

CONGRATULATIONS TO GWEN DADO ON BEING NAMED ONE OF THE LAUREATES IN THE WISCONSIN 4-H HALL OF FAME IN THE 2023 CLASS!

She is a 4-H volunteer in Polk County that has been active in coaching 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl and Judging Teams. She is passionate about providing opportunities for youth to learn more about agriculture and the dairy industry. During her volunteer service, she has worked to expand the 4-H Dairy Project and coached 4-H members in state and national experiences, including 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl, 4-H Dairy Management, and National 4-H Dairy Judging contests. She works to instill values of dedication, work ethic, education, and teamwork in all youth she reaches. Congratulations Gwen for being inducted into the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame!

Clover Connection

All Record Book reviews, Leadership Award forms, Club Community Care and Pride Reports are Due in the County 4-H Office on September 3rd

Attention Club Leaders! We still need a couple more spots filled for the food stand. Please consider signing up for a second shift. We only need 8-12 people per 4-hour shift.

Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame



Gwen Dado
Polk County
2023 Laureate

Summer Garden Bash

READY, SET, BLOOM!

Come join Polk County 4-H as we explore everything garden, from flowers to pollinators, to relaxation. Cloverbuds (grades K - 3) and friends are invited to join us in our garden adventure. Both 4-H members and non-members are welcome to attend.

Tuesday, July 9th at the Dresser Community Hall
9 am - 1 pm

Register using the QR code by June 28th



June 2024

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

						1 ~Robotics Workshop
2 ~Rabbit Workshop	3	4	5	6 ~Robotics EV3 Programming	7	8 ~Archery Practice ~Dairy Breakfast
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			4-H CAMP			
16 Fair Entries Due! Happy Fathers Day!	17 ~Tractor Safety Course	18 ~Tractor Safety Course ~Area Animal Science Days	19 ~Tractor Safety Course	20 ~Tractor Safety Testing ~Area Animal Science Days	21 ~Deadline to get articles in the Newsletter	22 ~Interstate Livestock Show ~ Pre Fair Shooting Sports
		HORSE CAMP				
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 ~Robotics Workshop
	SUMMER ACADEMY					
30						

June

- 1: Robotics, Sphero & EV3, 9am-11am at the First Presbyterian Church of SCF
- 2: Rabbit Workshop starting at 2pm at the Polk County Fairgrounds
- 6: Robotics, EV3 Programming, 6:30pm-8pm at the First Presbyterian Church of SCF
- 8: Archery Practice, Osceola Rod & Gun Club, Beginner & Novice 8am-10am, Experienced 10am-12pm
- 8: Dairy Breakfast, 9am-Noon, Straight River Ranch (878 250th Ave, Luck
- 12-14: 4-H Camp
- 16: Fair Entries are DUE
- 17: Tractor Safety Course, 8:30-3:30 at Barron Hight School
- 18-20: Horse Camp at the Polk County Fairgrounds
- 18: Area Animal Science Days, Shawano County
- 18: Tractor Safety Course, 8:30-3:30 at Barron Hight School
- 19: Tractor Safety Course, 8:30-3:30 at Barron Hight School
- 20: Tractor Safety Testing, 8-Noon at Barron Hight School
- 20: Area Animal Science Days, Green County
- 21: Deadline to get articles into the newsletter
- 22: Interstate Livestock Show
- 22: Pre-Fair Shooting Sports, 9am-Noon at the Balsam Lake Rod and Gun Club
- 24-27: Summer Academy at the UW Madison Campus
- 29: Robotics, Sphero & EV3 Final Programming, 9am-11am at the First Presbyterian Church of SCF

July

- 1: Fair Signs Must be Up!
- 6: Archery Pre-Fair Shoot will start at 8am at the Osceola Rod and Gun Club
- 6: Robotics Pre-Fair Run Off . Registration starts at 12:30, event is from 1-5pm at the First Presbyterian Church of SCF
- 7: Last day for fair entry changes
- 9: Cloverbud Day Camp, 9am-1pm at the Dresser Community Hall
- 13: Pre Fair Dog Show
- 15: Fair Signs must be mailed to Judy Bainbridge
- 15: Pre Fair Aerospace Flying and Launching, 2pm at the Polk County Fair Park
- 17: New Family Orientation, starting at 6pm in the 4-H building at the Polk County Fairgrounds
- 17: Fair Prep and Work Days, 5:30-9pm at the Polk County Fairgrounds
- 19: Cat and Pet Pal & Cavy Pre Fair Show. Check in starts at 5:30pm at the Polk County Fairgrounds
- 20: Fair Prep and Work Days, 8am-Noon at the Polk County Fairgrounds
- 22: Fair Prep and Work Days, 8am-Noon
- 26: Robotics Youth Demonstrations at the Polk County Fairgrounds, 11am-12

25-28: POLK COUNTY FAIR!!

August

- 1: 4-H Record Book Workshop, 6:30-8pm at the Polk County Justice Center
- 2: Learn to Use the Force! 9am-3pm at the Polk County Fairgrounds
- 5: Fair signs must be taken down

September

- 3: Record Book reviews, Leadership Award forms, Club Community Care and Pride reports are due. Please drop off at the Extension Office.

MEET OUR SUMMER INTERN!

Hi! My name is NATALIE CHARTRAND



and I am the 2024 Polk County 4-H Summer Intern. I recently finished my freshman year of college at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, where I am

working towards a bachelor's degree in chemistry. I currently live in Eureka and graduated from St. Croix Falls High School last year. I am still an active member of 4-H and my projects include art and crochet. I am super excited to be working with the Polk County 4-H program and can not wait for the fair!

RABBIT WORKSHOP

**JUNE 2ND STARTING AT 2PM,
AT THE POLK COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS.**

We will meet behind the rabbit barn. We will weigh and tattoo rabbits for 4-Hers who would like to have their rabbits weighed and tattooed.

This is just for rabbits that will be exhibited at the fair. We



will talk about the fair and answer questions. Anyone who would like to make a donation for the tattooing of their rabbit, the monies will be used for the purchasing of trophies.

If you have any questions, please call:

**Becky Larson -
715.278.2830
Carol Suckut-
715.410.5078**

WHAT'S UP WITH YOUR CLUB?

Would you like your Club featured in the next Clover Newsletter? It's simple!

Write up a short article telling us just how fun your

club's event was and make sure to include a picture with the names of the members featured. Let us and other clubs know the good work you are doing in the community! To share your club's story please email Kerry at: kerry.hill2@wisc.edu

LOOKING FOR 4-H FORMS & APPLICATIONS?

4-H forms and application can be found on our website,

[https://
polk.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-
youth-development/](https://polk.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/)

Interstate Livestock Youth Show

**SATURDAY, JUNE 22
POLK COUNTY FAIR PARK
CHECK-IN: 7:30-8:30**

**PREREGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!
FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO REGISTER,
PLEASE VISIT THE
[POLK COUNTY QUALITY MEATS PAGE](#)**

Polk County

JOIN the  **ROBOTICS**

Youth interested in Robotics who are Explorers (9-19 years old), this is your chance to sign up to work with Sphero Ball programming and EV3 Robot construction and programming. These workshops are intended to get a Robotics youth and their project ready for the Pre-Fair Run Off.

In these workshops youth will have a chance to work at various levels of complexities in Robotics with guidance if needed. Youth will have an opportunity to work with Sphero balls and learn to program them to run/light/sound in various complexities of courses. They will also have a chance to build EV3 Robots and learn to program them to use various sensors and run various challenges.

2024 Work Shop Dates:

- June 1st, 9am-11am, Sphero & EV3 and Fair Discussions
- June 6th, 6:30pm-8pm, EV3 Programing
- June 29th, 9am-11am, Sphero Balls & EV3 Final Programing
- July 6th, 12:30 for Registration, 1-5pm is the Pre-Fair Run Off
- July 26th, 11am-12, All Robotics Youth Present Demonstrations at the Polk County Fair

All workshops and the Pre-Fair Run Off will be held at First Presbyterian Church of SCF at 719 Nevada St., SCF.

Any questions, please email Shirley at smillerfrey@gmail.com.

ATTENTION HORSE PROJECT MEMBERS!
HORSE CAMP will be held on Tuesday, June 18—Thursday, June 20th at the Polk County Fairgrounds.

Horse Camp is open to 4-H members 3rd grade and up.

If anyone is interested, please reach out to Teresa Hach, thach@amfam.com



Polk County Fair Contest 2024

The Polk County Fair Board is again sponsoring an outdoor sign contest to promote the Polk County Fair. The sign must be at least four feet by eight feet (4x8). You **MUST** include the fair dates (July 25, 26, 27 & 28), location (St. Croix Falls Fair Grounds), and your club name.

Sign should be up by July 1st, and be taken down by August 5th. The sign needs to be on private land, not on the road right of way. Make sure to get permission from the landowner.

Submit a color 8x10 photograph of your sign, the location by July 15th to:

Judy Bainbridge
 2267 170th Street
 Luck, WI 54853
 Phone 715-553-0801

Judging will be based on creativity and advertisement value. Judging will be done by the Polk County Fair Board. Only new signs will be judged for the first place award of \$200.00, or the second place of \$100.00. All clubs that submit a photo will receive \$50.00 for one sign.

**The Fair Theme for this Year is:
 ROCK THE FLOCK**



SERVE GROW THRIVE MAKE

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4-H Record Book Workshop

**Thursday, August 1st, 2024
 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 Polk County Justice Center**

Do you want help completing your 4-H Record Book? Join us for an evening of hands-on instruction on all the ins and outs of this important record keeping tool!

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DAIRY BREAKFAST

JUNE 8TH, 9AM-NOON,
LOCATED AT THE
STRAIGHT RIVER RANCH:
878 250TH AVE LUCK, WI

Enjoy Breakfast, Face
Painting, Petting Zoo and
More!

Adults \$8, Children 4-12 \$5
and Children 3 and under are
Free

For Question or for More
Information, Please Contact
Jeanne at 715-553-2488



POLK COUNTY FAIR PREP AND WORK DAYS SET FOR 2024

The Polk County Fair
Society has set the
following work days to
get ready for the 2024!!

Work dates will be:

- Wednesday, July 17th
5:30pm-9:00pm
- Saturday, July 20th
8:00am-12:00pm
- Monday, July 22nd
8:00am-12:00pm

NEW FAMILY ORIENTATION

Wednesday, July 17th @6pm
In the 4-H Building on the Polk County Fairgrounds

Is your family new to the fair? Do you have
questions about what happens at the fair
as a 4-H member?

Join the 4-H ambassadors for new family
orientation and get your questions
answered! There will be a tour of the
fairgrounds, an overview of what to expect
at the fair, a session to ask questions, and
practice judging.

WI 4-H AREA ANIMAL
SCIENCE DAYS
REGISTRATION OPEN!



SHAWANO COUNTY
JUNE 18TH

GREEN COUNTY
JUNE 20TH



WATCH INBOXES AND SOCIAL MEDIA
FOR FUTURE REGISTRATION INFORMATION



WI 4-H
AREA ANIMAL
SCIENCE DAYS

REGISTRATION
OPEN!

SEE THE POST FOR MORE INFORMATION
ABOUT THE EVENT AND HOW TO REGISTER



Extension
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON



Area Animal Science Days Information!
<https://shorturl.at/gpoq7>

PLEASE SIGN UP NOW FOR THE FOOD STAND AT THE 2024 POLK COUNTY FAIR.

We want to get the schedule made out so everyone gets a copy in the July newsletter. Everyone taking a 4-H sponsored trip and attending 4-H Camp must take a shift at the Food Stand either with your club or as an individual. **WE NEED, AROUND, 8 TO 12 PEOPLE PER SHIFT WORKING (3 ADULTS AND THE REST CAN BE KIDS). THE CLUBS WHO HAVE MORE HELPERS MAY WANT TO SPLIT THE 4 HOUR SHIFT INTO 2 HOUR INCREMENTS. IF YOU HAVE A LARGE CLUB, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO SIGN UP FOR MORE THAN ONE SHIFT.** When your club decides, which shift you would like to work, please contact Kerry at the Extension Office, Kerry.hill2@wisc.edu or call at 715-485-8600.

All shifts need to report outside of food stand door (across from the 4-H office door) 15 minutes early for on-the-job training. Please wait for further instructions before going into the food stand.

Wednesday, July 26th

11am-3pm 1) Cushing

3pm-7pm 1) Cedar Lake

7pm-10pm 1) Deronda Diplomats

Thursday, July 27th

10am-2pm 1) Scenic View

2) Bone Lake Beavers

2pm-6pm 1) Cattail Clovers

2) Little Falls Livewires

6pm-10pm 1) West Sweden

2) South Milltown

Friday, July 28th

10am-2pm 1) Jolly Milltown

2) Indian Creek

2pm-6pm 1) Northern Lights

2) Northern Lights

6pm-10pm 1)

2)

Saturday, July 29th

10am-2pm 1) Beaver Brook Badgers

2) McKinley Vikings

2pm-6pm 1)

2)

6pm-10pm 1)

2)

Sunday, July 30th

10am-2pm 1) Pleasant Lake

2pm-4pm 1) Shooting Stars

GUIDELINES FOR YOUTH WORKING IN THE FOOD STAND!

Youth should be twelve years old to work in the food stand.

Youth under twelve can work in the food stand, but need to have adult supervision.

There should be only 8-12 people working in the food stand TOTAL. At least three of those people need to be adults.

If two clubs are working together, please arrive before your designated training time to decide who is working in the food stand.

Everyone young and old MUST bring a CLEAN cap or visor to wear working the 4-H Food Stand. Exceptions are individuals able to tie all hair back including bangs. Thank you ahead of time for your cooperation

Learn to Use the Force!

August 2nd, 2024

From 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Polk County Fair Grounds

800 E Louisiana St, Saint Croix Falls, WI 54024

Open to youth in grades 5-8

<https://forms.gle/m1QDpzbFgnk3acfUA>



Learn to Use the Force – move objects, shoot marbles, and pick up metals with the power of electromagnetism!

Electromagnets are everywhere! They are a major component of vacuums and computer hard drives. But how do we make these magnetic forces work for us? How do we control their power?

Join UW-Madison staff and students to explore electromagnets, electricity, pathways to higher education and related career paths. Through Learn to Use the Force Kit youth will learn basic circuitry to create an electromagnet. Once tested the electromagnetic device will be modified into a marble shooter.



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REMINDER!

ALL FAIR ENTRIES ARE DUE BY June 16th!

No entries will be accepted if postmarked after June 16th and no changes on fair entries will be made after July 7th.

If you have questions, please contact Michelle Peterson at 715-781-0725 or email pcfaientries@gmail.com

ROBOTICS PRE-FAIR

RUN-OFF JULY 6TH, 2024

12:30-5:00 P.M. FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 719

NEVADA ST; ST. SCF All models

under ROBOTICS - LEVEL 1 All 8 Lot

numbers & LEVEL 2 Lot numbers 15

through 26 & LEVEL Lot numbers 30

through 32, and 38 through 45 will be

judged for ribbons and premiums at the

Pre-Fair Run-Off that will be held at the

First Presbyterian Church building at 719

Nevada St., St. Croix Falls. The Run-off

date this year is July 8th, 2024.

Registration is at 12:30. Run-Off judging will begin at 1:00 p.m. You must register to Run. All Robots in these lot numbers Must sign up for and be Demonstrated in the Crops Building at the Polk County Fair on Saturday in order to receive premiums, unless excused by 4-H Agent, Lindsay Spindler.

Demonstration time spots to be determined at the Run-Off. If you have any questions, contact

Shirley Miller-Frey 715-557-1467.



SHOOTING SPORTS

PRE-FAIR SHOOTING SPORTS WILL BE HELD ON **JUNE 22ND** STARTING AT 9AM-NOON. All participants are asked to check in for their discipline by 11:30am. For questions, please contact Chad/Stacey Lutsey at chad.lutsey@gmail.com or 715-541-4241.

PRE-FAIR ARCHERY WILL BE HELD ON **JULY 6TH** FROM 8AM TO NOON. If possible, we ask that younger shooters utilize the earlier hours and the older shooters the later hours. If you have any question please contact Amy Bateman, 651-442-9414

CAT PROJECT MEMBERS; PET PAL & CAVY PROJECT MEMBERS! This year the Polk County Fair Cat Show will be held prior to the Polk County Fair, on Saturday, July 19. All cats will be vet checked at 5:30pm and all cage decorating will be done by show time. Show time is at 6pm. Cats are to be left in cages until show is done. Please see the Polk County Fair Premium book for cage dimensions and more details. **Also, Pet Pals and Cavies will judge this day, beginning at 5:30pm.**

4-H DOG PROJECT MEMBERS: This years Pre-Fair Dog Show will be scheduled for Saturday, July 13th at the Polk County Fair Park.

Please contact Nancy Wilson for more information, applerivernan@gmail.com

AEROSPACE PRE-FAIR FLYING/LAUNCHING DATES

To receive premiums and ribbons in lot numbers 1-17 and 23-28, flying and launching sessions will be held at the Polk County Fair Park on Saturday, July 15th at 2pm. Championship session will be held on the same day, July 10th. **You must be register to fly!** If you have questions, contact Matt Babcock at 612-308-8885

If it's raining, the date will change to July 16th at 2pm

To qualify for the championship model airplane and model rocket fly-off in lots 1-17 you must fly three categories: hand launch, catapult launch, and rubber powered. Lots 23-28 must fly two categories; target accuracy and parachute duration, an exhibitor must have attended one of the first two sessions and earned at least one blue ribbon in any of the model airplane or model rocket lots numbers from 1-17 and 23-28.



Barron-Polk

Tractor Safety

Monday, June 17 - Thursday, June 20 2024

Barron High School

SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
8:30AM-3:30PM

Thursday: 8AM-Noon (testing)

*Student should bring lunch for each session.
Milk, juice and/or water will be provided.*

LOCATION

Barron High School
1050 Woodland Ave, Barron WI 54812

Register Today

Course Fees: \$20

Online:

barron.extension.wisc.edu/tractorsafety

Call: 715-788-6240

For Questions Contact:

Extension Barron/Polk County

4h@co.barron.wi.us or 715-788-6240

Kristin Hanson—Barron High School (715) 537-5627

Arlaina Meyer—Cumberland High School (715) 822-5117

Courtney Wolfgram—Prairie Farm High School (715) 455-1861

Pete Kolpack—Rice Lake High School (715) 234-2181

Brenda Scheil—New Auburn High School 715-237-2350

Jeffrey Ladd—Cameron High School P715-458-4560

Kelly Hubert—Turtle Lake High School 715-986-4470

David Dittbrenner—Clayton High School 715-948-2163

Emily Johnson—Clear Lake High School 715-263-2114

Derrick Meyer—Amery High School 715-268-7300

Jenelle Larsen—Luck High School 715-472-2152

Paul Jakupciak—Osceola High School 715-294-2127

Donna Tietz—Frederic High School 715-327-4223

Lisa Jagiello-Unity High School 715-825-3515

The Wisconsin Youth Tractor & Machinery Safety Certification Program is designed to meet state and federal requirements for youth.

- 12-13 year olds operating tractors or self-propelled implements on public roads under direction of their parent or guardian or for work related to their family farm operation
- 14-15 year olds who will be employed (or working without pay) by farms not operated by their parents/family.

Youth will learn:

- Safe Tractor and Implement Operation and Farm Safety Techniques including identifying potentially hazardous situations and how to reduce risk of injury
- Tractor instruments, controls, maintenance and safety inspections of tractors.
- Proper use and operation of tractors and tractor limitations.

Certification Requirements

- Eligible students must be 12 years old or older prior to the beginning of the course.
- Attend 24 hours of instructional training
- Pass written examination with a minimum score of 70%
- Pass a practical driving examination demonstrating safe operation of tractor and 2 wheel implement through obstacle course



And Barron/Polk
County Schools

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What's Up With Your Club



FOREST VIEW 4-HERS GOT CRAFTY AND DECORATED WOODEN CLOVER ORNAMENTS, AND COLORED 4-H THEMED BOOKMARKS.



THE BONE LAKE BEAVERS CLUB PARTICIPATED IN TRASH PICKUP



4-H's Long-reaching Effects

Compared to other youth, 4-Hers are:

4x more likely to contribute to their communities



2x more likely to be civically active

2x more likely to make healthier lifestyle choices



INDIAN CREEK SERVING OUR LOCAL TOWNSHIP BY DOING ROAD CLEANUP.



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