

# Wood County 4-H YOUTH CONNECTIONS



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## GREETINGS 4-H FAMILIES!

Spring is nearly here - the season of little chicks and bunnies, right?

In Wood County 4-H it really is the season of chicks! We just wrapped up our first ChickQuest program and it was incredible! ChickQuest is a 4-H curriculum designed for classrooms. Over the course of 4-6 weeks, 4-H staff work with students to explore chicken life cycles and the ag industry. They use science, technology, engineering, and math skills to investigate the life cycle of an embryonic chicken egg. Students track environmental data daily and track embryo development weekly.



For our first-ever ChickQuest program, 6 of the original 12 eggs successfully hatched! The students and staff were so egg-cited on hatching day that it was a little hard to concentrate on the day's regular curriculum. Who can blame them? How often do youth get to watch the miracle of hatching?

Congratulations to Hunter O. of Kountry Kids 4-H club. He is the lucky 4-H'er to add these chicks to his flock.

If you're a 4-H'er interested in the poultry project and would like a chance to purchase newly-hatched ChickQuest chicks in the future, be sure to sign up.

For more information and to sign up, go to:  
<https://bit.ly/GET4HCHICKS>

Think Spring!



## PLEDGE:

*I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking, my HEART to greater loyalty, my HANDS to larger service and my HEALTH to better living, for my club, my community, my country and my world.*

## 4-H PURPOSE:

*Engaging youth to reach their fullest potential while advancing the field of youth development.*



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Wood County 4-H, WI

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# CREATIVE ARTS DAY COMMITTEE MEETING



## CREATIVE ARTS DAY COMMITTEE MEETING



Wednesday, March 6th

7:00 pm

Hewitt Village Hall

If you would like join us via zoom,  
please email Jasmine at  
[jasmine.carbajal@wisc.edu](mailto:jasmine.carbajal@wisc.edu)



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## SCHOLARSHIPS

Every year, the Wood County 4-H Leaders Association awards 3 scholarships to local students pursuing higher education. In order to be eligible for one of the three \$300 scholarships, you must:

- presently be graduating from a Wood County high school and have been a 4-H member for 3 years **OR**
- have been a 4-H member or leader in Wood County for 3 years

To apply for these scholarships, complete the online application at: <https://bit.ly/4-HScholarships>.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024.**

# TAKE HOME PROJECT BOXES

Malina has been working on fun Project Box kits.

These free kits are available for youth to pick up and do at home. All materials and instructions are included with each kit.

Sign up for Painters Tape Art (<https://bit.ly/4-HTape>) before March 8th and look for future kits in the coming months!

# FREE

# 4-H PROJECT TAKE HOME BOXES

## Painters Tape Art

Sign up at the link below  
before March 8th.

Pick up for the boxes  
will be March 13-15th.

Boxes will include  
instructions and  
materials.



<https://bit.ly/4-HTape>





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# HORSE & PONY PROJECT TACK SWAP



## Wood County Horse & Pony Project Annual Tack Swap



Silent  
Auction

Saturday March 23, 2024

9 AM – 2 PM

Location:

Central WI State Fair Grounds  
(513 E. 13<sup>th</sup> St. Marshfield, WI)

Admission \$1  
12 and under Free

Food Stand

Bake Sale

Find us our event on Facebook for up-to-date information at  
“Wood County Horse & Pony Project Annual Tack Swap.”

## AG DAY AT THE RAFTERS

The Wisconsin Rapids Rafter's Baseball Team is hosting Ag Day on June 16 (Father's Day) and would they'd love to team up with 4-H!

Ag Day at the Rafters is a community event to help encourage families to learn more about agriculture here in Central WI. Riesterer and Schnell will be bringing in farm equipment, The Food & Farm Exploration Center will be there and many more.

So the question is, how can 4-H represent agriculture for families? Could we host a petting zoo? Could we have hands-on activities related to agriculture? Could we promote some of our programs?

The answer to all of these is "YES" if we have families interested in helping with planning and promotion.

All who help represent 4-H will get free admission to that day's game (not just the 4-H member, but their whole family.)

***Please think about this cool opportunity and share it with your club members at your March meeting. Laura will host a meeting for interested families on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm to start planning. Let us know what families might be interested in participating by emailing information to [woodcounty4h@woodcountywi.gov](mailto:woodcounty4h@woodcountywi.gov).***





## DISCOVER WISCONSIN

If you are in grades 5-8, save the date for Discover Wisconsin 2024, July 11-13!

This 3-day adventure will take youth to the Northwestern part of Wisconsin to discover fun, history and adventure in their home state.

Registration will open on March 4th at: <https://bit.ly/4HDWI24>

# SAVE THE DATE!



Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Shawano and Wood Counties

# SHOOTING SPORTS SHOTGUN PROGRAM

Greetings!

Now is the time to get ready for the Central Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports shotgun program! Mark your calendars now for our upcoming program dates:

**Orientation:** Sunday, May 5, 2024 at 5:30 pm

**Practices:** All practices will be held at the Marshfield Trap and Skeet Club from 5:30-7:00 pm. The Club is located at 8347 Hwy A, Marshfield.

- May 5: (Orientation and shooting for beginners) Trap field will be open.
- May 12: Trap Practice
- May 19: Trap Practice
- May 26: Trap Practice
- June 2: Skeet Practice
- June 9: Skeet Practice
- June 16: Summer Blast
- June 23: Skeet Practice
- June 30: Five Stand Practice
- July 7: Five Stand Practice
- July 14: FUN SHOOT



## **Additional Information:**

- Youth must be at least 12 years old to participate.
- Youth must graduate a WI DNR Hunter Education Course to participate. Proof of completion required. Find classes now!
- Youth are encouraged to bring their own shotgun, and guns will be available for use if needed
- Gauges 12 and smaller can be used.
- The CW4HSS shotgun program will have 12 and 20 gauge ammo available. You supply your own ammo for all other gauges.
- Only Shot sizes 7 ½ to 9 are allowed.
- Heavy magnum loads are NOT allowed.
- Loads with a maximum speed of 1290 FPS are allowed.

**Questions:** Contact Scott Huber at 715-460-4198 or [scott\\_huber@tcenergy.com](mailto:scott_huber@tcenergy.com).

If you know young people who would be interested in joining the shotgun program and need help enrolling, have them reach out to Scott.



# CREATIVE ARTS DAY

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6 | 9:00AM-3:00PM | WISCONSIN RAPIDS AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Creative Arts Day is an opportunity for 4-H members to showcase their talents and creativity in the performing arts. Plan to join us and support your fellow 4-H members.

Invite your family and friends too! The event is free to attend and open to everyone!



WOOD COUNTY 4-H PRESENTS

## CREATIVE ARTS DAY 2024

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

WISCONSIN RAPIDS AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL

### 2024 - LET THE CREATIVITY SOAR!

ONE ACT PLAYS	VOCAL & INSTRUMENTAL	SKITS
DEMONSTRATIONS	SOLOS AND GROUP PERFORMANCES	ARTS & CRAFTS
PHOTOGRAPHY & LEGO BUILDING		CREATIVE DRAWING CONTEST

**CONCESSIONS PROVIDED BY THE TEEN LEADERS AND WOOD COUNTY 4-H YOUTH LLAMA PROJECT**

**EVENTS BEGIN AT 9:00AM**

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# UPCOMING PROGRAMS WITH JASMINE

Join Jasmine for What's That Scat? on Tuesday, March 19th at 6:00pm at McMillan Memorial Library in Wisconsin Rapids.

Register at [bit.ly/scat24](https://bit.ly/scat24)

WHAT'S  
THAT  
SCAT?



TUE. MARCH 19  
6:00-7:00 PM  
MCMILLAN LIBRARY  
490 E. GRAND AVE.  
WI RAPIDS

Join Wood County Extension educators, Anna (Natural Resources) and Jasmine (4-H), as they bring you a fun, educational, hands-on program around animal scat (yes, poop!)



This FREE program is  
for all youth in  
3rd grade and older.

REGISTER HERE: [bit.ly/scat24](https://bit.ly/scat24)



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# UPCOMING PROGRAMS WITH JASMINE

## NOCHES FAMILIARES FAMILY NIGHTS

02/29/24–6:30pm

03/18/24–6:00pm

04/04/24–6:30pm

05/30/24–6:30pm



**Cena Ligera**  
Light Dinner



**Actividades**  
Activities



**Educación**  
Education

Únase al club familiar de Juntos. Es gratis. Traiga a toda la familia.  
Las reuniones son cada mes en la universidad de Stevens Point en  
Marshfield (UWSP–Marshfield).

Para más información llame a Jasmine al 715–261–1244



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Join the Juntos family club. It is free. Bring the whole family.  
The meetings are every month at UW–Stevens Point in Marshfield  
(UWSP–Marshfield).

For more information call Jasmine at 715–261–1244

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# SUMMER ACADEMY

Join 4-Hers from across the state for this opportunity to help youth discover pathways for their future.

SPARK areas to be explored include agriculture, STEM, service, leadership, arts, trades and many more.

Registration will open on March 1st in 4HOnline.

Full details on Summer Academy can be found online at:

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

## SAVE THE DATE FOR SUMMER ACADEMY

**June 24-27, 2024**  
**UW-Madison's Campus**

**OPEN TO YOUTH GRADES 8-11**  
WITH LEADERSHIP  
OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE  
FOR 11TH GRADE +

**REGISTRATION OPENS**  
**Mar 1st, 2024**

[go.wisc.edu/4hsummeracademy](https://go.wisc.edu/4hsummeracademy)





# SUMMER CAMP

Save the dates for Summer Camp so you don't miss out on the FUN!

We hope to see all youth in grades 3-7 on June 10-12 for an amazing camp adventure at Northern Lakes Impact Center in Rhinelander

## SAVE THE DATE!



**Outdoor  
Adventures**



**Three Days of  
Independence**



**Friendships Grow**

## 4-H SUMMER CAMP

**JUNE 10-12, 2024**

**YOUTH IN  
GRADES 3-7**



Plan to join our 4-H Summer Camp as we have fun and adventure while we celebrate the summer with youth from Lincoln, Marathon and Wood Counties.



# AMERICORPS

## SUMMER POSITION AVAILABLE

EXTENSION WOOD COUNTY



### Start May 2024

- ▶ Lead fun 4-H activities
- ▶ Work with amazing youth, volunteers and families
- ▶ Grow professionally
- ▶ Make a difference
- ▶ Approximately 30-35 hours/week
- ▶ May 20-August 24, 2024
- ▶ \$5K Living Allocation
- ▶ \$1825 Education Award



### Application Deadline: April 2

**For more information, contact**

Laura Huber  
[laura.huber@wisc.edu](mailto:laura.huber@wisc.edu)  
715-421-8439



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## CWSF DEPARTMENT ADDITION

Our partner, the Central Wisconsin State Fair Junior Fair Board, is excited to announce ...

**MEAT GOATS** have been added to Department 5J!

In 2024, youth will be able to bring their meat goats and compete in both animal and showmanship classes. The show will be held Tuesday following the sheep show.

If you have any questions about this exciting addition, reach out to Department 5J Superintendent, Andrew Seefeldt at [aseefeldt97@gmail.com](mailto:aseefeldt97@gmail.com) or 414-439-0183.



## CAREER EXPLORATION OPPORTUNITY

Head over to the Mid-State campus in Wisconsin Rapids to check out this Program Exploration opportunity!

### PROGRAM EXPLORATION Hospitality & Human Services

Attendees will tour classrooms, meet with faculty and current students, and begin the admission process.



**Wednesday, April 17**  
**4:00 - 6:00 p.m.**  
**Wisconsin Rapids Campus**

**LEARN MORE AND REGISTER AT**  
**[MSTC.EDU/PROGRAM-EXPLORATION](https://mstc.edu/program-exploration)**



**MID-STATE**  
TECHNICAL COLLEGE  
INDEMAND

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **DAIRY JUDGING MEETING: FRIDAY, MARCH 1; 7:00pm**—Central Wisconsin State Fairgrounds, Marshfield
- **SHOOTING SPORTS WINTER INVITATIONAL: MARCH 1-2**—Central Wisconsin Sportsmans Club, Marshfield
- **VOLUNTEER RETREAT: SATURDAY, MARCH 2; 9:30am-3:00pm**—Town of Day Hall, Rozellville
- **SHOOTING SPORTS PRACTICE: SUNDAYS, MARCH 3, 17**—Central Wisconsin Sportsmans Club, Marshfield
- **YOUTH ON THE RISE: SUNDAYS, MARCH 3, 10, 17; Quick Breads: 3:00pm, Yeast Breads: 4:30pm**—All classes are virtual
- **CREATIVE ARTS DAY COMMITTEE MEETING: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6; 7:00pm**—Hewitt Village Hall
- **ARTBEAT!: SATURDAY, MARCH 16; 10:00am-4:00pm**—Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells
- **JUNTOS FAMILY NIGHTS: MARCH 18, APRIL 4, MAY 30; 6:00pm**—UWSP-Marshfield, Marshfield
- **WHAT'S THAT SCAT?: TUESDAY, MARCH 19; 6:00pm**—McMillan Memorial Library, Wisconsin Rapids
- **AG DAY AT THE RAFTERS PLANNING MEETING: SUNDAY, MARCH 24; 6:30pm**
- **LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEETING: MONDAY, MARCH 25; 7:00pm**
- **CREATIVE ARTS DAY: SATURDAY, APRIL 6**—Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School, Wisconsin Rapids
- **4-H SCIENCE EXPEDITION DAY: SATURDAY, APRIL 6**—UW-Madison Campus, Madison, WI

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For the most up-to-date list of events for Wood County 4-H, view our online calendar at: <https://wood.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/>



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