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MARATHON COUNTY 4-H



February 2, 2024

Marathon County Upcoming Events, Programs, and Activities

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!

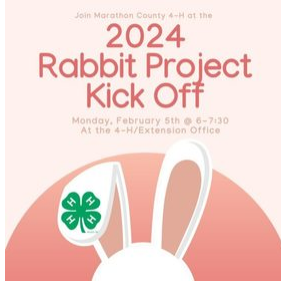
Click the button below and don't miss out on all the amazing programs!

- **Rabbit Project Kick Off**
- **Solving the Cold Case**
- **Mardi Gras Style Cookie Decorating**
- **No Bake Delights**
- **Clover Kaboom**
- **Quilting Club**
- **AND MORE!!**

Marathon County 4-H Programs

4-H Rabbit Project

4-H Rabbit Project members are invited to the 2024 Kick Off on February 5th from 6-7:30pm. The meeting will be held at th 4-



H/Extension Office.

4-H Science Expedition Day @ UW Madison April 6

Jump on the bus and travel with Lincoln, Marathon, & Wood County 4-H as head to the UW Madison Campus to experience all things science. We will explore UW Madison's Campus by visiting Explorations Stations, Science Spectaculars, & engage in some exciting tours. This hands on trip is for youth that are currently in 3rd Grade and older.

\$20 per 4-Her - Register by March 15th @ <https://bit.ly/4HScience24>
Fee includes transportation, programs, ice cream treat, and supper.

Space is limited! Sign up today!

4-H Goes To Science Expedition Day
@ UW Madison Campus
Saturday, April 6th
Includes programs, transportation, ice cream treat & supper
Register by March 15th @ <https://bit.ly/4HUWMSCIENCE23>

\$20 per 4-Her

Join Lincoln, Marathon, & Wood County 4-H as we travel & explore UW Madison's Campus:
Explorations Stations
Science Spectaculars
& Amazing Tours.

Space is Limit. Enroll Today.

An EEO/AA employer, University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title VI, Title IX, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act requirements.

The poster features a yellow background with a green 4-H clover logo in the top left. It includes illustrations of a DNA double helix, a microscope, a test tube, and a lightbulb. The text is in bold, black, and green fonts.

Save the Dates -
4-H Summer Camp

Let's think warmer weather! Save the date for 4-H Summer Camp.

When? June 10-12, 2024

Who? Youth currently in 3rd-7th grade.

More info on the Lincoln, Marathon, & Wood Summer Camp will come out late March or early April.

Discover Wisconsin!

Discover Wisconsin - A unique travel experience for youth in grades 5-8. This summer we will travel towards NW Wisconsin and Lake Superior.

Here's a few details.

*Date: July 11-13

*Registration will open early March

*Multi-county trip: Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Shawano, and Wood

Connect with your 4-H Educator if you'd like to learn more.



Come work with 4-H this Summer!

Are you looking for a unique summer job? We are hiring two AmeriCorps/4-H Program Assistants.

Do you like working with youth? Interested in a youth development career? Or, just want to hang out with cool kids and plan fun things this summer? Then join our Marathon County 4-H team as a Summer 4-H Program Assistant.

Details For YOU:

*Total of 450 Hours: End of May through August (some flexibility in starting and ending dates)

*Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-4:30 with some nights and weekends (some flexibility)

*Great for college students, parents, teachers, and others interested in limited term summer employment that makes a difference in area youth.

*Summer Pay: \$5000 Living Allowance and \$1824 Education Award

Interested in applying? Send a cover letter and resume to Holly Luerssen, 4-H Educator at holly.luerssen@wisc.edu.

Questions? Contact Holly for more info.

**Hiring Summer
AmeriCorps/4-H
Program
Assistants**

**This Could
Be **YOUR**
Summer Office!**

Join our team for some GREAT youth development experience from late May-August.

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Adult Volunteer - Need to Know

HCE Crafty Learning Day

This day is presented by the HCE of Marathon County. For anyone ages 12 and up and is open to the public. 4-H is given a special rate of \$55 per family. Registration is due by March 1. The event is held March 16 from 8:15 to 3pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Lunch is provided. [Click here for the registration form and class offerings.](#)

Are Your Trainings Done?

We have 76 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. Until you are fully trained, you are not considered a volunteer nor covered under the 4H insurance. **Enrollments will start to be sent back for those not completing the trainings or connecting with the 4H Office.**

Grow Green is Here!

Wisconsin 4-H has updated their VIP training to Grow Green! This is an online course that you can take when it best fits your schedule. If you have completed VIP you are still considered trained. <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/training-for-volunteers/grow-green/>

4-H Volunteer Retreat for Marathon and Wood Volunteers!

We know that our amazing volunteers are committed to creating an excellent 4-H experience for young people. You give it your all, and sometimes the demands lead you to lose steam. Have we got a solution for you!

Volunteer Retreat (AKA 4-H Day Camp for Grown Ups)!

Activity leaders, Club leaders, Project leaders . . . ALL 4-H volunteers are invited to attend! We'll refill your cups with fun, fellowship, food, and more. You're sure to meet new friends, get great new ideas, and walk away refreshed and reinvigorated. This free event is open to all approved 4-H volunteers. Gather volunteers from your club and attend as a group.

Lunch and refreshments provided with support from the Marathon 4-H Leaders Federation.

RSVP by February 22nd <https://bit.ly/VolunteerRetreat2024>

WHEN: Saturday, March 2, 2024

TIME: 9:30am-3:00pm

WHERE: Town of Day Hall in Rozellville

Ketching Up with Tomatoes

Did you know tomatoes originated in the Andes Mountains deep in South America? This fascinating fruit (or vegetable, we'll let you decide) has a unique story to share. It's traveled around the world and has become an important food in many cultures. Click the button below for more information and registration.

Ketching Up with Tomatoes

Dairy Quiz Bowl

The 2024 contest will be held on March, 2nd, 2024. It will be held at UW Green Bay in the STEM Innovation Building, 2019 Technology Way, Green Bay, WI 54311.

The Dairy Bowl is a “quiz bowl” competition where all questions deal with dairy topics. Competition in the 4-H Dairy Bowl encourages a 4-H member to develop a more complete knowledge of dairy animals and related subjects. This contest provides an educational dairy program for all dairy project members, including those who may not own a dairy project animal, and provides a way to develop alertness, self-confidence, teamwork skills, and mastery in the area of dairy science. Click the button for more information!

Dairy Quiz Bowl

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

- **February 3:** Clover Kaboom
- **February 5:** Rabbit Project Kick Off
- **February 10:** No Bake Delights
- **February 11:** Cold Case
- **February 12:** Cookie Decorating
- **February 16-18:** Teen Winter Camp
- **February 19:** Quilting Club
- **March 2:** 4-H Dairy Bowl
- **March 2:** 4-H Volunteers Retreat

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