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The winners from the banquet for this year are.....

Theme:

Dream it, Do it, Show it, Earn it, Live it.

County Wide Experience

Crystal Cave

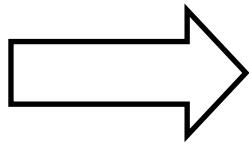
Discover the wonders of Crystal Cave on our one-hour tour. This guided walking tour is great for all ages. Explore the passages more than 7 stories below ground. Learn about the history and geology of Wisconsin's longest cave!

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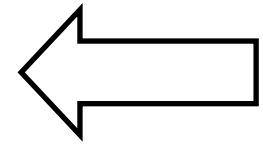


I hope you find excitement as this time of year rolls in! 2023 has been great, but I am ready for what 2024 has in store. In this newsletter, you will find information about some upcoming programs available to YOU. At the banquet I talked about SPARKS, which are ideas or areas of interest that are exciting to you! Let's work together to build SPARK across the county. The Education Committee is hoping all clubs will help plan a "County Wide Club project day" where all Adams County 4-H members can join them in their club meeting space and create a project together. Please connect with me and your club leader if you have ideas and what this could look like.

~Evan



Banquet News!



Record Book Awards Participants

Cloverbuds

Ava Hitzman
Adelyn Buschke
Bristol Bruce
Noah Buschke

3rd Grade:

Sawyer Krause
Brenna Bruce
Jenna Stainbrook

4th Grade:

Veronica Farrington
Madelynn Toltzmann
Kalia Hammerly
Zoey Gates

5th Grade:

Aleksys Hitzeman
Evelyn Stainbrook
Brinlee Bruce
Ruyan Degner

6th Grade:

Nicholas Dahlke
Cameron Toltzmann
Blake Krause

8th Grade:

Hunter Farrington
Khammi Alsum
Robert Degner

9th Grade:

Chayton Farrington
Eli Olson

10th Grade:

Samantha Degner

12th Grade:

Miranda McGlothlin

Leader Recognition Pins and Certificates

Aaron Bonnett—5 years
Jeffrey Schultz—5 years
Joshua Huber—10 years
Liana Glavin—25 years
Sandra Jensen—40 years
Florence Johnson—45 years

2023 Friends of 4-H Recipient

Maren Herndon

2023 Ivan Morrow Volunteer of the Year Recipient

Doreen Olson

2023 State Fair Participants

State 4-H Event Participation
State Hunt Jump and Dressage—
Jordyn Anderson
State Expo—Jordyn Anderson
State Gymkhana—Jordyn Anderson

2023 4-H Educational Travel

Jackson Dahlke—Space Camp
Nick Dahlke—Space Camp
Ryan DeVries—Space Camp
Jackson Bonnett—Space Camp
Samantha Degner—American Spirit
Robert Degner—American Spirit
Oliver Pfister—Summer Academy
Jacob Pfister—Summer Academy

2023 Outstanding Youth Leadership

Cameron Toltzmann

2023 4-H Educational Travel

Jackson Dahlke—Space Camp
Nick Dahlke—Space Camp
Ryan DeVries—Space Camp
Jackson Bonnett—Space Camp
Samantha Degner—American Spirit
Robert Degner—American Spirit
Oliver Pfister—Summer Academy
Jacob Pfister—Summer Academy

2023 Best of Show Fair Projects

Dogs: Brinlee Bruce

Horse and Pony: Mariah Livingston

Vet Science: Beef Education—
Hannah Oleson

Exotic Animals: Eli Olson

Plants and Soil Science: Field crops—
Jackson Dahlke

Flowers and Houseplants: Bachelor Buttons—
Anna Dahlke

Cultural Arts & Crafts: Creative Writing—
Richie Church

Photography: Enlargements:
Seasonal Landscape—Rylee Gabriel

Foods & Nutrition: Cookies or Bars—Eli Olson

Clothing & Textiles: Clothing construction; first
complete outfit—Samantha Degner

Knitting & Crocheting: Crocheting; purse—
Veronica Farrington

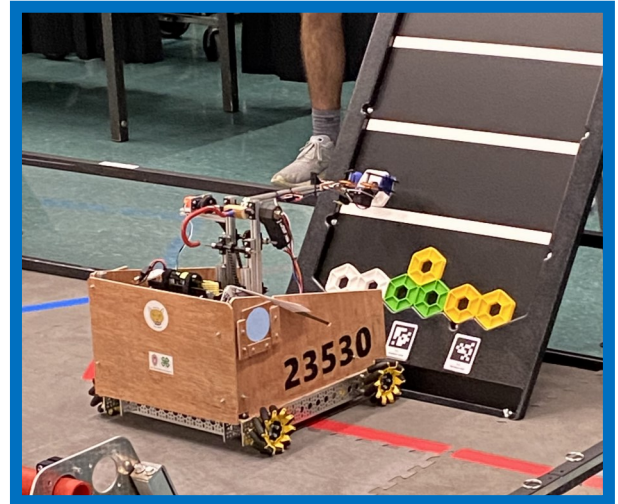
Home Environment: Exploring Your Home; any
Holiday décor—Evelyn Stainbrook

Family & Child Development: Learning and
Sharing; family tree—Brinlee Bruce

Booths & Club Exhibits: Best of Show; booth;
4-H booth; Thrifty Pals



Robotics News:



Adams County 4-H Robotics, established May 2022, consists of two levels of robotics. FIRST Lego League (FLL) is for younger students who have an interest in Legos and learning beginning programming. FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) is for older kids who are building bigger, more complex robots.

The FTC team registered to compete in the FTC 2023-2024 competition CENTERSTAGE, under the team name Kitty Ate the Robot. The kids had to build a robot for the game that can pick up and stack pixels on a backdrop, shoot a paper airplane, and hang on a bar. The kids built separate components that would accomplish the 3 major objectives along with creating the drive and central processing systems. The team also programmed the robot's drive and attached components.



On Saturday, November 18th, we competed in the Phoenix Fury qualification event in Cross Plains, Wisconsin. The team finished sixth out of nine teams in the qualification rounds, always improving their understanding and usage of the robot each round. The team was picked by team Gearheads as an alliance partner for the playoffs. In the playoffs our alliance won the semi-finals playoff match two games to none. However, in the championship match we lost two games to none. During the awards ceremony we won two trophies: Judges' Choice Award and Finalist Alliance.

The team will now be busy making adjustments to the robot ahead of the next competition of February 10th in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Leaders: Are you available to help robotics prepare for their next competition? They are in need of "judges" for practice interviews. Please contact Francine at ac4hrobotics@groupmail.com if you are able to help.





NEW HAVEN HELPING HANDS 4-H MEETING, OCT 28TH *Secretary's Report*

Secretary's note -

Hello everyone, I hope you had a great time at the 4-H Halloween party and are looking forward to next years. This report is a brief summary of what happened at our October 4-H meeting and upcoming events.

Our club President Alekys H. called our 4-H meeting to order at 5:50p.m. and we proceeded to our pledges. Followed by the Sec. Rept. from our last meeting in September; minutes from last months meeting were 52 minutes, 25 seconds. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Hunter F. and seconded by Noah. We then moved on to our Treas. Rept. (Sam was absent so Katie gave us a brief summary), no deposits or withdrawals were made so our balance remains at \$2,021.64. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report by Hunter F. and seconded by Noah. We then moved on to Old Business, then New Business. There was then a motion made to adjourn the meeting by Hunter F. which was seconded by Khammi A. The meeting ended at 6:15 p.m. Total meeting minutes was 25 minutes.

Old Business

- Oct 1-7 = 4-H Week, did you talk to your class, or wear 4-H gear?
- Oct 15 - M.E.'s and Record books were due- start collecting for next year!

Several members competed in shows in the past month

- Khammi A. went to the Beaver Pigeon and Bantom Show, and competed in in cage, and table top showing
- Chayton, Veronica, and Hunter F. as well as Noah and Adeyln showed rabbits at the Richland Center Fall Fun Show

New Business

- Oct 30- RSVP's Due for 4-H Awards Banquet on Nov 12 at 11:30 a.m.
- Oct 31- Registration Due for Safe sitter Essentials w/ CPR skills on Nov 15 at 8:30 a.m.
- Nov 4- CLUB TRIP- Bus at WDMS- BUS LEAVES AT 7:30a.m.- DO NOT BE LATE!
- Dec 3- SUNDAY FUNDAY! at 3 p.m.- THANK YOU SANDY FOR SUPPLIES

Tentative Livestock Weigh-In Dates For Adams Co. Fair

- Dec 19- Beef
- April 6- Swine tags
- May 4- Sheep & Goats
- May 4- Letter of intent for Poultry and rabbits due

Everyone needing ear tags for livestock make sure TORI BABCOCK has your information



Next Meeting -
**JANUARY 22ND AT
6:30 P.M.**





LIVESTOCK:

Beef: Weigh-in Date will be December 16, 2023

*Reminders to have your animals castrated prior to this. If animal has horns, have them dehorned prior to this.

*Sign up with time slots prior to the weigh-in sheet will go out around Dec. 1st.

Sheep & Goats: Weigh-In Date will be May 4, 2024. Reminders to have your animals castrated prior to this.

Swine: Tag pickup to be April 6th. Registration and Picture return date to be May 4th.

Poultry/Rabbits: Letter of intent due date is May 4th

Next meeting is:

January 9th @ 7 pm at the Adams Community Center.

Elections

Review of By-Laws & Handbook

January 14th: Membership Meeting at 2 pm at Adams community Center

March 2nd: STEM Day Theme “Energy Protectors” Registration will come out in 2024

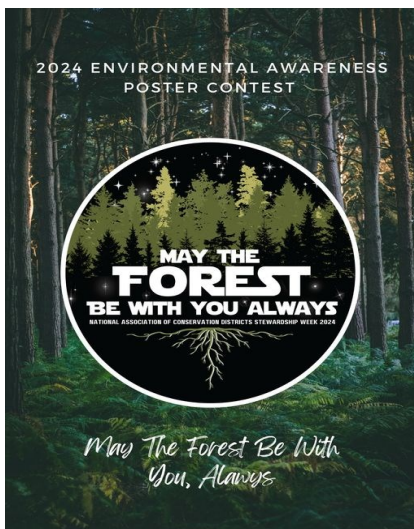
March 10th: Members Meeting at 2 pm at Adams Community Center

April 13th: Pre-Fair Registration will come out in 2024

April 19th– 21st: Midwest Horse Fair at Madison

May 8th: Members Meeting & Gates Arena Set-Up at Adams Cty. Fairgrounds. Put out Joyce Reagan Bench

May 18th: Sun Speed/Gymkhana Show at Fairgrounds



The Land & Water Department is proud to sponsor the 2024 Environmental Awareness Poster Contest!

The contest is open to all students (public, private, or home-schooled) grades K-12. Entries must be at the Land & Water Conservation Department at the Courthouse by January 5th, 2024. All students taking part will receive a certificate, with the Top 3 in each age division receiving special prizes!

More information, along with guidelines and entry forms can be found on our website at: <https://www.co.adams.wi.us/.../youth.../poster-contest>

For any questions, contact Colton at colton.wolosek@co.adams.wi.us or (608) 547-5855. Good Luck and Think Creatively!

Do you want to learn more about cooking with meat from one of the following market animal projects: beef, swine, sheep, goat, poultry, or rabbit?

Calumet county 4-H and the Distance Learning Team brings you the opportunity to participate in the Cooking with Meat Project Box. By participating in this distance learning project, youth will learn the following:

- The safe way to cook, store, freeze and thaw meat of the different project species
- How to find the correct internal temperature of the cuts of meat
- Try different recipes, helping them learn different ways to flavor and cook meat

We encourage youth to learn to cook with the animal species they may be raising, but also to try others to learn some differences and other skills. There will be a Zoom meeting hosted by Bernie O'Rourke, Extension Livestock Specialist, to lead youth through a cooking lesson, using the information in the cooking with Meat Box.

Youth participants will also have access to a Google website where copies of the handouts will be available, the recording will be posted, and for them to engage with other youth from around the state to share what they cook. This box will have some delicious recipes to help you learn some valuable life skills, so don't miss out on this scrumptious opportunity! Boxes will be picked up from your local county extension office. Registration closes on December 15th.

You can use this link to register: https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6EhBdFnA5Os81Ey?fbclid=IwAR0Gy_ARYDe18yKDixB-

Included in the box:

- meat probe
- cutting board
- bamboo skewers
- internal temp magnet
- cooking with meat book
- access to virtual cooking session in Jan. or Feb. 2024

Thank you to Corteva AgriScience and the WI 4-H Foundation for helping to provide funds for this opportunity for youth. Also, a special thank you to the WI Beef council and the WI Pork Association for assisting with dissemination of information for the purpose of this project box.

Cooking with Meat Project Box



What's Included:

- meat probe
- cutting board
- bamboo skewers
- internal temp magnet
- cooking with meat book

Information you should know:

- Grades 3 & Up can participate
- All youth in all counties are eligible to participate
- Kits will be sent to county offices for distribution first week of January -- please keep this in mind before ordering a box



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ADAMS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

4-H Horse Riding Lessons

You must be a currently enrolled 4-H Horse project member, in good standing with your club, and the Adams County 4-H Horse & Pony Project By laws and Rules and Regulations. Your horse must be current on vaccinations, have a current negative coggins and not be sick or lame.

All 4-H rules apply and SAFETY always comes first.



Arrival time at the fairgrounds is not before 5:30 pm. Lessons start at 6 pm. You must clean up after your horse. You haul it in, you haul it out. This includes manure, hay, and garbage so bring the tools you need to keep the fairgrounds clean please. You will come wearing the appropriate attire, helmet, boots and using the correct tack on the horse; these are lessons in preparation for your premium county fair show, any other horse shows, and learning how to properly care for, handle, train, etc for your horse. Instructor's decisions are to be respected. Riding and driving your horse is only allowed in the horse arenas. You are not to ride around the grounds. Please plan ahead in regards to the bathroom (which is your horse trailer).

Dates for Monday Night Lessons:

June 10, 17, 24
July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
August 5, 12

*Dates are subject to change so you must RSVP by the Friday before.



Anyone wanting additional lessons or help learning about horses, just ask.

This is a great opportunity to learn and practice

Cheri Zimmerman~Adams Cty. 4-H Horse Resource Leader 608-403-7655

ADAMS COUNTY LIVESTOCK SALE COMMITTEE

SMALL ANIMAL LETTER OF INTENT

Youth Exhibitor: _____

Father: _____ Mother: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

I, _____, intend to participate in the market classes for the following:

- _____ Chickens
- _____ Ducks
- _____ Geese
- _____ Turkeys
- _____ Rabbits

I understand that I must bring my animals to the Adams County Small Animal weigh-in and identification to be held on entry day of the fair.

I understand that to be eligible to sell, I must meet all of the qualifications outlined in the Current Livestock Sale Handbook.

Youth Exhibitor Date

Parent Date

Mail to:
 Tori L. Babcock
 Adams County Livestock Sale Secretary
 3302 5th Lane
 Oxford, WI 53952
 608-586-4462
69torilynn@gmail.com

Meet the 2024 4-H Ambassadors



Senior Ambassador Cameron Toltzmann

My name is Cameron Toltzmann. I am in the Arkdale Kings & Queens 4-H Club. My favorite project in 4-H is the Spud-Tastic Souperbowl. I am looking forward to the Great Grilled Cheese Event.



Junior Ambassador Evelyn Stainbrook

My name is Evelyn Stainbrook. I'm 12 years old and I'm in 6th grade. I'm very excited to be this year's 4-H ambassador. One of my favorite projects is showing rabbits at the fair. I'm excited to tell people about all the fun things 4-H offers!



Junior Ambassador Brenna Bruce

Hello my name is Brenna Bruce and I am a 4th grader at Adams-Friendship Elementary School and a member of the Arkdale Kings & Queens 4-H club. My favorite project in 4-H is rabbits. I enjoy raising and caring for my rabbits. Last year was my first time showing rabbits at the Adams County Fair. Being an ambassador, I am excited to talk and promote 4-H on the radio!



Leaders Association Reminder Board

Leaders Association Corner

President—
Vice President-Tori Babcock
Secretary– Heather Gayton
Treasurer-Karen Bays

Directors
Doreen Olson
Amber Bruce
Lenna Hamilton

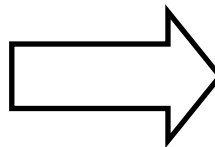
Leaders Association Meetings
In person at the Community Center

Next Meeting:
Monday, January 15th at 6:30

The purpose of this Association is to supplement and enhance the learning experiences provided to the 4-H members within Adams County and to assist in the coordination of learning experiences and financial support of Adams County 4-H youth members, 4-H volunteer/leaders n County, Area, State, Regional, National, and International events
It is encouraged that all 4-H volunteers join in on Leaders Association conversations. They meet on the 3rd Monday of September, November, January, March, May, and July at 6:30 pm at the Community Center. They do have 4 sub committees that help organize specific county wide events; Financial, Awards, Education, and Promotions.

Upcoming meetings will be at 6:30 pm at the Community Center. Please mark your calendars

Meeting



January 15th 2024
March 18th 2024
May 20th 2024

***Financial:** Help develop and manage a budget that supports the Adams County 4-H program.

***Awards:** Promotion of Record Books, Awards, and Trips available through 4-H. Provide support to 4-H members in completing opportunities to 4-H member in completing record books and ME forms on time.

***Education:** promotion of 4-H programs and activities that provide educational opportunities to 4-H members and leaders.

***Promotions:** Promotion of 4-H program and recruitment of 4-H members and leaders. Utilizing the 4-H Ambassadors, Clubs, and County Groups.



2023-24 Edition
4-H Family Newsletter

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Would you like to submit something to the newsletter?

Email your submissions to:
lora.schultz@co.adams.wi.us or liarneson@co.adams.wi.us

Submissions must be in by the following dates-
If submitted later than the date listed, your information may not be included.

Newsletter:	Submit by:
February/March	January 15th
April/May	March 15th
June/July	May 15th
August/Sept.	July 15th
Oct./Nov.	Sept. 15th
Dec./Jan.	Nov. 15th

