



NEWS FROM EXTENSION

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MARATHON COUNTY 4-H



November 22, 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](#)

Santa's Wish List

"Twas the night before Christmas,
when all through the Barn (4-H Office),
Nothing was stirring,
not even the yarn.

The 4-H stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that new supplies soon would be there.

We would love some help with stuffing our closets with new and updated program supplies. Please share this with others who enjoying giving this time of the year.

Link to the Amazon Wish List: <https://bit.ly/4HWishList23>



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.

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**

- Clover Kaboom
- Pottery Day
- Older Youth Movie Night
- Flakeout
- AND MORE!!

Marathon County 4-H Programs

Cultural Threads

Marathon County 4-H recently participated in the Cultural Threads: Expressing Identity Through Traditional Clothing program. Members of the sewing group created a Mexican outfit for a doll.

The Mexican doll is wearing attire in accordance with the national dance of Mexico, Jarabe Tapatio or Mexican Hat Dance. The skirt has ribbons. The top is usually white with either ribbons or flower designs. Dancer's may have ribbons or flowers in their hair.

The doll is part of a larger display that will travel throughout the North Central WI area over the next year. Their journey has started at the Marathon County Public Library. We hope you can stop by and view all the ethnic dolls and their wonderful outfits designed by community members.

Thank you to Jennifer Loucks (4-H Volunteer) and Kate Loucks (AmeriCorps/4-H Program Assistant) for coordinating the outfit design and construction. Thank you to the 4-H sewers for providing outfit inspiration and construction.





Feel the rhythm, feel the rhyme,
Come on 4-Her's, it's Winter Camp time!

Youth in 7th-13th Grade are invited to join us at the Lion's Camp in Rosholt on Feb 16-18th. Registration opens on December 1st.

<https://bit.ly/4-HWinterCamp24>

Summer Camp - Already?!?

Save the Date!
June 10-12, 2024

More info on our Lincoln, Marathon, and Wood Summer Camp will come out in the Spring, but for now mark it on your calendars.



Adult Volunteer - Need to Know

Are Your Trainings Done?

We have 111 adult volunteers that are not approved leaders in Marathon County right now. It's amazing to see all the support for our youth, but let's get those trainings finished. Required trainings can be found at <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/training-for-volunteers/>. If you aren't sure what you need, please reach out! The office has sent several emails out regarding what pieces you are missing. We need to have all the volunteer trainings done by December 15 or your enrollment will be sent back. Until you are fully trained, you are not considered a volunteer nor covered under the 4H insurance.

WI 4-H Upcoming Events, Programs, and Activities

Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council 2023-24

The new youth and adult members of the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council were elected at the Fall Forum conference, November 4-5, 2023, at the Green Lake Conference Center. Youth and adults from across the state applied to be part of the new council and went through an election process to be selected for the 2023-24 council.

Leading the 2023-24 Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council are:

Co-Presidents - Juniper Rydberg (Portage County) and Cindi Syverson (Eau Claire County)

Co-Vice Presidents - Isaac Nagel (Calumet County) and Kathy Brubaker (Pierce County)

Secretary - Morgan Servaes (Kewaunee County)

Youth and Adult Members of the Council for 2023-24 are:

Eastern Region:

Heidi Groth (Brown County - Adult)

McKinley Kruger (Fond du Lac County - Youth)

Chris Lettau (Winnebago County – Adult)

Josie Mertens (Calumet County – Youth)

Isaac Nagel (Calumet County – Youth)

Evan Numrich (Winnebago County – Youth)

Kassidy Ruppel (Waupaca County - Youth)

Lisa Sprangers (Outagamie County – Adult)

Emma Wagner (Calumet County – Youth)

Northern Region:

Kathy Brubaker (Pierce County – Adult)

Sami Carriere (Jackson County - Youth)

Maggie Conlan (Polk County – Adult)

Susan Holmen (Chippewa County - Youth)

Christine Jensen (Wood County – Adult)

Jarrett Rueth (Clark County - Youth)

Juniper Rydberg (Portage County – Youth)

Cindi Syverson (Eau Claire County – Adult)

Southern Region:

Mary Pat Boschert (Dodge County – Adult)

Grace Carter (Sauk County - Youth)

Jamie Damm (Columbia County – Youth)

Alexa Heitkamp (LaCrosse County - Youth)

Bryndalyn Kanable (Richland County - Youth)

Thomas Peters (Rock County - Youth)

Dawn Smith (Green County - Adult)

At-Large:

Jacob Adamski (Langlade County – Youth)

Lauryn Elzy (Rock County - Youth)

Emily Groth (Brown County - Youth)

Finn Lettau (Winnebago County – Youth)

Nick Luerssen (Marathon County - Adult)

Nikki Rueth (Clark County - Adult)

Morgan Servaes (Kewaunee County – Youth)

Burke Sprangers (Outagamie County – Youth)

The Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council (WLC) provides a statewide forum for youth and adult volunteer leaders to discuss ideas and provide input to enhance UW-Madison Extension 4-H

Youth Development programs at the state, county, and local levels. WLC members:

- Serve as leaders and role models for 4-H youth and adults
- Advocate for Wisconsin 4-H
- Provide input for enhancing the 4-H program
- Provide educational opportunities to 4-H members and leaders
- Connect the county, regional, and state levels of Wisconsin 4-H, as well as the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation

Elected at the annual Fall Forum, the WLC helps to plan multiple statewide programs and provides leadership in those settings.

For more information on the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council, visit <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/wisconsin-4-h-leadership-council/>.



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



Wildlife & Woods

Register via 4-H Online
wi.4honline.com

CAREERS & COMPETITION

VIRTUAL SERIES

NOV. 27, 2023

JAN. 22, 2024

FEB. 26, 2024

MAR. 25, 2024

APRIL 22, 2024

MAY 27, 2024

To learn more about virtual learning opportunities, please visit 4h.extension.wisc.edu/vlc

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Dog Project Members and Volunteers

We hope you are having a great day! On November 14th we had an information session about the newly forming State 4-H Dog Project Association. If you were unable to join us that night, we have a recording you can watch that has the promotional information about the group: https://drive.google.com/file/d/16hj5LurxouEhtizPgPe9dMc_NmFFiomX/view?usp=sharing

The first official meeting of the newly forming State 4-H Dog Association and Board will be happening on November 28th. That night, both youth and adult directors will be elected and we'll talk a bit about next steps. In addition, we will start talking about statewide dog event committees. We'll need great help to make these events happen and would love to have your time and talents. We hope that you can join us that night.

November 28th Meeting Details and How to Join
Upcoming State 4-H Dog Association Meeting (zoom meeting)
November 28, 2023
6:30pm

You will need to register for the meeting
at: <https://uwmadison.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUldOqtpzloGdb8PFRuQ0PBDoKSNrRhyDsG>
Once you are registered, Zoom will send you an individual link to the meeting.

What's going on at the meeting: At the meeting we will be electing board officers, talking about the statewide dog association, and then we will have an opportunity to break out into groups to

discuss the 2024 state dog events.

Board Nomination Form

Are you a currently enrolled 4-H youth member 7th grade and older or an adult volunteer leader that wants to run for a board position? Complete the nomination form to be added to the ballot at: <https://forms.gle/AQxcBsUzpuMqZ5ZbA>

We ask that you complete this form no later than Noon on November 28th to be included on the ballot. Nominations will be taken from the floor as well that night but the more people we can have on the ballot ahead of that time, the easier it will be that night.

Woof! Announcing the State 4-H Dog Association

**First Meeting and
Election of Directors -
(Zoom Meeting)
November 28th at
6:30pm**



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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

SAVE THE DATE

- **November 23-24:** Office Closed Happy Thanksgiving
- **November 28:** Foodie
- **December 9:** Clover Kaboom
- **December 9:** 4H Pottery at Clay Corner

- **December 9:** Older Youth Movie Night
- **December 28:** 4H Flakeout

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