



# The Alphorn

Your 4-H Family Newsletter

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**Next Alphorn Deadline:**  
**October 15**



**Ellen Andrews**

4-H Youth  
Development Educator

Dear 4-H Families,

We are so excited to kick off a new 4-H year full of opportunity to build new and lasting friendships, while exploring new sparks and pursuing our passions. Who can you invite to come to a meeting or event to learn more? Who else do you know that could also benefit from 4-H? A cousin? A neighbor? A friend from school? We know the best way to recruit is to simply ask someone! Help us spread the word that 4-H is focused on providing youth-centered educational opportunities!

## Exploring 4-H Day

*Saturday, September 30, Noon-2:30pm, Green County Fairgrounds*

This is a FREE open house event, where families can:

- Explore a variety of hands-on projects 4-H offers.
- Discover how to make a difference in your community.
- Talk with current 4-H members and learn how to register for 4-H.

We would like your help in promoting this event! Here is how you can help:

- Tell a friend about this event.
- Go to our Green County 4-H Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/greencounty4huwex/>) and share the "Exploring 4-H Day" event when posted.

## National 4-H Week

*October 1-7, 2023*

Celebrate 4-H while helping other youth find their spark in 4-H, by participating in several 4-H promotional opportunities during 4-H week (see page 5 for details).

- 4-H Club Promotion Display Contest (register by Sept. 29 at Noon)
- 4-H T-Shirt Day - Wed. Oct. 4

## 4-H New Family Orientation & Pizza Party

*Tuesday, November 14, 6:00-7:30pm, Justice Center Multipurpose Rooms*

For our new 4-H families...get your 4-H experience off to a great start by joining us for this FREE event! Join us for a fun meal, followed by activities for the youth and an orientation for the parents. This is a great opportunity to ask questions and learn about the variety of opportunities available for your child in 4-H. To register for this event, please go to: <https://forms.gle/ZdH4JeBb2ADVzWRy7>

Thank you, Ellen Andrews  
Extension Green County 4-H Youth Development Educator

## Enrollment Instructions

### for the 2023 - 2024 4-H Year

2023-2024 4-H Enrollment will open September 1, 2023 online at <https://v2.4honline.com/>. Members may join at any time, but the primary enrollment period is September 1st – November 1st. Please follow the step-by-step instructions in your [4-H Enrollment Guide](#) to complete your enrollment.

- **Re-enrolling youth** must enroll by November 1st to meet “Member-in-Good-Standing” requirements. See the 4-H Enrollment Guide pages 2, 7-10.
- **New 4-H members** must enroll by January 15th to meet “Member-in-Good-Standing” requirements and be eligible to exhibit at the 2024 Green County Fair. See the 4-H Enrollment Guide pages 3-10.

**Membership Dues:** In 2023-24, county dues for members, including Cloverbuds, are \$15.00 per member. There will not be membership dues for first year families. This covers accident insurance, promotion and some supply costs. Even though members are enrolled online, payment for 4-H enrollment is still paid to the 4-H Club via check or cash.

**Adult Leader:** We deeply appreciate all of the adults who are willing to volunteer their time to support 4-H member experiences. We are also always looking for new volunteers!

**Interested in becoming a New 4-H Volunteer?** Begin by enrolling in 4HOnline, selecting the blue “Add Member” button (see pages 11-15 of the 4-H Enrollment Guide for details). Every adult volunteer is screened (criminal background check) upon initial enrollment and every four years thereafter. There are also several required trainings, most of which can be done online.

**Green County 4-H Program Policy** can be found on the second to last page of your [Enrollment Guide](#). Please review this document before enrolling or re-enrolling in 4-H.

If you have questions, please contact your 4-H Club Organizational Leader(s) or the Extension office at 608-328-9440.

### PROJECT LITERATURE for 4-H MEMBERS & LEADERS

4-H Project Literature is designed to be a resource for both members and leaders, and is available for many, but not all project areas. Most of the project literature includes hands-on activities to help youth learn project-related skills and knowledge, along with general life skills.

#### Options for Getting Project Literature:

**Project Literature Library** - Most 4-H Club have a project literature library kit. Clubs are responsible for having their own process to check out 4-H literature.

**Purchasing Literature** - Families may purchase project literature directly through the 4-H Cooperative

Curriculum System (4-H CCS) catalog and/or the National 4-H Supply Service ([www.shop4-h.org](http://www.shop4-h.org)).

**FREE Literature: While Supplies Last** – The Green County Extension Office will be giving away excess inventory of Project Literature, while supplies last, during normal Extension Office hours (8am-4:30pm, one-day advanced notice required.)

## Congratulations!

- To all 4-H youth who work hard throughout the year!
- To all Green County Fair and Wisconsin State Fair exhibitors on a job well done!
- To all graduating 4-H members: Hailey Beeman, Gracyn Bolton, Maylee Brauer, Maxwell Cassis, Abbygail Foster, Deven Gilson, Cameron Hay, Blake Hoesly, Drew Indergand, Megan Leitner, Aidan Lynaugh, Matthew McCullough, Jackie Nusbaum, Camden Pryce, Brett Ritschard, Nicholas Roe, Mallory Schmelzer, Austin Skibbe, Kaleb Welhouse, and Autumn Wolfe
- To our 4-H Key Award Winners: Megan Leitner and Mallory Schmelzer
- To South Central WI Archers for being this year’s Friend of 4-H
- To 4-H of the Volunteer of the Year– Ann Goers
- To DarLyne Schneider for being recognized for the 4-H Lifetime Volunteer Award
- To the Green County dairy exhibitors who competed at the Wisconsin State Fair! Our dairy exhibitors included: Brett Marean, Deven Gilson, Ellie Eichelkraut, Ian Schwartzlow, Derek Schwartzlow, Emma Hendrickson, Alex Roe, Vanessa Hatwig, Allyson Judd, Olivia Jennrich, Reese Speth, Taylor Svendsen, Emily Svendsen, Zack Moldenhauer, Taylor Fletcher, Kennedy Zimmerman, Maycee Hartwig, and Annelise Bethke



## Thank You!

- To everyone who worked with the junior portion of the Green County Fair!
- To everyone that worked the Jr. Leaders Dairy Bar the week of fair and to those that spent hours setting up and tearing down. Without you, our food stand would not have been as successful as it was. A HUGE thank you to Deb Myers and her efforts. We are grateful to each and every one of you.
- To the 4-H families that found their way to our counter for a meal at the Junior Leader food stand, we really appreciated your patronage.
- To the Dairy Youth Recognition Auction Committee for their work to make the auction a success.
- To the Meat Animal Auction Committee for another successful auction. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.
- To our older youth and adult volunteers who helped to put on 4-H Summer Camp at Upham Woods, including Lani Keehn, Michelangelo O'Brien, Abbigail Andrews, Elleanna Andrews, Ellie Modaff, Padraic Houston, Morgan Pulvermacher, Alice Elliott, Emily Goers, Connor Eckdhal, Ann Goers, Janet Kruse, Laura Huff, Leah Houston, Josh Montgomery and Chris Smith. It was awesome to spend four days with campers, playing games, exploring nature and having loads of fun!
- To the 4-H Promotions Committee for organizing and hosting free kids activities on Saturday for the County Fair, promoting 4-H to over 200 kids.
- A big Thank You goes out to all the 4-H helpers, Youth and Adults, who helped in any way in Exhibition Hall. If you were there for the set-up, project check in day, judging day, patrolling, release night, and take down, all of your help was appreciated.

## New Family Corner

### What does 4-H stand for?

Head, heart, hands, and health represent the 4 H's. Each meeting begins with a recitation of pledges, including the 4-H Pledge. This month's "Explore 4-H for New Families" newsletter (<http://bit.ly/NFNPIedge>) looks at additional ways that adults can apply the pledge before, during, and after club meetings and events.

#### I pledge

### My head to clearer thinking

It's normal for youth to have questions or be unsure about things. Give your youth the information you can to help them plan, organize, make wise decisions, and problem solve. It will encourage your child to think critically and use this knowledge throughout life.



### My heart to greater loyalty

Success is awesome. Some failure is inevitable. Both help youth develop strong personal values and a positive self-concept. Encourage and support all youth, especially your own, to have empathy and concern for others. Show your child, by example, how to cooperate and communicate with those around them.

### My hands to larger service

When you help your family's club, you model volunteerism, community service, and inclusiveness to your youth. If you don't have the time to be a volunteer, you can help in many equally important ways. If you do want to learn more about volunteering, contact the Extension Office!

### My health to better living

In addition to keeping youth physically healthy—body and mind—it is important we provide them the skills to make healthy decisions and to lead healthy lifestyles. You can help create safe spaces to support youth learning and character development.

### For my club, my community, my country, and my world.

4-H does not happen without supportive adults serving as positive role models. Stay involved as a family/caregiver as best as you can; it makes the experience much richer for everyone. The more involved our 4-H members are, the more impactful they are upon the world around them.

## 4-H Member Opportunities

### 4-H Arts Camp

When: November 17-19, 2023

Where: Upham Woods, near Wisconsin Dells

Who: Youth 6th-8th and adult chaperones

Registration will be available on 4HOnline in September.

Youth 9th-12th grade are encouraged to become counselors!

Counselor applications are due September 5th!

For more information, see:

<https://bit.ly/Counselor-form>

This state level experience offers a place for youth grades 6-8 to learn about topics like music, drama, visual arts, photography, communications, and more! You'll rotate through the different art tracks each day, participate in various group activities

throughout, and close with a ceremony for parents and families, celebrating the results of your Arts Camp experiences. You'll also meet new friends, participate in camp games, and enjoy the great natural setting of Upham Woods. Space is limited!

For more information on arts camp, see:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/arts-camp/>



## 4-H Educational Travel Experience & Scholarship Opportunities

WI 4-H offers youth in grades 6-12 many great educational travel experiences, plus Green County 4-H Adult Leaders offers scholarships to attend! Check out the "Fall 2023" list of opportunities below, AND how you can apply for a merit based 4-H Travel Scholarship!

### **Space Camp** – Huntsville, Alabama

**When:** April 18-22, 2024

Delegates participate in hands-on mock space missions and other activities in this NASA program while exchanging ideas with youth from across Wisconsin: <https://bit.ly/Space-camp> 4-H members must be in 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade at the time of the trip. The total cost of Space Camp is approximately \$900.

### **Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF)** - Washington, D.C.

**When:** 2024 Dates TBD

This leadership program, held at the National 4-H Center, teaches the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders. The week consists of participatory workshops, speakers, committee work, field trips and social events. For more information, see: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hedopp/citizenship-washington-focus/> 4-H members must be in 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade at time of selection and a minimum age of 15 during the trip. The total cost for the trip is approx. \$1,750.

### **National 4-H Conference** – Arlington, Virginia

**When:** April 19–24, 2024

Only eight to ten (8-10) youth from Wisconsin are selected to attend this annual working conference held at the National 4-H Center. Each participant selects an issue and works with other youth from across the country to develop plans that help direct future 4-H programming. Delegates spend the majority of time contributing to stimulating, task-oriented groups. One day is spent on Capitol Hill meeting with legislators and touring. For more information, see: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/national-4-h-conference/> 4-H members must be in 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade at time of the program and a maximum age of 18 as of January 1, year of travel. The total cost for the trip is approx. \$1,500. The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation sponsors a portion of this trip.

### **American Spirit East** – U.S. East Coast

**When:** June 14-23, June 21-30, July 5-14, 2024

Approximately 40 youth learn about America's heritage and build awareness of the many steps taken to gain U.S. independence and freedom by visiting historical sites in Philadelphia, New York, Boston and more.

4-H members must be in 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grade at time of the trip. The total cost for the trip is approximately \$1650. The opportunity to register for the 2024 4-H American Spirit will open in 4-H Online October 1st. For more information, see: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/american-spirit-east/>

**4-H Travel Scholarships**—Applicants must complete a cover letter, resume, essay and interview, and potentially a recommendation letter. We have a Fall and Spring round of applications and interviews, depending on the scholarship(s) or award you are applying for. For Fall 2023...

- **Applications are due Tuesday, November 7th**
- **Interviews are Wednesday, November 15th**

Application packets are available on the Green County UWEX website at: <https://green.extension.wisc.edu/files/2023/08/Older-Youth-Opportunities-App-Packet-Final.pdf>

## 4-H Thriving Survey - COMING SOON!

This fall, Wisconsin 4-H will be inviting members (ages 13-18) to complete a survey via email about their 4-H experience. The survey will help Green County 4-H & Wisconsin 4-H to learn about the quality of our programs. Youth who complete the survey will be entered into a raffle to receive gift cards, scholarships to 4-H events, or other prizes.

For more information on the 4-H Thriving Model, visit [4-H Thriving Model – Wisconsin 4-H](#). Please keep an eye out for messages and more information about this important survey.

## Youth & Adult Leader Opportunities

### 4-H Fall Forum



**When:** November 4-5, 2023

**Where:** Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake, WI

**Who:** Youth 7th-13th grade and adult volunteers

Come together to connect, collaborate, celebrate, and continue building excitement and energy for a new year of 4-H learning. Registration in 4HOnline will open in early September; must be re-enrolled first.

More info at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/fall-forum/>

The Green County 4-H Adult Leaders value this leadership development opportunity and want to support youth and adults to attending this conference.

- **Youth**—Up to 6 youth (7th-13th grade) can attend, with full registration & lodging costs covered by the Green County 4-H Adult Leaders budget.
- **Adult**—Unlimited adults can attend, with full registration & shared lodging costs covered by the 4-H Adult Leaders' Huber Endowment fund.

### 4-H County Committee Nominations

Green County 4-H has several standing committees that are very important in supporting our Green County 4-H program. Having adult and older youth volunteers willing to serve on these committees is critical!

- 4-H Cloverbud Committee
- 4-H Awards & Recognition Committee
- 4-H Marketing & Promotion Committee
- 4-H Camp Financial Committee
- 4-H Fundraising Committee

Adults & Older Youth—please take a few minutes to go to the link below, read the committee descriptions and consider nominating yourself for a position on any of these committees: <https://forms.gle/gxFJs7tdsiqFUYKt9>  
**Nominations are due September 14.** Elections for adults will be held via an online ballot.

## 4-H Meals on Wheel Service Project

Green County 4-H will again be conducting the Meals on Wheels service project to help our homebound friends and neighbors during the winter and holiday months. 4-H leader, Pat Sleiter and her husband, have generously agreed to again coordinate this project.

Goals of this service project, as it is with all 4-H service projects, are to help youth learn about the needs of others in their community and to have the opportunity to actively participate in serving their community. In reflection of these goals, youth can get involved in this project by...

- **Food donations** (Preferred donation option) - Sign up to make a donation of Low sugar and low sodium foods in single-serving packages, by going to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C49AFAD2BA5F58-4hmeals2>



- **Monetary donations** - Checks should be made payable to Green County 4-H Adult Leaders.

**All donations (food & monetary) should be delivered to the Extension Office by Wednesday, November 1.**

**Box Assembly**—Youth can help assemble the boxes on **Tuesday, November 7th, 6:00-6:30pm** at the new Government Services building, N3140 Hwy 81, Monroe (lower level). No need to register; just show up and help!

## 4-H Club Officer Training

Thursday, November 2 from 6:30-8:00pm  
Multipurpose rooms, Green County Justice Center, Monroe. This is a countywide officer training night. All newly elected officers, as well as repeat officers, are encouraged to attend. The training will offer a general session for all officers as well as breakout sessions for Presidents & Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Reporters & Historians. Please pre-register by contacting the Extension office at 328-9440 or online at: <https://forms.gle/13mcQ2DnmsCAAqJEA>



## 4-H Adult Leader Meetings

A friendly reminder that Green County 4-H Adult Leaders, Inc. meetings are open to all actively enrolled 4-H adult leaders. Each 4-H club is strongly encouraged to have at least one adult leader in attendance at each meeting.

Upcoming Adult Leaders meeting dates:

- Monday, November 6, 2023, 7:30 - 9:00 PM, In-person or via Zoom (register at <https://bit.ly/4HAdultLdrs110623>)

A reminder that the Executive Board will meet prior to the Adult Leaders meetings in Room 2-3 of the Justice Center beginning at 6:15 PM.

## 4-H Junior Leaders Meetings

The Green County 4-H Junior Leaders will be having an open house on Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2023 from 7:00pm-8:00pm at the Monroe Methodist Church (2227 4th St). All youth in 6th grade and up are invited to attend! Please come and check out what the Junior Leaders offers to youth. The next Junior Leaders meeting will be November 29th from 7:00—8:00 PM at the Monroe Methodist Church, Monroe.

# Open House

Wednesday Sept 27<sup>th</sup>  
7:00-8:00PM  
Monroe Methodist Church  
2227 4th St, Monroe, WI 53566

*Celebrating the beginning  
of a new 4-H year*  
If you interested in joining the group  
this would be a great time to find out more  
about our group

RSVP to Debbie, [april18@tds.net](mailto:april18@tds.net) by September 24<sup>th</sup>

## Record Book Reminders

### Record Book Review Days

This year all of our 4-H County Record Books will be read and evaluated in just three nights: Sept. 13, 14 and 20. Every 4-H club is asked to provide three adult volunteers for one or more nights to evaluate books. Adults do NOT have to have past Record Book experience. Each record book will be evaluated by at least two people, so many volunteers will be needed. Adult leaders: please mark your calendar and sign up to help using the following link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C49AFAD2BA5F58-4hrecord2>

- Wednesday, Sept. 13 – 6:00-8:30 PM
- Thursday, Sept. 14 – 6:00-8:30 PM
- Wednesday, Sept. 20 – 6:00-8:30 PM

Cloverbud Record Books will be reviewed on Thursday, September 14 beginning at 6:30 PM in Room 1. **We are looking for youth in 7th grade and older** to help with Cloverbud Record Book reviews again this year. Please sign up to help using the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C49AFAD2BA5F58-4hcloverbud4>

## 4-H Awards & Recognition Ceremony

Saturday, November 11, 2023

1:30 - 2:30 PM

Rooms 1-3, Green County Justice Center, Monroe

All Cloverbuds and first year members who submit record books, as well as county record book award winners, will be recognized! Please plan to attend to show support for our 4-H'ers and the hard work they've put in this past year!

## National 4-H Week: Oct. 1-7, 2023

### 4-H Week Theme: I ♥ 4-H

Take advantage of this important week to highlight the remarkable 4-H youth in your communities and showcase the incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people.

4-H Week messaging:

- 4-H is a Feeling.
- I Love 4-H! Many Smiles. One Family.
- I Love 4-H! Many Dreams. One Love.
- Six million kids nationwide are learning how to be better humans in 4-H.

### 4-H T-Shirt Day: Oct. 4

Let's show Green County our 4-H Pride by all wearing a 4-H T-shirt OR a green shirt to school or work on Wednesday, October 4! If you share your picture on Facebook, be sure to use the hashtag: #greencounty4hweek2023

### 4-H Week Promotion Display Contest

4-H clubs are again invited to decorate business windows or put up displays in schools and libraries to promote Green County 4-H during National 4-H Week. Window displays need to be in place by Saturday, September 30 through Sunday, October 8 to be considered for prizes. The 4-H Promotional display will be judged on creativity, neatness, educational value, visibility and overall promotional effectiveness. Prizes by the 4-H Adult Leaders are 1<sup>st</sup> place - \$25, 2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$20, 3<sup>rd</sup> place - \$15 and 4<sup>th</sup> place - \$10. Brochures on Green County 4-H are available at the Extension office. To register your club's display for the contest, please submit the following information to [swileman@wisc.edu](mailto:swileman@wisc.edu) by Friday, September 29 at Noon:

- 4-H Club and contact person
- Phone number
- Number of youth participating
- Number of adults participating
- Site of Display (Name & Address)
- Directions to site
- Can it be seen from the street? (Yes or no)
- Does the judge need to go inside the business? (Yes or no; if yes, please give business hours)

### Organizational Leader Reminders

- Dues are paid to the 4-H club and the club will write ONE CHECK payable to "Green County Extension" for members of returning families in the club. There will not be membership dues for first year families or adult volunteers. Club dues are to be turned in to the Extension office by **December 1st**.
- This year all of our 4-H County Record Books will be read and evaluated in just three nights: Sept. 13, 14, and 20. Every 4-H club is asked to provide three adult volunteers to evaluate books. See page 5.

- Green County Livestock Auction Financial Records are due by 4:30 PM on October 2nd to the Extension Office. This form must be completed from youth who auctioned in 2023 and are planning to auction in 2024. ***It is the responsibility of each individual family to turn in their own paperwork to the Extension office by the deadline. Auction Records are NOT to be accepted by 4-H Leaders or FFA Advisors!***
- 4-H Club Charters are due by **November 1**. Directions and a link to the online application form are online at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/administrative/charter/>.
- Please encourage youth in your club that are in grades 6 and above to check out the Green County 4-H Junior Leaders Open House on Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2023 from 7:00pm-8:00pm at the Monroe Methodist Church (2227 4th St).
- 4-H Officer Training will be held on Thursday, November 2nd from 6:30-8:00pm at the Green County Justice Center multipurpose rooms. All officers, especially new officers, are highly encouraged to attend this training!

## Cloverbud Corner

### 4-H Cloverbud Fall Fun Day

Saturday, October 14th, 9:30-11:30 am.

Monroe Kiwanis Cabin (N2997 Youth Cabin Rd, Monroe)  
Kick off the 4-H Year with some 4-H fall fun specifically designed for our youngest 4-H members (5K-2nd grade). Check-in will be 9:15-9:30am, with pick-up at 11:30am. Adult and older youth helpers are needed to assist with this program. If you or a member of your family would be interested in assisting, please indicate so on the registration form. Space is limited to 32 registrations, and we will fill on a first register, first serve basis. Register by Wednesday, October 4th at:

<https://forms.gle/BponznzWH9vpS5cq7>

## Arts & Communication

### WI 4-H Foundation Celebrates the Arts Contest

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation provides support for arts and communications programs that encourage youth to develop strong leadership, creative and communications skills. Each year the Foundation highlights 4-H artists through the Celebrate the Arts art contest, which includes categories for drawing, painting, pottery, paper, fabric or fiber art, photography, wood, any other media and 4-H themed art. The 2023-2024 Virtual Contest will run from November 1, 2023 through January 15, 2024. Enter your artwork and complete for \$1,000 in prizes. Open to all Wisconsin 4-H members! Watch for entry form and additional information in October at:

<https://wis4hfoundation.org/celebrate-the-arts/>

## State Arts Teams Applications

Applications for [State Arts Teams](#) will be coming soon! The Wisconsin 4-H Arts Teams include 4-H Drama Company and 4-H Art Team. 4-H Drama Company creates a stage performance involving acting, song and dance in the five days leading up to Summer Academy. 4-H Art Team creates artwork around the theme of Summer Academy as well as designing and organizing the Summer Academy Art Exhibit.

### 4-H Art Beat!

[Art Beat!](#) dates are March 15-17, 2024. 4-H Art Beat! is the introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H Communication Arts and was created for 4-H members in grades 3-5, their parents and leaders. Art Beat! provides an opportunity for youth and their parents to experience five different art forms in a camping environment at Camp Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells.

## Mechanical Sciences

### Green County Model Railroad Show & Swap

Are you thinking about building a farm display or diorama for a future 4-H project? Perhaps you are looking for a chance to see a variety of model displays and talk to experienced modelers to learn about their modeling techniques. The Green County Model Railroaders will hold their 45<sup>th</sup> annual model train show and swap meet on **September 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm** at the Stateline Ice and Community Expo, 1632 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue West in Monroe. This is a great opportunity to get new ideas or pick up supplies for your next modeling project.

## Natural Sciences

### Shooting Sports Leaders Needed

Are you interested in becoming a shooting sports leader? To become a 4-H Shooting Sports volunteer, you must become a 4-H enrolled leader and complete both the National 4-H Shooting Sports only training and an 8 hour certification workshop. Register today to attend the leader certification training workshop in Marshfield, WI. The workshop will take place on September 16th from 8:00am—5:00pm. The registration deadline is September 8th. Volunteers planning to be shooting sports 4-H Leaders and current 4-H leaders may attend this workshop. For more information, and registration details, see:

<https://bit.ly/shootingsportsworkshop>

Please contact Ellen Andrews at the Extension office if you are interested in becoming a 4-H Shooting Sports leader! The 4-H Adult Leaders will reimburse the cost of the training.



**4-H Shooting Sports**  
*Learn By Doing*

## Land Judging Contest

The annual Green County Land Judging contest has been set for September 27th. There is no fee to participate in the contest. As always, individuals may judge on teams of three to four individuals. Registration will begin at 8:30am at the USDA Service Center, 1627 4th Ave. West, Monroe, WI. We will proceed to the judging site at 9:00am. After the judging and scoring are done, everyone will go to the Monroe Moose Lodge, 639 3rd Ave. Awards will be given there, as well as a lunch provided by the Moose Lodge.

## Horse & Pony

### Horse High Point Form Deadline

If you've participated in the Horse High Point this past year, please turn in your completed forms to the Extension office by 4:30 PM on October 2.



### 4-H Horse Committee Meetings

The 4-H Horse & Pony Committee needs adults and youth willing to help plan and lead 4-H clinics and other educational Horse experiences. The next committee meeting is...

- **Monday, October 23, 2023—6:00-7:00pm**, in Room 1 of the Justice Center (2841-6th Street, Monroe)

All horse project members, parents and adult leaders are welcome to attend!

## Animal Science

### Livestock Auction Financial Records

Auction Financial Records are due by 4:30 PM on Monday, October 2nd to the Extension office.

- This form must be completed from youth who auctioned in 2023 and are planning to auction in 2024.
- Remember, the Auction Financial Record WILL NOT count as a 4-H Record Book for 2023.
- ***It is the responsibility of each individual family to turn in their own paperwork to the Extension office by the deadline. If you choose to give your paperwork to a Leader or another person to turn in, it is still your responsibility to make sure it is turned in by the deadline.***



## Club Happenings

**New Glarus:** The New Glarus 4-H Club held its second annual petting zoo at the New Glarus Firefest. We had a large variety of animals including calves, sheep, dogs, pheasant, rabbits, ponies, and even a turtle! As a whole, our 4-H club did a great job in showings at the fair.

Submitted by: Secretary, Benjamin Biank

## Green County Fair

**2024 Green County Fair: July 17-21, 2024**

**2023 Green County Fair Results Posted**

Junior Exhibitor Results: <https://bit.ly/Fair-results>

Open Exhibitor Results: <https://bit.ly/Open-results>

### Awards of Merit & Special Awards

#### Animal & Vet Science:

**Best of Show Cavies:** Jerzie Lerch, Juda FFA

**Best of Show Pocket Pet:** Madelyn Moede, CCC

**Best of Show Reptiles:** Myka Rufer, NxG

#### Plant & Soil Science:

##### Award of Merit:

Aspen Koepf, JM

Kane Hady, JM

Milo Dickson, BBB

**Top Exhibitor - Field Crops:** Brody Krajeck, DD

#### Flowers, House plants & Home Grounds:

##### Award of Merit:

Olivia Christen, WC

Triniti Siedschlag, DC

**Top Outdoor Planter, Gr. 3-7:** Georgia Christen, WC

**Top Outdoor Planter, Gr. 8+:** Triniti Siedschlag, DC

**Best Fairy Garden, Gr. 3-7:** Raelynn Niemeier, JM

**Best Fairy Garden, Gr. 8+:** Brilley Swedlund, Jud. FFA

**Best Dish Garden, Gr. 3-7:** Owen Larson, Dec

**Best Dish Garden, Gr. 8+:** Grace Gold, NxG

#### Natural Sciences:

**State Fair Selection:** Evan Johnson, NxG

##### Most Creative Wildflowers Entry:

Alexys Crooks, WC

##### Most Creative Recycling Entry:

Grace Gold, NxG

##### Most Creative Sportfishing Entry:

Alexys Crooks, WC

##### Most Creative Hunting Entry:

Stella Rolli, DD

##### Most Creative Shooting Sports Entry:

Mac Wand, CBP

##### Most Creative Insects Entry:

Evan Johnson, NxG

**Top Shooter, .22 Rifle w/scope, Grades 6-8:**

Brady Indergand, WC

**Top Shooter, .22 Rifle w/scope, Grades 9+:**

Leilah King, NxG

**Top Shooter, Shotgun, Grades 9+:**

Austin Skibbe, NxG

**Top Shooter, Archery barebow, Grades 3-5:**

Mac Wand, CBP

**Top Shooter, Archery barebow, Grades 6-8:**

Molly Shares, DD

**Top Shooter, Archery barebow, Grades 9+:**

Simon Moore, Dec.

**Top Shooter, Archery 1 Aid, Grades 3-5:**

Georgia Christen, WC

**Top Shooter, Archery 1 Aid, Grades 6-8:**

Hailey Rasmussen, YA

**Top Shooter, Archery freestyle, Grades 3-5:**

Max Wenzel, Dec.

**Top Shooter, Archery freestyle, Grades 6-8:**

Colt Nyman, WC

**Top Shooter, Archery freestyle, Grades 9+:**

Matthew McCullough, Young Americans

**Top Shooter, Air Rifle, Grades 3-5:**

Stella Rolli, DD

**Top Shooter, Air Rifle, Grades 6-8:**

Isabelle Rolli, DD

**Top Shooter, Air Rifle, Grades 9+:**

Leon Parker, Hia

**Top Shooter, Air Pistol, Grades 3-5:**

Max Wenzel, Dec.

**Top Shooter, Air Pistol, Grades 6-8:**

Chase Wenzel, Dec.

**Top Shooter, Air Pistol, Grades 9+:**

Kameron Parker, Hia

**Top Shooter, .22 Pistol, Scope Sights, Grades 9+:**

Logan Schultz, DD

**Top Shooter, Muzzleloading, Grades 9+:**

Drew Indergand, WC

**Master Shooter, Senior Award:**

Leilah King, NxG

##### Award of Merit:

Cassie Schultz, DD

Dixon Starr, NxG

#### Exploring:

**Judge's Choice:** Ellie Berg, WC

**Judge's Honor – Nature & Sciences:**

Abraham Bredeson, DC

**Judge's Honor – Plants & Animals:**

Emily Kruse, NxG

**Judge's Honor – Building & Fixing:**

Brooklyn Drake, DD

**Judge's Honor – Foods & Nutrition:**

Siera McCullough, JJJ

**Judge's Honor – Arts & Crafts:**

Grant McCullough, NxG

**Judge's Honor – Hobbies & Careers:**

Easton Homb, WC

**Award of Merit:**

Grant McCullough, NxG

Sierra McCullough, JJJ

**Cultural Arts:****State Fair Selection:**

Lillian Sievers, CBP

Kiera Indergand, WC

\*This section is completed based on documents provided

**Photography:****Top Tourism Photography #1:** Allison Starr, NxG**Top Tourism Photography #2:** Theodore Keehn, NxG**Top Tourism Photography #3:** Helaina Keehn, NxG**Top "This is 4-H" Entry:** Reeson Speth, NG**Best of Show, Grades 3-5:**

Adelynn Monson, JM

**Best of Show, Grades 6-7:**

Elena Boss, CCC

**Best of Show, Grades 8-9:**

Kloe Jordan, NxG

**Best of Show, Grades 10+:**

Morgan Waski, CCC

**Superintendent's Choice:**

Noah Rufer, NxG

**Honors Ribbons:**

Noah Rufer, NxG

Abbygail Foster, NxG

Madelyn Moede, CCC

Allison Starr, NxG

**Award of Merit:**

Hudson Speth, CCC

Kayla Sherman, WC

Morgan Waski, CCC

Megan Leitner, Cla

Kiera Indergand, WC

**Woodworking:****State Fair Selection:** Darwin Tesch, JM**Award of Merit:**

Attica Leopold, DC

Dylan Fiez, NxG

Olivia Christen, WC

**Best of Show:** Jamison Smith, WC**Electricity & Mechanical Science:****State Fair Selection:** Isaiah Ritschard, CBP**Award of Merit:**

Alexys Crooks, WC

Chase Monson, JM

**Top Exhibitor—Tractors & Engines:**

Wyatt Steiner, Monroe FFA

**Farm Display, Grades 3-7:**

Owen Larson, Dec.

**Farm Display, Grades 8+:**

Colt Nyman, WC

**Foods & Nutrition:****Foods Revue—Award of Merit:**

Ellie Modaff, JM

**Foods Preservation—Award of Merit:**

Olivia Christen, WC

**Clothing:****Special Award:**

Layla Fry, YA

Shambry Blackburn

**Award of Merit:**

Mickaelynn Andrews, WC

**Knitting & Crocheting:****State Fair Selection:** Mallory Schmelzer, SGHW**Award of Merit:**

Mallory Schmelzer, SGHW

**Outstanding 1<sup>st</sup> Year Knitting:**

Eloise Zimmermann, DD

**Natural Fiber Award—Knitting:**

Mallory Schmelzer, SGHW

**Home Furnishings:****State Fair Selection:** Alana Durtschi, JM**Best of Show Quilt:** Noah Rufer, NxG**Award of Merit:**

Jaeda Pacheco, BBB

Chase Monson, JM

Olivia Christen, WC

**Child Development:****State Fair Selection:** Mallory Schmelzer, SGHW**Leadership/Self-Determined/Entrepreneurship:****Leadership:** Abigail Biank, NG**Leadership in Action:** Mirielle Smith, WC**Shows Leadership Potential:** Abigail Biank, NG**Health:****State Fair Selection:** Mallory Schmelzer, SGHW**Herdsmanship Results****Dairy Small Herd:**1<sup>st</sup> – Jolly Mixers2<sup>nd</sup> – Black Hawk FFA, Clarence Bridge Pioneers

**Dairy Large Herd:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Cheese Country Clovers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Juda FFA

**Beef:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Browntown Busy Beavers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Young Americans

**Swine Small Herd:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Browntown Busy Beavers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Young Americans

**Swine Large Herd:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Monroe FFA
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Jolly Mixers

**Sheep:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Juda FFA
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Albany FFA

**Goats:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Clarno
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Juda FFA

**Rabbits:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Washington Center
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Juda FFA

**Premier Exhibitor Results****Platinum:**

Grand: Katie Brooks, Juda FFA

Reserve: Daniel Dunphy, Albany FFA

**Dairy:****Junior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Reeson Speth, New Glarus 4-H
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Brooke Mueller, Clarence Bridge Pioneers
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Beck Benton, Clarence Bridge Pioneers

**Senior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Hailey Beeman, Decatur 4-H
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Brett Marean, Juda Jolly Juniors
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Grace Gold, Next Generation

**Beef:****Junior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Benson Miller, Browntown Busy Beavers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Skylar Kundert, Young Americans
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Zoie Donovan, Young Americans

**Senior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Josh McCullough, Juda FFA
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Colt Nyman, Washington Center
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Ayden Wilkins

**Swine:****Junior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Emily Boss, Cheese Country Clovers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Chase Wenzel, Decatur 4-H
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Whitney Pryce, Jolly Mixers

**Senior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Jerzie Lerch, Juda FFA
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Elly Beckman, Monroe FFA
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Cody Pryce, Jolly Mixers

**Sheep:****Junior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Olivia Christen, Washington Center

**Senior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Jordan Lerch, Juda FFA
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Mallory Schmelzer, SGHW
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Reaghan Schmelzer, SGHW

**Goats:****Senior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Adelynn Monson, Jolly Mixers

**Poultry:****Junior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Clara Veeder, Cheese Country Clovers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Dalia Williams, Browntown Busy Beavers
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Taralynn Gratz, Young Americans

**Senior Division:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Elizabeth Veeder, Cheese Country Clovers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Olivia Feller, Monroe FFA
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Raevynn Jackson, Next Generation

**Rabbits:****Junior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Teresa Gratz, Young Americans
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Elena Boss, Cheese Country Clovers
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Chase Monson, Jolly Mixers

**Senior Division**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Thadeus Miller, Browntown Busy Beavers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Leilah King, Brodhead FFA
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Emily Goers, Washington Center

**Master Showman Results**

**2023 Master Showman:** Vanessa Hartwig, Monroe FFA

**2023 Reserve Master Showman:** Brililey Swedlund, Juda FFA

**2023 Master Showman Participants:**

**Dairy:** Emma Hendrickson, Monroe FFA  
Alex Roe, Monticello FFA

**Beef:** Bethany Drafall, Monroe FFA  
McKenna Pfeuti, Monticello FFA

**Swine:** Amber Meighan, Monroe FFA  
Elly Beckman, Monroe FFA

**Sheep:** Jordan Lerch, Juda FFA  
Mallory Schmelzer, SGHW

**Goats:** Vanessa Hartwig, Monroe FFA  
Brililey Swedlund, Juda FFA

**Poultry:** Alyssa Broge, Black Hawk FFA

**Rabbits:** Jerzie Lerch, Juda FFA



## Green County 4-H Calendar of Events

For Calendar updates, please visit: <https://green.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/calendar-news/>  
Times and dates are subject to change. Listen to WEKZ AM 1260 for weather updates.

SEP 2023	EVENT	START TIME	END TIME	LOCATION
1	4-H Enrollment Opens			<a href="http://v2.4honline.com">http://v2.4honline.com</a>
4	Labor Day - Extension Office closed			
13	Record Book Reviews	6:00 PM	8:30 PM	Rooms 2 & 3, Justice Center
14	Record Book Reviews	6:00 PM	8:30 PM	Rooms 1, 2 & 3, Justice Center
14	DEADLINE for Adult Ldrs Committee nominations			Online link, see article
20	Record Book Reviews	6:30 PM	8:30 PM	Rooms 2 & 3, Justice Center
27	4-H Junior Leaders Open House	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Monroe Methodist Church
29	DEADLINE to submit 4-H Week window displays		Noon	Extension Office
30	Explore 4-H Day	12:00 PM	2:30 PM	Green County Fairgrounds
OCT 2023	EVENT	START TIME	END TIME	LOCATION
1-7	National 4-H Week			
2	DEADLINE Horse High Point Form		4:30 PM	Extension Office
2	DEADLINE Auction Financial Record		4:30 PM	Extension Office
2	4-H Executive Board Meeting	6:15 PM		
14	4-H Cloverbud Fall Fun Day	9:30 AM	11:30 AM	Monroe Kiwanis Cabin
23	Horse Committee Meeting	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Room 1, Justice Center
NOV 2023	EVENT	START TIME	END TIME	LOCATION
1	DEADLINE Full 4-H Club/Group Charters			Online link, see article
1	DEADLINE 4-H Enrollment closes for returning members		11:59 PM	<a href="https://wi.4honline.com">https://wi.4honline.com</a>
1	DEADLINE Meals on Wheels donations		4:30PM	Extension Office
2	4-H Officer Training	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Rooms 1-3, Justice Center
4-5	Wisconsin 4-H Fall Forum			
6	4-H Executive Board Meeting	6:15 PM		
6	4-H Adult Leaders Meeting	7:30 PM	9:00 PM	Rooms 2 & 3, Justice Center
7	Pack Meals on Wheels boxes	6:00PM	6:30PM	Gov't Services Building
7	DEADLINE Fall Travel Scholarship Applications			Extension Office
11	4-H Awards & Recognition Ceremony	1:30 PM	2:30 PM	Rooms 1-3, Justice Center
14	4-H New Family Orientation	6:00 PM	7:30 PM	Rooms 1-2-3, Justice Center
15	Fall Travel Scholarship Interviews	6:00 PM	7:30 PM	Ext Office Conference Rooms
17-19	4-H Arts Camp			Upham Woods
23-24	Thanksgiving—Extension office closed			
29	4-H Junior Leaders Meeting	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Monroe Methodist Church

The Green County 4-H Website is always being updated to include new information, links and dates. Check it out for the most current news: [greencounty4h.info](http://greencounty4h.info)  
Be sure to check the 4-H Calendar Page for up-to-date information as events approach:  
<https://green.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/calendar-news/>

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