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

Theme:

4-H. No Limits When You
Shoot For the Stars

County Wide Experience New Zoo and Adventure Park

{ *This may be subject
to change.* }

Connects the community with wildlife and nature thru
engaging interactive activities. The adventure park has
ziplines, rope courses, and a climbing wall.



I hope you find excitement as this time of year rolls in! 2024 has been great, but I am ready for what 2025 has in store. For some of you, this may be your very first 4-H Newsletter as a new 4-H member and with that, I want to say WELCOME. 4-H has so many opportunities available on a club, county, state and national level. In Adams Co, we send out a bi-monthly newsletter so you have a printed version of upcoming programs and events and information that is relative to your 4-H experience. You also will receive emails from the state office and from our local Extension office. Be sure to take a glance at these as they will be opportunities and reminders of upcoming programs and events.

~Evan

Banquet News!

Record Book Awards Participants

Cloverbuds

Adelyn Buschke
Bristol Bruce

3rd Grade:

Noah Buschke
Ava Hitzeman

4th Grade:

Brenna Bruce
Jenna Stainbrook
Gracie Parapart

5th Grade:

Veronica Farrington
Kalia Hammerly

6th Grade:

Aleksys Hitzeman
Evelyn Stainbrook
Brinlee Bruce
Arabella Parapart

7th Grade:

Clarie Presely
Nicholas Dahlke
Ryan DeVries

8th Grade:

Kiley Peyton

9th Grade:

Hunter Farrington
Khammi Alsum

10th Grade:

Chayton Farrington
Eli Olson

Leader Recognition Pins and Certificates

Jeramie Hamel—5 years
Francine Geissler—5 years
Hope Eggersdorf—5 years
Mikaila Falash—5 years
Amber Bruce—15 years
Cheri Zimmerman—20 years
Rebecca Grabarski—25 years

2024 Friends of 4-H Nominees

Cade Sparby
Bob Shaske

2024 Ivan Morrow Volunteer of the Year Nominees

Kate Buschke
Pam Dahlke

2024 4-H Educational Travel

Eli Olson—American Spirit
Colton Gabriel—American Spirit
Oliver Pfister—American Spirit
Kiley Peyton—Summer Academy
Ryan Degner—Space Camp
Aleksys Hitzeman—Space Camp

2024 Outstanding Youth Leadership

Brenna Bruce
Nick Dahlke

2024 Best of Show Fair Projects

Dogs: Kiley Peyton

Horse and Pony: Molly Bittner

Exotic Animals: Eli Olson

Plants and Soil Science: Brinlee Bruce

Flowers and Houseplants: Evelyn Stainbrook

Cultural Arts & Crafts: Veronica Farrington

Photography: Khammi Alsum

Foods & Nutrition: Rowen Geissler

Clothing & Textiles: Claire Presley

Home Environment: Brenna Bruce

Naturespace: Jackson Dahlke

Electricity: Ethan Kallies

Woodworking: Raulin Grabarski







4-H FUN



2024 FALL FORUM



TRUNK AND TREAT

★ Meet the 2024-25 4-H Ambassadors ★



Cameron Toltzmann—Currently an 8th Grader and this is his 3rd year as an Ambassador. Cameron is looking forward to promoting Adams county 4-H at Trunk or Treat.

Evelyn Stainbrook—Currently a 7th grader and this is her 2nd year as an Ambassador. Evelyn is looking forward to Kids Day.

Brenna Bruce—Currently a 5th grader and this is her 2nd year as an Ambassador .
"Brenna is looking forward to attending Kids Day and promoting 4-H"

Brinlee Bruce—Currently a 7th grader and this is her 2nd year as an Ambassador.
"Is excited to collaborate with other county 4-H Ambassadors. She is hoping to learn new ideas and ways to promote 4-H."

Jenna Stainbrook—Currently a 5th grader and this is her 1st year as an Ambassador.
"Jenna is excited for the Fair! She is looking forward to playing 4-H Trivia on the midway with fairgoers."

dates to Remember

LIVESTOCK:

Proposed

Beef:

Weigh-in Date will be December 14, 2025

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 3, 2025

Reminders to have your animals castrated prior to this

Swine:

Tag pickup to be April 5th, 2025

Identification: May 3rd, 2025

Poultry/Rabbits: May 3rd, 2025 Letter of intent is due



Meeting Dates:

Jan. 8th at 6 PM

May 20th at 7 PM

Sept 9th at 7 PM

January 5th: Game day 1-4 PM

February 9th: Craft day 1-4 PM

**March 1st: STEM Day
10 AM - 2 PM**

March 29th: Pre-Fair

**April 11th-13th: Midwest Horse Fair
in Madison**

June 1st: Camper Orientation 7-8 PM

June 8th- 11th: Camp

GAME ON! Join Us!

*Sunday January 5th
Bring your favorite board game
and a snack to share.*

**1 - 4 PM
COMMUNITY CENTER**

Let's play!

An AA/EEO employer, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Division of Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title VI, Title IX and ADA requirements.

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 9, 16, 23, 30
July 14, 21, 28
August 4, 11

*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 4-H Horse and Pony Calendar

*Times and dates subject to
change

Date	Time	Location	Description/Activity
November			
Sunday, November 10	2pm	Adams Community Center	General Meeting Activity: Western VS English Tack
December- NO MEETING! HAPPY HOLIDAYS!			
January			
Sunday, January 12	2pm	Adams Community Center	General Meeting Activity: Breeding and Genetics
February			
Sunday, February 2	2pm	Adams Community Center	General Meeting Activity: Horse Care
March			
Sunday, March 2	2pm	Adams Community Center	General Meeting Activity: Prepare for Fair Centers
April- NO MEETING			
Friday- Sunday, April 11-13	-	Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI	No general meeting, highly recommended to attend Midwest Horse Fair!
May			
TBA	TBA	Adams County Fairgrounds	Arena set up and meeting
TBA	-	-	State Hunter/Jumper/Dressage Show entries due
June			
June 1st	-	-	Horse Registration DUE
TBA	TBA	Adams County Fairgrounds	Monday Nights Horse Lessons

July			
Friday, July 4th	TBA	Main Street Adams	Parade (Possibly get a group together?)
August			
August 1	-	-	State Gymkhana and Expo Entries due
August 21-24	-	Adams County Fairgrounds	FAIR
Saturday, August 23	9am	Adams County Fairgrounds	Premium Horse Show
September			
TBA	TBA	Adams County Fairgrounds	Arena teardown and meeting



Robotics News:

Adams County 4-H Robotics now has robotics for all K-12 students. They just added the LEGO SPIKE Prime with Expansion Set kits to their repertoire. The other kits we currently use are: REV Robotics with elements from go BILDA and LEGO WeDo 2.0.

Students learn how to design, build, program, and use robotics for a variety of purposes. Skills developed are; problem-solving, math, science, engineering, and creativity.

Meetings are the second and fourth Sunday of the month in the Adams-Friendship area.

Join us today!!!!





Division of Animal Health

DATCPanimals@wisconsin.gov | (608) 224-4872 | <https://datcp.wi.gov>

For anyone
exhibiting
livestock at
the fair.

Please Renew Your Livestock Premises Registration

Registration of your premises is required in Wisconsin if you house livestock. Every three years, you must renew your premises registration to ensure your livestock owner information remains current. Registering your premises helps keep animals safe by allowing for faster traces and outreach when there is an outbreak of an animal disease or an animal-borne human disease.

You previously registered the premises listed below. **Please review your registered information and renew your livestock premises registration by July 31, 2025**, following the instructions provided.

Notes:

- If you sold this location or no longer house livestock here, instead of renewing your registration, please report this change on the [Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium \(WLIC\) website](https://www.wlinc.com/).
- If you have more than one premises at which livestock are kept, be sure to renew all the registrations.
- If you have new livestock locations to register, please register them now at <https://wiid.org>.

Renewal Instructions:

New for 2024: An Online Renewal Option

You can review and submit changes to your existing premises registration online. Your information is kept confidential and can only be accessed **once** at this temporary portal for the purpose of renewing your livestock premises code.

To renew your premises registration via the temporary portal, please visit the website below, click "Start Form," enter your livestock premises code and account number (listed below), and click "Next." Your premises registration information will appear. Please answer the questions and submit up-to-date information or confirm that the existing information is correct. You do not need to log in to complete the online form.

- **Link to Online Form** (you may need to click the link a couple times to bring up the form): <https://wi.accessgov.com/datcp/Forms/Page/dah/livestockpremisesregistration/>
- **Registered Premises Address:** 502 W LAKE ST, City, WI
- **Livestock Premises Code:** 006OY5H
- **Account Number:** 32676

Additional Registration Options

- Visit the WLIC website at <https://wiid.org> and select "Register Your Premises" or go directly to their [premises registration page](https://www.wlinc.com/premises-registration).
- Call the WLIC at (888) 808-1910.
- [Download](#), complete, and mail a paper application.

Thank you for updating your livestock premises registration!

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
Division of Animal Health
<https://datcp.wi.gov>

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



Leaders Association Reminder Board

Leaders Association Corner

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

Directors

Kate Buschke
Amber Bruce
Heather Toltzmann

Leaders Association Meetings

In person at the Community Center

Next Meeting:

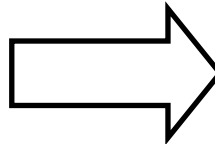
Monday, January 20th at 6:30

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 20th 2025
March 17th 2025
May 19th 2025

***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.



2024-25 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, you 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



4-H 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.



HEAD

Head stands for decision making, planning, organizing, problem solving and using knowledge throughout life.

Supported by the rich academic knowledge base of the University of Wisconsin, Madison, in partnership with a network of Land-Grant Universities. 4-H provides young people the opportunity to recognize and develop their interests, "sparks", through curriculum and project-based learning in partnership with caring adults, and, strengthens post-secondary pathways.



HEART

Heart stands for strong personal values, positive self-concept, concern for others, cooperation and communication.

4-H is an innovator in developing youth leadership and decision-making skills. Youth build relationships, make connections and practice skills throughout their engagement in 4-H. Our civic engagement programs equip youth to use their "voice", influence, and decision-making authority.



HANDS

Hands stands for volunteering, community service and reaching out to create a more inclusive, equitable world.

Service is a hallmark of all 4-H programs, teaching youth about the importance of giving back, improving our communities and developing innovative solutions to solve problems, large or small. 4-H'ers learn skills such as teamwork, critical thinking, community engagement and build a sense of compassion, confidence and pride.



HEALTH

Health stands for healthy lifestyles, character, ethics, stress management and disease prevention.

Our programming empowers youth to be healthy – body and mind – with the skills to make healthy decisions and lead healthy lifestyles. Having the confidence and skills to lead healthy lifestyles not only improves overall well-being; it enables youth to tackle life's challenges today and become leaders in their lives, careers and communities as they grow into responsible adulthood.

BELONGING

Belonging

Youth need to know they are cared about by others and feel a sense of connection to others in the group.

MASTERY

Mastery

In order to develop self-confidence youth need to feel and believe they are capable and they must experience success at solving problems and meeting challenges.

INDEPENDENCE

Independence

Youth need to know that they are able to influence people and events through decision-making and action.

GENEROSITY

Generosity

Youth need to feel their lives have meaning and purpose.