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4-H Newsletter

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LETTER FROM THE EDUCATOR

Hello 4-H Families,

As many of you know, I am expecting a new baby on December 23rd! This means I will be going on maternity leave towards the end of December. As you also know, babies are never predictable, and in case this one comes early, I want everyone to understand why your email might not go answered before I can set up automatic reply. If your email does go unanswered for more than a day or two, we do have a solution.

Luckily, the 4-H office won't go completely dark. We will have our wonderful support staff, Emily Janes, available to assist with broadcasts, announcements, print jobs, etc. You can read all about her below! You can contact her at ejanes2@wisc.edu or 262-767-2929.

Please note that this will be the last newsletter until May.

December

DEC 6: Countywide Officer Training
DEC 14: Router Workshop Forms Due
DEC 15: Cooking with Meat Registration Closes
DEC 15: Youth in Governance Nominations Due
DEC 18: Scroll Saw Workshop Registration
DEC 21: Mandatory Horse Project Workshop
DEC 28: Holiday Ball
DEC 28: Scholarship Response Forms Due
DEC 30: Router Workshop

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4-H CELEBRATES

OUR NEWEST EXTENSION OFFICE MEMBER!

Hi, I am Emily Janes, the new Extension Racine County Administrative Assistant and Support Staff. I was raised in the Village of Caledonia, not too far from the lake.

I grew up enjoying being outside and being active as well as loving to read and being creative.

I was in 4-H and participated in the photography project, rabbitry, and archery. I enjoyed doing things mostly on the club level by helping and leading community service

projects as well as going to the fair. When I am off the clock you could find me working out, doing research on various topics, sewing or crocheting, reading, or taking care of my guinea pig.



Hello Racine County 4-H!

I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving! This last month was filled with activities and opportunities led by some incredible 4-H members and leaders. Last month was the end of Santa's Workshop, a countywide event where any member could learn the amazing skill of cutting and sanding wood to make a puzzle using a scroll saw. These puzzles were then painted and packaged then given to less fortunate children for the holidays! This year approximately 40 puzzles were made. Great job to all those who participated! Another successful fundraiser was this year's Turkey Drive, 103 turkeys were collected for the veterans! Thank you to all those who donated as well as volunteered! This year's Ham Drive for the veterans is taking place on Saturday, December 9th. Please consider donating or volunteering. More information can be found on the Racine County 4-H Facebook page! I would also like to thank all those who donated to the Foster Care Donation Drive this month as well. Donations for the All-4-One 4-H club Stuff The Bus Toy Drive are being welcomed now through December 11th. All donations can be accepted at the Leaders Association meetings or by any All-4-One family. Thanks again to all those who helped brighten someone's day this holiday season by volunteering or donating. Your help is much appreciated. Congratulations to all those who won an award at this year's Recognition Celebration held at Yorkville Elementary school! Countywide event Night With The Stars also took place this month on Friday Nov. 24th-Saturday Nov. 25th at Union Grove Elementary School. This year's theme was A Night On The Farm. It was a great experience and I definitely recommend it! Don't be afraid to get involved! 4-H is home to many great people and opportunities just like these which you don't want to miss out on!

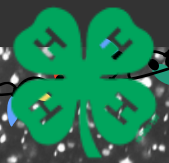
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*Racine County 4-H
Holiday Ball*

Save
The
Date

6:00 P.M. | December 28, 2023

River City Lanes
730 Cornerstone Crossing,
Waterford, WI 53185

7th Grade and Above

You're Invited To
COUNTYWIDE
Officer Training

Wednesday
6:30 - 8 PM

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December
2023

Yorkville Elementary School

THIS EVENING IS FOR THOSE WHO WERE
ELECTED TO AN OFFICER POSITION THIS YEAR!

Bring a plate of your favorite
holiday treats to share!

RSVP HERE!

SIGN UP TO CHAPERONE!

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RACINE COUNTY WOODWORKING

WISCONSIN 4-H FOUNDATION CELEBRATES THE ARTS



The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Celebrates the Arts is a contest, to be held annually for the purpose of:

- Promoting 4-H Arts Programming
- Raising Funds to Support 4-H Art Programs
- Telling the 4-H Story
- Raising Awareness of the WI 4-H Foundation and the 4-H Program
- Proceeds

Proceeds from any Celebrate the Arts events or sales will be split evenly with half invested in the Talen Endowment for 4-H Arts Programming and half used for arts programming in the next 4-H program year.

Celebrate the Arts 4-H Art Contest

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.

The contest will be broken into nine categories (Drawing; Painting; Pottery/Ceramics/Clay; Photography; Paper; Fabric/Yarn/Fiber; Any Other Media; 4-H Art (non-photography); 4-H Art (photography).

Artists are STRONGLY encouraged to create art that has a 4-H theme or has root in their 4-H experience (example: a photo taken on a 4-H trip or of another 4-H member working on a 4-H project; a painting inspired by a 4-H event; pottery that incorporates the clover).

Please read the complete [2023 Art Event Contest Information](#) before entering your work.

ROUTER SAW WORKSHOP

DECEMBER 30, 2023
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
(LUNCH BREAK FROM 12-1)

- for advanced woodworking project members (3+ years)
- limited to 8 spots
- Parent or guardian MUST attend
- Please bring your own safety glasses and earplugs

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE DUE DECEMBER 14, 2023

**WOODWORKING
PROJECT KICK-OFF**

REGULAR PROJECT MEETINGS BEGIN IN JANUARY AND WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS WITH WEDNESDAY MORNINGS RESERVED FOR THE HOMESCHOOL COMMUNITY

JANUARY 3RD - 9:00-11:30 AM
JANUARY 9TH AT 6:30 - 8 PM
JANUARY 11TH AT 6:30 - 8 PM

**ALL PROJECT MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE
YORKVILLE CLOVER CENTER**

SCROLL SAW WORKSHOP FEBRUARY 2-4, 2024

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND..... 6:00-8:00 P.M. (PARENTS ONLY)
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD..... 8:30-11:30 A.M. (BEGINNER: 1- 2 YRS)
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD..... 1:00-4:00 P.M. (BEGINNER: 1-2 YRS)
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH..... 1:00-4:00 P.M. (ADVANCED: 3+ YRS)

THERE WILL BE A COST OF \$5

- REGISTER IN ADVANCE - FORMS CAN BE FOUND IN THE LINK BELOW
- THERE WILL BE A LIMIT OF 12 PARTICIPANTS PER SESSION.
- REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR OWN SAFETY GLASSES TO THE WORKSHOP.
- MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO RACINE COUNTY 4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION.
- PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUTH 6TH GRADE AND YOUNGER ARE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE DUE JANUARY 18, 2024



[WOODWORKING WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORMS CAN BE FOUND HERE!](#)

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INNOVATIVE EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

brought to you by the
Adult Leaders Association

Youth, clubs, projects
and volunteers may
apply!

DUE:



Make your
great
ideas to
help your
community
a reality!

grant
past recipients

100 BAG MEALS

RAYMOND



YOU CAN FIND THIS GRANT APPLICATION HERE!

(please note the committee has decided to push back the due date from Jan 22 to Feb 22)

HAM DRIVE FOR THE VETERANS OUTREACH

Dec 9th

9-10:30 BURLINGTON PICK'N SAVE
1008 MILWAUKEE AVE, BURLINGTON, WI 53105

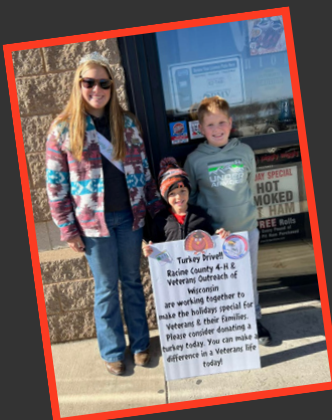
11-12:30 UNION GROVE PIGGLY WIGGLY
4400 67TH DR, UNION GROVE, WI 53182

2-3:30 MALICKI'S PIGGLY WIGGLY
5201 WASHINGTON AVE, MT PLEASANT, WI 53406



UW-MADISON EXTENSION

TURKEY DRIVE RECAP



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COOKING WITH MEAT PROJECT BOX

Do you want to learn more about cooking with meat from one of the following market animal projects: beef, swine, sheep, goat, poultry, or rabbit? Calumet County 4-H and the Distance Learning Team brings you the opportunity to participate in the Cooking with Meat Project Box. By participating in this distance learning project, youth will learn the following:

- The safe way to cook, store, freeze and thaw meat of the different project species.
 - How to find the correct internal temperature of the cuts of meat.
 - Try different recipes, helping them learn different ways to flavor and cook meat.
- We encourage youth to learn to cook with the animal species they may be raising, but also to try others to learn some differences and other skills. There will be a Zoom meeting hosted by Bernie O'Rourke, Extension Livestock Specialist, to lead youth through a cooking lesson, using the information in the Cooking with Meat box. Youth participants will also have access to a Google website where copies of the handouts will be available, the recording will be posted, and for them to engage with other youth from around the state to share what they cook. This box will have some delicious recipes to help you learn some valuable life skills, so don't miss out on this scrumptious opportunity! Boxes will be picked up from your local county extension office.

Thank you to Conteva AgriScience and the WI 4-H Foundation for helping to provide funds for this opportunity for youth. Also, a special thank you to the WI Beef Council and the WI Pork Association for assisting with dissemination of information for the purpose of this project box.

REGISTRATION CLOSES DECEMBER 15, 2023!

**YOU CAN REGISTER FOR COOKING
WITH MEAT HERE!**



The graphic features a green circular logo with a 4-H clover and a chef's hat. Below it, a list titled 'What's Included:' lists: meat probe, cutting board, bamboo skewers, internal temp magnet, and cooking with meat book. To the right, a box titled 'Information you should know:' lists: Grades 3 & Up can participate, All youth in all counties are eligible to participate, and Kits will be sent to county offices for distribution first week of January -- please keep this in mind before ordering a box. At the bottom left, a cardboard box is shown with the text 'Register open until December 15th:' and a QR code. At the bottom right, a close-up of a cooked meatloaf is shown with a meat thermometer. The bottom of the graphic includes the 4-H logo, the University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension logo, and a small text block about EEO/AAE and ADA compliance.

Information you should know:

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What's Included:

- meat probe
- cutting board
- bamboo skewers
- internal temp magnet
- cooking with meat book

Register open until December 15th:

Extension
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

An EEO/AAE 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.

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BRING A YOUTH VOICE TO GOVERNMENT



EXPLORE CAREERS



LEARN NEW SKILLS



ENRICH YOUR COMMUNITY

Youth serve on County Board committees:

- Economic Development & Land Use Planning
- Finance & Human Resources
- Government Services
- Health & Human Development
- Public Works, Parks, & Facilities

Youth representatives are assigned a **mentor** and receive **orientation, training, and a tour** of county buildings and departments.

Adults, from youth serving organizations, may nominate Racine County residents who are a freshman, sophomore, or junior with a G.P.A. of 2.5 or higher.

The link to the nomination form can be found at:



LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS OPPORTUNITY AND SUBMIT APPLICATIONS HERE!

Nominations are due by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 15, 2023.