



2025-
2026

IRON COUNTY 4-H
ACHIEVEMENT
BANQUET
PROGRAM

KIMBALL COMMUNITY CENTER
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026
12:00 - 2:00 PM



UW-MADISON EXTENSION

2025-2026 IRON COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

IRON COUNTY 4-H GREEN TEAM

ENROLLED LEADERS:

Amanda Jewell, Kari Klemme,
Neil Klemme, Eva Krall, Emily Moore,
Serena Tauer, Stacy Wood

ENROLLED MEMBERS:

(Members in bold achieved):

Wynter Binz, **McKennen Gerbig**,
Azaylia Jewell, **Wysteria Jewell**,
Braeden Klemme, **Kasey Klemme**, Gabriel Risik, **Lydia Risik**,
Brendan Tijan, **Bruce Tijan**, **Roarke Tijan**

CLUB OFFICERS:

President - Braeden Klemme

Vice President - Roarke Tijan

Treasurer - Wysteria Jewell

Secretary - Lydia Risik





PENOKEE RANGE LIVESTOCK CLUB

ENROLLED LEADERS:

Chelsea DeRosso, Scott DeRosso, Jerry Hitter, Kellie Hitter, Jenna Laurin, Courtney Maslanka, Joe Maslanka, Tina Romosz, Kendra Thewis, Peter Thewis, Kathleen Walesewicz, Robert Walesewicz, Lisa Wiita

ENROLLED MEMBERS (Members in bold achieved):

Bella DeRosso, Piper Hitter, Samantha Hitter, Taylor Hitter, Lucas Koski, Owen Koski, Everett Laurin, Garrett Laurin, Peyton Maslanka, Piper Romosz, Jacob Schultz, Kaylee Schultz, Parker Sivula, Skyler Thewis, Starr Thewis, Alexandra Tolemy, Nicholas Walesewicz, Madelyn Wiita, Michael Wiita

CLUB OFFICERS:

President - Nicholas Walesewicz
 Vice President - Parker Sivula
 Secretary - Taylor Hitter
 Treasurer - Peyton Maslanka





ADVENTURERS OF THE NORTH 4-H CLUB

ENROLLED LEADERS:

Jaime Elenbaas, David Lutz, Penny Lutz

ENROLLED MEMBERS (Members in bold achieved):

Mia Basina, **Wyatt Elenbaas**, **Luke Juoni**, **Max Juoni**, Karsen Kapustka, Charlie Ofstad, **Viola Ofstad**, **Adalyn Rice**, Treanna Walitshek, Benjamin Yurchak, Norah Yurchak

CLUB OFFICERS:

President - Viola Ofstad

Vice President - Max Juoni

Secretary - Vacant

Treasurer - Luke Juoni





SISU ENDURANCE TEAM CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLUB & RACE TEAM

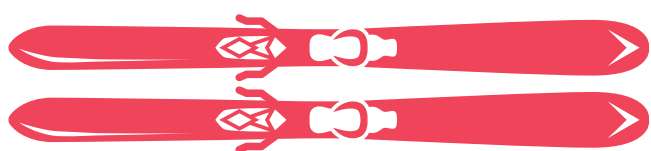
Members and coaches in bold participated in the SET XC Ski Club's race team!

ENROLLED LEADERS:

David Andresen, **Will Andresen**, Jessica Backman, Molly Gardner, Neil Klemme, Christina LaMaide, Carla Loeffler, Mike McPherson, **Hannah Panci**, **Jonathon Rulseh**, Shawn Tresselt

ENROLLED MEMBERS:

Annika Andresen, Sten Andresen, Olivia Backman, Kaiden Borth, Rohan Borth, Zion Borth, Elin Borth, Elin Brand, **Marlo Brand**, Lucas Cryan, Maya Cryan, Hank Gardner, Ezra Hoeft, Iris Hoeft, Sela Hoeft, **Elise Holloway**, Harper Ikoka, Paige Ikola, **Andrew Lawson**, Bryce Lehrkamp, Owen Lehrkamp, William Lehrkamp, Jameson Loeffler, Kylie Loeffler, Madeline McPherson, Isley Miller, Soren Rulseh, Brycen Ruppel, Liam Ruppel, Willow Ruppel, Ezri Schmidt, Tasha Schmidt, Clara Schoone, Ryan Schoone, **Liam Schoeller**, Olivia Slack, Charlotte Spaniel, Jedi Spaniel, Letty Tingstead, Freya Tompkins, **Grace Tuzee**, **Ryan Tuzee**, Axel Warren, Leif Warren



SET Race Team members members Liam Schoeller and Marlo Brand participated in multiple practices per week. Pictured L-R are Liam, volunteer Jay Sween, Marlo and Leader Will Andresen.

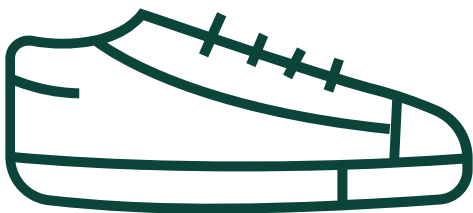




SISU ENDURANCE TEAM RUNNING CLUB

ENROLLED LEADERS:

Jessica Backman, Katie Brownell, Heather Day, Michael McPherson, Leah Nikula



NON-ENROLLED VOLUNTEERS/PARENT HELPERS:

Donna Gering, Krista Granroth, Tony Lupino, Rachelle McPherson, Sam Olson

ENROLLED MEMBERS:

Annika Andresen, Sten Andresen, Marlo Brand, Makenna Brownell, Jamie Brushaber, Abel Bucknell, Isaac Bucknell, Jack Eddy-Hogan, Connor Eliason, Colton Erickson, Ivan Granroth, Elise Holloway, Siri Jacobson, Kaelyn Kanto, Maliyah Lamaide, Henry Lupino, Matthew Lupino, Madeline McPherson, Laney Miljevich, Aubrey Miller, Isley Miller, October Oja, Snow Oja, Addison Olson, Harper Pietrocatelli, Ryan Schoone, Clara Schoone, Emery Schwartz, Quinn Schwartz, Jace Thomason, Axel Warren, Janelle Wetzel





2025-2026 IRON COUNTY 4-H LEADERS

Thank you to our 2025-2026 Leaders who volunteer countless hours of their time to the Iron County 4-H program. Thank you for all you do!

David Andresen
Will Andresen
Jessica Beckman
Katie Brownell
Heather Day
Chelsea DeRosso
Scott DeRosso
Jamie Elenbaas
Molly Gardner
Joyce Gayan
Jason Geach
Melissa Geach
Duane Gulan
Jerry Hitter
Kellie Hitter
Rebecca Holm
Amanda Jewell
Kari Klemme
Neil Klemme
Eva Krall
Christina LaMaide

Jenna Laurin
Brienne Lehrkamp
Carla Loeffler
David Lutz
Penny Lutz
Courtney Maslanka
Joe Maslanka
Michael McPherson
Emily Moore
Leah Nikula
Hannah Panci
Greg Ramme
Tina Romosz
Jonathon Rulseh
Dawn Rye
Serena Tauer
Kendra Thewis
Peter Thewis
Shawn Tresselt
Kathleen Walesewicz
Robert Walesewicz
Lisa Wiita
Stacy Wood
Karl Zinsmaster



2025-2026 COMMUNITY SERVICE

Each club participated in a variety of community service projects this past year, ranging anywhere from cleaning up the roadway on County C near the Gile Flowage, making Christmas cards for area nursing homes, volunteering at community events, and more!

Annika Andresen
Sten Andresen
Wynter Binz
Elin Brand
Marlo Brand
Bella DeRosso
Wyatt Elenbaas
McKennen Gerbig
Karly Gervais
Piper Hitter
Samantha Hitter
Taylor Hitter
Luke Juoni
Max Juoni
Azaylia Jewell
Wysteria Jewell

Braeden Klemme
Kasey Klemme
Lucas Koski
Owen Koski
Everett Laurin
Garrett Laurin
Peyton Maslanka
Charlie Ofstad
Viola Ofstad
Adalyn Rice
Gabriel Risik
Lydia Risik
Piper Romosz
Parker Sivula

Jacob Schultz
Kaylee Schultz
Liam Schoeller
Skyler Thewis
Starr Thewis
Brendan Tijan
Bruce Tijan
Roarke Tijan
Alex Tolemy
Nicholas Walesewicz
Madelyn Wiita
Ben Yurchak
Norah Yurchak

Pictured top right: Members of the SISU Endurance Team XC Ski Club pitched in during a November 2025 trail workbee at ABR Ski Trails.



Pictured bottom right: During the 2025-2026 4-H year, members of the Penokee Range Livestock Club volunteered at the annual Kimball Fire Department Turkey Feed and partnered with the Town of Kimball and Kimball Volunteer Fire Department to assemble and deliver Christmas baskets to local families.



2026 4-H PIE AUCTION

Thank you to the 2026 Iron County 4-H pie auction bakers and buyers for making this year's auction a huge success! Check out our buyers and bakers, in no particular order.

BUYERS:

Ashland Area Vet Clinic, Crosshairs Salon/Saxon Motors, Family Of Doris & Bob Ofstad, Forslund Building Supply, Frontier Campground, Hurley Area Animal Hospital, Iron County Fire Chief's Association, Iron County Republican Party, Kendra Blaney, Knock Knock Penny, Kory Ofstad, Kretzschmar Holsteins, Lulich Implement, Mitch Levra, National Wild Turkey Federation (Snowbelt Longbeards), Northwoods Logging & Custom Log Homes, Inc., Quality Collision, Ragged Ass Syrup Company, Randall For Sheriff, Rowe Forest Products, Superior Lawn Care, Swartz Seamless Gutters, Taco Dan, Thomas Beronich, Tiziani Sand & Gravel, White Thunder Riders

BAKERS:

Adult: Ava Innes, Becky Koivisto, Bernie Jerow, **Brianna Haughom (Grand Champion)**, Brooke Marczak, Carol Saari, Corinne Ofstad, Deb Swartz, Joe Gayan, Joyce Gayan, Karina Saari, Kendra Blaney, Lynn Binz, Michaela Ratkowski, Nancy Garrelts, Nancy Garrelts, Nicole Hissa, **Nicole Holstrom (Reserve Grand Champion)**, Pat Mccullough, Sarah Rowe, **Stacey Wiercinski (Honorable Mention)**, Stevie Lafortune, Toni Ratkowski, Trudy Schellinger

Youth: Elsie Swartz, Iris Rowe, Luke Juoni, Max Juoni, Meah Luoma, **Viola Ofstad (Youth Honorable Mention)**, **Walker Rowe (Youth Reserve Grand Champion)**, **Wysteria Jewell (Youth Grand Champion)**

Thank you to our pie judges, Peter Thewis, Shane Wyzlic, Emily Moore, and special guest judge, Miss Wisconsin, Jordenne Butler. We also want to thank our auctioneer, Nolan Salzmann.

The 2026 pie auction raised just over \$15,000. Pictured right is Jason & Micki Rowe (Quality Collision) with Youth Grand Champion Wysteria Jewell.

Thank you to Jason, our buyers and bakers for making this year's auction a sweet success!



2026 4-H SILENT AUCTION

Thank you to the businesses & individuals who donated to this year's 4-H silent auction, which raised just over \$5,000. Also thank you to the many 4-H families who helped collect donations!



2026 IRON COUNTY 4-H SILENT AUCTION DONORS:

906 Beauty, 906 Massage Therapy, Adventurers of the North 4-H Club, Amber Guglielmotto, Angelina Wiita, Anonymous Donor, Bear Chasers, Ben Franklin, Big Country Heating & Cooling, Big Top Chautauqua, Cathy Techtmann, Chippewa Valley Bank, Club 77, Cold Iron Brewing, Cortney Ofstad, Curt's Creations, Dark Side Pyrography, Dominos, Driftwood Bar & Campground, Eagle Bluff Golf Course, Edward Jones (Ken Saari), Glensheen Mansion, Gogebic Community College, Great Lakes Aquarium, Green Team 4-H Club, Headlines, Hitt's Fine Furniture, Hudson Square Coffee Company, Hurley Booster Club, Iron County 4-H, Iron Horse Saloon, Janette Christie, Jason & Michelle Sedovic, Joe's Shirt Shack, Lake of the Torches Casino, Lake Superior Zoo, Leah Simonich, Little Finland, Luoma's Saxon Pub, Mattson's TV and Appliance, Mercer Garden Center, Meyer Feed & Seed, NICER, North Star Beverage, Northwind Natural Foods Co-op, Northwoods Accents, Northland Foods, O'Reilly Auto, Ofstad Sales & Service, Pat's Foods Ace Hardware, Park Point Marina Inn, Penokee Range Livestock Club, Pine Lake Lodge, Pitt's Place, Rebecca Holm, Rigoni's Bakery, Rivers Edge Custom Works, Sharon's, Snow's Family Market, Stoffel's Country Store, Suffolk Street Eatery, The Pines (Mercer), Tractor Supply, Turtle River Trading Co., Upper Block, Wampum Shop, White Cross Pharmacy, Yukon 51, Z's Family Market



2026 LIVESTOCK AUCTION PURCHASERS

The Penokee Range Livestock Club would like to thank all of the buyers and those that supported the youth by placing bids during the 2026 Market Sale at the Iron County Fair.

STEERS

Peyton Maslanka (Grand Champion) - Enbridge

Alex Tolemy (Reserve Grand Champion) - Stoffels Country Store

Nick Waledewicz - Brettings

Parker Sivula - Lulich Implement

Bella DeRosso - Mattson's TV & Appliance

Taylor Hitter - Erickson Family Farm

Piper Hitter - Aili Concrete

Everett Laurin - Cary Mine Convenience

Samantha Hitter - Ashland Industries

Starr Thewis - Sand Hill Land Services

BROILERS

Piper Romosz (Grand Champion) - Somero Concrete

Jacob Schultz (Reserve Grand Champion) - Stoffels Country Store

Kaylee Schultz - Somero Concrete

LAMB

Skyler Thewis (Grand Champion) - Lulich Implement

Piper Romosz (Reserve Grand Champion) - Dean Sherill

TURKEYS

Skyler Thewis (Grand Champion) - Future Plumbing

HOGS

Everitt Lauren (Grand Champion) - Enbridge

Lucas Koski (Reserve Grand Champion) - Tree Removal

Parker Sivula - Country Blossoms Greenhouse

Alex Tolemy - Silver Creek Post Frame

Samantha Hitter - Stoffels Country Store

Nick Walesewicz - Lulich Implement

Garett Laurin - Bretting Manufacturing

Starr Thewis - Dean Sherill

Peyton Maslanka - Tree Removal

Taylor Hitter - Mattson's TV & Appliance

Piper Hitter - Sharons Coffee Co.

Bella DeRosso - Swartz Trucking/J&J Excavating



4-H EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

It's great to see Iron County 4-H'ers taking advantage of educational experiences Wisconsin 4-H offers. Thank you to the Iron County 4-H Leaders Association and anyone who donated to fundraising efforts to help make these experiences accessible to our area youth.

FALL FORUM

October 31-Nov 2, 2025, Green Lakes, WI

Attendees: Starr Thewis

Chaperones: Kendra Thewis

NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE

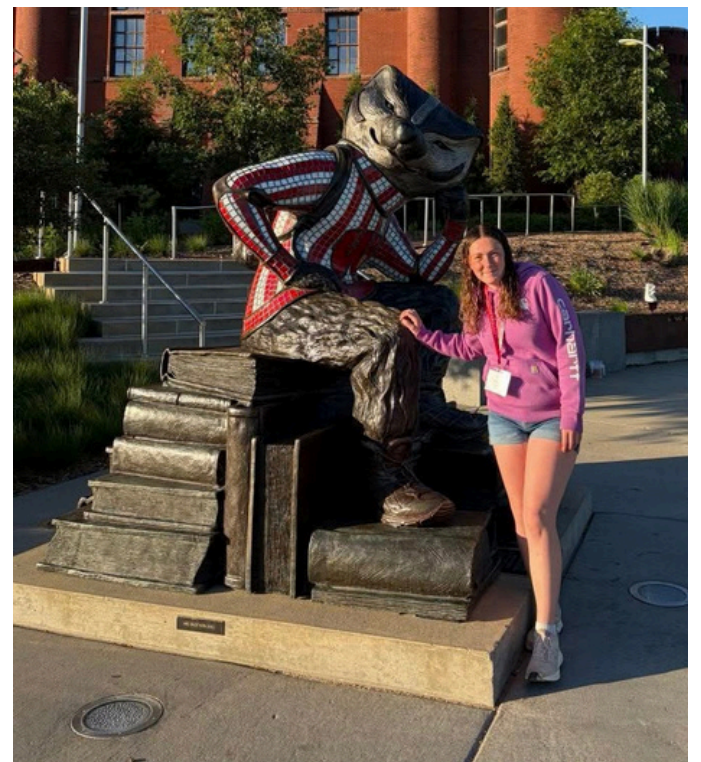
April 10-15, 2026, Washington, DC

Attendee: Viola Ofstad

SUMMER ACADEMY

June 14-18, 2026, UW Madison Campus

Attendees: Viola Ofstad, Starr Thewis



OTHER EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

YOUTH AS PARTNERS IN CIVIC LEADERSHIP (YPCL) CONFERENCE

November 14-16, 2025,
WI Dells, WI

Attendee:

Kasey Klemme

BADGER BRAWL

December 4-7, 2025,
Madison, WI

Attendee:

Nick Walesewicz



WI COUNTIES ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

February 10-11, 2026, Madison, WI

Attendees: Braeden Klemme, Kasey Klemme, Viola Ofstad

SPARKING NEW CONNECTIONS!

IRON COUNTY SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS

We wanted to recognize Iron County 4-H'ers who participated in the Iron County Summer Camp programs.

IRON COUNTY OUTPOST CAMP - July 7-10, 2026

Campers: Wyatt Elenbaas, Max Juoni, Skyler Thewis, Starr Thewis

CHALLENGE ACTIVITY - Whitewater Rafting

Outpost campers participated in an exciting activity with Kosir's Whitewater Rafting!



Iron County
Summer Youth Camp



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IRON COUNTY SUMMER YOUTH CAMP - July 21-24, 2026

Camp Staff: Wysteria Jewell, Max Juoni, Braeden Klemme, Kasey Klemme, Lucas Koski, Lydia Risik, Starr Thewis

Campers: Annika Andresen, Lucas Cryan, Bryce Lehrkamp, Adalyn Rice

SPECIAL CAMP AWARDS:

Most Valuable Female Counselor: Kasey Klemme

Rookie of the Year Male Camp Staff: Lucas Koski

Best Male Camp Duo: Braeden Klemme
(& Keewin Wilson)



2025-2026 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to the 2025-2026 Iron County 4-H Scholarship recipients, Braeden Klemme, Nick Walesewicz, Peyton Maslanka, and Taylor Hitter. Congratulations on your achievements in the 4-H program, in school and in your community.



BRAEDEN KLEMME

Iron County 4-H Green Team



NICK WALESEWICZ

Penokee Range Livestock Club



PEYTON MASLANKA

Penokee Range Livestock Club



TAYLOR HITTER

Penokee Range Livestock Club

All four of these young people will be missed in our program but have set a good example for younger members. We wish them the BEST as they start their next journey in life! 🍀

Neil Klemme
4-H Youth Development Educator
Extension Iron County

IRON COUNTY 4-H - LEARN BY DOING!





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