

Calumet County 4-H Newsletter

January 2023

Hi Calumet County 4-H:

Happy New Year! I hope you all have a wonderful holiday season, filled with spending time with family, friends, and doing something that brings you joy!

Along with the New Year comes a chance to think of resolutions or goals that we would like to accomplish for the year. You may already have some goals for your project areas, but I would like to challenge you to evaluate where you may be with your goals or to create some personal 4-H goals for the new year. Setting goals can help you decide what you would like to accomplish in your projects, and help you plan out a path for success. In thinking about your goals, some other ideas could include attending more club meetings, helping lead a project meeting, or participating in a county event.

We are kicking off 2023 with tons of opportunities for our members here in Calumet County, and I am so excited to share these with you. We are continuing our take on our special focus on project learning this year, so please take some time to see what we have to offer you and your family and if there is anything you would like to dive deeper into, please reach out to our office.

As always, feel free to reach out to our office and talk to me or Lori with any questions or concerns. We would love to help you anyway that we can!

Sincerely,

Julea Lermani

Carlea Liermann Calumet County 4-H Educator

January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Extension Office/ Courthouse closed	3	4	5	6 WI Herd Game Registration closes for Discovering 4-H series	7
8	9 Lego Robotics 6 pm @ Courthouse, Room #025	10 Camp Interviews (Outagamie County) 6 pm @ Outagamie Extension	11 Calumet County 4-H Leaders Council 7 pm, Room #025 Winter Leadership Camp Registration closes	12 Camp Interviews (Calumet County) 6 pm @ Courthouse, Room #025	13	14 4-H Family Fun Day 1:00-5:00 pm @ Brillion Community Center
15	16	17 Extension Education Committee 6 pm @ Courthouse, Room #025	18	19 Cloverbud Club 5:30-6:30 pm @ Courthouse, Room #025 Dog Project Meeting 7-8 pm, Room #017	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Zoom VIP Training 6:30-8:30 pm	27	28
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Dog Project

The Dog Project is growing!

It's time to establish a Dog Project chapter within 4-H. To do this, we need 3 adults and 3-4 youth on the board. Please join us at our meeting for nominations and for your vote.

Dog Project Meeting

Scheduled for: January 19, 2023 7:00-8:00 pm

Location: Calumet County Courthouse 206 Court Street Chilton, WI 53014 Room #017

Thank you for everyone's support!

Trisha Flanigan

4-H Family Fun Day

All current 4-H members, leaders, and families are invited to join us for an afternoon full of fun and handson projects at the Brillion Community Center.

Here is what the schedule will include:

- 1:00-2:00 Pinewood Derby Kickoff
- 2:00-4:00 Swimming, art projects, & community service projects
- 4:00-5:00 Snacks & Bingo

There will also be a photo booth available during the entire time we will be at the community center. You are welcome to bring friends to join in on the fun. Please note that children under 7 years of age must be accompanied by an adult in the pool. Our group will use the ratio of 1 adult to 3 children in the pool area.

Any questions, please reach out to the Extension Office!

Citizenship Washington Focus

Registration for Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is now open in 4HOnline for members in grades 10-12. **Registration is open now until December 31.** This year we are sending a delegation to week 3 of CWF, June 24-July 1, 2023. CWF is a premiere citizenship and leadership experience and will send youth to Washington, D. C. for a weeklong experience. Participants learn about the roles of Senators and Representatives in the United States' government and how these parts work together to form an effective Congress. Additionally, youth get to see and experience government in action by meeting with their state's members of Congress and watching a House of Representatives' meeting. Delegates also participate in various educational workshops such as:

Citizenship Toolbox: By exploring what it means to be a good citizen, delegates identify their own skill set to become active citizens and leaders in their communities back home.

Congressional Issues: Delegates learn the process of writing a bill in the House of Representatives' meeting where they will discuss and either pass or deny said bills.

Action Planning: By combining all of the skills they have learned at CWF, the entire delegation will discuss what issues are prominent in their communities. They will then develop a plan to take back and implement positive change into their hometowns.

These are just a couple of the activities delegates will participate in. Delegates will also get the opportunity to tour our Nation's Capital and experience the culture that comes with it. After completing the CWF program, they will have stronger knowledge about being an active citizen and our Government. They will also have the opportunity to discover new skills and be exposed to different perspectives and cultures from around the U.S. On top of all this, it gives delegates another opportunity to bond and network with other 4-Hers from Wisconsin and beyond.

You can find more information about CWF and the registration process on our website: <u>https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/citizenship-washington-focus/</u>

Please contact <u>justin.lieck@wisc.edu</u> with any questions about CWF. Thank you and we hope to see you in D.C. next summer!



2023 Communications Contest

The 4-H Communications Contest will be held on Thursday, February 23, 2023, at the Calumet County Courthouse in Room #025. Registration is required by February 15.

Grade divisions and time limits are listed:

Demonstration Guidelines -Grades K-2 (2-5 minutes) Grades 3-5 (2-5 minutes) Grades 6-8 (6-10 minutes) Grades 9+ (6-10 minutes)

<u>Speaking Guideline -</u> Grades K-2 (2-4 minutes) Grades 3-5 (2-4 minutes) Grades 6-8 (5-7 minutes) Grades 9+ (5-7 minutes)



Speech Categories include (participants can only enter ONE of the following categories:

Traditional Speech - Pick a topic of your choice and write an original, factual speech about it. This could be about a 4-H project you love or a current issue you are concerned about. Your speech could inform, persuade, or motivate your audience. Your entire speech or an outline of your speech can be put on notecards for use during your presentation, or it may be memorized. <u>You may also use visuals (posters, charts, diagrams, power point) to help you deliver your speech, but NOT props or costumes</u>. (Keep in mind, this is a speech, not a demonstration.)

Interpretive Presentation - <u>A memorized introduction should be included to</u> <u>credit the author</u>. The options include: prose reading, poetry reading, a memorized piece, storytelling (where the story is told and not read), or an interpretive speech (a speech that had originally been written and presented by someone else). You may edit your selection to meet the time requirement. Original poetry or stories can also be used. If reading the selection, text should be mounted on construction paper instead of reading from a book. You should write an introduction and any transitions that are needed if you have more than one piece. NO props or costumes are permitted.

Interview Contest Guidelines

Youth in grades 3 and above are invited to participate in the first interview contest. Each participant will have a scheduled interview on the night of February 23rd. These interviews will be similar to the Educational Experience Scholarship Interviews, where it will be based off of your 4-H experience. Youth will be asked to submit a cover letter and resume prior to the registration deadline on February 15th, so the interviewer has time to review ahead of time.

To register, please complete the information here: <u>https://forms.gle/</u> <u>SXj6sjJiFuEKa8so6</u>

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarships

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than \$20,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin 4-H members and alumni pursuing higher education in 2023. To be considered for financial support, applications will be accepted starting December 15, 2022, and must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via email by Wednesday, March 15, 2023, 5:00 pm. Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth through 4-H, development and leadership in 4-H, academic performance and future educational goals.

To be eligible for Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships, students must have been a Wisconsin 4-H member for at least three years; should have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college, or technical school during the 2023-2024 academic school year. Scholarship winners from previous years are not eligible to receive a second 4-H Foundation scholarship.

For more information, visit: https://wis4hfoundation.org/ scholarships/





SAVE THE DATE

4-H Dance

Friday, February 3, 2023

@ Cobblestone in Brillion



4-H Food Stand Committee

Anybody interested in the food stand committee to meet at **6 p.m. on January 11th** at the courthouse.

Summer Academy

This is replacing what we have known as Youth Conference.

Save the Date: June 19-22 Grades 7-10 UW-Madison

4-H Meats Judging Contest

Mark your calendars for the upcoming State 4-H Meats Judging Contest on Saturday, February 4, 2023! 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.

What is the 4-H Meats Judging Contest?

Have you been to your local meat market or grocery store lately and think you could choose the best cut of meat out of the case? Have you ever watched a live animal contest and thought you could choose what



animals would provide the best meat products? This is your opportunity to put those skills to work. This contest tests the knowledge of youth in the placement of carcass and retail cut classes, carcass grading, and retail cut identification. Top teams earn the opportunity to compete at regional and national competitions.

Who can participate?

You must be a currently enrolled WI 4-H member to participate in this contest. The age divisions are: Junior - Age 8-13 as of January 1, 2023; Senior - Age 14-18 as of January 1, 2023. WI 4-H members that are in the 13th grade and have reached their 19th birthday prior to January 1, 2023, are eligible to compete at this state contest as individuals but not as a member of a team. Youth must be in or completed 3rd grade; 8-year-old Cloverbuds cannot participate.

Even if your county has not participated in the past, round up some 4-H friends and take advantage of this fun opportunity to show your knowledge of the animal species and industry.

Looking for more information, where to register, or resources to study from? Check out the links below:

4-H Meats Judging - Saturday, February 4, 2023

Location: *New* Meat Science and Animal Biologics Discovery Building, UW Madison Campus

Deadlines: (more information located in the registration materials link below):

- * Estimated number of participants (needed to order PPE): January 20, 2023 through Google Form
- * Final registration: January 20, 2023 through 4-H online

More information and registration available at:

https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/ meats-judging-contest/

If you have any questions, please contact Jill at <u>jill.jorgensen@wisc.edu</u>, phone at 920-391-4659 or Bernie at <u>borourke2@wisc.edu</u>, phone at 608-263-4304.

2023 WI 4-H State Livestock and Skill-a-thon Contest Contests

Mark your calendars for the upcoming 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl and Skill-a-thon Contest! 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.

What are the contests?

These are two different contests all about livestock where you can use your knowledge about the animal species (beef, sheep, swine, meat goat) and the industry.

Livestock Quiz Bowl:

Livestock Bowl is a quiz competition where all the questions are about beef, sheep, swine, and meat goat topics. Students use a buzzer to answer the questions (similar to the game show Jeopardy). Teams compete in a double-elimination format by



giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Each match has both an individual and toss-up question round. The top team earns the opportunity to compete at the national competition.

Livestock Skill-a-thon:

Everything you know about raising your animal adds up to so much knowledge of the species and the industry. The Skill -a-thon contest will help you challenge you to share that information through a written quiz and learning stations such as breed identification, feed identification, equipment identification as well as some team activities such as demonstrating evaluation skills. There are both individual and team stations. The top team earns the opportunity to compete at the national competition.

Who can participate?

Any current 4-H members, grades 3-13. Please note, there are age divisions for each of those contest and parameters for grade 13 members. Please see the contest information in the link below for more information on the age divisions. Even if your county has not participated in the past, round up some 4-H friends and take advantage of this fun opportunity to show your knowledge of the animal species and industry.

Looking for more information, where to register, or resources to study from? Check out the links below:

4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl and Skill-a-thon - Saturday, March 25, 2023

Location: UW Madison Campus

Deadline: March 10, 2023 through 4-H Online (more information located in the registration materials link below)

More information and registration available at:

<u>https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/livestock-quiz-bowl-skillathon-contest/</u>

Additional resource information can be found at: <u>https://youthanimalsciences.wisc.edu/</u>

If you have any questions, please contact Jill at <u>jill.jorgensen@wisc.edu</u>, phone at 920-391-4659 or Bernie at <u>borourke@wisc.edu</u>, phone at 608-263-4304.



Camp Counselors

We are already planning and thinking about next summer and we hope you are too! This is a friendly reminder that staff applications are due December 31. We are looking for camp Youth Staff (15-19 years old by June 1), Junior Counselors (14 years old by June 1), and Adult Volunteers (age 19 & older) to assist at summer camp. Examples of adult positions needed are: Outpost Leader, First Aid Coordinator, Bus Coordinator (see application for more information). Camp staff are required to attend training (dates and locations found in the application packet on the website). Please get working on those, they have changed slightly from last year, so make sure you take a close look at that. Also, encourage your friends to apply!

Applications for both youth and adult staff can be found here: <u>https://</u> <u>calumet.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-summer-camp-staff/</u>, along with our video from last year, just in case you need a reminder about how awesome camp is.

Poultry Meetings

All youth enrolled in the Poultry Project are encouraged to attend the scheduled meetings at 7 pm at Calumet County Courthouse on the following dates:

- February 27th Starting Your Poultry Project
- March 27th Raising Your Birds

Rabbit Meetings

Attention all Rabbit Project Members, please save the date for the following Rabbit Project Meetings. The first scheduled meeting is mandatory for all members who plan to show at the 2023 Calumet County Fair. Meetings will take place at 7 pm at the Calumet County Courthouse on the following dates:

- February 27 Getting Started with Your Project
- March 27 Health & Handling
- April 24 Showmanship

Marketing Materials for Clubs

If any club is planning to hold a brat fry, an outreach table, etc., you are able to use materials from the Extension Office such as:

- Tablecloth
- Banner
- Flutter flags
- Chalkboard

If you would also like paper marketing materials to hand out, please request these at least 1-2 weeks in advance. If you have questions or to reserve, please contact Carlea at <u>carlea.liermann@wisc.edu</u>

Annual 4-H Dance

The 4-H Dance will be held on Friday, February 3rd, from 7:00-10:00 pm at Cobblestone Creek in Brillion. Raffle tickets will be available from club leaders and each club will receive a commission for each ticket sold. Admission is FREE this year!

Host clubs are Friendly Valley, Sherwood Wide Awake, and Woodville Stars. Please return dance ticket stubs, unsold tickets, and money to the Extension Office by Wednesday, January 26.

Key Award

This award is the top honor a 4-H member can achieve in 4-H in Wisconsin. Two awards can be given this year in Calumet County.



Also, the key award winners will have the opportunity to be a recipient of the Cheri Sattler Memorial Scholarship.

Qualifications: at least 14 years old on January 1, 2023, and completed at least three years of 4-H and one year of youth leadership.

Interviews for the Key Awards will be on **Thursday, April 27, at 6:00 pm.** It has not been determined whether these will be in-person or virtual interviews.

Applications will be available on the "Things to Do in 4-H page" of our website: <u>https://</u> <u>calumet.extension.wisc.edu/4-h</u> <u>-youth-development/things-to-</u> <u>do-in-4-h/</u>, and are due back to the Extension Office by Monday, April 10, 2023.

NEW Building Safe Spaces Training for Volunteers Coming December 1st!

Who should take Building Safe Spaces Training? Volunteers and staff who work with youth in Extension Programs.

When should you take the training? The training opens on December 1, 2022. All new volunteers or returning volunteers that enroll on or after December 1st will be required to take the training. If you already enrolled as a volunteer, you will not be required to take the training until September of 2023.

What is the training about? Building Safe Spaces is designed to keep youth and adult volunteers safe. In three short modules, volunteers will learn to:

- Identify activities that put youth in danger
- Explore ways to keep youth safe in Extension programs
- Understand the difference between appropriate and inappropriate physical touch



Why is the training required? Wisconsin 4-H invests in you, the volunteers who support young people who participate in the program. Trainings are designed to provide additional knowledge and tools for volunteers and staff that work with youth. The information provided protects both the youth and the adults who work with them.

Where can you take the training? This is an interactive online training that works best on a computer or laptop, but can also be accessed on a mobile device and offline. If you do not have access to a computer or internet, contact your local educator for an offline version of the training. Each of the three modules takes approximately 10 minutes to complete (15 minutes in Spanish). If you need to stop, you can pick up where you left off. **Access the training here:** http://buildingsafespaces.wi4h.org

Pinewood Derby

A popular event for our 4-H program last year is returning in 2022, and it is open to all 4-H members (Cloverbuds through 13th grade), adults, and even non-4-H members! Invite your friends to join you.

- Kick-off Saturday, January 14, 2023 (part of the 4-H Family Fun Day Brillion Community Center)
- Practice Friday, March 10, 6:00 pm (location TBD)
- Derby Finale Sunday, March 12, 1:00 pm (location TBD)



A pinewood derby is a racing event where you build your own car from kits containing a block of pine, plastic wheels, and metal axles. The leaders Council will purchase the kits for our 4-H members to participate! If an adult or non-4-H participant would like to compete as well, they would need to pay \$4.00 for their kit. Blocks can be whittled with a hand knife, bandsaw, or Dremel carving tool for major shaping. Decals can be bought to decorate your car, or you are encouraged to use your imagination to paint and decorate the way you'd like!

Sign up to reserve your pinewood derby kit at this link: <u>https://tinyurl.com/calumetpinewood</u>, or for those without computer/internet access, please contact the 4-H Office. Car kits will be at the kick-off for pick-up on Saturday, January 8th, as part of the 4-H Family Fun Day at Brillion Community Center.



The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will sponsor the art contest, open to any current Wisconsin 4-H member, with cash prizes totaling nearly \$1,000. The contest will be held virtually, with photos of all entries submitted electronically. Entries will be accepted from Tuesday, November 1, 2022, until midnight on Sunday, January 15, 2023.

The contest is broken into nine categories:

- 1. Drawing Using Any Medium
- 2. Painting (acrylic, watercolor, or oil)
- 3. Pottery, Ceramics, or Clay
- 4. Photography
- 5. Paper
- 6. Fabric, Yarn, or Fiber
- 7. Wood
- 8. Any Other Media (ex: digital, metalcraft, jewelry, leatherwork, wax, eggshells, taxidermy, etc.)
- 9. 4-H Art

A winner will be chosen in each category with a Best of Show award given to one entry chosen by the judging committee. Category winners will receive a \$100 cash award. The Best of Show entry will receive an additional \$150 cash award. Other art may be recognized but will not receive a cash award. Winners will be notified by email in February. A complete winner's list, as well as photos of the winning entries, will be on the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Website by late February.

To be eligible for the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Art Contest, youth must be a 4-H member enrolled in 4H Online for the 2022-2023 4-H Program Year. Entrants do <u>not</u> need to be enrolled in any specific project to participate.

Entry Information

- * Entries will be accepted from Tuesday, November 1, 2022, until midnight on Sunday, January 15, 2023
- A photo of the entry and the completed entry form must be submitted through the contest website: <u>https://</u> <u>forms.gle/KPyDR4KPo2w8e8iF6</u> or <u>https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/arts-communication/</u> <u>celebrate-the-arts/</u>
- * A tip sheet for entrants is available on the entry page. Please review this information to learn how best to present and share your art.
- Each artist may submit one entry in one or more category, but may submit only one entry in any one category.
 Example: Fred can submit a photo, a chalk drawing and a ceramic dish, but he cannot enter two photos.

For official contest rules and requirements and how to submit photos of artwork, please visit: <u>Wis4HFoundation.org/</u> events/celebrate-the-arts/

Calumet County 4-H Attendance Policy

Members are required to attend a minimum of 1/3 of their club's annual meetings

- Grade 13 members (college/technical school) are exempt from attendance requirement, but are encouraged to attend as many club meetings as possible. Younger members gain from older youth interaction and positive role modeling.
- Members can be excused from 50 percent of their club's total number of meetings. Excused meetings do not count towards the attendance requirement.
 - Members need to be excused prior to the club meeting.
 - Each club should decide how and who to call for excused absences.
 - Approved excused absences include: church related activity, school functions, work, illness, family emergencies, other scheduled 4-H activities.
- <u>Clubs have the authority to set higher attendance requirements than this stated county policy.</u> (Check with your club leader for club rules and guidelines.)
- Youth who do not meet attendance requirements:
 - Will not be able to show at the county fair as a 4-H exhibitor

Main leaders will be expected to notify the 4-H Office about those members not meeting the attendance requirement. By June 1, the 4-H office will send a list of the enrolled members to the Main Leader of each club with a form to complete and return by August 1.

• Will not be eligible for honor trips and awards the following year.

Example: If a club holds 12 meetings in the year, the minimum requirement for a member is:

- 1. Must attend 4 meetings
- 2. Be excused from 6 meetings
- 3. Leaving 2 that would be unaccounted for

4-H WINTER LEADERSHIP CAMP 2023 February 3-5, 2023 SPENCER LAKE CAMP, WAUPACA Who: Youth in Grades 7-12 & 4-H Membership not required

<u>Cost:</u> \$80 (reach out to your local educator if you need financial assistance)

Come connect with other youth from different counties, while adding to your leadership tool box and having fun!







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WISCONSIN 4-H NIGHT

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OSHKOSH ARENA | 1212 S MAIN ST OSHKOSH, WI 54902

Join friends, family, and staff of Wisconsin 4-H for a fun night out with the Wisconsin Herd! All kids within the 4-H Club group purchasing through this link will get to participate in a pre-game Career in Sports Panel and invited into the Jockey High Five Tunnel to receive a FREE Herd t-shirt!

GAME: FRIDAY JANUARY 6TH @7PM



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FOR MORE INFORMATION OR WITH QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT: TREVOR KROLL AT 920.744.0263 or TKROLL@WISCONSINHERD.COM









Discovering 4-H Series

Grades K-2

JOIN US VIA ZOOM!

6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Scan QR code to register! Register by Jan. 6









- January 17 Head Straw Rockets
- January 31- Heart- "The Day You Begin" Book
- February 14 -Hands Lava Mug Cake
- February 28- Health- Happy minds and bodies

EXPLORE 4-H

Together we will explore what 4-H means and explain the Head, Heart, Hands, and Health with fun activities! Receive a box with supplies, a supply list, and connect information for the interactive zooms!

For questions, contact: Your Local Extension Office



Discovering 4-H Series Grades 3-6

Let's Celebrate Together!

- Get to know new friends
- Create paper art
- Learn science with food
- Add wellness to your routine
- Play interactive games



JOIN US VIA ZOOM!

Jan. 24, Feb. 7, Feb. 21 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. Registration open until Jan. 6





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2023 4-H Theme "4-H...4 U, 4 Me, 4 Fun, 4 Life."



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