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Clark County 4-H Cloverleaf

September 2026

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Announcements & Upcoming Dates

Leaders Federation Meetings

September 14

October 12- **ALL LEADERS**

Fair board Meetings

September 21

October 19

Livestock Meetings- See page 3

Annual Authorization for Wisconsin 4-H

Clubs and groups due

(AFR & Charters Due)

September 1

Re-Enrollment Dates

Sept. 3- Nov. 1

Shooting Sports Training- Marshfield

September 19

Horse & Pony club Meeting

September 28

4-H Arts Camp

October 3-4

National 4-H week

October 4-10

Tentative Roller Skate Event

October 11

Record Book Review

October 12

Fall Forum

Nov. 6-8

Ignite

March 15-21

ATTENTION FAMILIES!

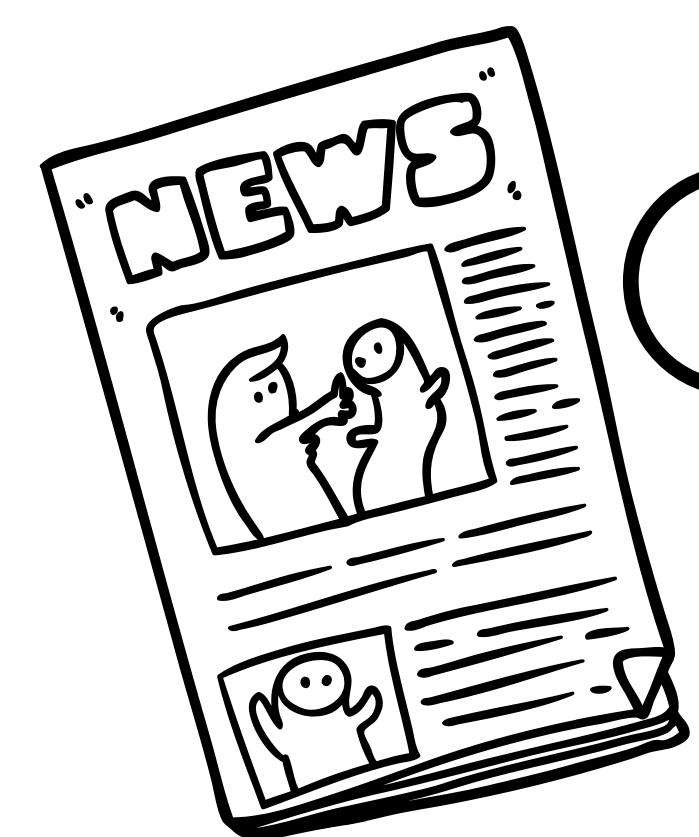
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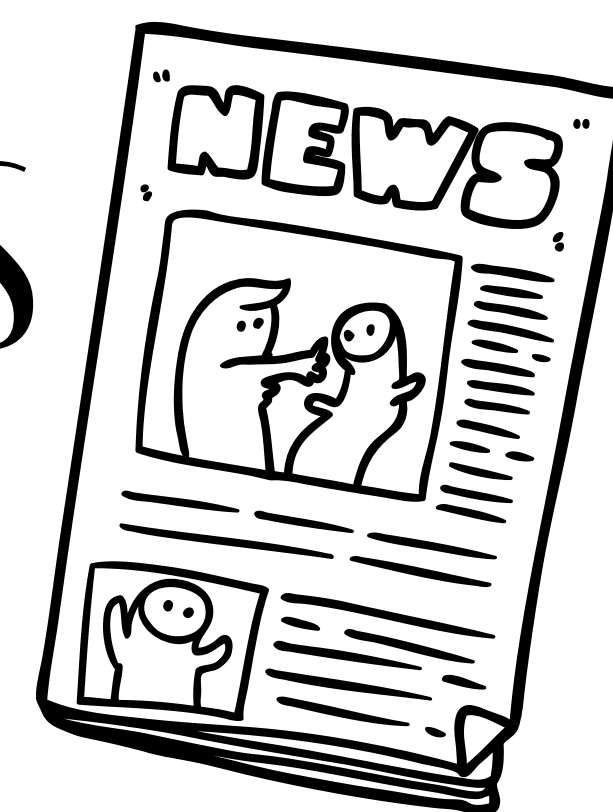
September 3rd-November 1st

only!

*Be sure to re-enroll
during this period to be
able to participate in
4-H activities!*



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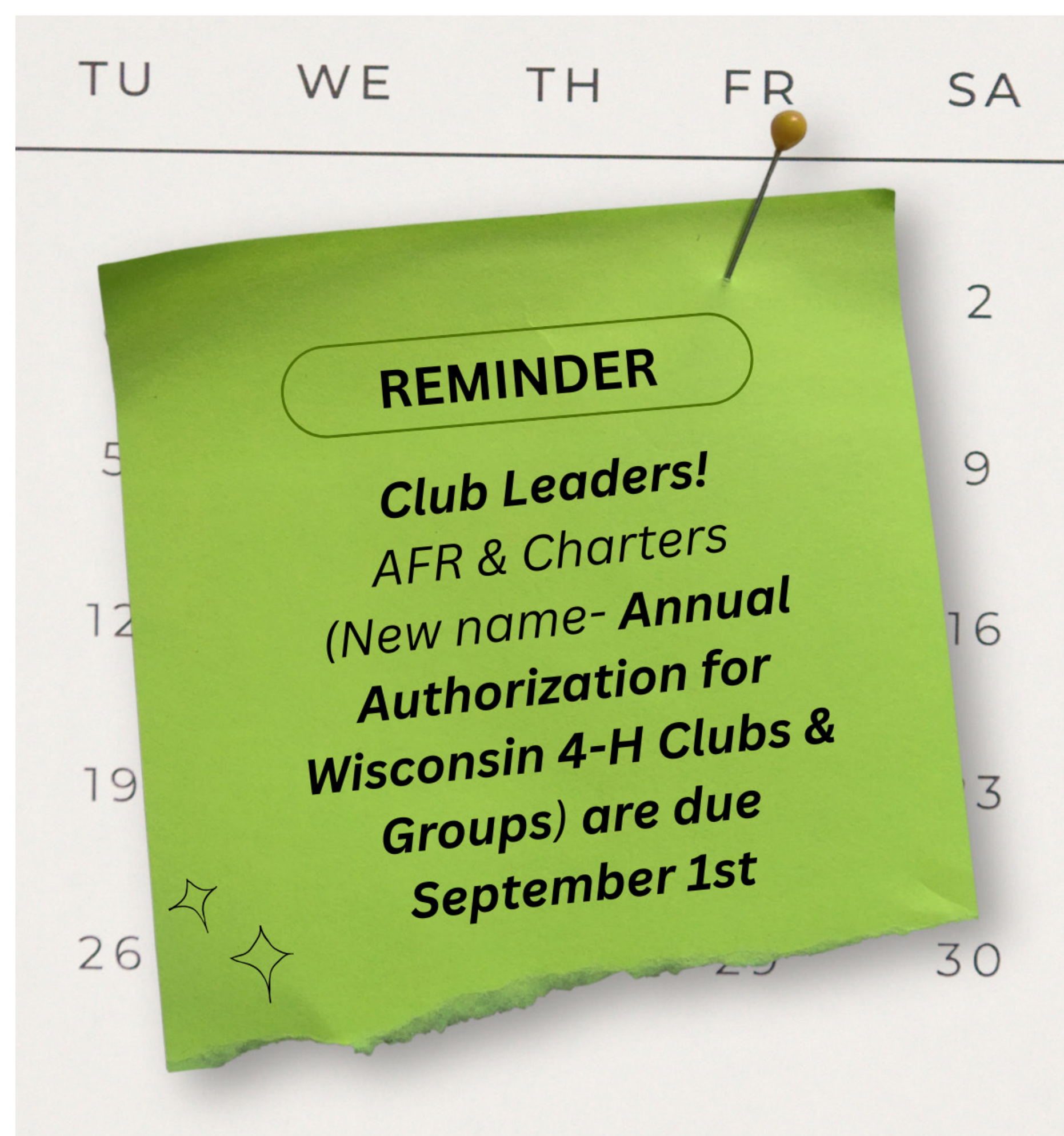


4-H on the Air Schedule for 2026

Airs the 2nd Saturday of each month,
and the 2nd 5th Saturday of the year



September 12- Romadka
October 10- Woodgrove Workers
November 14- Happy Valley
December 12- Northwoods 4-H



2026 Fair Herdsmanship Winners

Goats:

1st- Reseburg Ramblers
2nd- Loyal Lads & Lassies
3rd- Loyal FFA

Horse:

1st- Neillsville Lights
2nd- Rock Creek Rangers
3rd- Maplewood Badgers

Poultry:

1st- Chili 4-H
2nd- Neillsville Lights
3rd- Loyal Lads & Lassies

Sheep:

1st- Romadka
2nd- Chili 4-H
3rd- Rock Creek Rangers
&
Town & Country Clovers

Dairy:

1st- Woodgrove Workers
2nd- Junior Holstein
3rd- Maplewood Badgers

Beef:

1st- Rock Creek Rangers
2nd- Neillsville Lights
3rd- Thorp FFA

Rabbit:

1st- Northwood 4-H
2nd- Loyal Lads & Lassies
3rd- Rock Creek Rangers

Swine:

1st- Loyal Lads & Lassies
2nd- Lucky Clovers
3rd- Rock Creek Rangers
&
Reseburg Ramblers



Great Job to all!



Reminder:
All items for the cloverleaf are
due by 20th of each month

Livestock News

Upcoming Livestock Meetings

Meeting	Date & Time	Location
Sheep	9/27/26 7:00 PM	TBD (watch Facebook & 4H online for update)
Swine	9/30/26 7:30 PM	Loyal City Hall
Beef	10/7/26 7:00 PM	Loyal City Hall
Rabbit & Poultry	10/7/26 7:30 PM	Loyal City Hall
Goat	contact Mindy with suggestions or questions	
Dairy	10/21/26 7:30 PM	ADS
General Livestock	10/7/26 8:00 PM	Loyal City Hall



On Saturday, July 25th the 4-H Leaders Federation sponsored a 4-H Family Swim Day at the Thorp Aquatic Center. This year there were 23 participants and the weather was much nicer.

The 4-H Leaders Federation would like to thank the Thorp Aquatic Center for the use of their facilities (Shelly and her crew were so helpful), and the Thorp Chamber for their donation of water, cheese sticks, juice pouches, cookies and chips. Hotdogs were furnished by the Leaders Federation.

If any clubs/families have any suggestions for a family day, or how we could improve on the swim day - please reach out to a 4-H Leaders Federation member - we would love to hear from you.



Green Thumb Challenge

Thank you to all clubs who participated and made our fair absolutely beautiful!



Romadka
Loyal Lads & Lassies
Chili
Rock Creek Rangers
Happy Valley
Northwoods
Reseburg Ramblers
Neillsville Lights
Lucky Clovers
Town & Country Clovers

National 4-H Week

October 4-10, 2026

Show us your 4-H Spirit this week and help spread the word on 4-H. Send us your great pictures of how you celebrated and shared your love for 4-H!



Join the
Clark County 4-H Leader Federation
as a board member.

Elections @ the 4-H Awards Banquet

The Leaders Federation encourages youth & adults to join their Board of Directors. They meet every month.

Now is your chance to share your voice towards Marathon County 4-H's county wide programs. (youth & adult)

Contact Alan Buchholz,
Federation President,
715-797-1821
or
Seth Harrmann, 4-H Educator,
Seth.Harrmann@wisc.edu

Supports Educational Learning: Camps, Explore WI, etc

Organizes Fundraisers: 4-H FoodStand

Supports Travel Experiences & Conferences

Creates A Calendar of Family Activities

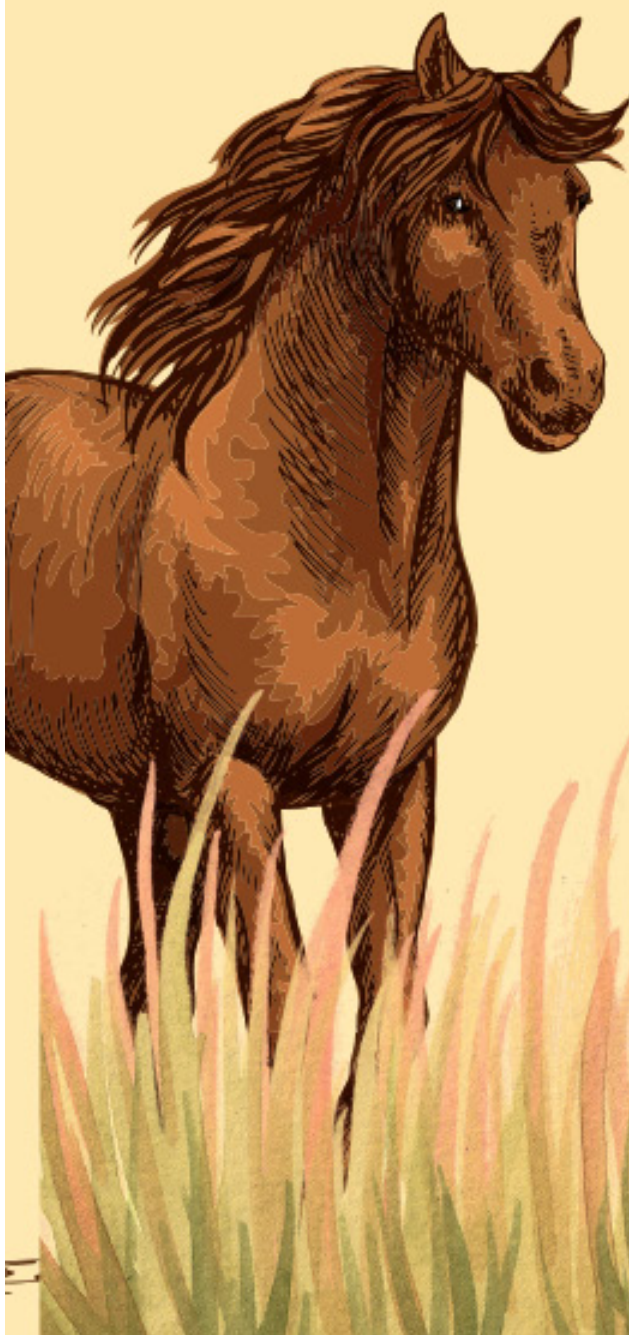
Who Can Be A Board Members?
Youth in Grade 7+ & Adult Volunteers
Nominate yourself or someone else.

ALL Youth and Adults may vote at all meetings

CLARK COUNTY 4-H HORSE & PONY CLUB

Fall Meeting:
September 28th, 2026
6:30 PM

St. John's Lutheran Church



Members & those interested in joining for the future year are welcome

Calling Discovery Day Session Leaders

7th grade and up are invited to lead a session!
Youth need to be accompanied by an adult



Family Animals/
Small Animals



Wood Working



Cake Decorating



Culinary/Cooking



Livestock



Art/ Photography
Fiber or Textiles



Crops/ Flowers



Syrup



LEGOS

Please Email Seth if you are interested leading a session at
Discovery Day

Record books are required this year for specific awards. Members can submit applications for the following awards:

- Citizenship
- Leadership
- Achievement
- Intermediate Achievement
- Secretary
- treasurer

Applications can be found online at:

<https://clark.extension.wisc.edu/club-leader-record-book-information/>
(and record books) are due by date set by your club leader.

Record book Review

Leaders Federation
Meeting on:
October 12th, 2026
6:00 PM
Loyal City hall

Record Books

Reminder to make sure that you are completing your record books! These are required if you want to receive a scholarship down the road.

Club Leader Reminder: Record books are due to the Extension office with all forms filled out correctly by October 1st. Please only send books receiving awards at the banquet.

Record book pages can be printed at the Extension website located at:
<https://clark.extension.wisc.edu/annual-record-book-pages/>



Record book Award Nomination Opportunities



For youth to be nominated by their clubs for awards- they must hand in a record book. Please contact your Club leader to determine record book due date for club

Youth Awards

- Outstanding Record Book
- Achievement Award
(Cloverbud, Younger youth, Intermediate youth, Older Youth)
- Leadership Award
- Citizenship Award
- Outstanding Secretary/ Treasurer Book Award
- Club Scrapbook Award

Other Awards

- Friend of 4-H
- James W. Crowley Award
- Key Award
- Outstanding 4-H Family Award
- 4-H Alumni Award
- Remarkable Club Award
- Outstanding Club Leader Award
- Outstanding County Wide Club
- Leader/ Volunteer Award

Club Leader: Links to nomination Forms

SCAN HERE



4-H Families: Record Book Forms

SCAN HERE



Statewide Events

SAVE THE DATE!



FALL FORUM 2026

NOVEMBER 6-8, 2026

Holiday Inn Convention Center, Stevens Point, WI

Registration information will be available soon!

Visit for more information
<https://go.wisc.edu/002a8t>



National 4-H Dairy Conference

REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!

Closes August 31, 2026

September 27-30, 2026

Madison, WI

Ages 15-18



Community Accelerator Track @ Ignite

March 15-21, 2027



Registration is open now!

Discover your spark in Washington, D.C!



Ignite 2027

March 15-21, 2027 • Washington, D.C.

Community Accelerator

Animal Science

STEM



Registration open until August 27, 2026



4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

CENTRAL WISCONSIN INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

MARSHFIELD, WI

LOCATION: Central Wisconsin Sportsmen's Club
11841 Stadt Rd, Marshfield, WI 54449

DATE: Saturday, September 19th, 2026

TIME: 8am -5pm

DISCIPLINES:
Archery, Coordinator, Muzzleloader, Pistol/Air Pistol, Rifle/Air Rifle, Shotgun

REGISTER FOR THE 2026 CENTRAL SHOOTING SPORTS WORKSHOP:
<https://26centralworkshop.4honline.com/>

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

For additional information, visit the Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports Website: 4h.wisc.edu/projects/outdoor-education/shooting-sports/ or contact Jason Homickel: jason.homickel@wisc.edu.



Jordan Berg Clark County AmeriCorps Member

Thank you Ag Source for sponsoring the quarter-time AmeriCorps membership. Thank you to Clark County Extension and 4-H for hosting me the last three months!
-Jordan Berg



Wo Do We Work With

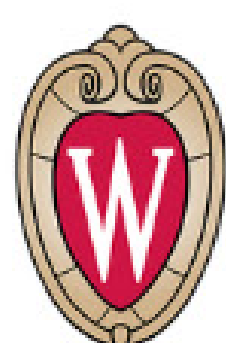
This summer we collaborated with the Wells Farm Learning Center, Sunset Pines Resort, Fannies Supper Club, Clark County Fair, Owen-Withee, Granton, and Abbotsford School Districts, and Colby and Loyal libraries to provide educational programs. The events welcomed a total of 70 4-H youth.

What Do We Do

This summer I organized a variety of hands-on programs for Clark County youth. My first program was a *Mini Garden Making* workshop, where 8 youth in grades 3 and up learned how to take plant cuttings and make a fairy garden. Following that, I organized the *Terrarium Building* and *Blanket Builders* workshops. Unfortunately these events were canceled, but will be coming back next year. In addition to my individual events Sierra Bakke and I organized ChickQuest and Back to School Makers Night. ChickQuest allowed youth to learn about chickens through egg incubation. We hosted interactive sessions talking about the parts of an egg, chicken life cycles, and problem solving. Back to School Makers Night brought together youth to spend some time crafting before school starts, which included making locker or desk decorations. At the Clark County Fair, we also hosted 4-H Activity Hour, that allowed fairgoers and youth to spend some time crafting and also learning about the chicken eggs we had at the fair. These events brought together lots of youth and some will be back again in the future!

Because of Extension Work

Because of Extension Work, I was able to see the way a variety of activities positively impacts Clark County. Throughout my service, I was able to provide youth with opportunities that allowed them to work with their hands, learn new skills, and have some fun along the way. Thanks to Extension, I have grown both personally and professionally. My time management, organization, and communication skills have all continued to improve thanks to my work this summer. I was also able to contribute to helping youth find their interests and belonging in 4-H.



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AmeriCorps



Sierra Bakke Clark County AmeriCorps Member

WHO DO WE WORK WITH?

This year we collaborated with a variety of community partners, volunteers, educators, producers, and organizations to provide learning opportunities for Clark County youth. Partnerships with organizations such as Owen-Wishee, Abbotford, and Granton schools, the Clark County Fair, Colby and Loyal libraries, Wells Farm Learning Center, Sunset Pines Resort, Fannies Supper Club, and community volunteers helped make programs accessible and engaging.

WHAT DO WE DO?

This year I organized a variety of educational programs for Clark County youth. One of the highlights of my service was bringing back the pottery workshop that I first introduced during my previous AmeriCorps term. After seeing the enthusiasm from youth and families last year, I worked to expand the program, allowing more young people to explore ceramics. Throughout the year, I organized programs such as 4-H Hour in the Tent at the Clark County Fair, Cloverbud Camp, and ChickQuest, where youth experienced the excitement of incubating and hatching chicks while learning about animal science. Additional workshops introduced youth to new skills through crochet, crafting, and pottery. These programs provided opportunities for youth to learn new skills, explore their interests, and connect with others in their community. In total, more than 100 youth participated in the variety of programs offered throughout the year!

BECAUSE OF EXTENSION'S WORK...

Because of Extension work, I have been able to experience how engaging activities can positively impact youth in Clark County. Through my AmeriCorps service, I supported 4-H programming that connected youth of all ages to new opportunities for learning, leadership, and fun. Extension provided me with the chance to grow professionally and contribute to meaningful programs that give young people a place to belong.



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JOIN US ON NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

October 4-10, 2026

Serve Your Community Sunday

Complete a small act of service, pick up litter, help a neighbor, or donate to a local cause.

Go Green Monday

GO GREEN and show your 4-H spirit! A simple way for youth and alumni to show support accross the county!

Shoutout Tuesday!!!

Make a sign that says why you love 4-H. Post it somewhere visible (locker, window, etc.).

Spread The Word Wednesday

Tell a younger youth or a friend who's not in 4-H what 4-H is all about.

Thankful Thursday

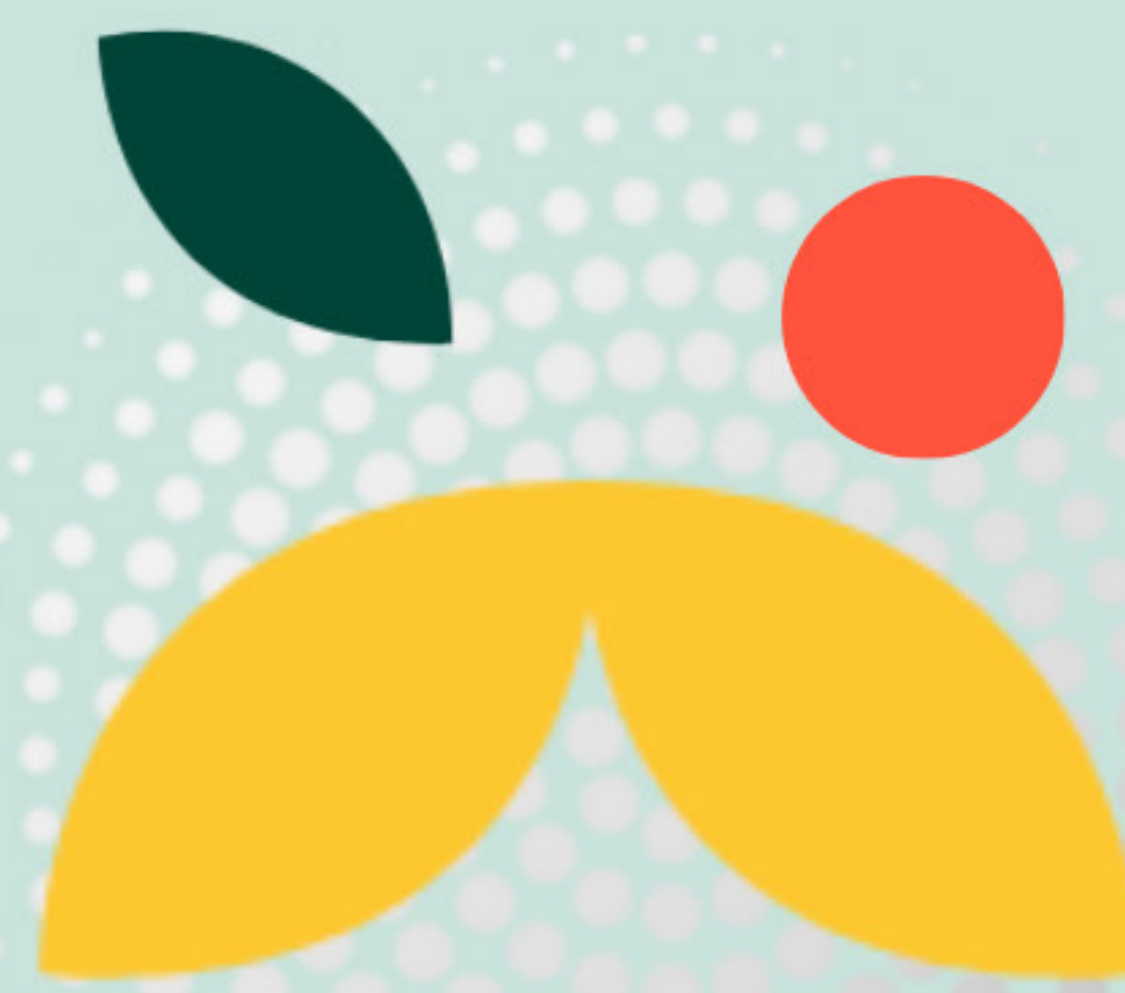
Shine a light on all the good that 4-H does! A day to recognize all 4-H'ers who are doing good and making positive impact by helping their communities and beyound

Talent Spotlight Friday

Show off your sparks in 4-H, cooking, crafting, animal care, public speaking, anything!

You Have Mail Saturday

Write a thank you note to your 4-H club leader.



GROW

MAKE

SERVE

THRIVE



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CLARK COUNTY

#ClarkCounty4-HWisconsin

#National4HWeek

#4HBeyondReady

M&M COOKIE DOUGH BROWNIE BOMB CAKE

Ella Hoppa

Ingredients

Steps

- For Brownies**
- Cooking Spray
 - 2 boxes fudge brownie mix (plus ingredienents on back of box)
- For Cooke Dough**
- 2 sticks (1 cup) butter, softened to room temp
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- ¼ cup sugar
- 1 Tbsp. vanilla extract
- 1 tsp. salt
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 ½ cup semisweet chocolate chips

- For Ganache & Topping**
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- ¼ cup heavy cream
- 1 cup miniature chocolate chips

- Preheat oven to 350° F. Liberally grease two 9 inch springform pans with cooking spray. Place a parchment circle in the bottom of each pan, and spray that with more cooking spray.
- In two large bowls, prepare each box of brownie mix according to package directions. Pour each bowl of batter into each springform pan. Bake for approximately 30-35 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out with clean or moist, not wet, crumbs. Cool completely before releasing the outer rim of the pan.
- Once brownie "cake" layers have cooled, make your cookie dough. In the bowl of a stand mixer, beat together the butter, brown sugar and sugar until combined, about 1 minute. Add in the heavy cream and vanilla, beating well. Lastly, add in the flour and beat until combined. Fold in the semi-sweet chocolate chips.
- Place one brownie "cake" layer upside down onto a cake stand or serving plate. Spread the cookie dough in a thick, even layer on the brownie layer. Top with the second brownie layer, right side up.
- In a medium microwaveable bowl, add in the 1 cup of semi-sweet chocolate chips and the heavy cream. Microwave on HIGH power for about 30 seconds. Stir until smooth and glossy. Pour the ganache over the top of the cake and let it drip down the sides. Sprinkle with the miniature chocolate chips. Store covered in the fridge for 3 days or at room temperature, covered, for about 1 day.

CHOCOLATE MARSHMALLOW TRIFLE

Delilah Green

Ingredients

Steps

- Chocolate Cake**
- Mix in a stand mixer:
 - 1 ¾ cup flour
 - ¾ cup cacao powder
 - 2 tsp. baking soda
 - 1 tsp. baking powder
 - ½ tsp. salt
- In a seperate bowl:
- 1 ½ cup maple syrup
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- ½ cup olive oil
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract (homemade is best)
- Homade Marshmallows**
- Mix in a stand mixer:
 - 1 cup cold water
 - 3 T. marshmallow root powder
- Make sure powder is well combined
- Add and Mix together:
 - 3 T. grassfed beef gelatin
 - 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- Heat up on stovetop until bubbly:
- 1 ½ cup maple syrup
- Add syrup slowly while mixing
- Continue mixing on high speed for about 15 minutes. Once soft peaks start forming, add:
 - 5 T. cacao powder (if desired)
- Mix until well combined

- Chocolate Cake**
- Add wet ingredints to dry ingredients, and beat together. Batter will be thin. Pour batter into a greased 9 x 13 pan. Cook at 350 degrees for 25-35 minutes until a toothpick comes out clean with a few moist crumbs. Cool completely. cut into 1 inch pieces.
- Homade Marshmallows**
- Line one or two 9 x 13 pans with wax paper depending on how thick you want them. Sprinkle with powdered sugar or arrowroot powder before and after pouring in the batter. Let firm up in the fridge.
 - Mix whipped cream with 3 T. cacao powder to make chocolate whip. Layer marshmallows, chocolate whip, and cake pieces in another 9 x 13 pan or desired choice of dishes. Top with melte chocolate of choice. Decorate & Enjoy!

GOOEY CHOCOLATE BROWNIES

Maddy Place

Ingredients

Steps

- 1 ¼ cup granulated sugar
- 1 tbs. real vanilla
- ¾ tsp. fine salt
- 2 tbs. cooking oil
- 4 large eggs, brought to room temp
- 1 cup cocoa powder (unsweetened, good quality)
- 1 cup regular four
- 1 cup melted butter, cooling after melting
- 1 cup light brown sugar, tightly packed
- 7 oz. chocolates pieces or chunks of chocolate

- Topping:**
- 3 oz chocolate chips or chunks
 - 1/4-1/2 cup heavy cream
 - 16 raspberries

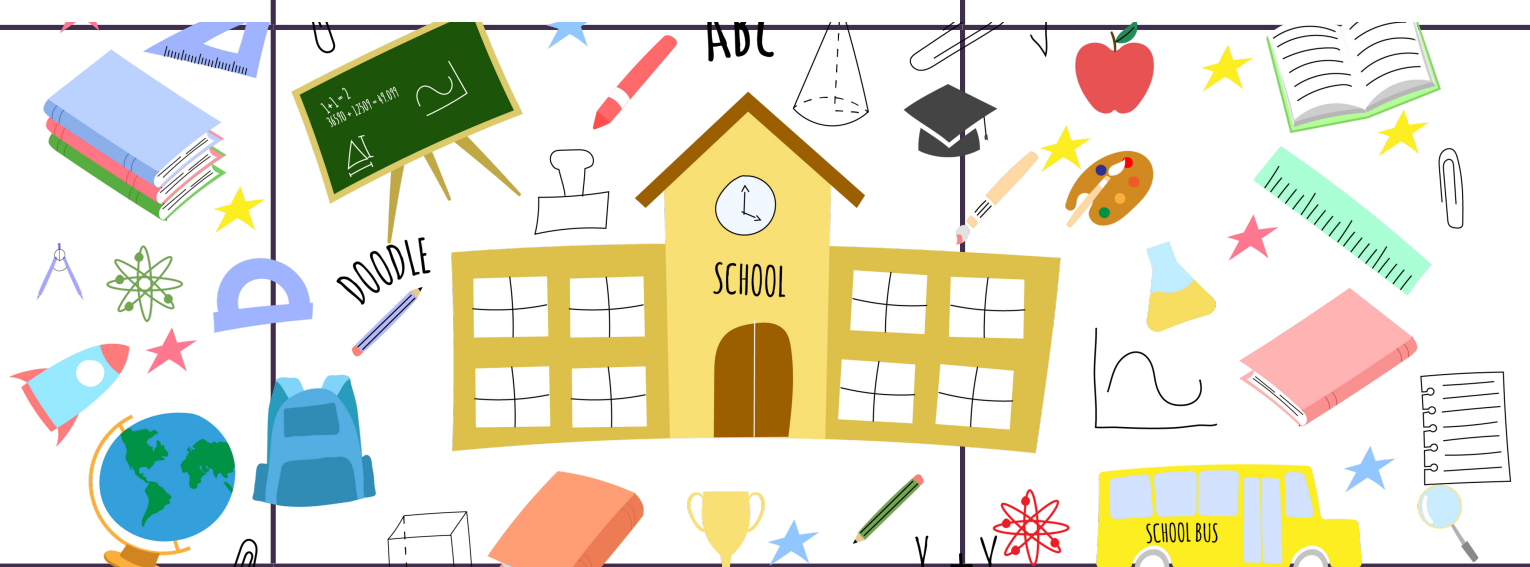
- Turn on your oven and heat it to 175° C (350°F). Spray a bit of oil onto an 8 x 12 inch pan, then line it with baking paper and set aside.
- Mix melted butter, cooking oil, white sugar, and brown sugar together in a medium bowl. Beat them well until smooth and blended. Add in the eggs and vanilla, whisking until the color lightens up (takes about a minute).
- Sift salt, flour, and cocoa powder into wet mixture. Carefully fold the powders into the wet base just until mixed through. Dont overmix-your texture could turn out dry and cake like.
- Stir about ¼ of the chocolate pieces into the batter, spreading them around evenly if possible.
- Pour out the batter into your prepared pan and smooth the top evenly. Scatter the rest of the chocolate chunks across the top.
- Pop the pan in the oven and bake for 25-30 minutes if you'd like them gooier with a soft middle. For firm brownies, cook 35-40 minutes. They'll stil firm up a little after they're out. A toothpick used for testing should have moist crumbs if fudgy, but come out clean for a firmer bake.
- Once out, let them rest in the pan about 15-20 minutes. Then lift them out using the parchment and leave them to cool completely before cutting into 16 squares. They'll set up more as they cool.

- Topping**
- Stir the chocolate chips and cream together and melt until smooth and thin enough to drizzle, stirring after each 30 second increment. Add more cream if it is too thick, forming a thin ganache.. Top brownies with raspberries before cutting and drizzle ganace on top.

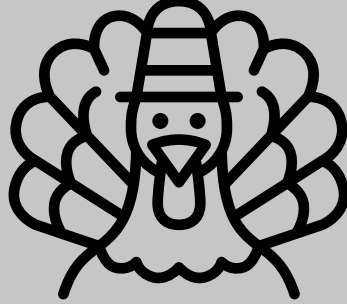
Winners of the Annual
Chocolate Dessert Recipe
contest for the youth
division of 2026 are shown!

1st place: Ella Hoppa
2nd place: Delilah Green
3rd place: Maddy Place

To obtain the full recipe
book from 2026 please
contact the extension
office.

 September 2026						
		1 Annual Authorization for Wisconsin 4-H Clubs & groups (AFR/Charter)Due	2	3 Re-Enrollment Opens	4	5
6	7 Office Closed Labor Day	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Leaders Federation Meeting	15	16	17	18	19 Shooting Sports Training-Marshfield
20	21 Fair Board Meeting	22	23	24	25	26
27 Sheep Meeting	28 Horse & Pony club meeting 6:30 @ Christie	29	30 Swine Meeting			

 October 2026						
				1	2	3 4-H Arts Camp
4 4-H Arts Camp National 4-H week	5	6	7 Beef, Rabbit, Poultry & General Meeting	8	9	10
11 *tentative* Roller Skating Event	12 Leaders Federation Meeting- ALL LEADERS Record Book Review	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Fair Board meeting	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN

November 2026						
1	2	3	4	5	6 Fall Forum	7 Fall Forum
8 Fall forum	9 Leaders Federation Meeting	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Fair Board Meeting	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Office Closed 	27 Office Closed	28
29	30					

December 2026						
   		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Leaders Federation Meeting	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Fair Board Meeting	22	23	24 Christmas Eve Office Closed	25 Christmas Day Office Closed <i>Merry Christmas</i>	26
27	28	29	30	31		