

Iowa County 4-H Clover Connection

March 2025

4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 2025

- 1 Exploration Day, Dodgeville 10am-12pm
- 14 Spring Trip Scholarship Applications Due
- 15 Skillathon & Quiz Bowl, Madison
- 19 Spring Trip Scholarship Interviews,
 Dodgeville
- 24 4-H Leaders Council Meeting, 6PM
- 29 Iowa/Lafayette Day in the Arts Mineral Point, 12:30pm start time

April 2025

4-H Online Project Enrollment Due11-16 National 4-H Congress - Atlanta, GA

May 2025

- 1-5 Space Camp State Trip
- 30 Exploration Day Topics due to Dan

4-H Leaders
Upcoming Meeting
Mon. March 24th
6PM HHS Building
Dodgeville

4-H Leaders
Upcoming Meeting
Mon. June 16th
6PM HHS Building
Dodgeville

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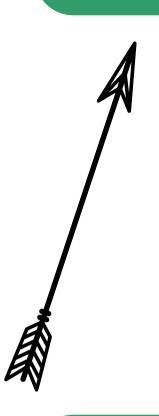
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4-H Archery







Tri-County Archery 9145 County Line Rd. Platteville, WI 53818

PRACTICE DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- JANUARY 12
- FEBRUARY 2
- MARCH 9
- APRIL 13

We are looking forward to a new year of shooting. For those enrolled in the project we will be holding four indoor practices starting in January. Practices will be held from 4-5 pm. Participants are welcome to bring their own equipment or to share the 4-H equipment at each practice.



If you have any questions please contact Leah McDonald at 608.558.9302 or

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4-H Camp



4-H Summer Camp

lowa County will be camping with Portage and Waupaca Counties once again this year. Camp cost will be \$120 for the first 30 youth who sign up from lowa County. The 4-H Leaders Association has graciously offered to cover the rest of the cost of summer camp. Thank you leaders!

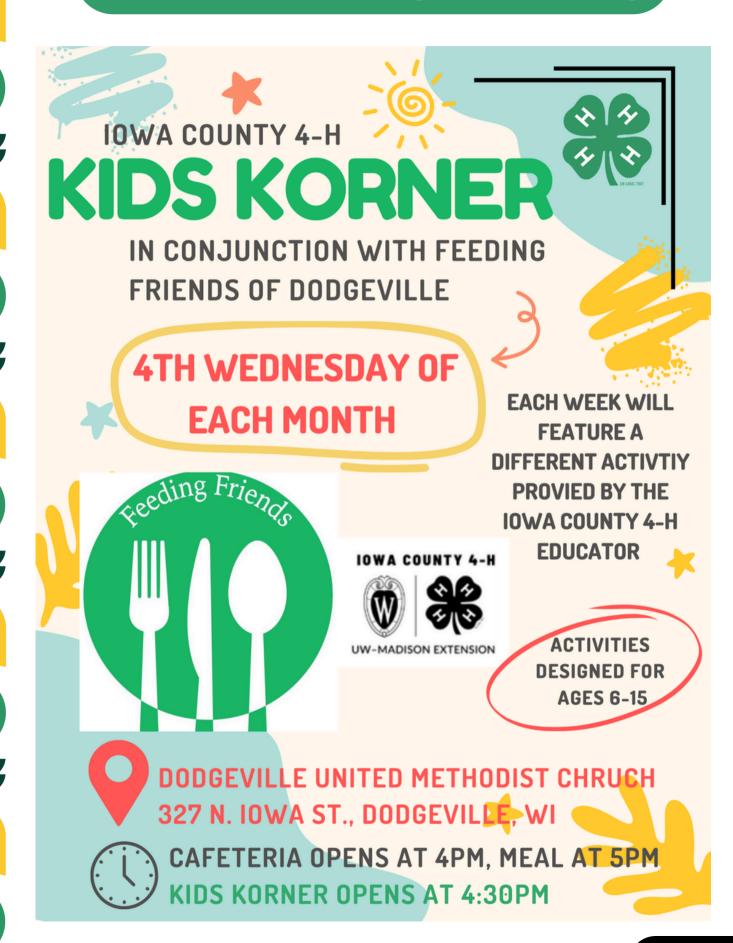
4-H Camp



4-H Summer Camp Volunteers

We need you! Sign up today to help out at Summer Camp in June! Simply scan the QR Code or copy the link to register today! https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1TBka7l5YkllZOQcpBwH7p6FXVMYTqpOwaTcfr4i7xSk/edit?usp=drive_web

Free 4-H Programming



Free 4-H Programming









Scholarship Opportunities





The lowa County Association for Home & Community Education (HCE) will be offering two \$300 scholarships to students planning to enroll or presently enrolled full-time in two or more years of post-secondary education in a program that benefits families or communities. Current post-secondary students are eligible to apply! Programs or related fields may include, but are not limited to, education, health care, childcare, food service, communications, agriculture, etc. Scholarships will be awarded upon the recipients' successful completion of the Fall 2024 semester (GPA of 2.5 or higher) and proof of full-time registration for the Spring 2025 semester.

Applicants must be:

- · A resident of Iowa County, WI or attend an Iowa County, WI school.
- · A child or grandchild of an Iowa County HCE member OR a current Iowa County 4-H member or an Iowa County 4-H graduate.

 The application is due no later than April 1st, 2025.

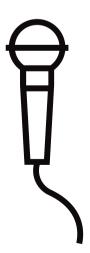
 This application is available electronically by email from tom.harman@iowacounty.org and requesting it as a Word attachment. It is also available at https://iowa.extension.wisc.edu/scholarships.



Day in the Arts







Day in the Arts provides an opportunity for youth to showcase their creative talents through music, speech, demonstrations, visual arts, and photography.

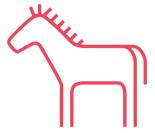
Registration is through 4-H Online and opens February 20th.

For information regarding the categories, requirements, and guidelines for the entries, see the information packet available on our <u>website</u> or contact the Extension Office to have a packet sent to you.

Area Animal Science Days

WI 4-H AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS

Save the Dates



PIERCE COUNTY JUNE 13TH

CALUMET COUNTY JUNE 30TH



WATCH INBOXES AND SOCIAL MEDIA FOR FUTURE REGISTRATION INFORMATION



Area Animal Science Day is a series of day-long events held around the state in June where youth in the beef, dairy, horse, sheep, and swine projects increase their decision-making skills and knowledge of animals through judging and grading experiences. Events include dairy cattle evaluation; livestock (beef, sheep, swine, & meat goats) evaluation; oral reasons contests for senior members; and dairy showmanship contests. In addition, each site may offer a variety of workshops, such as poster and photography contests or horse judging activities.

Watch for more information!



4-H News



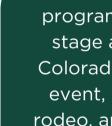


Four exceptional Iowa County 4-H members achieved a remarkable victory at the Mixed Teams 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl on Saturday, January 25th, earning first place among teams from across the state. The event, held at UW-Green Bay, brought together 4-H youth to demonstrate their expertise in dairy science, teamwork, and problem-solving skills. The Iowa County participants were Naydeen Gilbertson, Lily Linscheid, George Linscheid, and Evy Linscheid, whose outstanding performance and collaboration set them apart in a highly competitive field. Their success highlights the dedication and passion of Iowa County 4-H youth for agriculture and dairy knowledge. Their first-place finish underscores the value of 4-H programs in preparing youth for leadership and success.

Pictured left to right: Naydeen Gilbertson, Lily Linscheid, George Linscheid, and Evy Linscheid

4-H News







Three outstanding youth from the Iowa County 4-H program recently showcased their skills on the national stage at the National Western Stock Show in Denver, Colorado, held from January 8th to 11th. This prestigious event, known as one of the nation's premier livestock. rodeo, and trade shows, brings together top competitors from across the country.

The Iowa County 4-H members—Chelsey Mueller, Johnny Robinson, and Cole Schauff—represented Iowa County 4-H with dedication and excellence. Their hard work and commitment to their projects were evident as they competed alongside some of the best young agricultural enthusiasts in the nation.

The success of these Iowa County competitors is a testament to the strength of the local 4-H program and the dedication of its members, families, and mentors. The Iowa County 4-H program continues to offer opportunities for young people to develop skills in agriculture, leadership, and teamwork. Pictured left to right are:

Chelsey Mueller, Johnny Robinson, and Cole Schauff

4-H News









Congratulations! Jeff Thomas, a Volunteer from Iowa County, is being honored in the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame. Laureates will be honored on Saturday, April 26, 2025, as part of the 2025 Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame Celebration at the Holiday Inn and Suites Rothschild in Rothschild, WI starting at 11:30 AM. Thomas's unwavering commitment to youth development and excellence in livestock judging has left a lasting impact on the Iowa County 4-H program. His dedication has inspired many young individuals to pursue excellence in their endeavors.

4-H Honors

Gevelinger, James Pinkham, Abigail Nankey, Erika Blabaum, Carlee Gough, Easton Leix, Waylyn Porter, Londyn Scoll, Miriam Reddell, Cashton Leix, Taya Moelling, Iris Weitzel, Paislee Flannery, Jannick Campbell, Ayra Sennhenn, Julia Mueller, Brittany Crook, Josie Frank, Kathryn Flannery, Jase Colin, Jayson Weitzel, Natalie Blabahm, Sophia Porter, Lilliana Stokes, Wesley Slusser, Olivia Evans, Adalynn Hatch, Gillian Schafer, Teresa

Thomas, Marshall Hatch, August Weitzel, Maverick Gough, MaKenna Willenburg, Lucia Volenec, Ruby Crook, Finn Tibbits, Maddox Whitaker, Rayleigh Schaaf, Lainev Severson, Thayer Hall, Edison Bymers , Dylan Blotz, Jessa Thierfelder, Ryker Troester, Nahum Tuyls, Jade Roethle, Levi Rue, Olivia Schumann, Levi Hampton, Niles Johnson, Asher Jorgenson, Tatum Gilbertson, Janelle Nankey, James Jones, Lane Kahl, Kylan Flannery, Gracie Ivey, Rowan Bowell, Romie

Please welcome our 1st year 4-H Members this year!

4-H Fun

Unscramble these 4-H-related words:

- 1. UOTYH (___ ___)
- 2. AIFR (___ ___)
- 3. ELEADR (___ ____)
- 4. MRAF (___ ___ ___)
- 5. PCTJERO (___ __ __ ___)

A G R I C U L T U R E F L E A D E R S H I P U C M L F M B P I T C P G O U I P L P D H U X E Y M I V R E R S Z P N Y R M D E O W I G M C Q A M U N S J R D G K L W N Z N V T E F M N C O Q I Z I S O C H A T X V E N H T R C T G Q I Z E Q F Q Y Y K C A B G R R S T E M Words to Find:

- 1. CLOVER
- 2. YOUTH
- 3. FAIR
- 4. PROJECT
- 5. LEADERSHIP
- 6. AGRICULTURE
- 7. STEM
- 8. COMMUNITY
- 9. LIVESTOCK

4-H At Home

SCIENCE OF SEASONS:

IN THE SNOW

WHY IS IT SO HARD TO WALK IN THE SNOW?

Have you ever tried to walk in deep snow? It can make you tired quickly because your feet sink right to the bottom! Snow is light and fluffy, when you put the weight of your foot on the snow, you squish it down. So how do animals and people walk on the snow without getting tired? They spread out their weight so they don't squish it down as much by either having large paws, or humans would put on snowshoes!



- -Tape
- -Cardboard
- -A shallow dish
 - -Flour



Fill the shallow dish with flour. Place your toy animal on top of the flour. Does it sink in? What if you push it down a bit? Take it out to see how deep its footprints are. Let's spread out its weight a bit more by cutting 4 circles of cardboard and attaching some snowshoes. Make sure to make them larger than the animal's paws. Before you put the animal back in the 'snow,' take a fork and fluff it back up to how it was in the beginning. What happens this time, and when you try to push it down?

Life Lesson: Lynxes and foxes, for example, are born with wide paws so that they can easily walk on snow. What are some talents or special abilities that you naturally have? How can you share them with other people?



