

Green Lake County

4-H Focus Newsletter



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Green Lake County 4-H Website:

glc4h.org

State 4-H Website:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/>

4-H Animal Science Events:

<https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4haganimalscience/>

Wisconsin State Fair Website:

www.wistatefair/fair/



Green Lake County 4-H

TWO SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



LIVESTOCK COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

The Green Lake County Livestock Council will sponsor three \$500.00 academic scholarships that can be used at any public or private accredited college, university or technical college.

Applications are available on the website at: <https://go.wisc.edu/xk3q4h> or by contacting the Extension Office. **They are due by July 1, 2022.** If you have any questions, please contact Livestock Council President, Dan Huitema at 920-229-2696 or email: dieseldan4jc@yahoo.com.

COUNTRY CLOVERS 4-H CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

The Country Clovers 4-H Club will be awarding a \$250 scholarship to graduating high school seniors through freshman year of college. Recipients may only receive it one time. The application is available on the 4-H website: <https://go.wisc.edu/zi38c7> and is **due by July 1, 2022.**

A panel of 2-3 judges (not from Green Lake County) will choose a recipient. The scholarship will be presented at the Green Lake County Fair Awards Ceremony, held on Sunday. This scholarship will be funded by the Country Clovers' 4-H supply sale that will be held during the Fair and at various times throughout the year.



4-H LEADERS' ASSOCIATION

• April 7, 2022 Meeting, Training Room •



President Kim Drews called the meeting to order. Pledges were recited. Members present were...Heather Herbst, Gina, Fleegal, Tammy Goettl, Pat Krueger, Jordan Galow, Brenda Oft, David Oft, Elizabeth Kutzleb, Beth Howman-Combs, Lisa Reyes, Donna Petit, Christie Galow, Dan Huitema and Morgan Martinez, 4-H Program Coordinator.

Secretary's report--Motion to approve. M--Donna, S--Elizabeth. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report--Filed for audit.

Correspondence: Young Angler from Norton's Dry Dock requesting donation for their youth fishing tournament. Motion to donate \$100.00. M--Donna, S--Heather. Motion carried.

Ambassadors:

Cloverbud workshop went well.

Next meetings are April 24 and May 15 at 6:15 P.M.

Archery Project:

Winter shooting has wrapped up.

Starting up at the end of May.

Dog Project:

Had 3 meetings in March with guest speakers.

Members made dog beds as a community service project and donated them to the 2nd Chance North Rescue in Ripon.

Horse Council:

Next meeting is May 2 at 6:30 P.M. at the GL American Legion.

Livestock Council:

Next meeting is April 19 at 6:30 in the Training Room.

YQCA in-person is Wednesday, April 20 from 6-7 P.M. at Markesan High School. Dean Slark is the leader. You must register ahead at yqcaprogram.org

Educational Opportunities & Awards Committee:

Discover Wisconsin Trip--Brenda Oft. June 16 to WI Big Cat Rescue and Devil's Lake State Park. All day trip. Sign up at 4-H Online. Motion made for youth to pay \$15.00 and remaining costs coming from the Leaders Association. M--Donna, S--Gina. Motion carried.

4-H Camp--June 8-10 at Upham Woods. Registration is open until May 1 at 4-H Online. Motion made for the Leaders to cover the bus cost with a minimum of 15 campers. M--Gina, S--Donna. Motion carried. Motion made to charge campers \$50.00 and after attending camp reimbursed \$30.00 per camper for attending. M--Donna, S--

David. Motion carried.

Super Saturday--planning for the fall. Looking for youth and volunteers to serve on the planning committee and lead classes.

Fundraising:

Gina presented an opportunity for 4-H to fundraise at the Green Lake Campgrounds. Dates are Aug. 13 and 20 from 1-4 P.M. Looking at 3-4 stations each day (petting zoo, activity, craft). Motion made to try this. M--Brenda, S--David. Motion carried.

Brandon Sausage Donation at the GLC Fair Auction. Motion made that the GLC Livestock profit from the sale of the sausage and not the GLC Leaders Association. M--Tammy, S--Jordan. Motion carried.

Bingo--Discussion about the dates and times. Motion made to table Bingo until the May meeting. M--Gina, S--Donna. Motion carried.

Scholarship Basket Raffle--Tammy will oversee this activity. Tammy will reach out to the Berlin Journal regarding the printing of the raffle tickets. Discussion about the times. Motion made to table times until the May meeting. M--Tammy, S--Lisa. Motion carried. Motion made to have Clubs put together 2 baskets at \$30.00 each or donate a total \$200 for the two baskets. M--Brenda, S--Heather. Motion carried.

Next meeting: May 5, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at GLC Training Center.

Motion to adjourn the meeting. M--David, S--Elizabeth. Motion carried.

*Respectfully submitted by,
Tammy M Goettl, Secretary*

UPCOMING MEETINGS

4-H Leaders' Association

- May 5 @ 7:00 p.m., GLC Gov. Center Training Room

4-H Horse Club

- June 2 @ 6:30 p.m., Green Lake American Legion

4-H Ambassador

- May 15 @ 6:15 p.m., Green Lake American Legion

4-H Livestock Council

- June 21 @ 6:30 p.m., GLC Gov. Center Training Room

4-H CLUB & PROJECT HAPPENINGS!

Seneca February Meeting Minutes

The February meeting of the Seneca 4-H club was called to order at 6:04 PM on Monday, February 14th, 2022 at St. Paul's Church by President Michael. Pledges were recited and roll call was taken responding with your favorite animal. We welcomed 4 new members to our club.

The **Secretary's report** was read by Korbin.

Elizabeth motioned to approve the report, seconded by Sean.

The **Treasurers' report** was read by Elizabeth. Savings was \$1,053.58, while checking had a balance of \$3,586.97. Tatiana motioned to approve the report, seconded by Sawyer.

Old business was the discussion of the Valentine's Day party, we made Valentines, and brought items to send to troops in Texas.

New business included suggestions for educational speakers, pet shelter donations, and we voted on the bylaws.

Leaders' Report The sheep and swine clinic was held on February 26 from 10-1. Tagging forms were due on March 1st.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM by Elizabeth and seconded by Lucas. There were no demonstrations. Afterwards, we enjoyed numerous Valentine's Day games where Ella, Michael, Chris, and Jordan won the mummy competition. We then had some cookies, treats, and juice.

Korbin Kettlewell, Seneca 4-H Secretary

GLC 4-H Dog Project News

The 4-H Dog Project community service project that we did recently was make dogs beds for Second Chance North Dog Rescue. We made quite a few dog beds for them. We also had a presenter, Amanda Coehoorn Vet Technician at Berlin Vet, come in and answer questions about basic dog care and different procedures and medicines related to dogs.

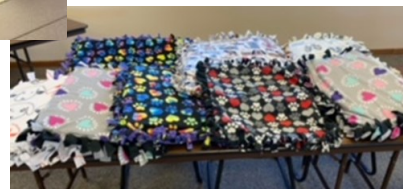
WI 4-H Outing with the WI Herd

Green Lake County 4-H'ers participated in the Wisconsin 4-H outing with the WI Herd on March 13th. Members got to participate in the Jockey Spirit Tunnel, received a free Herd T-shirt, and WI 4-H was the non-profit of the night! There were seven other county 4-H programs that participated in this event!



Prairie View Rockets 4-H Club News

At their April meeting the Prairie View Rockets planted flower seeds in cups to give to the residents at the Markesan Resident Home.



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4-H Project Discovery Day Fall Planning

4-H Project Discovery Day is an opportunity for 4-H members to learn a new skill! We are seeking 4-H volunteers and members to serve on a planning committee to plan a morning of fun and learning! This committee will set the date for this fall, time, location, and recruit individuals to present sessions. Without passionate volunteers and members to serve on this planning committee, Green Lake County 4-H won't be able to offer this amazing project exploration opportunity to our membership! If you are interested in serving on this planning committee, please complete the interest form in 4HOnline (sign in to your account and click on "Events") no later than May 30th.

New Tip Sheets for the 4-H Arts Project

The Arts Project Leader Sheet is for adult volunteers and youth leaders. The Youth Arts Project Sheet is for youth participants in the projects related to visual arts – painting, drawing, fiber arts, etc. A team of Extension educators from around the state created the tip sheets.

The sheets:

- Guide project growth through beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels
- Highlight selected 4-H project curriculum
- Focus on safety, learning, and youth leadership.
- Include tips for keeping records and showing what they learned
- Provide career ideas
- Access tip sheet at <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/arts-communication/>

4-H Charter SMART Goals – Fun Productive Meetings

Sometimes our meetings are fantastic, fulfilling and fun; and other times, we miss the mark. It helps to know what fun means for your group. Each gathering is different depending on who shows, what their moods are and even what the weather does.

If you are one of the 158 clubs and groups who selected having "productive, meaningful, and fun

meetings" as their SMART goal in their charters, you'll want to start by defining the goals of the day with your group and how they want to achieve them. Here are some resources to help!

Start your meetings with a helpful mood check-in. Connecting with those in attendance will help boost participation and the warm fuzzies throughout the meeting. Try the Sit Down If... game: Everyone stands in a circle. The leader gives silly demands to get us warmed up. Sit down if you ate cheese today! Those who did, sit, and remain seated. The last person standing gets to make the next round of demands. Next round the leader makes more probing requests: Sit down if you are tired, bored, anxious, hungry, excited, or somewhere else today. Kids can see who is feeling just like them without having to say a thing. Then ask, what should we do about this? See what the kids come up with, and try something out!

Maintaining flexibility and lowering your expectations can actually have surprising results. For more information on this read "The Surprising Power of Giving Up Choice Control". Sometimes our vision of productivity needs a little tweaking in order to be productive for the youth, too. When you are willing to adapt, the youth will bring the momentum!

For another fun activity that builds more team bonding check out this Leading Club Recreation Activity from the Wisconsin 4-H Community Clubs resource files: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hpublications/files/2015/10/LeadingClubRecreationcc059.pdf>

Don't forget to measure your productivity and fun – how will you know if you succeed? Easy ways to measure this goal is to mark attendance, survey members of your club, and take notes of when youth engaged in leadership activities. Then celebrate the milestones you make with this one!

Announcing WI 4-H Spark Days!

Wisconsin 4-H will be hosting 3 separate 4-H Spark Days in June this summer to help youth explore their sparks at different campuses around the State! The Spark Days will be held from June 20-22, 2022. Each day includes hands-on sessions, career pathway exploration, guest speakers, meeting new 4-H friends from around the state, and fun. This opportunity will be open to youth in grades 7-10.

Registration will be done via 4HOnline, and will be open May 2nd on a first-come, first-serve basis. Registration costs are to be determined and will

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include program supplies, a t-shirt, any local transportation and lunch. More information is coming soon – you can find information about each day below.

To receive immediate email updates on information about Spark Days, submit your information here.

- Agriculture & Animal Science Spark Day at UW-River Falls- Monday, June 20, 2022- Explore your sparks and discover career options you may not have considered. Meet faculty and students to learn more about programs and majors in the Colleges of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Science, and more. Experience the campus lab farms, learn about the UWRF college experience, and participate in hands-on sessions.
- Urban Agriculture/City Sparks Day at UW-Milwaukee- Tuesday, June 21, 2022- Explore unique programs and majors, including Urban Agriculture, Film, Architecture, Freshwater Sciences, Library Sciences, and more on the UW-Milwaukee Campus! Meet people from local community organizations, professionals in different career fields, college students from UWM and MATC, and youth from across the state. You don't want to miss this!
- Arts & Culture Day at UW-Madison- Wednesday, June 22, 2022- Explore your creative side and how to create a creative life post-high school. Workshop choices include theater arts, dance, photography, and media. Led by Wisconsin 4-H Arts Team, Drama Company, and other community partners.

This information will be updated on our website consistently, please visit it to find more information: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/4-h-spark-days/>

4-H Area Animal Science Days – Registration due June 1

Save the date for WI 4-H Area Animal Science Days! We will have two host sites this year. A big THANK YOU to Sheboygan County for hosting on June 15th and Chippewa County for hosting on June 17th. Watch your e-mail, social media, and the state 4-H website for more information about registration information and the offerings at each host site along.

What is Area Animal Science Day? Area Animal Science Days is a series of two day-long events held around the state in June where youth in the beef,

dairy, sheep, and swine projects increase their decision-making skills and knowledge of animals through judging and grading experiences. Events include evaluation of dairy cattle, and meat animals; dairy showmanship contests; and presenting oral reasons. One of the awesome things about youth judging is that it flips your typical animal show experience. Often you are in the ring and a judging is telling you why they placed the animals the way they did. This gives you the opportunity to place a class and the reasons why you placed a class the way you saw it. In addition, each site may offer a variety of workshops for horses, rabbits, poultry, or other species. Stay tuned for more information about those additional offerings.

Who can participate? Any current 4-H members ages in grades 3-13. Even if your county has not participated in the past, round-up some 4-H friends and take advantage of this fun opportunity to show your knowledge of the horse species and industry.

Please note, there are age divisions for each of those contests. See the contest information at the State 4-H Website – Area Animal Science Day for more information on the age divisions. Divisions: Junior – Age 8-13 as of January 1, 2022; Senior – Age 14-18 as of January 1, 2022. WI 4-H members that are in the 13th grade and have reached their 19th birthday prior to January 1, 2022 are eligible to compete at the AASD contests and state contest as individuals but not as a member of a team. Youth must be in or completed 3rd grade, 8 year old Cloverbuds cannot participate. Please check on rules of each contest for more information

Do I need judge with my county? You do need to register to compete for the county you are enrolled in. You can always practice with other counties (some awesome coaches help a few counties) but when it comes to contest time you need to compete for your county.

What if my county doesn't have a team? If your county doesn't have a team, you can still take part as an individual. If you aren't sure if your county has a team, check with your local county 4-H educator for more information.

Looking for more information?

Check out the WI State 4-H Area Animal Science Days website at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/area-animal-science-days/>

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Open Communication in Youth-Adult Partnerships

Having open communication between people of different age groups can be rewarding but also really challenging. One of our volunteers asked a great question – How do I tell a member no, nicely? We don't want to stamp out or dismiss an idea or suggestion that maybe took a lot of courage from someone to announce and yet, we can't do everything.

One way to embrace their suggestion and yet help them see the limitations of it is to explore their idea further with more questions (which is called the socratic method!). How would we go about making this happen? Do we have the resources to make this realistic or achievable? What can we use from this idea to still make some part of it work? Does this idea follow the rules or policies we need to in order to be safe? If you get stuck for questions, think of a SWOT analysis – strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats to help inspire. Keep asking questions until the group reaches an understanding or a plan of action.

Embracing the idea and using it as a teaching moment for both of you and the group, accepts the idea-giver and acknowledges the idea as valid, and it also shows the idea-giver how to do more critical thinking while also gently guiding them to an understanding that it might not be possible. You aren't telling them no, but helping them see all the facets themselves of what goes into their idea, and sometimes that can be illuminating. Don't forget that going through this process can enlighten you too – this idea might actually work!

It's also a good idea to take into consideration the age of the youth, their stage in development and the needs, challenges and characteristics they might have. For that, check out this great handout from the Missouri 4-H:

<https://taylor.extension.wisc.edu/files/2010/12/agesstagesofyouth.pdf>

3rd Annual WI 4-H Service Learning Project

The 3rd Annual Wisconsin Service Learning Project is called Community Marks the Spot. It's a place-based project where youth can highlight something about their community that's important to them. Place-based projects are hands-on, real-world learning experiences. They help youth:

- Connect with their community.
- Appreciate the natural world.
- See themselves as active contributing citizens.
- Do better in school.

What It Is: In this project, youth will plan a non-competitive game that takes players to different locations around their community, like a scavenger hunt. The locations they choose will highlight a special theme the youth want to learn more about, strengthening their sense of belonging and ownership in their community.

What We'll Learn: This project will help youth and community members connect with their geography, appreciate and respect the natural world, see themselves as active contributing citizens, and learn skills in planning and organizing events.

This project is highly adaptable and flexible to the themes, needs, and resources that each community has. It will help youth apply critical thinking to involving the larger public needs in events, as well as, provide a real-world, hands-on activity that can bring experiential awareness to whatever focus youth feel important. It's a great opportunity for youth-adult partnerships!

How to Get More Info? Visit

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4h-resources/community-marks-the-spot-activity-plan/> to download the plan, see what others have shared, and get questions answered!

Rock County 4-H Dog Project Fun Match- Saturday May 21

4-H Dog Project members are invited to this fun, learning opportunity to experience a dog show and meet new friends! Classes are available in obedience, rally, showmanship, and costume! For more information visit

<https://greenlake.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/>

Wisconsin Livestock Breeders Association Show Camp

What- Sheep, beef, swine, and show goat exhibitors are invited to attend this show camp that will help youth to strengthen their showmanship skills as well as overall show knowledge! The Green Lake County Livestock Council will sponsor \$50 towards 4-H youth project members participation in this show camp. To receive the sponsorship, you must submit

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a copy of youth completed registration to morgan.martinez@wisc.edu. For more information visit <https://www.wisconsinlivestockbreeders.com/>

When: June 11-12, 2022

Where: Wisconsin State Fair Park

Registration deadline: May 10, 2022

4-H Summer Discovery Workshops

More information and registration located in 4HOnline and click on events! **Register by May 15 - limited spots available.**

- **Clover Kids:** Bugs, A Creepy Crawly Adventure is for youth in grades 5K-3rd grade. Come be a part of hands-on activities that teach basic science principles. We will take a closer look at the insects around us through exploration and experimentation!
- **Crime Spy Science** is for youth in grades 4-7. Love a good mystery? Put on your thinking cap and join us for this camp, as we try to solve the mystery of whodunit! Left behind fingerprints, powders, and DNA – we will learn to lift them, identify them, and extract them!
- **The Power of Wind** is for youth in grades 4-7. Let's explore the power of wind! Come design a turbine to harness the power of the wind and convert it into electricity.
- **Building Blocks of Leadership** is for youth in grades 8-13. Let's explore the power of wind! Come design a turbine to harness the power of the wind and convert it into electricity.
- **4-H Portfolio Workshop** is for youth in grades 8-13. Come learn tips and tricks for creating your 4-H resume and writing a cover letter. Resume and cover letter skills are important life skills you will use as you apply for scholarships and careers.

Tractor Supply Company Spring Paper Clover Campaign



The Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign is right around the corner, starting April

27 and running through May 8. Add \$1 at checkout, and your money supports leadership activities for Wisconsin 4-Hers.

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation is offering another way for clubs to participate. If your club partners with your local TSC to promote 4-H at the store, the Foundation will give your club \$50.

If you are interested, please contact Joanne at the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation at Joanne@Wis4HFoundation.org or (608) 262-1597. The Foundation will provide contact information for the store in your area, and your club and the store can work together to plan your event. Keep in mind that this opportunity is first-come, first-served (one club per store).

2023 WI 4-H Advanced Space Academy

Advanced Space Academy explores college and career preparation through an immersive experience in science, technology, engineering, and math. Trainees undergo a variety of astronaut training exercises, engineering challenges, and team-building activities, all culminating in an extended duration simulated space mission.

Grades: 10th—12th graders as of January 1, 2023

Dates: January 21—27, 2023

Location: US Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama

Cost: \$1,650.00 / youth (Deposit of \$825.00 is due by October 1, 2022)

Lodging: Youth will stay at a hotel in Milwaukee, WI the first night. During the rest of the program youth will stay in the Space Camp dormitory.

Meals: All meals will be included in the price.

Transportation: Youth will fly to and from Space Camp from Mitchell Airport in Milwaukee, WI

Registration: July 1-31, 2022 through 4HOnline. Registration is on a first come., first serve basis. There are only 32 spots available.

More information: Contact Joshua Goede at 608-269-8722 or joshua.goede@wisc.edu



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July/August 2022 Newsletter Deadline



Have club meeting minutes, 4-H pictures, stories, how your club is giving back to the community, or anything your club/group would like to share with Green Lake County 4-H? Submit them by June 13 at 4:30 p.m. to be included in the July/August 4-H Newsletter! We would love to share what your club/group is up to!

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