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NOV 1: Volunteer Re-Enrollment Deadline

NOV 1: American Spirit Registration Opens

NOV 4: Santa's Workshop

NOV 6: Leaders Association Board Meeting

NOV 8: Poultry Drive

NOV 9: Recognition Celebration

NOV 11: Santa's Workshop

NOV 18: Santa's Workshop

NOV 24: Junior Leaders Association

NOV 24: JLA Community Service Drop Off

NOV 25: Santa's Workshop

NOV 28: Santa's Workshop

NOV 28-29: Night with the Stars

NOV 30: American Spirit Registration Closes



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4-H CELEBRATES KEVIN WENTZEL

Kevin is a Tucker Alumni who was recently inducted into the 2025 4-H Hall of Fame!





YOU CAN READ MORE ABOUT KEVIN'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND 4-H STORY HERE!

REPORTER

Hey Everyone! This October was pretty busy and had some great events! We had the Kiwanis Peanut Sale, I sold and it was super fun. I recommend doing it next year. As well there was the Horse Project Kickoff night, we did Jeopardy and it was super interesting. The Club Leadership Training happened on the 22nd. So many good ideas were shared and good planning was done. This month there was the Fall Bash, I couldn't attend but everyone seemed like they had lots of fun painting pumpkins and having snacks. The STEM Project Pumpkin Fun Night was this month. I wish I could make it but it seemed super cool!! As well, let's all congratulate Kevin Wentzel on 4H Hall Of Fame, he was inducted on the 27th. Make sure to watch out for the Santa's Workshop opening that just came out!!

October was super fun and I can't wait to see what next months have!!!

- Aleksandra Zamecnik







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AMERICAN SPIRIT June 18—29, 2026 July 3—12, 2026

The 4-H American Spirit Experience empowers youth to take ownership of their learning and leadership through a 10-day educational journey exploring history, culture, and civic identity across the East Coast and Canada. While staff and volunteers support and facilitate the experience, youth are at the center, not just as participants, but as leaders, learners, and changemakers. They actively shape the experience by presenting content, leading discussions, reflecting on their learning, and building a vibrant community with peers from across Wisconsin

LEARN MORE ABOUT AMERICAN SPIRIT HERE!

AI CHALLENGE

Al Challenge - How can you use Al to solve problems in agriculture? On October 1, National 4-H in partnership with Google introduced the 4-H Al Challenge. The challenge is open to youth in two age categories:

Level 1: Ages 13 - 15 and Level 2: Ages 16 - 18.

Youth work in small teams with an adult advisor to develop novel solutions to agriculture issues in their community. Projects will be submitted through **<u>ProjectBoard</u>** and must be entered by **November** 15, 2025. Resources including instructions, FAQs, and judging rubric is found on the Challenge website. Projects will be judged on a national level with cash prizes for first, second, and third place. Check out the details in the flyer and scan the QR code to learn more.







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COUNTY FAIR AGE REQUIREMENT CHANGE

Recently the Racine County Ag Society Board of Directors voted on and approved a clarification to the age limit regarding showing and selling animals at the Racine County Fair.

Please note the age requirements now in effect for the 2026 Fair:

- To exhibit and/or sell Dairy (Dept 1), Beef (Dept 2), Swine (Dept 3), Sheep (Dept 4), Goats (Dept 5), and Horses (Dept 6), each exhibitor must be at least 10 years of age and not more than 19 years of age as of January 1 of the current calendar year.
- To exhibit and/or sell Poultry (Dept 7) or Rabbits (Dept 8), each exhibitor must be at least 9 years of age and not more than 19 years of age as of January 1 of the current calendar year.



This is a change to some departments as they were previously by grade or had a lower age limit.

Please contact the county fair with questions.

Please note that 4-H's age requirements state that you just need to be in 3rd grade to participate in 4-H animal projects. Even though you might not be able to show, you can still participate in animal projects throughout the year at the county or club level.

25-26 COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

With the new 4-H year approaching, the time has come to sign up to be on one of the many countywide committees. Committees are for both youth and adults to be a part of, so the whole family can get involved.

Most of these committees are active during a specific part of the year, so signing up will not be a year long commitment, but rather a few months until the event has taken place. You are welcome to be a part of the planning process, executing the actual event, or all of the above. These committees need volunteers in order for your favorite countywide events to happen, so please consider joining one of these teams!

Please be mindful of your 4-H or personal experience when signing up to chair a committee, and please limit the number of committees you are signing up to chair. Ideally there is opportunity for many people to take on leadership roles. If you want to chair an event, please understand that you will be required to communicate consistently, delegate efficiently, and participate positively with an open mind and a humble attitude.



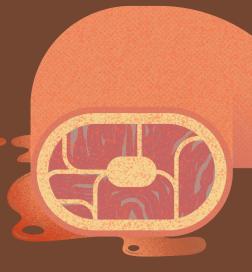


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Any questions call

County Poultry Drive



Any Poultry Donations

This includes Chicken, Turkey, Pheasants, Quail, etc.

Drop Off Info

November 8th:
Burlington @ Pick n Save
from 9:00 am - 10:30 am
Union Grove @ Piggly Wiggly
from 10:45 am - 12:15 pm
Mount Pleasant @ Pick n Save
from 12:30 pm - 2 pm

By: Abby Sagan

All donations are sent to Veterans Outreach in Racine





SIGN UP HERE TO VOLUNTEER!

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Racine County 4-H Community Service



Lets Help the

Wisconsin Humane Society

Racine Campus



Please Bring items to the JLA Meeting On November 24th At Ives Grove Office (14200 Washington Avenue)

Dry cat food (unopened bags)

- Canned cat food
- Dry dog food (unopened bag
- Canned dog food
- Canned chicken
- Soft dog treat
- Hotdogs
- Kongs
- Peanut butter
- Disposable gloves (latex- free, powder-free, size small or medium)
- Kitten feeding bottles and syringes
- The Walkie leashes
- Top Loading cat carriers
- Baby wipes
- Heating disks/neonate supplies

Any questions? Email aleksandraraez@gmail.com
or brooklynkurt13@gmail.com

Items Needed
*Bolded for priority







RACINE COUNTY 4-H

RECOGNITION Celebration







TIME: 3:00PM - 6:00PM

It's a time to recognize and celebrate the extraordinary accomplishments, dedication, and spirit of excellence that Racine County 4H has.

Yorkville Elementary School 18621 Washington Ave.

Union Grove, WI 53182

PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS

A-F: SALAD G-N: HOT DISH O-T: SIDE DISH





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OPEN TO ALL 4-H MEMBERS!

OREATE, ASSEMBLE, FINISH, PAINT, ON AND PACKAGE PUZZLES. ASSEMBLY AND PAINTING CAN BE DONE AT THE WORKSHOP OR AT HOME!

OCTOBER 6:00 - 8 PM • 28 •



NOVEMBER 6:00 - 8 PM 4 • 11 • 18 • 25

AND NOVEMBER 28TH: 9 AM - 12PM

Workshop will take place and materials can be picked up at the Yorkville Clover Center: 17640 Old Yorkville Rd, Union Grove, WI 53182



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MATERNITY LEAVE

This will be the last Racine County 4-H Newsletter until I return from maternity leave. I plan on returning at the beginning of March, so the Newsletter will pick up again in April. Please be on the look out for emails from 4-H Online regarding State Experiences and countywide events.

In the meantime, if you have questions or need support, we will have the Kenosha 4-H Educator, Carolyn Van Sloten working a few hours a week in our Extension office to help support volunteer enrollment, form submissions, ensuring policy is being applied, 4-H online, questions, concerns, and help with communication throughout the next few months. **She will be starting on November 17th.**

Emily Janes, the Extension Administrative Assistant will also be available to help with printing and communication needs. Please keep in mind Emily works for the entire Extension Office and Carolyn has her own Kenosha County 4-H Program, so response times will be varied and limited. You can reach Carolyn at carolyn.vansloten@wisc.edu and Emily at ejanes2@wisc.edu

