



Calumet County 4-H Newsletter

February 2024

Dear Calumet County 4-H,

How are we already in the month of February!?! Now is a great time to work on your 4-H projects. For example, poultry and rabbit meetings start this month, along with there are still some food workshops available. YQCA and other market animal education meetings will come out sometime in February as well.

Some other things you may want to take a look at are as follows:

Calumet County Youth in Governance (YiG) Program - Youth ages 14-18 who live in Calumet County are eligible to apply to be part of the first ever YiG program, where you would sit on one of the county committees with county board members. More information is available on page 3.

Earrings Workshop - Youth in middle school and older are eligible to join in 1 of 2 earrings workshops we have set with 4-H alum, Izzy Bastian. She took one of her sparks and turned it into a business.

Leaders Council Exec Board - We will be looking to fill 3 adult director and 4 youth director positions on the Leaders Council Board. Meetings are monthly, with the exception of May and December and have typically been on Wednesday evenings at 7pm. The new council will set their own meeting schedule. The new executive board will be voted on at the annual meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 10th at 7pm.

ArtBEAT! - is a day camp program for youth in grades 3-5, which is an introductory program for the 4-H Expressive Arts. It will take place at Upham Woods, and scholarships are available!

As always, please reach out to our office with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Carlea Liermann
Calumet County 4-H Educator

February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Cloverbuds Chocolate Chip Cookies Foods Class
4	5	6	7	8 Teen Ambassadors at 6:30pm in Rm 020 at Courthouse	9	10
11	12 Skillathon & Quiz Bowl Practice from 6:00-7:00pm in Rm 017 at Courthouse Lego Robotics at 6pm in Rm 025 at Courthouse	13 Extension Education Committee Mtg at 6pm in Rm 025 at Courthouse	14 Food Stand Committee Mtg at 6:30 in Rm 025 at Courthouse Leaders Council Mtg at 7pm in Rm 025 at Courthouse	15 Cloverbud Club Meeting, Group A at 5:30 Rm 020; Group B at 6:00 Rm 025	16	17
18	19	20 Dog Project Mtg at 6:30pm in Rm 025 at Courthouse	21 Horse Project Mtg at 6pm in Rm 025 at Courthouse	22 Camp Staff Orientation at 6:30pm via Zoom	23	24
25 Dog Project Activity - Intro to Barn Hunt at 3:00 at Oh Rats Dog Training	26 Quiz Bowl/Skillathon Practice 6-7pm at Courthouse, Rm 017 Poultry & Rabbits Mtg 7-8pm at Courthouse, Rms 017 & 025 (Mandatory)	27	28	29 Macarons Foods Workshop from 5:00-8:00pm in Rm 020 at Courthouse (class is full)		

Leaders Council Board Meeting Highlights

The Leaders Council met on Wednesday, January 10th at 7pm. During the meeting, they discussed the Family Fun Day that would be coming up and approved the Teen Ambassadors having a bake sale during the event. The board approved paying for three volunteers to go through the shooting sports leader training, to help get the shooting sports training off of the ground. Troy and Jessie Jansen and Ryan Lonergan will all be taking the rifle/air rifle training on February 3rd.

Next Meeting

The next Leaders Council Exec meeting will be on Wednesday, February 14th at 7pm in room #025 of the Calumet County Courthouse. Prior to the meeting, the Food Stand Committee will be meeting with the Fair Board President, Jeff Wunrow, to discuss the potential moving of the food stand. During the regular meeting, the board will start planning the semi-annual audit, the 2024-2025 budget meeting, and will discuss upcoming programming.

Youth in Governance

The Youth in Governance (YiG) application is now open for the 2024-2025 year! Apply today to be a part of the first ever cohort of Youth in Governance representatives for Calumet County! You can apply online by scanning the QR code below with your phone, or you can fill out a paper application and return it to the Extension Office. Applications are due March 8th, 2024, and the program will begin in May and end the following May.

For those who do not know what the Youth in Governance Program is, it's an opportunity for teens (ages 14-18) to get involved in county government and to develop their leadership skills. Youth will get an advisory vote on their chosen committees and a mentor that sits on their chosen board. Committee meetings are typically held during the school day, once per month for about 2.5 hours, so keep that in mind when applying. Youth are allowed to attend committee meetings virtually. Youth will also be required to attend YiG cohort meetings, where they will get to get together and discuss how the program is going and do activities to develop their leadership and communication skills. If your teen is not interested in this program, please spread the word to those you think would be interested! Youth have to be in high school, ages 14-18, and live in Calumet County to apply.

If you have questions, please reach out to me at: maggie.bruckner@wisc.edu

Calumet County Youth in Governance Program Application



Dog Project News

We are starting to plan our 4-H Dog Project schedule for this Spring and Summer. The prerequisites to participate are:

- Signed up in the Dog Project (it's not too late to do this)
- Attend one of the two mandatory meetings, which will take place on March 21, 2024, and April 2, 2024, at 6:30pm in Room 025 at the Courthouse for both dates, so save a date
- The youth must be in the third grade or above and must have a parent or guardian at the meeting

The trainings will run from May through August and we would like to know if Tuesday evenings would work at 6pm, with the first and last Tuesdays of the month training would start at 4pm. Or if you would prefer a different day, please email your response to: gflanigan@frontier.com

Our Winter activity this year will be:

Intro to Barn Hunt - session will be for youth member and their project dog

Sunday, February 25th at 3:00pm

Please RSVP to Crysta at crystaladwig@gmail.com

Barn Hunt is a fun sport for your dog, where they have to use their nose to locate rats (safely enclosed in aerated tubes) hidden in a maze of straw/hay. Since sniffing is such a fun activity for dogs, they love this sport!

Location:

Oh Rats Dog Training

5504 Cty. Rd. V, Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085

<https://www.ohratsbarnhuntclub.com/>



Lego Robotics

Have you signed up for 2024 Lego Robotics?

This year we will continue to work on the Lego Robotics Challenge Kit from a past competition season: Animal Allies!

Lego Robotics is ALL about teamwork! As a team, we will choose an animal. It might be an animal that lives in your home or neighborhood. Learn about the ways people interact with this type of animal. As a team, we will then identify a specific problem with the way people interact with your animal. As a team, we will design a solution to the problem, with the Lego Robotics Kit!

The team will meet the 2nd Monday of each month at 6pm.

If you'd like to join us, please sign up using the Google form: <https://forms.gle/HteFfKx8gTdnDsya8>



Calumet County Livestock & Skill-a-thon Teams

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 leaning 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 earn 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 contests and parameters for grade 13 members. 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? If you are interested in participating in the Skillathon or Quiz Bowl, please reach out to our office as we are starting to coordinate practices! First practice will be Monday, January 8th at 6pm.

***Youth who participate will receive credit towards their educational sessions required for the market animal sale.*

Save the Dates

STATE 4-H LIVESTOCK EVENTS

**4-H MEATS JUDGING CONTEST
FEB. 3, 2024**

**SKILLATHON AND QUIZ BOWL
MARCH 16, 2024**

**BOTH EVENTS HELD AT THE
UW MADISON CAMPUS**



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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 2024. To be considered for financial support, applications will be accepted **starting December 15, 2023**, and must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via email **by Friday, March 1, 2024, at 5:00pm**.

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 2024-2025 academic school year. Scholarship winners from previous years are not eligible to receive a second 4-H Foundation scholarship.

All applications must adhere to the conventions outlined below. Any application that does not meet these requirements will not be considered. All documents must be emailed to the 4-H Foundation as one, two-page PDF. Any other cloud/internet shared documents will NOT be accepted (do NOT use Google Docs, for example).

The application materials represent what youth may be asked to submit when applying for jobs. We encourage applicants to treat this process as if applying for a position. For help with creating cover letters and résumés, applicants should reach out to their club leaders, county educator, or a teacher or parent. For more information, visit this link: <https://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/>

A flyer for "Rabbit & Poultry Project Meetings". The title "Rabbit & Poultry" is at the top in white, with "Project Meetings" in a large, white, cursive font below it. A photo of a brown rabbit is on the right. A white notepad graphic is in the center with a list of dates: February 26 (mandatory), March 25, and April 29, each with a green checkmark. Below the list, it says "7-8pm at Calumet County Courthouse". A photo of a brown chicken is on the bottom left. At the bottom right are the logos for the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation and the University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension.

RABBIT & POULTRY
Project Meetings

- ✓ February 26 (mandatory)
- ✓ March 25
- ✓ April 29

7-8pm at
Calumet County Courthouse

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2024 Communications Contest

The 4-H Communications Contest will be held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at the Calumet County Courthouse in Room #025. **Registration is required by February 13, 2024.**

Grade divisions and time limits are listed below:

Demonstration Guidelines -

Grades K-2 (2-6 minutes)

Grades 3-5 (2-7 minutes)

Grades 6-8 (4-8 minutes)

Grades 9+ (5-10 minutes)

Show how to do something and explain each step. A demonstration table with an overhead mirror and easel will be provided. A poster or tri-fold should be used as a visual.

Original Speech (known as speaking contest) Guidelines -

Grades K-2 (2-4 minutes)

Grades 3-5 (2-4 minutes)

Grades 6-8 (5-7 minutes)

Grades 9+ (5-7 minutes)

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. You may also use visuals (posters, charts, diagrams, power point) to help you deliver your speech, but NOT props or costumes. (Keep in mind, this is a speech, not a demonstration)

Interpretive Speech Guideline -

Grades K-2 (2-4 minutes)

Grades 3-5 (2-4 minutes)

Grades 6-8 (5-7 minutes)

Grades 9+ (5-7 minutes)

A memorized introduction should be included to credit the author. 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. You should write an introduction and any transitions that are needed if you have more than one piece. Cloverbuds are permitted to read, and not memorize. Props or costumes are encouraged.

Readers Theater & Storytelling Guidelines -

Grades K-2 (2-4 minutes)

Grades 3-5 (2-4 minutes)

Grades 6-8 (5-7 minutes)

Grades 9+ (5-7 minutes)

Storytelling can be read or memorized and should include interaction between the audience and storyteller.

Interview Contest Guidelines - Youth in grades 3 & 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 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 of February 15th, so the interviewer has time to review ahead of time.

To register, please complete the information here: <https://forms.gle/mem3pwsN85BCCgWG8>

What's Covered:

- **DIFFERENT GLUTEN-FREE FLOUR TYPES**
- **HOW TO BAKE GLUTEN FREE SCONES**



Gluten-Free **SCONE WORKSHOP**

SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH | 9AM-12:30PM

4-H members in grades 3-13 are invited to join us to learn how to bake gluten-free scones. Youth will learn about the different types of flour they are able to use, and then follow a few different recipes to make their own scones from scratch. Preference will be given to those who have a sensitivity to gluten or who have a family member with a sensitivity.

This class has been added to the Foods Education Registration Form on the next page, along with the remaining open classes.

2023-2024 Calumet County 4-H Foods Education Opportunities Registration Form

Registration is due one week before the workshop date or until the workshop fills up. We ask that each member only sign up for 2 sessions to start with to help ensure more youth are able to participate in the Foods Education Sessions since each one has limited space. If 1-2 weeks before and we still have space, we will open it up to youth who are already signed up for their three sessions.

Youth Name: _____

Email: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

Please check the Foods Project Workshops you would like to participate in. Space is limited for each workshop. When finished, fill out the total amount. Payment is required at registration.

	<u>Cost</u>
___ April 20 - Bagels, Pretzels & Spreads	\$10
___ April 27 - Gluten - Free Scones	\$10
___ June 1 - Cream Puffs from Scratch	\$5

Total Enclosed: _____

Make checks payable to: **Calumet County 4-H Leaders Council**

Send this form and check to:

Extension Office, 206 Court Street, Chilton, WI 53014
920-849-1450

Spark Workshop: Polymer Clay Earrings

~~Monday, January 22nd~~

Tuesday, March 5th

Saturday, May 4th

Calumet County Courthouse

Grades 5th-13th

Cost: \$10 (January & March); \$15 (May)

4-H Members in grades 5-13 are invited to join us and Izzy from Daffodil & Co. to learn how to make their own polymer clay earrings. Each youth will make 4-5 pairs of earrings. For the May date, you sign up as a Mother/Daughter pair to make earrings. Izzy will share how she was able to take her spark and turn it into a business! Spots are limited, registration is on a first come first serve basis.

Name: _____

Grade: _____

Email: _____

Select what date you'd prefer: ~~Jan 22~~ **March 5** **May 4**

Make checks payable to Calumet Count 4-H Leaders Council

Send this form & check to: Extension Office

206 Court Street, Chilton, WI 53014



Do you  the Calumet County Fair?

You Could Be the Next . . .



*Calumet County
Fairest of the Fair
or Junior Fairest of the Fair*

Fairest of the Fair - individuals 18 years and over (age as of 1/1/2025).

Junior Fairest of the Fair Position is available for individuals 11 - 14 years (age as of 1/1/2025).

Opportunities of the Fairest of the Fair & Junior Fairest of the Fair include being the official host and media spokespersons of the fair. As a marketing intern of the fair, you will represent and promote the fair at local parades, festivals, speaking engagements, and promotional events.

Duties during the fair vary but include greeting fair visitors, announcing entertainment, rewarding exhibitors and media interviews. This is a one year commitment, most of the engagements happen from Memorial Day thru Labor Day Weekend.

Requirements:

- Application completed and submitted by March 25, 2024.
- Individual and Group Interviews
- Self-Introduction - One Minute
- Event Presentation - One Minute
- Coaching is available.

Benefits:

- Tiara & Sash.
- Wardrobe allowance.
- Develop higher self-confidence, listening skills, time management techniques, writing and strengthen speaking abilities.
- Fair Food allowance.
- Special Camping & Parking during the fair.

*Who do you know,
Who would be Great?
Tell them!*

**CORONATION PROGRAM
(FREE ADMISSION)**

**CHILTON HIGH SCHOOL - ENGLER CENTER
SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024 AT 5:00 PM**

INTERVIEWS WILL BE HELD STARTING AT APPRX 12:30 PM

TO REQUEST AN APPLICATION OR IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS - CCFFAIREST@GMAIL.COM

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK - CALUMET COUNTY FAIREST OF THE FAIR

Kewaunee Co. 4-H Horse Project-----Open Model Horse Show

Saturday March 2, 2024----Kewaunee Co Fairgrounds, 625 Third St,



Judge: **Betty Mertes**

Luxemburg, WI

Show starts **9:00 am**---Drs open **7:30am**



Performance Classes

1. Fine/Pleasure Harness
2. Draft Harness
3. 4-H Harness
4. Western Pleasure
5. 4-H Western Pleasure
6. Ranch Work
7. Gymkhana (English or Western)
8. 4-H Gymkhana
9. Trail (English or Western)
10. 4-H Trail
11. Hunt Seat Pleasure
12. Saddle seat/Park Pleasure
13. 4-H English Pleasure
14. Hunter/Jumper Over Fences
15. Open Other Performance
16. 4-H Other Performance
17. Native Costume
18. Novelty Costume
19. 4-H Costume
20. 4-H Showmanship w/handler (E/W)
21. Showmanship w/handler (E/W)

Fees: 50 cents per entry
\$5.00 per table (6' table)
Placings: 1st - 5th
Models may cross enter

Halter Classes

22. 4-H English Halter, no doll
23. 4-H Western Halter, no doll
24. 4-H Draft Halter, no doll
25. 4-H Pony Halter, no doll
26. OF Arabian, no doll or halter
27. OF Quarter Horse, no doll or halter
28. OF Appaloosa, no doll or halter
29. OF Paint/Pinto, no doll or halter
30. OF Gaited Breeds, no doll or halter
31. OF TB/STB, no doll or halter
32. OF Warm blood/Sport horse, no doll or halter
33. OF Draft, no doll or halter
34. OF Pony, no doll or halter
35. OF Foal, no doll or halter
36. OF Any other breed (equine)
37. CM Open...all breeds
38. CM 4-H...all breeds, customized by exhibitor

LOVE THAT MOLD: 3-5 models same mold @ lunch

Hi- Point: Callback... 1 horse from "stable "with all ribbons won in classes 1-21

4-H: Grand & Reserve

Open: Grand & Reserve

Classes 1-21 eligible

Silent Auction: 9am-1pm donations accepted

*****RULES*****

Collector Classes

39. Breyer Glossy
40. Breyer Ltd Ed/SR/Comm
41. Breyer Matte Disc
42. Scratch & Dent, any model
43. Peter Stone Draft
44. Schleich, any model
45. Any Other Animal (no equine)

4-H classes will be run by State 4-H Model Horse Show rules. We reserve the right to combine or cancel classes. Judge's decision is final. 5 minute tack change-notify show secretary. **All models to have tag attached to L hind leg(owner name-side 1, horse name/breed-side 2)** Kewaunee Co. 4-H Horse Project and Kewaunee County are not responsible for any injury, theft, or accident to exhibitors or their models. Questions/Reservations...
Contact Nancy LaCrosse 920-255-3421

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2023-2024 4-H Theme

“Chilin’ in 4-H”



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