



# NEWS FROM EXTENSION

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MARATHON COUNTY 4-H



January 5, 2024

## Marathon County Upcoming Events, Programs, and Activities



# It's Staff Recruitment Time

## 2024 4-H Summer Camp

Our staff of Lincoln, Marathon, and Wood County Summer Camp is made up of youth in grade 8+ and caring adults. No experience is necessary.

Apply Today  
@ <https://bit.ly/4Hcampstaff24>



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Get More Info @  
<https://bit.ly/4-HCampStaffInfo24>

Join the 4-H Summer Camp team this summer and make a difference in the lives of youth! We are looking for enthusiastic and dedicated staff members to help lead outdoor adventures and hands-on activities at our 4-H camp. This is a unique opportunity for older youth and adults to share your love of the outdoors and make lasting memories with campers. For more information go to: <https://bit.ly/4-HCampStaffInfo24>

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## Marathon County 4-H Spark Day

On January 15th, Join us for a full day of activities!

We will embark on a journey of inspiration and purpose as we connect Martin Luther King Jr.'s visionary "I Have a Dream" speech to shaping and planning our collective future, participating in service learning projects, and experiencing new hands-on activities.

Who: Youth 3rd-7th Grade

Time: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Where: Wausau 4-H/Extension Office

Register at <https://bit.ly/4-HSparkJan24> by January 8

More info? Contact our office at 715-261-1230.

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## 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 - The Art of Making Arepas**
- **Clover Kaboom**
- **Quilting Club**
- **Spark Day**
- **AND MORE!!**

Marathon County 4-H Programs



# 4-H Foodie: The Art of Making Arepas

**JANUARY 29TH  
6:00-7:00PM  
@WAUSAU  
EXTENSION OFFICE**

☆☆☆☆ Arepas are a Venezuelan food that is easy to make, versatile in how you stuff it, and has an everlasting flavor!



**Virtual Guest Speaker:  
Ely Moya Malaver,  
Arepa Master** ☆☆☆

**For all youth 3rd  
grade and older!**

**\$5/participant.**

**[bit.ly/arepas24](https://bit.ly/arepas24)**

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## County Horse Project Meeting

The Marathon County 4-H Horse Project is bringing back county wide 4-H educational programs for 2024. Youth interested in learning about raising and showing horses should join us at the kick off meeting on Jan 11th. The meeting will take place at the 4-H/Extension Office. See you there.

# 4-H HORSE PROJECT

**KICK OFF**

Join the newly refreshed  
Marathon County 4-H  
Horse Project at the first  
project meeting of 2024.

- Enhance Your Horse Knowledge
- Improve Horse Health
- Get Tips for Proper Horse Equipment
- Match Horseless Youth with a Horse
- Pick Up A Meeting Calendar
- & More!

Questions??  
Contact Erin, AmeriCops/4-H Program Assistant  
esabo2@wisc.edu

Jan. 11th  
6:30-  
8pm



Youth do not need to own  
a horse to participate in the horse project.



## Winter Camp

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 is OPEN!

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

## Market Animal Show and Sale - Marathon County

The 2024 Participant Mandatory meeting will be held Sunday, January 7th at 2pm at Wausau East High School. All participants interested in participating in the 2024 MASS program must attend this meeting with a parent or guardian. There will be a meeting at 1pm for all new families that will go over additional program materials and information. If you are new to the MASS program, we highly encourage you to attend this session as well!

All participants must also complete the 2024 registration prior to the meeting. Registration can be completed at <https://forms.office.com/r/DHvT24WTEP>.

DNA kits will be sold at the meeting so please bring cash or check. Kits are \$12 per animal.

If you are unable to attend the January 7th meeting, please reach out to a MASS Committee member for details on how to make up the meeting.

Click the button for more information!

## Adult Volunteer - Need to Know

### Are Your Trainings Done?

**We have 90 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

### Meats Judging Contest

Mark your calendars for the upcoming State 4-H Meats Judging Contest on Saturday, February 3, 2024. If you have participated in the past or this is the first time you are hearing about the contest, we would love to have you join us for this day of learning, fun, and competition.

More Information

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### 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](http://wi.4honline.com)

# Wildlife & Woods

Register via 4-H  
Online  
[wi.4honline.com](http://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](http://4h.extension.wisc.edu/vlc)



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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

- **January 8:** Quilting Club
- **January 9:** Leaders Federation Meeting
- **January 11:** County Horse Project Meeting
- **January 13:** Clover Kaboom
- **January 15:** Spark Day
- **January 18:** Rabbit Committee Meeting
- **January 29:** Foodie

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