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### **Clover Collector Hunts for Fifth Guinness World Record**

**Wisconsin**— Gabriella Gerhardt is confident that February 25, 2023 will be her lucky day. That's when she and a team of witnesses will certify she's broken the Guinness World Record for "Largest Collection of Four-Leaf Clovers."

Gerhardt has been collecting four-leaf clovers since 2010. She collected most of her collection of more than 138,000 four-leaf through 10-leaf clovers in Fitchburg, Wis., where she lives and also serves on the city council as an alder.

"I just really love that they are mutations, beautiful weirdos that you find on the side of the road," Gerhardt says about what inspired her to start gathering those little green symbols of good fortune. "For a lot of people, four-leaf clovers mean luck; for me, it means hard work."

When certified, her collection of 119,172 four-leaf clovers (a mutation of the three-leaf clovers in a white clover or *Trifolium repens* plant, commonly found in grass mixes in parks and yards) will break the current record set at 111,060.

Gerhardt currently holds two Guinness World Records: one for finding 887 four-leaf clovers in eight hours and another for finding 451 clovers in one hour (a record that appeared on page 53 of the 2022 print edition of the Guinness Book of World Records). She also has two more world records pending confirmation: the largest certified collection of six-leaf clovers (1,437, which breaks the record of 43) and the largest collection of seven-leaf clovers (209, breaking the previous record of 17).

Six teams of witnesses, each made up of one plant expert and one member of the community, will count different parts of the collection simultaneously at Fitchburg Public Library. The public is invited to stop by and see for themselves what tens of thousands of four-leaf clovers look like assembled neatly into stacks of binders.

#### **Event Details:**

Saturday, February 25, 2023, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Fitchburg Public Library

5530 Lacy Rd, Fitchburg, WI 53711

The event will be live-streamed on the Facebook group [Gabriella's Clover World Record Attempts](#). She also documents her clover-hunting adventures on Instagram [@4leafcloverhunt](#).

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