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Letter From the President

Welcome to a new 4-H year!

I look forward to seeing you at the Awards Banquet! I know many of you have been hard at work and will be receiving awards.

The Teens Association has been hard at work on coming up with fun events. We hope to see any teens, in grade 7 and up, at any of our events.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions in regard to the Leaders Association or the Teens Association.

Malayna Polum

Portage County 4-H Leaders Association
President

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Pictured below: Members of the Tomorrow River Voyagers Club at Feltz Dairy Farm.



2023 4-H Leaders Appreciation Banquet

Saturday, November 11th

Registration at 5:00 PM | Meal at 5:30PM

2023 4-H Awards Program

Sunday, November 12th at 1:00PM

Both to be held at the Jensen Center in Amherst



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

OCTOBER

- 1-7 National 4-H Week
- 16 4-H Leaders Board Meeting, 6:30 PM
- 19 Market Animal Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM,
Annex Conference Rooms 1 & 2
- 22 4-H Teen Leader's Meeting, 11:00am, Feltz Dairy
- 27 Deadline for Pumpkin Decorating & Carving Contest
- 29 Teen Leader Trick of Treating, Junction City, 4:00-7:00pm

NOVEMBER

- 4-5 4-H Fall Forum, Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake, WI
- 11 4-H Leader's Recognition Banquet, 5:00 registration, 5:30pm meal
- 12 4-H Awards Program, Jensen Center, Amherst, 1:00 PM
- 15 4-H Re-Enrollments Due in 4-H Online
(<http://wi.4honline.com>)
- 16 Market Animal Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Annex
Conference Rooms 1 & 2
- 20 4-H Leaders Association Meeting, 6:30 PM
- 23 Extension Office Closed (Thanksgiving Holiday)
- 24 Extension Office Closed (Day After Thanksgiving Holiday)

DECEMBER

- 15 Deadline to sign up for Market Animal Project
- 15 Deadline for Teen Award & Ambassador Application
- 15 Deadline for Portage County 4-H Financial Assistance Application
- 17 Teen Leader holiday basket shopping, 12:00-2:00pm, Walmart
- 25 Extension Office Closed (Christmas Holiday)
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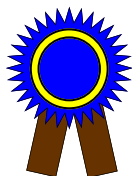
Pictured Above: Members of the Junction City Golden Stars planting flowers at Kennedy Elementary & carving pumpkins.

4-H AWARDS PROGRAM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023 AT THE JENSEN CENTER

(487 N MAIN STREET, AMHERST)

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM



ALL ARE INVITED! DOOR PRIZES GALORE! NO ONE LEAVES EMPTY-HANDED!

Bring your family and support the 4-H program you know and love! There will be door prizes, a slideshow (*please send in your pictures to lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu*), and awards given for record books, trips, and outstanding achievement. We will be recognizing Cloverbuds, first-year members, graduates, Teen Leaders, Ambassadors, trip delegates, and many more! Don't miss it!

LEADERS APPRECIATION BANQUET

Saturday, November 11th at the Jensen Center in Amherst

(487 N MAIN STREET, AMHERST)

REGISTRATION AT 5:00 PM - DINNER AT 5:30 PM

COST IS \$10 PER PERSON

(1ST YEAR LEADERS AND AWARD WINNERS EAT FREE , YOUTH 10 & UNDER ARE \$5)

PLEASE RSVP AT <https://bit.ly/2023LeadersBanquet>
BY November 3rd TO ATTEND THE BANQUET

THE FOLLOWING LEADERS WILL BE RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR YEARS OF SERVICE:

One Year of Service

- Heidi Corcoran (Sunnyside Climbers)
- Mindy Golla (Eager Eagles)
- Amanda Jordan (Plover Clovers)
- Amy Konopacky (River Valley Riders)
- Robin Oliver (Nelsonville Zippy Zees)
- Samantha Wolf (Plover Clovers)

Five Years of Service

- Gail Stanislawski-Lopez (Rosholt Pioneers)

Ten Years of Service

- Greg Kolodziej (Casimer Boosters)
- Jill Metzler (Carson Climbers)
- Jesse Waltenberg (Nelsonville Zippy Zees)

Fifteen Years of Service

- Annette Czerneski (Carson Climbers)
- Tracy Glodowski (Rosholt Pioneers)
- Jessica Kildahl (Tomorrow River Voyagers)
- Joshua Kildahl (Tomorrow River Voyagers)
- Gail Studzinski (County-Wide)

Twenty Years of Service

- Sara Hintz (Plover Clovers)

Thirty Years of Service

- Karen Jastromski (Tomorrow River Voyagers)

Thirty-Five Years of Service

- Mary Trzebiatowski (Plover Clovers)

Forty-Five Years of Service

- Marilyn Pederson (Carson Climbers)

4-H Volunteer of the Year: Malayna Polum

4-H Alumni Award: Jordin Rekowski

Friend of 4-H Award: Feltz's Dairy Store



MARKET ANIMAL PROJECT

STRICT DECEMBER 15th DEADLINE!

If you plan to enter beef, swine, or sheep in the 2023 Rosholt Fair Market Animal Show and Sale, you must sign up for the Market Animal Project by **December 15, 2023**.

You can sign up in multiple ways:

- Complete and mail the form on the next page to: Connie Creighton, Portage County UW-Extension, 1462 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point, WI 54481. Additional copies are available to download [here](#).
- Complete the form on the next page e-mail a scanned PDF or picture of the form to lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu
- Enroll **fully online** by visiting <https://bit.ly/2024MAPRegistration>
- A confirmation e-mail will be sent to you as soon as you complete the form!

Come Trick or Treating with the 4-H Teen Leaders Association in Junction City on Sunday October 29th from 4:00 - 7:00pm! Teens will meet at the Village Hall to start.



4-H ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

The re-enrollment period for 4-H will be
September 1st - November 15th

- During this time, families will need to log in to their 4-H Online accounts at <http://wi.4honline.com> to re-enroll.
- Please use the family enrollment guide at [https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4h-ext/files/2020/09/4HOnline.v2.Family.Enrollment.Guide .pdf](https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/4h-ext/files/2020/09/4HOnline.v2.Family.Enrollment.Guide.pdf) for help during the enrollment process.
- For common 4-H enrollment questions please visit the "Join 4-H" tab of the Portage County Extension at <https://portage.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/join-4-h/>
- **Lost password? Technical problems?** Call 715-346-1462 or e-mail lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu



2024 ROSHOLT FAIR MARKET ANIMAL PROJECT SIGN-UP SHEET



**SUBMIT THIS FORM NO LATER
THAN **DECEMBER 15, 2023****

This form must be completed and submitted on time if you plan to enter beef, swine, and/or sheep in the 2024 Rosholt Fair Market Animal Project. Complete and submit to:

**Portage County Extension
Attn: Connie Creighton
1462 Strongs Ave
Stevens Point, WI 54481**

Or sign up fully online at: <https://bit.ly/2024MAPRegistration>

MEMBER NAME(S): _____ DATE(S) OF BIRTH: _____

AGE(S) AS OF JANUARY 1, 2024: _____ GRADE(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME(S): _____

MEMBER'S AND/OR PARENTS EMAIL ADDRESS : _____

NAME OF 4-H CLUB OR FFA CHAPTER: _____

YEAR IN LIVESTOCK PROJECT: _____

I PLAN TO HAVE THE FOLLOWING MARKET ANIMALS AT THE 2024 SHOW AND SALE - *MAXIMUM OF TWO ANIMALS PER SPECIES, PER EXHIBITOR. PLEASE CIRCLE.*

BEEF: 1 OR 2

SWINE: 1 OR 2

SHEEP: 1 OR 2

The Market Animal Sale Committee is in need of members to share duties. Adults and members over the age of 13 are urged to join. Please come to the Market Animal Sale Committee meetings if interested.



The Great 4-H Pumpkin Decorating & Carving Contest

This contest is open to all Portage County 4-H members, Cloverbuds, immediate family members of 4-H members, parents and leaders.

To enter the contest submit a picture of your pumpkin. Your submission photo of the pumpkin must have at least one of the decorators/carvers in the photo. Families/groups in the pictures are welcomed. Make sure you list the Division, Class, your 4-H Club or the 4-H family you are a member of when you email your photo submission.

Note: Stickers & attached items are allowed only in Mixed Media Decorated Pumpkin Class.

Divisions:

Pre 4-Hers

Age 5 and below

Cloverbud:

Kindergarten - 2nd grade

Junior:

3rd - 5th grade

Intermediate:

6th - 8th grade

Senior:

9th grade or older

Adults/Family

Adults age 19 & older or as a family

Classes:

Carved Pumpkin from Pattern: Take a picture of you with your carved pumpkin in daylight then take a picture of the pumpkin in the dark all lit up. Pumpkins must be carved only—no other decorations (i.e. stickers, paint, etc.).

Most Original Carved Pumpkin (you make the pattern or free style carving):

Take a picture of you with your carved pumpkin in daylight then take a picture of the pumpkin in the dark all lit up. Pumpkins must be carved only—no other decorations (i.e. stickers, paint, etc.).

Painted Pumpkin: Take a picture of you with your painted pumpkin in daylight.

Mixed Media Decorated Pumpkin: Take a picture of you with your mixed media decorated pumpkin in daylight. (Pumpkins can be decorated with carving, paint, and other media items such as stickers, fabric, paper, glitter, etc.)



Entries are Due by midnight Friday, October 27th

Judging Results will be announced as soon as possible. Awesome Prizes Will be Awarded!

For Registration and Photo Submission details go to: <https://bit.ly/20234-HPumpkinContest>

2024 4-H Award & Travel Experience Applications and Funding Assistance

Portage County 4-H Ambassadors & 4-H Awards

- Portage County will still be interviewing for the Ambassador Delegates, Key Award, and Leader of Tomorrow Award. **Interview date & location is TBD.**
- [Click here](#) for a PDF version of the Award/Ambassador application. Or a Word version can be found at <https://portage.extension.wisc.edu> (under 4-H Forms and Applications)
- **Applications are due December 15th. Award interviews date is TBD.**

2024 4-H Travel Experience Funding Assistance

4-H members have many opportunities to find their “spark” at the club, county, state and even national level! Part of these awesome opportunities include state and national travel experiences. More information on each travel experience is included in the next pages of this newsletter. Wisconsin 4-H believes that cost should not be a barrier to program participation. As such, Portage County 4-H youth who are interested in attending these educational experiences can apply for BOTH Portage County 4-H financial assistance AND a statewide scholarship through the 4-H Foundation. More information and application details on each are provided below.

Portage County 4-H Funding for State and National 4-H Events

The Portage County 4-H Leaders Association has included funding for State and National 4-H Events in their 2023-2024 budget. Youth interested in attending a State or National 4-H Event in 2024 may apply for financial assistance from the Portage County Leaders Association by completing the Portage County 4-H Financial Assistance Application. Below is the link. Applications are due on December 15th. The amount of funding provided to eligible 4-H members will be determined by the number of applications received.

- [Click here](#) for a PDF version of the Portage County 4-H Financial Assistance application. Or a Word version can be found at <https://portage.extension.wisc.edu> (under 4-H Forms and Applications)
- **Applications are due December 15th.**



Wisconsin 4-H Statewide Funding for State and National 4-H Events

Each year, the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation provides a sum of money to the State 4-H Office for needs-based scholarships for youth to participate in statewide Educational Experiences. Wisconsin 4-H believes that cost should not be a barrier to program participation. Youth can apply for a scholarship by submitting their information at the Qualtrics form linked below. The responses to this form will remain confidential and will only be shared with a small committee that will be managing the scholarship funds.

Applications are currently open for 2023 Calendar Year Programs ONLY – 2024 Calendar Year scholarship applications will be available in early 2024.

[Click Here](#) to access the Statewide Educational Experience Scholarship Form

2024 4-H Travel Experience Opportunities

U.S. SPACE CAMP - HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

Date: April 18-22, 2024

Ages: Gr 6-8 for delegates (max age of 15 during trip)

Cost: Approx. \$900

For more information: [Click Here](#)

Registration through 4-H On-Line: November 15-December 15, 2023

A fun-filled educational weekend at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. Participants will complete a simulated Space Shuttle mission, experience training simulators, tour the U.S. Space & Rocket Center and learn about becoming an astronaut.



ADVANCED SPACE ACADEMY - HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

Date: January 2025

Ages: Gr 10-12 for delegates (max age of 15 during trip)

Cost: Approx. \$2,000

For more information: [Click Here](#)

Registration through 4-H On-Line: July 2024

Advanced Space Academy happens every other year and it 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.

CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS - WASHINGTON D.C.

Date: Summer 2024—1 week in June/July, dates TBD

Ages: Gr 10-12 | **Registration 4-H Online:** TBD | **Cost:** TBD

For more information: [Click Here](#)



Citizenship Washington Focus, or CWF for short, is the premier week long 4-H citizenship and leadership experience. CWF brings 4-H delegations from all over the country to stay in Washington D.C., our Nation's Capital! Participants learn about the roles of Senators and Representatives in the United States' government and how these parts work together to form an effective Congress. Additionally, youth get to see and experience government in action by meeting with their State's members of Congress and watching a House of Representatives meeting.

NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE- WASHINGTON D.C.

Date: April 19-24, 2024

Ages: Gr 10-12 during program (minimum age of 15 and maximum age of 18 as of January 1st)

Cost: Approx. \$1,500

Registration: Applications are Due to State 4-H Office by February 3, 2024

Special Note: Final Selection Occurs at State 4-H Office

For more information: [Click Here](#)

In the fall of 2023 candidates will receive the state application to fill out for travel in 2024, if selected as one of the 8-10 state delegates. The state will review all of the applications and select only 8-10 delegates to represent the state of Wisconsin. Each participant selects an issue (i.e., education, promotion, environment, violence) and works with other youth from across the county to develop plans to help direct future 4-H programming.

Summer Academy

Date: June 24-27, 2024 | **Ages:** Grades 7-10 | **Location:** UW Madison Campus

Cost: \$450 | **For more information:** [click here](#)

Registration through 4-H Online: April 2024

Join us on the UW-Madison Campus for the new Summer Academy! This new Positive Youth Development program will help you discover pathways to your future. Signup to learn what it takes to have a career, or a hobby in several SPARK areas including agriculture, STEM, service, leadership, arts, trades, and many more. There will be fun opportunities to build networks and friendships with folks from all over the state of WI.



AMERICAN SPIRIT EAST

Date: June 14-23, June 21-30, July 5-14, 2024 | **Ages:** Gr 8-10 | **Cost:** Approximately \$1,900

For more information: [click here](#)

Registration through 4-H Online: Opens October 1, 2023

Experience history & heritage by immersing in a 10-day bus journey to the East Coast — Youth-led content throughout the experience — Increase knowledge of American history while experiencing where it occurred — Dynamic exposure to diverse cultural experiences and perspectives of the foundation of our nation.



4-H AMBASSADOR



The Ambassador term will start in March. Ambassadors will serve an active term of one year but will also be an associate member of Ambassadors for the duration of their 4-H membership.

Requirements: Must be in 6th grade or higher; must exhibit leadership ability and potential; must exhibit personal appearance and poise; must exhibit knowledge of 4-H.

When: 4-H Ambassadors serve a one-year term beginning in March. They will be recognized in October at the end of their career at the 4-H Leaders Banquet.

Maximum Number: Up to 4 Ambassadors are chosen.

Duties: Present the 4-H story at community activities and events and promote 4-H.

Responsibilities: Hand out ribbons and trophies at the Amherst and Rosholt Fairs; participate in the Amherst and Rosholt Fair parades; make presentations to groups (we will train you); presentation of flags and pledges at the 4-H Leaders' Banquet and Award program; help with the 4-H Awards Program; be available to represent 4-H at other events during the year.



WISCONSIN KEY AWARD



Requirements: Must be in at least 10th grade of the current year, have at least 3 years' experience in 4-H and 1 year of enrollment in the Youth Leadership project.

Maximum Number: Up to 3 recipients. This is the highest state 4-H award offered. It is based on all 4-H work done by the member since joining 4-H, including youth leadership.



LEADERS OF TOMORROW AWARD



Requirements: Must be in at least 11th grade, and exhibit leadership ability and potential.

Maximum Number: Up to 2 recipients. Recognizes character, balanced personal development, and excellence in leadership.

Rosholt Fair Best-of-Show

DAIRY

Grand Champion: Colten Kunst, Rosholt FFA
Trophy Sponsor: Sandbox Farms, Dylan & Frankie Warzynski

Reserve Champion: Colten Kunst, Rosholt FFA
Trophy Sponsor: Wolosek Family Enterprises

Jr. Grand Champion: Colten Kunst, Rosholt FFA
Trophy Sponsor: Tomorrow Valley Ag, LLC

Jr. Reserve Champion: Colten Kunst, Rosholt FFA
Trophy Sponsor: Farm First Dairy Coop

Senior Showmanship: Josie Lashua, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Rosholt Blizzard Busters

Intermediate Showmanship: Everet Elizalde, NZZ
Trophy Sponsor: Schuster LLC

Beginner Showmanship: Hazel Oliver, Nelsonville Zippy Zees
Altmann Enterprises Dairy, LLC—Kyle Altmann

Best Udder: Colten Kunst, Rosholt FFA
Trophy Sponsor: Karen & Dave Simonis & Family

Outstanding Dairy Exhibitor: Colten Kunst, Rosholt FFA
Award Sponsor: M/W Ranch

Clean Barn: Nelsonville Zippy Zees
Award Sponsor: Farm First Dairy Coop.

BEEF

Grand Market Beef: Adison Glodowski, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Circle P Cattle Co.

Reserve Market Beef: Candace Lein, Almond Busy Bees
Trophy Sponsor: Al & Betsy Suehring

Grand Breeding Beef: Juliana Ross Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Miller Angus Farm

Reserve Breeding Beef: Candace Lein, Almond Busy Bees
Trophy Sponsor: Jeff & Suzie Kaminski & Family

Grand Champ Carcass: Angi Zdroik Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Scott & Michelle Budsberg

Reserve Champ Carcass: Candace Lein, Almond Busy Bees
Trophy Sponsor: Lisa's Curl Up & Tan

Senior Showmanship: Adison Glodowski, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Sandbox Farms

Interm. Showmanship: Nora Lein, Almond Busy Bees
Trophy Sponsor: Alban General Store

Beginner Showmanship: Vernon Karl, The Silver Knights
Trophy Sponsor: Rosholt Blizzard Busters

Rate of Gain: Adam Kirsling, Nelsonville Zippy Zees
Trophy Sponsor: Community Insurance

Outstanding Beef Exhibitor: Adison Glodowski, Rosholt Pioneers
Award Sponsor: In Memory of Dan Walder from the Walder Family

Clean Barn: Almond Busy Bees 4-H Club
Award Sponsor: Market Animal Committee

SWINE

Grand Champion: Jacob Wierzba, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Adams Farms, Inc.

Reserve Champ: Braedan Mlodik, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Keith & Tracy Glodowski

Grand Champ Carcass: Ava Schulist, Rosholt Pioneers

Trophy Sponsor: Top Choice Realty

Reserve Champion Carcass: Easton Karaliunas, Carson Climbers
Trophy Sponsor: The Hetchlers

Senior Showmanship: Juliana Ross, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Rosholt Blizzard Busters

Interm. Showmanship: Jacob Wierzba, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Adam & Kenzie Gruna

Beginner Showmanship: Mason Wierzba, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: State Farm Insurance, Steve Kropidowski

Outstanding Swine Exhibitor: Cassandra Karl, The Silver Knights
Award Sponsor: Triple O Acres: Nancy Seaman

Clean Barn: Carson Climbers
Award Sponsor: Market Animal Committee

SHEEP

Grand Market Lamb: Jacob Spoelstra, Tomorrow River Voyagers
Trophy Sponsor: Roy & Lissa Danforth & Family

Reserve Market Lamb: Abby Sekerka, Rosholt FFA
Trophy Sponsor: Rosholt FFA Alumni

Grand Champ Meat Breeds: Olivia Starr, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Chris & Tammy Stanislowski

Res Champ Meat Breeds: Jaclynn Kaminski, Rosholt FFA
Trophy Sponsor: Ardency Farms

Grand Champion Carcass: Jacob Spoelstra, Tomorrow River Voyagers
Trophy Sponsor: Mullins Cheese Inc.

Reserve Champion Carcass: Abby Sekerka, Rosholt FFA
Trophy Sponsor: Bart's A1 Storage

Senior Showmanship: Samantha Simonis, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Rustic Raven's Antiques

Intermediate Showmanship: Kelsie Davis, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Country Canteen

Beginner Showmanship: Olivia Starr, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Heidi Leiser-O'Neil

Rate Of Gain: Olivia Starr, Rosholt Pioneers
Trophy Sponsor: Central WI COOP

Outstanding Sheep Exhibitor: Samantha Simonis, Rosholt Pioneers
Award Sponsor: The Matysik Family

Clean Barn: Tomorrow River Voyagers 4-H Club
Award Sponsor: Market Animal Committee

GOATS

Grand Champion Dairy Goat: Lezlee Brown, Carson Climbers
Trophy Sponsor: Ricky Kurszewski

Reserve Champion Dairy Goat: Florah Brown, Carson Climbers
Trophy Sponsor: Lashua Farms

Grand Champion Meat Goat: Sydney Krueger, Casimer Boosters
Trophy Sponsor: Wagner Construction

Reserve Champion Meat Goat: Natalie Carlson, TR Voyagers
Trophy Sponsor: DJ'S Water Service

Senior Showmanship: Sydney Krueger, Casimer Boosters
Trophy Sponsor: Country Bookkeeping & Payroll LLC

Intermediate Showmanship: Christina Peterson, NZZ
Trophy Sponsor: Lisa's Curl Up & Tan

Beginner Showmanship: Scott Raschka, Nelsonville Zippy Zees
Trophy Sponsor: Scott & Michelle Budsberg

Rosholt Fair Best-of-Show

Outstanding Goat Exhibitor: Sydney Krueger, Casimer Boosters

Trophy Sponsor: Lashua Farms

Clean Barn: Tomorrow River Voyagers 4-H Club

Award Sponsor: Lisa's Curl Up & Tan

HORSE & PONY

Gr. English Equitation: Kaitlin Cisewski, Carson Climbers

Trophy Sponsor: Mike & Allison Hamilton

Res. English Equitation: Hadley Michels, River Valley Riders

Trophy Sponsor: M/W Ranch

Gr. English Pleasure: Hadley Michels, River Valley Riders

Trophy Sponsor: Crane Echo Tack

Res. English Pleasure: Bree Potter, River Valley Riders

Trophy Sponsor: M/W Ranch

Gr. Western Horsemanship: Reese Dickman, Rosholt Pioneers

Trophy Sponsor: Central WI Pest Control

Res. Western Horsemanship: Abby Bey, River Valley Riders

Trophy Sponsor: Tracy's Family Hair Care

Gr. Western Pleasure: Reese Dickman, Rosholt Pioneers

Trophy Sponsor: Mike & Allison Hamilton

Res. Western Pleasure: Abby Bey, River Valley Riders

Trophy Sponsor: DJ's Water Service

Senior Showmanship: Reese Dickman, Rosholt Pioneers

Trophy Sponsor: M/W Ranch

Interm. Showmanship: Kaitlin Cisewski, Carson Climbers

Trophy Sponsor: Neal & Michelle Simonis

Beginning Showmanship: Phoebe Konopacky, River Valley Riders

Trophy Sponsor: Mike & Deb Morgan

Outstanding Horse Exhibitor: Isla Kadoch, River Valley Riders

Trophy Sponsor: Rosholt Pioneers

POULTRY

Grand Champ Large Poultry: Ciara Waltenberg, NZZ

Trophy Sponsor: Almond Busy Bees 4-H Club

Reserve Champ Large Poultry: Ciara Waltenberg, NZZ

Trophy Sponsor: Jan Kraetsch, Smart Move Realty

Grand Champ Bantam: Ciara Waltenberg, NZZ

Trophy Sponsor: Top Choice Realty

Res. Champ Bantam: Nora Schmied, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Trophy Sponsor: Top Choice Realty

Grand Champ Waterfowl: Rosalyn Knutson, Almond Busy Bees

Trophy Sponsor: Sarah Mancel

Reserve Champ Waterfowl: Natalie Sanford, Almond Busy Bees

Trophy Sponsor: Tracy's Family Hair Care

Grand Champ Pigeon: Mia Dunaj, Almond Busy Bees

Trophy Sponsor: Mark's Machine Shop

Res. Champ Pigeon: Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Trophy Sponsor: Bill & Mary Skibba

Outstanding Poultry Exhibitor: Ella Plummer, Casimer Boosters

Award Sponsor: Kari Burns

Senior Showmanship: Corrina Pliska, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Trophy Sponsor: All In Trucking LLC

Int. Showmanship: Aubrey Raddatz, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Trophy Sponsor: Bart's A1 Storage

Beginning Showmanship: Elizabeth Raschka, Plover Clovers

Trophy Sponsor: Top Choice Realty

Best Overall Bird: Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Trophy Sponsor: Tracy's Family Hair Care

Best American: Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Mediterranean: Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Asiatic: Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best English: Allison Raddatz, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Continental: Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Other Standard: Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Single Comb Clean Leg Bantam: Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Rose Comb Clean Leg Bantam: Aubrey Raddatz, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Feather Legged Bantam: Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Game Bantam: Rosalyn Knutson, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Other Clean-Leg Bantam: Nora Schmied, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Clean Barn: Nelsonville Zippy Zees 4-H Club

Award Sponsor: Norma & Craig Anderson

RABBITS

Grand Champion: Catrina Pliska, Carson Climbers

Trophy Sponsor: Black Diamond Photography

Reserve Champion: Natalie Carlson, TR Voyagers

Trophy Sponsor: Bill & Mary Skibba

Outstanding Rabbit Exhibitor: Samantha Francis, Plover Clovers

Award Sponsor: Scott & Michelle Budsberg

Senior Showmanship: Harleigh Carlson, TR Voyagers

Trophy Sponsor: Mark's Machine Shop

Int. Showmanship: Natalie Carlson, TR Voyagers

Trophy Sponsor: Scott & Michelle Budsberg

Begin. Showmanship: Scott Raschka, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Trophy Sponsor: Blue Bunny Acres

Best Californian: Annika Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Cinnamon: Annika Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best English Lop: Ciara Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Flemish Giant: Natalie Sanford, Almond Busy Bees

Best French Lop: Claire Lewallen, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best New Zealand: Kjersten Kazda, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Satin: Natalie Sanford, Almond Busy Bees

Best Silver Fox: Kjersten Kazda, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Other 6-Class Breed: Kjersten Kazda, NZZ

Best Angora: Natalie Carlson, Tomorrow River Voyagers

Best Dutch: Annika Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Dwarf Hotot: Rosalyn Knutson, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Harlequin: Corrina Pliska, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Havana: Claire Lewallen, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Himalayan: Natalie Carlson, Tomorrow River Voyagers

Best Holland Lop: Kjersten Kazda, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Best Lionhead: Mia Dunaj, Almond Busy Bees

Best Mini Lop: Annika Waltenberg, Nelsonville Zippy Zees

Rosholt Fair Best-of-Show

Best Rex: Natalie Sanford, Almond Busy Bees
Best Mini Rex: Catrina Pliska, Carson Climbers
Best Netherland Dwarf: Ciara Waltenberg, NZZ
Best Polish: Natalie Sanford, Almond Busy Bees
Best Tan: Natalie Sanford, Almond Busy Bees
Best Other 4-Class Breed: Annika Waltenberg, NZZ
Clean Barn: Stevens Point FFA
Award Sponsor: Lisa's Curl Up & Tan

DOGS

Grand Dog Obedience: Clare Kluck, Howling Huskies
Trophy Sponsor: In Memory of Diane L. Burns
Sr. Showmanship: Clare Kluck, Howling Huskies
Trophy Sponsor: In Memory of Larry Kielblock
Beginner Showmanship: Natalie Kildahl, TR Voyagers
Trophy Sponsor: Bill & Mary Skibba
Outstanding Dog Exhibitor: Clare Kluck, Howling Huskies
Trophy Sponsor: Frankie & Chris Martin

CATS

Cats Grand Champion: Brooke Weiler, Carson Climbers
Trophy Sponsor: Tracy Family Hair Care

VEGETABLES & CROPS

Anna Peters, Sunnyside Climbers

FLOWER BOUQUETS

Samantha Kaminski, Rosholt Pioneers
Bridget Lemanczyk, Rosholt Pioneers
Mollie Wisinski, Stevens Point FFA

EXPLORING

Carlee Koziczkowski, Plover Clovers

CULTURAL ARTS

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A huge thank you to
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Have a cool club event or activity you want to highlight?

Submit a photo and caption by email to lisa.henriksen@wisc.edu!

4-HERS IN ACTION!



The Plover Clovers celebrated 4-H week with a visit to the Feltz Dairy Store Corn Maze.



Members of the Plover Clovers enjoyed a trail class demonstration by Brooklyn Trzebiatowski and her horse Hiccup

Pictured right: The Tomorrow River Voyagers in costume for their Halloween party.



Casimer Boosters Club Report - June 2023

The meeting was called to order on June 12, 2023 at 6:15 pm. Pledges were said and roll call was taken.

Old business - Drake and Juniper were counselors for 4-h summer camps for first through sixth graders. Amherst fair entry sign up was due on June 2nd. June dairy day palooza was on June 10th. Drake and Glen went to the ceramic workshop on June 7th. Club t-shirts were due and we had a day for plant sale pickups.

New business - There will be no highway pickup. The cookout will be on August 12th at Festival Foods around 10 am. Amherst fair is July 13th through the 16th and we will be cleaning and setting up the Amherst 4-h food stand on July 10th at 6 pm. We received updated Rosholt fair books. There are county 4-h cookbooks for sale for 15 dollars. On August 1st there will be a county swim party at Don Capps Pool at 6:30pm to 8:30pm. We sang happy birthday to the June birthdays.

The next meeting is on August 14th. The meeting was adjourned at 6:38pm and we had ice cream afterwards.

Casimer Boosters Club Report - August 2023

The meeting was called to order on August 12, 2023 at 6:16pm. Pledges were said and roll call was taken.

Old business - 4-h cookbooks are still for sale for 15 dollars. We ran the cookout at Festival and there was a good turnout. There was a 4-h county pool party at Don Capps Pool and about 50 people showed up. We also talked about how summer academy and the Amherst fair went.

New business - our club was asked to help direct the ROTC run at Schmeckle on September 16th. There will be a 4-h promotion night at Madison school on August 29th. We decided to give up highway pickup. The Rosholt fair cleanup is on August 27th. There will be a 4-h teen leader movie night on September 22nd for 7th graders and up at a park in Junction City and a fall forum in Green Lake on November 4th and 5th for teens. Record books are due on September 30th.

We sang happy birthday to the July and August birthdays. The next meeting is on September 11th and we will be holding our 4-h club fair. The meeting was adjourned at 6:51pm and we then tie dyed our 4-h shirts.

4-H Club Reports

Leader's Board Minutes



Portage County 4-H Leaders Board - June 2023

The Portage County 4-H Leaders Association Board meeting held on 6-19-23, via Zoom and in person at the Annex conference rooms 1 & 2, was called to order by President Malayna Polum at 7:20 pm. Pledges were recited and roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Marilyn Pederson (Carson Climbers), Michelle Waltenberg and Malayna Polum (Nelsonville Zippy Zees), Sharon Cisewski (Plover Clovers), Agnes Mallek (Junction City Golden Stars) Kathy Glodowski (County-Wide), Jan Miller

(Rosholt Pioneers) and Connie Creighton, 4-H Youth Development Agent

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Gadamus Prints and Budget | MINUTES: Minutes were approved as printed.

OFFICER REPORTS: Treasurer's Report: Checking \$26,298.25 Savings \$ 3,800.05 Treasurer's report was placed on file.

Secretary's Report and Correspondence: None

OLD BUSINESS: Cookbook Fundraiser – Books can be picked up at the 4-H office. Money from the sale of books needs to be brought to the 4-H office. | Fair Book Revision Committee – Rosholt Fair Book revisions have been completed. Printed copies will be available

June 1st. | Plant Sale – Sale had its challenges this year due to changes made by the greenhouse (requirement to have a greenhouse sponsor and window of time to sell plants was shorter). Leader Association profit from sale is approximately \$2,800.00. We will need a

new delivery site next year. Feltz's Dairy Store has offered to allow us to use one of their buildings. Jan thanked everyone for helping make the sale a success. | Summer Camp – Overnight camp at CWES. Had 24 youth from Portage County in attendance. Youth in

grade 6 were included in this year's Junior Camp. Swimming was available. Cost per camper was approximately \$104.00/camper.

Male chaperone was from Kewaunee County. | June Dairy Palooza – Very good turnout. Per Kathy, attendance surpassed committee estimates. Feltz family has volunteered to host the event again next year. Eight 4-H clubs participated. Each club will receive \$50 plus

an additional \$5.00 for each club volunteer that helped. | Other – Gadamus Prints: Betty has volunteered to pay for the framing of two prints. Recommendation made to reduce sale price of prints from \$100.00 to \$75.00. Motion by Michelle and second by Sharon to sell

prints for \$75.00. Motion passed. Suggestions for possible ways to sell prints: Offer prints to 4-H families; host a raffle with multiple prizes that include a framed print. Clubs could donate raffle baskets. Sharon suggested the fall opening of the new Agriculture Building

in Plover as a possible location for a raffle.

NEW BUSINESS: Amherst Fair Food Stand-Pizza – Karen will help with food stand again. She is not in favor of adding pizza to the menu due to the amount of space the freezer and oven would require. Per Karen, one of the refrigerators needs to be replaced. Connie

will solicit the donation of a used refrigerator. There was an issue last year with not enough baked potatoes being ready and customers had to wait. Need to schedule food prep ahead of time based on time periods when there will be a high volume of customers. Sale of

pizza can be discussed at the next 4-H Leaders Association meeting. | July 4-H Association Meeting – Meeting will be held at the Amherst Fairgrounds at 7:00 pm on Monday, July 10th. 4-H scholarships will be presented. Youth will meet at 6:00 pm to clean food

stand. | Fair Entry/Sign Up – Rosholt FairEntry program will remain open until the Wednesday after Amherst Fair weekend. Remind youth that if they log off before their entries are completed, they will not be able to log on again until their first entries have been approved. | Plat Book – Plat books have arrived and have been delivered to business sites. Ad will be placed in newspapers to encourage

purchasing books for Father's Day gifts. The remaining 51 books from the last edition of the plat book will be sold for \$25.00. | County-wide Workshops/Project Meetings – Sharon held a second barn quilt workshop. Addition of a smaller size barn quilt worked well.

Start times were staggered based on size of barn quilt. Sharon was able to use some supplies left over from previous workshop so her expenses were reduced. She plans on making this workshop an annual event. Two ceramics workshops were held at the Boston School

Forest with maximum participation. Connie donated the paints and brushes. Kathy has made the arrangements for a cake decorating workshop to be held at the Rosholt American Legion Hall on July 5th at 6:30 pm. Katherine and Julia Ross will be the presenters. Lisa

will send out email notices. | AmeriCorps Volunteer – Connie would like to have a half-time AmeriCorps Volunteer position that would work with the underserved youth in Portage County. The County's part of support for the AmeriCorps volunteer would be \$2,500.00.

Connie asked the Leaders Association to help support this position by donating \$500.00. Motion by Marilyn and second by Jan to donate \$500 toward the support of an AmeriCorps Volunteer. Motion passed. | Cloverbud Day Camp – Connie working with staff at the

Boston School Forest to set up a day camp on July 26th from 1-5 pm. Snacks would be provided. She will request help from 4-H Ambassadors. She is looking for ideas for activities. | Clothing Review – Connie is hoping to bring Style Review back and hold event at the Annex. Library location used in past does not work well due to problem with a changing area. No longer a need for youth to qualify at

the County Style Review to attend the State Fair Style Review. | Other – Budget – Reviewed total expenses and estimated sources of revenue. Budget includes line items totally \$2,800.00 to be used for State and National trip scholarships. Scholarship distribution

would be based on applications submitted in the fall. Teen Leader Association will be encouraged to contribute to the trip funding. Motion by Kathy and second by Marilyn to recommend approval of the budget by the 4-H Leaders Association. | Agent Report – Food

Stand meeting next Monday night at 7:30 at the Annex. Need to review inventory and make plans for ordering supplies. Club work shifts will be assigned. | Next Leaders Association Board Meeting Date – August 21, 2023,

Meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm., Yours in 4-H, Marilyn Pederson, Secretary

Leader's Board Minutes



Portage County 4-H Leaders Association - July 2023

The Portage County 4-H Leaders Association meeting on 7-10-23, held at the Amherst Fairgrounds, was called to order by President Malayna Polum at 7:10 pm. Handouts of the 2022-2023 Income and Expenses and the 2023-2024 Projected Budget were distributed. Pledges were recited and roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Marilyn Pederson (Carson Climbers), Malayna Polum (Nelsonville Zippy Zees), Betty Pionek (Casimer Boosters), Karen Jastromski (Tomorrow River Voyagers), Jan Miller (Rosholt Pioneers) and Connie Creighton, 4-H Youth Development Agent. **Guests:** Jacob Spoelstra and Maria Kildahl

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Gadamus Prints | **MINUTES:** Minutes were approved as presented.

OFFICER REPORTS: Treasurer's Report: Checking \$25,023.30 Savings \$ 500.00 \$3,500.00 from savings was added to the CDs to bring total amount of combined CDs to \$10,000. One \$10,000 CD with a 13-month renewal date was purchased at the BMO Bank. Treasurer's report was placed on file. | Secretary's Report and Correspondence: Thank you cards from Zack Kolodziej and Maria Kildahl for 4-H scholarships were read.

OLD BUSINESS: Portage County 4-H Scholarship Presentation – 4-H scholarship checks were presented to Jacob Spoelstra and Maria Kildahl. | Cookbook Fundraiser – Money from the sale of 100 cookbooks (\$1500.00) plus a \$10.00 donation has been deposited in the Leader Association checking account. Cook books will be sold at the Amherst Fair 4-H Food Stand. Income from cookbook sales will be kept separate from food stand money. | Summer Camp – Overnight camp at CWES. Had 24 youth from Portage County in attendance as compared to 8 participants last year. Youth in grade 6 were included in this year's Junior Camp. Swimming was available in shallow area. Male chaperone was from Kewaunee County. Betty reported that she thinks the food is better at CWES than at Wisconsin Dells and that CWES has less restrictions. | Plat Book – Jan reported that Plat Books were delivered to all the sale sites prior to Rockford Map mailing out the post cards listing the sale sites. Newspaper adds were preapproved in the budget and have been placed. Advertising will be done again in the fall. Have already sold 67 plat books. | Clothing Review – Cancelled due to lack of interest. | June Dairy Palooza – Very good turnout. Feltz family has volunteered to host the event again next year. Each club will receive \$50 plus an additional \$5.00 for each club volunteer that helped. | Other – Gadamus Prints: Betty is working with Koerten Gallery to get three prints framed, one each for the Market Animal Sales at Amherst and Rosholt and one for a display in Feltz Dairy Store. Jan recommended that a sub-committee meet to discuss ways to market the prints. Discussion was tabled until a later date. | Request from Juniper – Juniper plans to attend National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia. She requested financial assistance from the Leaders Association. Motion by Betty and second by Jan to contribute \$400 toward Juniper's expenses. Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS: Approval of Budget – Jan discussed handouts. Motion by Marilyn and second by Betty to approve the 2023-2024 Projected Budget. Motion passed. Connie received approval for a ½ time AmeriCorps volunteer. Cost will be \$500. Connie would like to write a grant for \$3,000 to cover expense for the AmeriCorps volunteer to work with outreach. She would like to use the Leader Association name when writing the grant. Motion by Marilyn and second by Malayna for Connie to write a grant for funding for the AmeriCorps program using the Portage County 4-H Leaders Association name. Motion passed. | Rosholt Fair Clean Up – August 27 - Time: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Connie voiced concern about moving display cases up the hill from the storage area. | Cloverbud/Explorer Day Camp – Scheduled for July 25th and July 27th from 2-5 pm at the Boston School Forest. Theme is Island Adventures. A \$25 refundable deposit is required. No charge for use of facility. We already have a one-year insurance liability policy for the Portage County 4-H to use the Boston School Forest on file. Need camp counselors (grades 6 and up) and adult chaperones. | Rosholt Fair – Entry deadline is July 19th. | County-wide Workshops/Project Meetings – Connie working on a virtual sewing workshop. She will check with Pat Tepp and Lois Sadogierski. Cake decorating workshop was held at the Rosholt American Legion Hall on July 5th. 15 youth participated in the workshop taught by Katherine and Julia Ross. Frosting was provided by the Rosses. Second ceramics workshop was taught by Trisha and Michael. They did a nice job. Received a thank you from the Waupaca County 4-H for donating the items for their ceramics workshop. | Agent Report – State Fair doesn't take Best of Shows. Items are specifically selected by judges at the Rosholt Fair. Recommend that Amherst Fair also have judges select items. If a youth's item is selected, they must contact the State Fair and ship or deliver themselves. Still looking for another adult to work with the 4-H Teen Leaders.

Next Leaders Association Meeting Date – September 18, 2023

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm.

Yours in 4-H, Marilyn Pederson, Secretary

4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION

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The Poster Contest is open to K-12 students in five divisions. The Poster Contest theme is "May the Forest be With You Always". Posters and registration forms are due on Friday, December 15, 2023 by 4:00 p.m. in the Land and Water Conservation Division (LWCD) office. Pick up service is available. Posters winners will be announced at the Land and Water Conservation Committee meeting on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

The Speaking Contest is open to students in grades 5-12 in three divisions. Speeches must promote the conservation of natural resources and protection or enhancement of environmental quality. Registrations can be emailed or dropped off no later than Friday, December 15, 2023 by 4:00 p.m. Speeches will be performed and judged at the Land and Water Conservation Committee meeting on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

Awards are given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each division in each contest. First place winners in each division of each contest advance to the Area Contest, date to be determined. For applications and more information go to:

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