



4-H Connections Newsletter

July/August 2024

Educator's Corner

My name is Alyssa Seitz, and I am the new 4-H Associate Educator for Outagamie County. I am a past member of Outagamie County 4-H, spending 11 years as a member of the Crystal Star 4-H club in Osborn. After high school, I attended the University of Wisconsin-River Falls, receiving my degree in Dairy Science-Management Emphasis, with a minor in Agricultural Business. I then attended the University of Wisconsin-Madison for my masters in Meat/Dairy Science. My thesis focused on dairy/beef cattle nutrition and its effect on meat quality and beef sensory aspects.



My role in 4-H extension focuses mainly on recruiting. Our biggest goal is to increase the number of 4-H clubs in the Appleton area, an area that typically has seen less involvement. I have been working with after-school programs in the county to get programming to new audiences, with the hope of exposing more kids to 4-H that might not have had the opportunity in the past. I will also be working heavily with ChickQuest, a program launched in Outagamie County last year that hatches live chicks in third grade classrooms, introducing them to the life cycles of animals, as well as showing off the opportunities available in 4-H.

I look forward to meeting and working with you all in the coming months!

Alyssa Seitz

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NEXT LEADERS MEETING:

Monday, August 26 | Center Town Hall | 7:00 pm

All leader meetings are open to ALL 4-H youth and adult leaders. We encourage regular attendees to bring someone new from your club each month. This is a great way to meet others and grow as an organization!

6:30 pm: Snacks provided by Fast Trackers and Shooting Stars



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Calendar

July

- 4 Extension Outagamie County CLOSED in observance of Independence Day
- 10 Outreach Opportunity – Touch-A-Truck | Kaukauna
- 22 Outreach Opportunity – Kaukauna Movie Night
- 31 Annual Financial Reports DUE**

August

1 September/October 4-H Connections Newsletter Articles DUE

- 1 Proudly display “Join 4-H” signs in front of your homes
- 1-11 Wisconsin State Fair | Milwaukee
- 4-7 4-H Base and Outpost Camp | Army Lake Camp, East Troy
- 9 Outreach Opportunity – Hortonville Library | Hortonville
- 15 Record books DUE to club main leader**
- 15 Program Committee Sign-up DUE**
- 15 Executive Leaders Association Meeting | Extension Office | 3 pm
- 19 Youth Leaders Meeting | Center Town Hall | 6 pm
- 21 Outreach Opportunity – Greenville Community Movie Night | 5 pm
- 24 Outreach Opportunity – Greenville Parade | Greenville
- 26 4-H Kickball | Center Town Hall | 5:30 p.m.
- 26 Leaders Association Meeting | Center Town Hall | 6:30 pm Social and 7:00 pm Meeting
- 31 End of 2023 4-H Project Year

Note: Not all dates are listed on this page! Please make sure you read the newsletter, and check your email carefully so you don't miss anything!

September

- 2 Extension Outagamie County CLOSED – Labor Day
- 3 Enrollment begins
- 12 Program Committee Budget Planning Open House | Center Town Hall | 6:30–8:30
- 21 Outreach Opportunity – Kaukauna Fall Fest | Kaukauna
- 30 Program Committee Budgets DUE**
- 30 Club Charters DUE**

Project Updates

Record Books

DUE TO CLUB MAIN LEADER BY AUGUST 15

Why do we have to do 4-H record books?

Records are a part of life. When 4-H'ers do a complete record book, they learn:

- Organizational skills.
- To plan and make decisions.
- To identify and set realistic goals.
- To objectively evaluate and critique their own work.
- To accept and apply constructive criticism.
- To analyze and manage project finances.
- Great records help with filling out applications for scholarships.

Record book guidelines and awards will continue as they have in the past. You should be writing those goals for what you want to learn and do in each of your projects. Here are some tips for completing or improving a record book:

- Try to list at least 3 goals for each project.
- Be more specific when you tell what you learned and did in each project.
- Don't forget to talk about the financial portion of your project.
- Adding photos will enhance your record book.

Record Book forms are available on the website at

<https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/member-resources/>

If you have questions about 4-H record books or record book awards, please contact the Awards and Recognition Committee:

Rose Rynish – prynishfam@gmail.com – 920-450-9653

Tammy Stille – tammy@stilles.org – 920-997-0363

Cheryl Harrmann – c.harrmann05@gmail.com – 920-779-9177

Katie Rickert – katiebessette@yahoo.com – 920-205-9618

Lori Vandenberg – vandenbergfamily7@gmail.com – 920-378-8117

Morgan Wolter – wolter101@gmail.com – 920-366-3205

Cloverbud Record Books

Record books are a great way for you to archive your 4-H activities each year. They can be completed as simply or elaborately as you'd prefer. Consider adding photos to make a special book to look back on each year! These are not turned in for County Recognition.

Project Updates



4-H Outreach Opportunities



Date	Time	Location	Needs	Contact
July 10	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Kaukauna Touch-A-Truck	Members & Animals	Mary Hoefler
July 22	4:00 - 5:30 pm	Kaukauna Movie Night	Members	Mary Hoefler
August 9	Morning	Hortonville Library	Members & Animals	Sheila VanderZanden
August 21	5:00 pm - Dusk	Greenville Movie Night	Members & Animals	Sheila VanderZanden
August 24	1:30 - 2:30 pm	Greenville Parade	Members	Lisa Sprangers
September 21	11:00 am - 3:00 pm	Kaukauna Fall Fest	Members	Mary Hoefler
October 5	8:30 am - 1:30 pm	Tough Kid Challenge	Members & Small Animals	Lisa Sprangers

Please reach out to a committee member to sign up. Please note that some of the events may change. If an event is one you can commit to already, please reach out to the point of contact listed in each description.

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Lindsey Niesen

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Burke Sprangers

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Lisa Sprangers

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DJ and Sheila Vander Zanden

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Upcoming Events

Register NOW for Summer Camp!

August 4-7: Summer Camp (grades 3-6), Army Lake Camp

Outagamie and Calumet County 4-H have some awesome camp opportunities set up this year again!



Summer camp is Sunday, August 4 through Wednesday, August 7 at Army Lake Camp in East Troy, WI. Base Camp is for youth in grades 3-6. **Registration is open until July 19.**

For more information and registration for camp, please visit our website under the 4-H Camp tab.
<https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-camp/>

Pumpkin/Sunflower Contest

The Pumpkin & Sunflower Contest will be held on October 10. Participants will have their pumpkin weighed and sunflower measured at the contest. Reminder to participants that obtained seeds for the Big Pumpkin and Giant Sunflower contest, you must use the seeds provided. The variety of seeds ordered can produce pumpkins approximately weighing up to a maximum of 200 pounds. For safety purposes, pumpkins that do not appear to be from the distributed seeds will be disqualified and not weighed.

Youth Leaders

Youth Leaders Meeting

Monday, August 19 - Center Town Hall - 6:00 pm

Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to come learn more about the Youth Leaders program and how they can join. There will be recreational activities and of course snacks/food. Come check us out!!

Youth Leader Association Officers

Current youth leaders who are interested in a leadership position and would like to be considered as a candidate should contact the President, Burke Sprangers, burkesprangers9@gmail.com. Officer positions are Vice-President (move up to president following year), Treasurer, Secretary, Social Media/Reporter, Recreation (Qty 2). Or you may contact one of the current Youth Leader mentors. Elections will be held at our September meeting.

Youth Leader Mentors

Rose Rynish - prynishfam@gmail.com

Tammy Stille - tammy@stilles.org

Kendra Lanaville - gonnetolanaville@gmail.com

Kerry Marcks - kerrymarcks@yahoo.com

Volunteer Leaders

County Program Committees

Adult and Youth Leaders can serve on a Program Committee. Adults must complete all the requirements to be a volunteer in order to serve on a committee. The role of the Outagamie County 4-H Program Committees is to provide overall leadership to specific project areas and their related events and activities. Consider serving on a program committee for 2024- 2025. **Sign ups are due August 15.** You may select up to 3 committees.

Standing Committees must consist of at least three committee members (youth leaders are encouraged to participate), must submit a budget (even if zero money is being requested), and must submit an educational plan of action for the following year.

Sign up form is on page 17 or online at <https://bit.ly/ProgramCommitteeSignup24>

NOTE TO CURRENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS: If you are currently on a 4-H Program Committee and wish to continue, you need to submit a form or sign up or your name will be taken off of the current list. **Sign-up by August 15.**

Volunteer Development Training

We aim to offer high quality programming for our youth and our volunteers. Approved Volunteers are approved volunteers that have completed the online volunteer application form <https://wi.4honline.com>, a background check and the following trainings:

Growing Green Orientation (New volunteers only)

Building Safe Spaces (Every 2 years)

Supporting You, Supporting Youth (returning volunteers need only take a 15 minute refresher course)

Mandated Reporter (New Volunteers only)

Supporting Youth Mental Health (Depending upon role)

Basic Medication Administration (Depending upon role)

All enrollment (re-enrollment) starts after September 2. For more information about trainings visit the website: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/training-for-volunteers/>.

Executive Board

Adult Leaders who are interested in joining the Executive Board as Director or Vice President for the 2025-2026 term should contact the current board.

For more information and position descriptions, please see

<https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu/files/2024/06/Executive-Handbook-2023-24.pdf>

President - Betsy Marks - bortzel123@hotmail.com; Vice-President - Sheila Vander Zanden - s.vanderzanden44@gmail.com; Secretary - Tammy Stille tammy@stilles.org; Director - Kaite Rickert - katiebessette@yahoo.com; Director - Gail Leitermannn - gleitermann@yahoo.com

Congratulations

Music, Speaking & Talent Festival Judges Choice Awards

Congratulations to the winners of the Judge's Choice Awards for the Music, Speaking & Talent Festival.

Performer	Club	Class	Title
Maria Nelson	Fast Trackers	Music	Do You Want to Build a Snowman
Jenna Sargent	Fast Trackers	Music	Sonatina #1
Oliver Marks	Fast Trackers	Music	Hedwig's Theme
Camilla Hubert	Bent Arrow	Music	Electric Guitar Rock Medley
Jake Stille	Bent Arrow	Speaking	It's for the Birds
Jenna Sargent and Carla Giacomni	Fast Trackers	Speaking	The Incredible Housing Shortage
Camilla Hubert	Bent Arrow	Speaking	Breaking Homeschool Myths
Luke Stille	Bent Arrow	Speaking	Carburetors 101
Rebekah Stille	Bent Arrow	Speaking	Keep it Simple
Edwin Marks	Fast Trackers	Talent	Karate Form
Jenna Sargent	Fast Trackers	Talent	Acrobatic Dance to Ready Set Go

CPF Scholarship Winners

Allison Heegeman

Allison plans to attend UW-River Falls with an interest in Agriculture Education. A member of the B-Square 4-H Club, she has been in 4-H only four years. During that time, she has explored projects such as Rabbits, Photography, Foods, Clothing, Home Environment, Sheep, Dogs and Veterinary Science. Allison has participated in activities such as the club's fundraiser called Fright Night located in Greenville, Food and Toy Drives and the Valentine's Day Box Social to name some. She has helped with county outreach events and participated in the Pumpkin and Sunflower contest and Rabbit Fun Show. Allison mentioned in her essay that 4-H introduced her to the agriculture field and helped her discover what she wanted to pursue as a career. A judge mentioned that they were glad to see that Allison participated in many things in just four years. Thank you for joining 4-H, even four years can make a difference. Best wishes Allison!



CPF Scholarship Winners

Stacy Marcks

Stacy Marcks has been in 4-H for 11 years with Fast Trackers 4-H Club. She is currently a student at UW-Whitewater pursuing a Bachelor of Business Marketing. Stacy opted to stay in 4-H one year after high school and apply for this scholarship while in college. This opportunity paid off as she is our top recipient this year. This also allowed her to gain another year of 4-H opportunities. Her projects included Cats, Woodworking, Home Environment, Arts and Crafts, Food and Nutrition, Photography, Clothing, Archery, Plant and Soil Science, Youth Leadership, Flowers, House Plants, Child Development, Food Preservation, and Cake Decorating.

Community service projects include paracord bracelets, pound sale, homeless project, bench making, picnic table making, fruit baskets, penny wars, bell ringing, and On the Farm. She has worked in the Dairy Bar and basketball concessions. Her leadership includes State Art Camp Counselor, Drama Company, Art Retreat planner and counselor, Youth Leader President and Vice President along with Recreation Leader and Cloverbud Leader. Committee involvement includes Dairy Bar, Family Learning Day, Cats, Music and Drama Festival. Stacy has been very active in her club by assisting with the silent auction, educational booth, planning the calendar, and more. She participated in Explore WI, Music and Drama Festivals, Foods and Clothing Revue, State Art Camp, 4-H State Youth Conference and Music Fest at the State Fair. Stacy mentioned in her essay that 4-H has taught her what it means to be a leader and how to lead well. Judges shared that Stacy took advantage of all the opportunities 4-H has to offer, and is a great role model to younger members. Congratulations!



Burke Sprangers

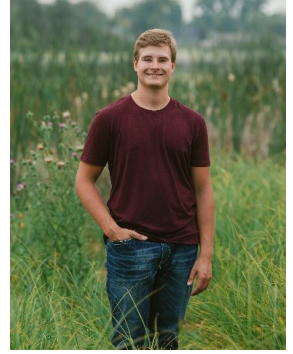
Burke Sprangers has been in Buchanan Badgers 4-H Club for ten years. During this time Burke has been in projects such as Goats, Photography, Cultural Arts, Beef, Scale Models, Crops, Veterinary Science, Youth Leaders, Foods, Vegetables, and Swine. Burke volunteered many hours serving our community through St. Paul and Brewster Village Bingo, filling Easter bags, Earth Day clean up, Helping the Homeless project, Chain Reaction Day, Adopt-A-Family, and more. He has helped promote 4-H throughout the county at many places including Tractor Supply, Kaukauna Public Library, Kaukauna Fall Fest, Breakfast on the Farm, Greenville Movie Night and the Action Center Stage. His leadership includes Sergeant-at-Arms, Treasurer, Vice President and President several times. He is also the President of the county 4-H Youth Leaders. Burke is active on several county committees such as Outreach, Cloverbud, Goat, and Livestock. He has been a member of the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council for several terms. He participated in Drama Festival, Pumpkin and Sunflower contests, worked the Dairy Bar and been a camp counselor. Burke has attended Fall Forum for six years, participated in Military Kids Day at Lambeau Field, Summer Academy, UW-River Falls Spark Days, Military Day Camp and attended National 4-H Congress. In his essay, Burke mentioned that 4-H camp has sparked his interest in becoming a teacher. Burke is a strong advocate of 4-H according to his main leaders and the Outreach Committee would agree! Congratulations!



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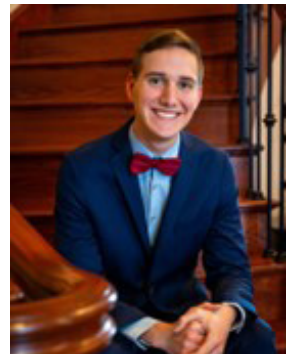
Jaxon Cox

Jaxon Cox has been in Fast Trackers 4-H Club for ten years. Throughout his 4-H journey, he has enrolled in Archery, Woodworking, Home Environment, Foods and Nutrition, Arts & Crafts, Hunting, Shotgun, Shooting Sports, and Youth Leaders. His 4-H community service hours total 114 which included events like Salvation Army bell ringing, his club's "On the Farm" event, assembling and delivering fruit baskets, collecting pop tabs, homeless care packages, bench building, the club's pound sale, and volunteering at the Dairy Bar. His leadership includes Club Treasurer, planning the bench building project and assisting with monthly meeting activities at the club and county level. Other activities listed were being a Youth Leader, 4-H basketball, and educational tours. He attended Explore WI and Space Camp. He has also received the 4-H Key Award. In his essay, Jaxon mentioned that Youth Leaders has given him the opportunity to collaborate with peers, build new relationships, plan and lead activities and community service opportunities. Jaxon plans to attend UW-Platteville with a major interest in Dairy and Animal Science. Best Wishes!



Jeremiah Vandenberg

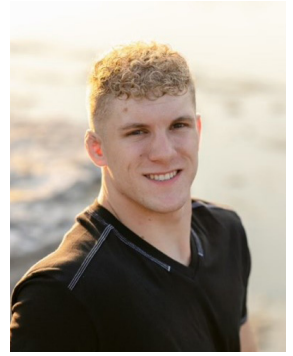
Jeremiah Vandenberg has been a member of B-Square 4-H for 12 years. He plans to attend Fox Valley Technical College with a major interest in Robotics and Automation. Jeremiah has experienced several projects including Robotics, Aerospace, Arts & Crafts, Drawing & Painting, Electricity, Foods/Cake Decorating, Handyman and Youth Leaders. His 4-H community service includes the Dale Food Pantry, Bingo at Brewster Village, Plamann Potluck setup and clean up, shopped for and assembled raffle baskets, club educational booth, delivered May Baskets for Living Tree residents, and more. Other activities include Youth Leaders Mosaic Project, Action Center Stage, Outreach 4-H promotion at Edison School, Greenville Summer Send Off, Sunflower and Pumpkin Contest, and Auctioneer for the Valentine's Box Fundraiser. His leadership includes Club Sargent-at-Arms, Vice President and President. At the county level, Jeremiah has been the Youth Leaders Treasurer and on the Mosaic Project Build Team. He has also attended Space Camp. In his essay he expressed how community service, public speaking, leadership, and hands on learning are pillars of who he is today. He mentioned that 4-H has taught him time management and valuable record keeping skills. A judge said that he took advantage of the many things 4-H has to offer. Congratulations!



CPF Scholarship Winners

Nolan Schmidt

Nolan Schmidt is finishing his tenth year in 4-H. He has experienced many projects including Arts and Crafts, Foods, Shotgun, Electricity, Woodworking, Archery, Hunting, Firearms, Mechanical Science, Drawing, and Youth Leadership. Nolan's community service projects include fruit basket delivery, making picnic tables, volunteering at the club's "On the Farm" event and bell ringing for the Salvation Army, to mention a few. His leadership included being a Club Treasurer, Reporter, Youth Leader and currently Club President. Nolan also trained as a Space Camp Counselor. Nolan has performed at the county Music Festival and at the Wisconsin State Fair. In his essay, Nolan mentioned that 4-H gave him a great chance to increase his public speaking skills. Communication, social awareness, perseverance, confidence and leadership skills will all be invaluable for him going forward. In his letter of recommendation, it was noted that Nolan has been responsible and dependable. A judge noted that he appears to be a good role model to younger 4-H members. Nolan plans to attend Fox Valley Technical College with an interest in Law Enforcement. Best Wishes!



Brooklyn Danke

Brooklyn Danke has been a member of B-Square 4-H club for 8 years. During this time, she was actively involved in the Rabbit, Photography, Cultural Arts, Home Environment, Horticulture, Knitting, Child Development, Clothing, and Goat projects. Some of her community services included: Breakfast on the Farm, The Petting Zoo at Lion's Park Movie Night, bell ringing for the Salvation Army, blankets for foster kids, food drive for Dale Food Pantry, Christmas cards for Brewster Village, and Adopt-a-Family shopping. Brooklyn has a long list of activities she was involved in such as Pumpkin and Sunflower Contest, officer planning meetings, Fright Night, helped younger members with their record books, help set up club's educational booth, 4-H basketball tournament, and Outagamie County 4-H Outreach promotion, to name a few. Brooklyn held several club officer positions such as Reporter, Secretary, Vice President and President. It was noted that as an officer, she has clarity and a lovely voice that is captivating and gets the attention of a crowded room. She also has been the club's Pop Tab Coordinator. An interesting comment that Brooklyn made in her essay was that 4-H has allowed her to discover things about herself through limitless opportunities from picking up a new hobby or listening and learning about someone else's passion. Brooklyn plans to attend the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities with an interest in Human Physiology, Pre-Med and a Spanish Minor. Congratulations!



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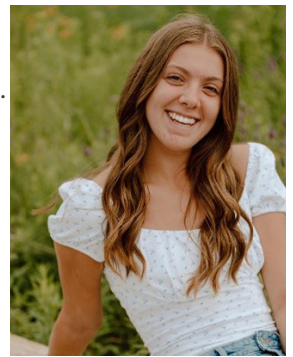
Grace Van Driel

Grace Van Driel has been a member of Country Slickers 4-H Club for nine years. Grace started out in the Horseless Horse, Clothing and Photography projects and has added Food and Nutrition, Food Preservation and Citizenship projects along the way. Grace has been involved with fundraising for local and state horse events. In her essay Grace said that skills acquired throughout 4-H will help in the future. She mentioned that 4-H gave her the confidence to speak up in her college classes. Grace has shown her leadership by being elected Vice President and, this year, President of her 4-H Club. She had also been the club song leader for several years. Grace plans to attend Fox Valley Technical College with an interest in Occupational Therapy. Best wishes!



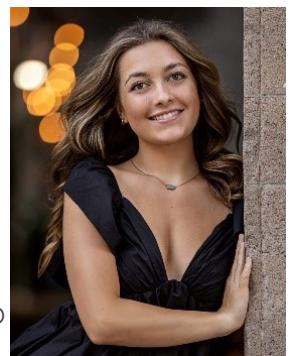
Ava Lorenz

Ava Lorenz plans to attend UW-Green Bay with an interest in Nutrition and Dietetics. Throughout her 12-year journey in 4-H, she has been a member of Wolf River Beavers. Ava has experienced projects such as Flowers, Photography, Arts and Crafts, Ceramics, Home Environment, Plants, Vegetables and Food and Nutrition. She has been a Secretary, Treasurer and Recreation Leader for her club and a part of the Outagamie County Youth Leaders for three years. Some of her community service includes working with the Food Pantry, Breakfast on the Farm, Help the Homeless project, and constructing a picnic table to place at the fairgrounds. She also helped build picnic tables for the Shiocton Lake Park and the Maine Town Hall. Ava mentioned in her essay that being a 4-H member has taught her responsibility, time and project management, and how to work collaboratively with others. In Ava's essay, she gave great examples of how her 4-H experience would benefit her further. Best wishes, Ava!



Katelyn Bodde

Katelyn Bodde has been in 4-H for ten years as a member of Buchanan Badgers 4-H Club. Throughout those years, she was a Photography project member the whole time. Over time other projects included Arts, Clothing, Crocheting, Woodworking, Foods, Home Environment, and Cats. Katelyn worked on community service projects like Adopt-a-Family, Bingo at Brewster Village and St. Paul Home, the Old Glory Honor Flight and Salvation Army bell ringing. She kept busy in 4-H activities such as the Sunflower and Pumpkin Contest, the Basketball Tournament, helping to plan the club's educational booth, and worked at club fundraisers and club parties. Katelyn was able to experience National 4-H trips that include the American Spirit East and Citizenship Washington Focus. In her essay, she talks about these trips being one of the most impactful experiences from this organization. She was able to put herself out there even when she was uncomfortable. Katelyn's letter of recommendation talks about how she is a regular volunteer and very active. The judges also made comments about her participation in so many activities. Katelyn plans to attend UW-Madison with an interest in Nursing. Congratulations!



Thank You Corner

Dear Day Camp Staff,

Thank you to all of our wonderful camp staff (counselors and adults) that helped make our two days of day camps a great success. We appreciate all of the time that they put into planning and executing both of the exciting days. With 80 campers, 27 of them from Outagamie County, we had a couple of very busy days. Campers enjoyed tie dye, archery, a challenge course, bubbles and nature activities. Overall, Carlea and I are so very pleased with how the two days went. I cannot wait for camp when we get to spend 4 exciting, and very action packed, days with all of our counselors and staff. Thank you all again for everything!

Sincerely,

Your Camp Directors
Carlea and Alicia



Outreach Volunteer



Thank you to all those members, parents and leaders who walked the rainy Cheesefest parade. Great job despite the rain!

From the 2024 Outreach Committee

Cloverbuds



Thank you to everyone who attended the Cloverbud/Art co-activity at Pinot's Palette.

Bits & Pieces

"Join 4-H" Sign Display Contest!

The Outagamie County 4-H Outreach Committee asks you to proudly display the "Join 4-H" sign in your yard or business between August 1 and October 10. Those wanting to participate for a prize drawing of gas cards, must email the address of the display to Sheila at: s.vanderzanden44@gmail.com by October 10. Please one entry per address. Drawing will take place at the November Leaders Association meeting. You must be present at this meeting to win!! Don't have a sign?? You can pick one up at the August Leaders Association meeting, or contact Sheila Vander Zanden at 920-540-3894.



Bits & Pieces

Chartered Groups and Clubs

All of our chartered groups and clubs must submit the financial page of their charter to the extension office by July 31. The remainder of the charter will be due to the office as usual at the end of September. Please contact Alicia with any questions or concerns at alicia.schroederhaag@wisc.edu or 920-832-5127. The report is at the following link <https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu/files/2024/06/Outagamie-AFR.pdf>

Participate in State and County 4-H Events and Earn Jibbitz for your Crocs!

During the next two years, 4-H members will have the opportunity to earn 8 different Jibbitz.

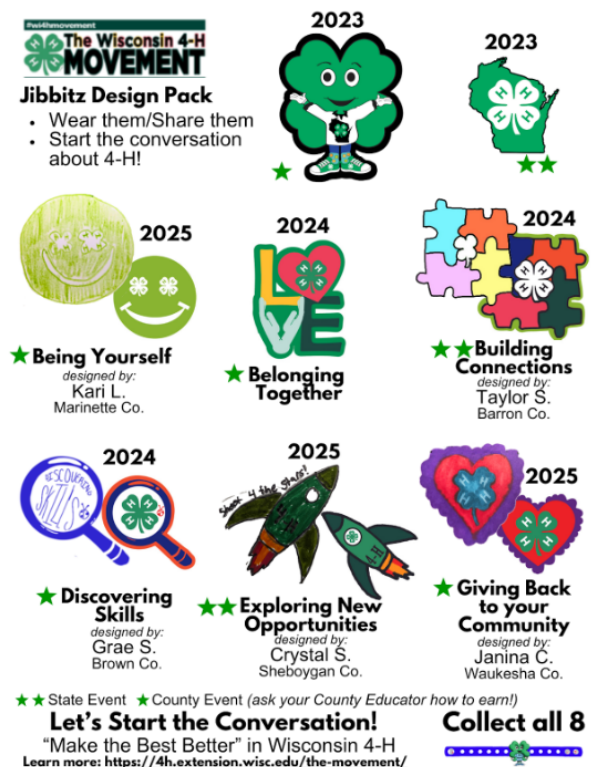
Where did they come from? Youth from around Wisconsin were challenged with creating and choosing 8 unique designs for the Wisconsin 4-H Movement Jibbitz. From the initial designs, the original 2 designs of Chris Clover and Wisconsin with the clover on it were created with the help of WLC members. Three more designs were created at Fall Forum 2023 and the remaining designs were inspired or designed by 4-H youth members in the Wisconsin 4-H program. The 8 designs represent the 6 values of the Wisconsin 4-H Movement, incorporate Chris Clover (the mascot of the Wisconsin 4-H Movement), and include a 4-H clover.

How to collect all 8? Jibbitz will be released at various events throughout the state of Wisconsin and in county programs. Youth might not be able to get all 8 Jibbitz at one event, but they can trade at other events.

How to wear them? Jibbitz are typically found on Croc type shoes, but can be worn as bracelets and in a variety of other ways.

Where do I find them? 2024 Base and Outpost Camp and 2025 Music & Talent Festival.

Look for more Jibbitz at statewide events and additional county events to follow.



4-H History

1925-2025 = 100 Years of 4-H in Outagamie County



Wow, how exciting to be a part of the celebration! Where have those years gone!!

We are looking for adults and members to help us celebrate this milestone. We are looking for you to join a committee or write some personal family history of Outagamie County 4-H.

We would like the kickoff to begin in January 2025 and end with a special event possibly in December. At the 2025 fair, displays can be placed throughout the grounds also.

Please consider helping. A lot can be done to celebrate if we all pitch in!

Please contact Sheila Vander Zanden at s.vanderzanden44@gmail.com, Tammy Stille at tammy@stilles.org or Mary Hoefler at maryhoefler@att.net or other members of the Executive Board to sign up or inquire about more information.

Thank you to those who have signed up already. We will be contacting you soon to get started.

Club Corner

Smile Awhile 4-H Club by Eleanor

The meeting was on Tuesday, June 4. It started at 6:30 at the VFW in Freedom Wisconsin. On Thursday, June 12, we are going to the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry and Shedd Aquarium for our summer trip. Breakfast on the Farm is held on June 9 at Erickson Dairy Farm (N9602 County Road D Bear Creek WI). The Outagamie County Fair is held at the Outagamie County Fairgrounds on June 26 - June 30. There will be a dairy bar which club members will be working at. Summer Camp is on August 4 - 7 at Army Lake Camp in Wisconsin.

Left to Right: Ali talked about how she looked back at her old pictures to pick one out for the fair. Easton showed his shooting sports project. Vanessa showed her award she won for her beef project.

Club Corner

Buchanan Badgers 4-H Club by Lucy



The Buchanan Badgers 4-H meeting was called to order at 6:33 P.M. on May 13, 2024. We began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the 4-H pledge. This month's birthday kids were Alayna J., Burke S., Elyse K., and Havannah D.

Old Business and New Business:

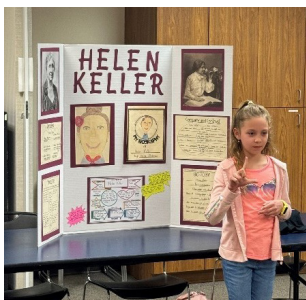
First, we congratulated Marissa A. for being selected for the Explore WI 4-H trip. Next, we discussed having a successful brat fry on May 11th at Piggly Wiggly in Kaukauna. Lastly, we talked about the Outagamie County Fair which is coming up soon! Entry day is on June 25, 2024, and the fair ends June 30, 2024. We were reminded to sign up for projects before the deadline. On a final note, camp registration is still open.

Demos:

Blake V.D.H. made an adirondack chair for his younger cousins. He told us what he still needed to work on, and all the steps it took to get this far with the chair. Tucker V.D.H. planted a marigold that he will be taking to the fair. He described how he had to take care of it by making sure it had enough water and plenty of sunlight.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M. Our next meeting is June 10, 2024, at St. Mary's Church cafeteria in Kaukauna at 6:30 P.M.

Country Slickers 4-H Club by Nora



Country Slickers 4-H Meeting on May 2, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, Greenville

The meeting was called to order and the club said pledges and sang 'Happy Birthday' to those celebrating a birthday in May. The treasurer's and secretary's report were completed. The club discussed sign ups for the Dairy Bar and the pie contest. Fair entries are due by May 25th. In addition, we discussed our fair booth ideas. Youth can sign up to help with Breakfast on the Farm in Bear Creek on June 9th. Our June meeting will be at Fox Valley Technical College starting at 5:30 pm on the 6th at the Public Safety Training Center. There will be no club meeting in July due to Independence Day. After the meeting, the club got to enjoy the cookie cake that was given as a prize for being county alternate at the Drama Festival. I gave a speech on the life of Helen Keller. The club also worked on outlining and painting our fair promotion board.

Club Corner

Crystal Star 4-H Club by Lucas

The May 21st meeting of the Crystal Star 4-H club was called to order by President Sydney. Sammy talked about the FFA Animal Day. She told us what animals were there and how they are cared for. FAIR NEWS: Sign-up for Outagamie County Fair entries are due this Saturday, May 25th. We will be decorating our Educational Booth on the Sunday before the fair, June 23. We will determine the time at the next meeting. We will be meeting next Tuesday, May 28th to work on Crafts for our Educational booth. Anyone interested in helping, should meet at the Osborn Town Hall at 6pm. Jenny S will send out times to paint our Fair Promotion sign. On Saturday, June 29, our club will be running the 50/50 raffle along with the Outagamie County Fair Association. We will need members to help sell tickets. Anyone interesting in helping in the 4-H Diary Bar should talk to Pam K. The Foods Revue is on Sunday June 30th at 1pm. Make sure to sign up if you're interested.

Pam K has seeds for the Pumpkin & Sunflower contest. Pick a packet up if you're interested in participating.

A reminder to please sign up for the Band app and make sure to save pop tops.

Our next meeting will be June 18th at the Osborn Town Hall at 7pm.

A motion was made by Lucas H and seconded by Madison G to adjourn the meeting. We ended the night by playing with a calf that Whitney brought.

Fast Trackers 4-H Club by Claire

Date: May 13, 2024

We started the meeting with two member reports. The first report was from Mary Ellen. Her report was about crocheting. Lastly, Melia did her report on her hamster, Squiggles.



Erica joined us and the club celebrated her graduation. She shared her special moment plates, her future plans, and 4-H advice.

Home Environment/Arts members showed their various projects. They were made at Mary Koleske's house. Thanks Mary!



We talked about the On the Farm event. It is coming up in June.

Members received posters to hang at various businesses.

We talked about the fair. Online entries are due soon. 4-H band is back. The fair is looking for people to watch the exhibit buildings.

During the meeting we took breaks to play heads and tails and bid on the items in the silent auction. We had over 75 donations to bid on.

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