https://wppa.org/youth/scholarships/youth-pig-project-scholarships/>.

SAVE THE DATE

- **November 13:** Rabbit Committee
- **November 14:** Club Leader Training
- **November 23-24:** Office Closed Happy Thanksgiving
- **November 28:** Foodie
- **December 4:** Crocheting Basics
- **December 9:** Clover Kaboom
- **December 9:** Older Youth Movie Night
- **December 28:** 4H Flakeout

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