



# Calumet County 4-H Newsletter

**March 2024**

Hello Everyone!

My name is Lindit Bading, and I am thrilled to join Calumet County 4-H as an AmeriCorps Member! I grew up in the Madison area. I am currently attending Moraine Park, and I am pursuing a degree in Nursing.

I will mainly be providing 4-H programming to the school district throughout Calumet County. I am eager to collaborate, learn, and contribute to supporting the youth. I am interested in preventative work. I wish to broaden my interest through this experience. I am looking forward to participating in 4-H programming and getting to know everyone!

Best regards,

Lindit Bading



# March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Cupcakes Class 9am-12pm @ Chilton HS Foods Lab  Mirror Glaze Class 1-4pm @ Chilton HS Foods Lab
3	4	5	6 Horse Project Educational Team Mtg at 6pm in Rm 025	7	8 Pinewood Derby Practice 6-7pm @ Chilton HS Commons	9
10 Pinewood Derby 1pm @ Chilton HS Commons	11 Lego Robotics at 6pm in Rm 025 at Courthouse	12 Extension Education Committee Mtg at 6pm in Rm 025	13 Outreach Committee at 6pm in Rm 025  Leaders Council at 7pm in Rm 025	14 Teen Ambassadors at 6:30 in Rm 025 at Courthouse	15 Educational Experience Scholarship Applications Due	16 Skillathon & Quizbowl at UW Madison
17	18	19	20	21 Cloverbud Club Mtg, Group A at 5:30 Rm 020; Group B at 6:00 Rm 017  Dog Project Mtg at 6:30 in Rm 025	22	23
24	25 Poultry & Rabbit Meetings at 7pm in Rms 017 & 025 at Courthouse	26 Camp Counselor Training at UW Extension Outagamie County 6:30-8:00pm	27	28	29	30
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## Leaders Council Board Meeting Highlights

The Food Stand Committee met on Wednesday, February 14th at 6:30pm to hear from the Calumet County Fair Board on their proposal to move to their Fair Food Stand. Following the proposal and discussion, the Leaders Council Exec Board held their monthly meeting. During the meeting, they reviewed the Family Fun Day and created the new Outreach Committee. The new committee will work with Carlea this Summer to help with any outreach, back-to-school events, or 4-H promotion at the Calumet County Fair. The Teen Ambassadors also gave an update on their Craft Fair/Brat Fry they have scheduled for Sunday, April 28th, to help fund their Teen Travel Experience to Tennessee. Before the meeting wrapped up, the Exec Board set dates for the semi-annual audit and budget meeting, which is schedule for Tuesday, February 27th at 5:30pm. Lastly, the board discussed plans on how to make a decision on the food stand proposal.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Leaders Council Exec Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13th at 7pm. During this meeting, they will go over plans for the Fair Food Stand proposal, discuss and vote on the proposed 2024-2025 budget, and plan for the annual meeting that will take place on Wednesday, April 10th at 7pm. The board also invites any current volunteer or teen in grades 9 & up who is interested in running for a seat on the board to attend this meeting.

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## 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 Maggie at: [maggie.bruckner@wisc.edu](mailto:maggie.bruckner@wisc.edu)

Calumet County Youth in  
Governance Program Application





SAVE THE DATE

# Leaders Council Annual Meeting



10 APRIL 2024

7:00 PM

CALUMET COUNTY  
COURTHOUSE



Elections are scheduled to take place at the 4-H Leaders Council Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 10th at 7:00pm. This year we are looking to elect three new adult leaders and four youth leaders. Adult leaders are elected for a three-year term, while youth leaders are elected for a one-year term. The purpose of the council is:

- ◆ To assist the county Extension Office in planning, implementing, and evaluating the year's 4-H Youth Development Program.
- ◆ To bring up for discussion problems and ideas of the community 4-H clubs and their leaders.
- ◆ To arrange for project education and leadership development training.
- ◆ To further in all ways the 4-H Development Program in Calumet County.
- ◆ To accept funds for the advancement of the 4-H Development Program, educational activities, and awards
- ◆ Calumet County 4-H Leaders Council follows the Wisconsin 4-H Policies.

Anyone who would like to learn more is encouraged to attend the next Leaders Council meeting on Wednesday, March 18th. Please reach out to our office with any questions!

## Dog Project News

It's that time of year to start thinking about dog training classes! 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
- The youth must be in the third grade or above and must have a parent or guardian at the meeting

The trainings will be held on Tuesdays at the Calumet County Fairgrounds in Chilton and run from May through August 17, ending with a dog show. If you have any questions, please contact Trisha Flanigan at:

[gtflanigan@frontier.com](mailto:gtflanigan@frontier.com)

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## Looking for Volunteers

### **Cloverbud Club Lead**

We are looking for at least 1 adult to help lead Group A (5:30-6:30pm) of our monthly Cloverbud Club group. As the lead, you will work with the Teen Leaders who help each month to have an icebreaker at the beginning and then lead them in the monthly activity. Activities are planned for the month, so all you need to do is use the Cloverbud Club Activity Book to run each meeting. Supplies are provided by the 4-H office for each meeting. Leads from both Group A and Group B then help plan the activities for the next year, which are planned out in advance.

## Share-a-Kid Program

Each year, the Wisconsin Dairy Goat Association promotes interest in dairy goats in our state. One of the ways we encourage our young people in this aspect of agriculture is through our Share-a-Kid Program. We award an average of 4-6 dairy goat kids with young people across the state each year. Some years we have been able to award more.

The selection committee will meet and choose winners. Everyone will be notified by mid-May about the status of their entry. Entries will be accepted from January 1 until April 1.

Find more [information here](#)

Here's the link to the [application](#).



## Enrollment Deadline for New Members

The deadline for new members to join 4-H and be eligible to enter junior class projects at the Calumet County Fair is April 1st. Please note: 4-H enrollment is open all year long, but to exhibit at the current year's fair, new members must have a completed enrollment form filled out on 4-HOnline by April 1st.

Calumet County  
**Cloverbud**  
Club

18 USC 707

3rd Thursday of each month  
5:30-6:30pm

## Volunteer Training & Orientation

Volunteers may remember participating in VIP (Volunteers in Preparation). Now, we are shifting to a new version of orientation called “Grow Green.” This is a new, interactive orientation that is available online or available in a paper format to be read offline. It is designed to be taken whenever convenient for the potential new volunteer.

A little bit more about Grown Green:

- Offered online at this link: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/training-for-volunteers/grow-green/> - just click on the green “Start the Training” button to begin.
- Two short, interactive modules - one module is an introduction to volunteering in Extension and Wisconsin 4-H, and a second module that is geared towards a specific volunteer role. Combined, this orientation should take around 45 minutes to complete.
- Lots of practical tips - in the training modules, new volunteers will learn about some of the 4-H guiding principles (Essential Elements, Life Skills Development, Ages & Stages of Youth) and gain some really practical tips to use as a volunteer.
- Start and stop at your leisure - if you start the training and need to step away, you can come back to the website using the same device you started with and it will pick up where you left off.

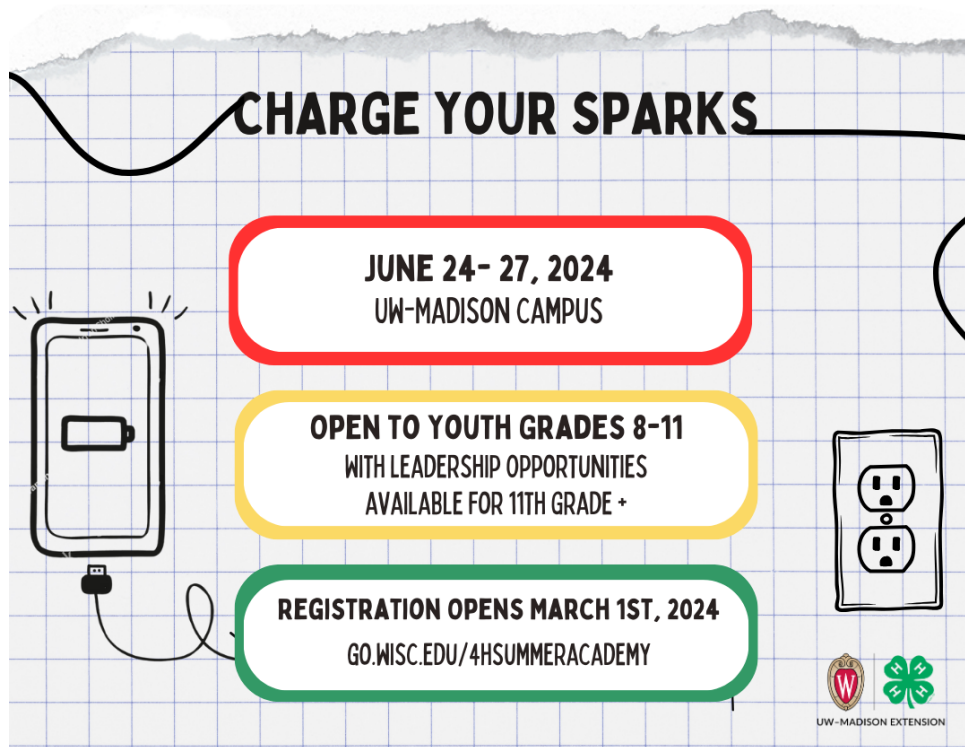
We are hopeful that this will make orientation more convenient and beneficial! This orientation is required for new volunteers, but it is available online for all volunteers to take as a refresher.

Thank you to our volunteers for mentoring and supporting the youth in 4-H!



# SAVE THE DATE

## SUMMER ACADEMY





**CHARGE YOUR SPARKS**

**JUNE 24- 27, 2024**  
UW-MADISON CAMPUS

**OPEN TO YOUTH GRADES 8-11**  
WITH LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES  
AVAILABLE FOR 11TH GRADE +

**REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 1ST, 2024**  
[GO.WISC.EDU/4HSUMMERACADEMY](http://GO.WISC.EDU/4HSUMMERACADEMY)

   
UW-MADISON EXTENSION

**Summer Academy** is the Positive Youth Development Institute’s signature career, leadership, & college readiness conference hosted at UW-Madison. The event focuses on preparing young people (grades 8-11) for higher education in a way that complements formal education prep programs. Summer Academy offers an immersive college experience: participants will experience life in a residence hall, explore campus, and enjoy the unique elements of higher education that only Madison can offer.

This year’s theme is “Charge Your Sparks.” Summer Academy is committed to helping youth discover their passions by providing the inspiration and charge to keep their battery full! Participants will take a deep dive into a college and/or career focus of their choice through tracks offered by both UW-Madison and Madison College, and will have many opportunities to network with faculty, students, recent graduates, and peers from across the state.

A sampling of this year’s SPARK tracks include:

- \* Baking & Decorating
- \* Civic Engagement
- \* Agriculture & Animal Science
- \* Climate Science & Ecosystem Resilience
- \* Biological Science
- \* Automotive
- \* Trades
- \* Diesel/Ag Equipment Technician
- \* Arts
- \* Health

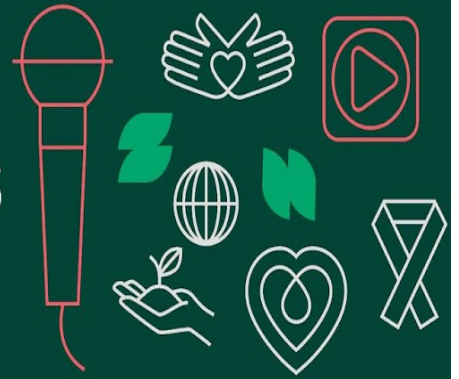
Participants will have the opportunity to paddle on Lake Mendota, hike urban trails around Madison, and visit a historic downtown theater to watch our beloved Wisconsin 4-H Drama Company perform. We are excited and proud to welcome Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council youth leaders as facilitators and hosts of our event.

The registration fee covers all lodging, meals, track participation, and in-town travel during the event. Statewide bussing to and from the event will be offered for an additional fee.

For more information, please visit [go.wisc.edu/4HSummerAcademy](http://go.wisc.edu/4HSummerAcademy) We can’t wait to see you in Madison!



# 2024 EASTERN REGION COMMUNICATIONS CONTEST



**SAT**  
**APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>**  
**2024**

9:00 am-  
12:00 pm

UW Green Bay  
Sheboygan  
Campus

5 options to choose from!

ORIGINAL SPEECH



INTERPRETIVE



READERS THEATER  
& STORYTELLING



DEMONSTRATION



INTERVIEW



Register in 4-H online

**FEB 1<sup>ST</sup>** through **MARCH 22<sup>ND</sup>**







# YOUNG ADULT LEADERS NEEDED FOR WI 4-H SUMMER ACADEMY



UW-MADISON EXTENSION

**JUNE  
24-27**

**📍 UW-Madison Campus**

**OPEN TO AGE 19-25 ADULTS**

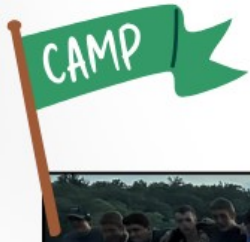
- Serve as positive role model for all delegates
- Provide primary support for youth
- Assist State 4-H Staff & Planning Committee
- Lead educational programming with participants

**STIPEND AVAILABLE!**

Apply **Before March 6th** by filling out the application form at <https://go.wisc.edu/f49q1o> or follow QR Code



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.



# Save the Date



UW-MADISON EXTENSION



Cloverbud Day Camp  
Tuesday, June 18  
Grades 5K-2



Adventure Day Camp  
Thursday, June 20th  
Grades 3-8



Summer Camp  
August 4-7  
Grades 3-8

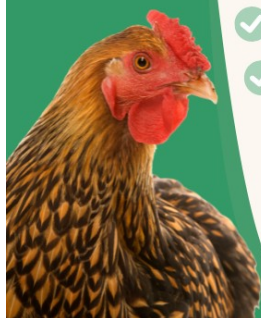


Camp Forest  
W2230 UW-10  
Forest Junction, WI 54123

Army Lake Camp  
N8725 Army Lake Rd  
East Troy, WI 53120

RABBIT & POULTRY

## Project Meetings



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

7-8pm at  
Calumet County Courthouse



Extension  
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON



FOOD



*workshop*

PROJECT BOXES

- CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES
- BISCUITS VS SCONES
- BREAD IN A BAG & SOURDOUGH STARTER

ORDERS DUE MONDAY, APRIL 1ST | PICK-UP APRIL 18TH



## Baking Project Boxes

Thank you to the support from the Calumet County 4-H Leaders Council in helping to coordinate and fund Project Boxes. 4-H engages youth in project-based education. Through project learning, youth can dive deeper into their interests and passions, ultimately mastering new skills. 4-H projects are meant to be hands-on to create a memorable learning experience. Project Boxes are an opportunity for hands-on learning. All of the boxes include either 4-H curriculum or instructions for self-directed learning. Some supplies will be included, and other supplies will be basic supplies found around the house or will need to be purchased. Some of the boxes will have some independent learning activities and some will include either a recording that youth may watch to help further their project learning and understanding.

Cost: \$5 Calumet County 4-H Youth and \$10 Other county 4-H members and non-4-H youth

Orders are due Monday, April 1, to the Calumet County Extension Office at 206 Court Street, Chilton, WI 53014 or [carlea.liermann@wisc.edu](mailto:carlea.liermann@wisc.edu). Payments must be received with your order. You will receive an email confirmation that we have received your order.

Project Box Pick-up Date: Thursday, April 18, 4:00-5:00 pm - If you are unable to make this pick-up time, you can schedule an appointment to pick up your Project Boxes on a week day following the pick-up date.

### **Biscuits vs Scones -**

This is for youth who have experience baking in the kitchen! Youth will learn how to make both biscuits and scones, while learning the difference between the two. There is a recording from William Sonoma's Baking School that youth can watch to help with a baking demonstration and talk through some of the differences. Box will include the recipes, recording, some ingredients you may not typically have around your house, and a round cutter.

### **Chocolate Chip Cookies -**

This is great for youth who are just getting started with baking or who would like to experiment a little bit and further their project learning. Beginners can learn how to read a recipe and learn basic measuring of ingredients. Those who would like to further their learning could experiment with trying out different oven temps, along with making some other changes such as using melted butter vs softened butter to see how it impacts their chocolate chip cookies!

### **Bread in a Bag & Sourdough Starter -**

Youth will learn food science in a fun and yummy way with this easy recipe for making bread in a bag. Included in the box, youth will receive some of the ingredients they may typically have around their kitchen such as nonfat dry milk or quick-rising yeast. This is a great way for youth to start learning about baking yeast doughs!

**Spring 2024 - PROJECT BOX ORDER FORM**  
**Pick up date: Thursday, April 18, 4:00-5:00pm**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please write the number of boxes you would like to order by each title. When finished, fill out the total amount. Each box is \$5 for Calumet County 4-H members and \$10 for other youth. Payment is required when the order is placed.

# of Boxes   Title of Box   Each   Total Cost

\_\_\_ **Box #1 - Biscuits vs Scones**

Calumet County 4-H..... @ \$5 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other youth ..... @ \$10 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **Box #2 - Chocolate Chip Cookies**

Calumet County 4-H..... @ \$5 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other youth ..... @ \$10 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **Box #3 - Bread in a Bag & Sourdough Starter**

Calumet County 4-H..... @ \$5 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other youth ..... @ \$10 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to Calumet County 4-H Leaders Council**  
**By Monday, April 1, send this form and check to:**  
**Extension Office, 206 Court Street, Chilton, WI 53014**

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COUNTRY  
VISIONS  
COOPERATIVE  
SPRING

# Cattle Meeting



**TUESDAY, March 26, 2024**  
**Meal: 6:00 PM**  
**Program: 6:30 PM**



COUNTRY VISIONS COOPERATIVE  
CHILTON AGRONOMY CONFERENCE ROOM  
W2468 COUNTY ROAD E, CHILTON, WI 53014



Taylor Willson  
Purina Animal Nutrition LLC

Eliza Ruzic  
Zinpro



Taylor and Eliza will be sharing how a sound mineral program can impact your cattle's nutrition.



Chris & Jenny are owners of Reichert Land & Cattle. They will be expanding on the DO's and DONT'S of an intensive grazing program.

Chris & Jenny Reichert



*Chance to WIN!*

**1 TON OF WIND & RAIN ALL SEASON MINERAL**

*Save* WITH SPRING  
**\$20 OFF PER TUB**  
**BOOKING OFFER**



**RSVP**

RSVP by March 22, 2024  
SCAN the QR to signup  
[www.countryvisionscoop.com](http://www.countryvisionscoop.com)



SCAN ME

Extension Calumet County  
Courthouse | 206 Court Street  
Chilton, WI 53014-1127

Return Service Requested

**Website:** <https://calumet.extension.wisc.edu/>

**E-mail:** [carlea.liermann@wisc.edu](mailto:carlea.liermann@wisc.edu)

 **Facebook:**  
[www.facebook.com/calumetcountywi4h](http://www.facebook.com/calumetcountywi4h)

## 4-H Leaders Council

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## 2023-2024 4-H Theme

“Chilin’ in 4-H”



## Extension

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CALUMET COUNTY

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