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April

- 2 Ellery Panthers Fundraiser on the Albion Square
- 12 Bone Gap Cardinals Mtg. at Christian Church at 6:30 p.m.
- 18 Little Wabash Ramblers Mtg. 6:00 p.m.
- 18 Informational Dog Mtg. Extension office 6:30 p.m.
- 19 Blue Ribbon Mtg. 6:00 p.m. at COUNTRY Financial Hall
- 20 Yankees Mtg. 7:00 p.m. at Moravian Church West Salem
- 21 Sr. Federation Mtg. 6:30 p.m. Extension Office
- 23 Shooting Sports Mtg. 8:00 a.m. at Sportsmen's Club
- 23 Barrow Booster Swine Clinic 10:00 a.m.— noon
- 28 Ellery Panthers Mtg. 6:00 p.m. at Little Prairie Church
- 30 State Public Speaking Contest

May

- 1 Fair Entry Opens

Celebrate 4-H Volunteers April 18 – 24

Illinois 4-H will celebrate the more than 11,000 4-H adult volunteers supporting and guiding 4-H members during National Volunteer Week, April 18 – 24. 4-H volunteers are the caring adults who are empowering and preparing youth for success as 4-H members provide service to others and in their communities. Today's 4-H youth are engaged in diverse learning experiences where they practice skills employers want; grow and distribute food to communities in need; steward our natural resources; identify local issues and initiate positive change in local, state, national, and global issues; and they make and influence positive choices for healthy living. All of these things happen because of engaged volunteers in local communities.

In Edwards County, there are numerous volunteers who inspire youth involved in local 4-H programs.



I PLEDGE ... MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING

Congratulations to the 2022 4-H Project Grant Recipients



- Adalynn Potter
- Kyler VanMatre
- Karmyn Duncan
- Brayden Childers
- Bristol Duncan
- Hannah Bare
- Connor Trowbridge
- Hannah Perry
- Kaysen Kelsey
- Ryleigh Moore
- Makayla Ann Carrell
- Cash Trowbridge
- Hayley Perry
- Hallie Shelton
- Lillian Bare
- Cody Greathouse
- Cooper Lynch
- Autumn Shelby
- Sydney Willians
- Justin Bunting
- Lucy Harrison
- Brook Greathouse
- J.J. Spray
- Brier Lynch

4-H Memorial Camp

4-H Memorial Camp Summer Youth Camp

Registration for our Summer Youth Camps at 4-H Memorial Camp is underway! We still have spaces for female campers for each session. We have filled all of our spots for male campers but have started waiting lists for each session in case any spots open up. You do not need to be a 4-H member to attend.



Camp Dates

June 5-9, 2022
 June 12-16, 2022
 July 5-9, 2022
 July 17-21, 2022

Program details and registration materials are available on our website: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-memorial-summer-youth-camp>

To see pictures of past youth camps, please visit our [Facebook](#) page. If you have any questions or would like to get your male camper on a waiting list, please contact:

Monika Hammerschmidt hammersc@illinois.edu
 or
 Andy Davis ardavis1@illinois.edu

I PLEDGE ... MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY



Family Camp Spring 2022

Family Camp is back for 2022! If you have been hearing about how much fun families had at 4-H Memorial Camp last summer and wanted a chance to experience it yourself, now is your chance. May 20-22, 2022 we will be holding a Spring Family Camp weekend. Your family will get to stay in their own cabin, have all meals provided from Friday Dinner through Sunday Lunch, and get to participate in all the fun activities we have planned including swimming, boating, fishing, arts & crafts, rock climbing, fun S.T.E.M. activities, hikes, etc. You can find pictures of last year's Family Camp on our [Facebook Page](#).

Dates: May 20-22

Fees:

Cabin Rental- \$210

Participant Fee-8 years old and older: \$81/person

4-7 years old: \$54/person

Under 3- No Charge

***At least one child must be 4-H Age (5-18)**

Each cabin has 10 beds

More information and registration forms can be found on the 4-H Memorial Camp Website

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-family-camp> .

If you have any questions, please contact:

Monika Hammerschmidt hammersc@illinois.edu (217) 762-2741

or

Andy Davis ardavis1@illinois.edu (217) 762-2741

Come see for yourself what everyone is talking about!

I PLEDGE... MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE



4-H Memorial Camp- Summer Employment

We are still looking for additional camp staff and counselors! If leading activities for youth campers, being a role model, working outdoors and interacting with your peers sounds like your kind of job, then you may be one of the people we are looking for. Apply to work with us this summer as we get back to Summer Youth Camping.

Arts & Crafts program staff (18 years old minimum)

Dates: Mid May-July 29

Details: This paid position includes room and board.

Cabin Counselors (16 years old minimum)

Dates

May 31-June 4	Training
June 5-9	Youth Camp Session 1
June 12-16	Youth Camp Session 2
June 26-July 1	Camp Corral
July 5-9	Youth Camp Session 3
July 17-21	Youth Camp Session 4

Details: This paid position includes room and board for the above session dates.

Kitchen Workers (Hourly positions)

Dates: End of May thorough Mid-August

Duties: Wash dishes, sweep/mop floors, help with setup/cleanup of meals, and other duties as assigned.

Breakfast/Lunch and Afternoon/Dinner shifts.

Additional details and application materials can be found on the 4-H Memorial Camp [website](#) towards the bottom of the page under *4-H Resources*.

Contact Andy Davis ardavis1@illinois.edu, (217) 762-2741 with any questions.



Host families needed for the States 4-H International Exchange program

Host a youth from Japan or South Korea this summer, through States' 4-H International! Expand your family's cultural understanding, learn about new foods and customs, and possibly learn a new language, all while sharing your own. Your children will build lifelong friendships and will gain new perspectives on their own country, too! Families are needed for 3 weeks, July 23 through August 18 (tentative dates). Applications are accepted until all placements are made. There is no cost for this program.

Students are matched with a host sibling by age, gender, and interests. Families hosting, must have a child between the ages of 12-18.

Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application and screening process, as well as student availability and personality compatibility.

Hosts without children may host an adult chaperone.

For more information or to apply, visit: <http://www.states4hexchange.org>.

Find us on Facebook @ [facebook.com/Illinois4hexchange](https://www.facebook.com/Illinois4hexchange) or contact Illinois S4-H Coordinators: Miriam Rosenbohm @ rosenbohm07@comcast.net or Elisha Hughes @ ehugh2@illinois.edu

Shooting Sports



4-H Shooting Sports Leaders Wanted!

Spend a fun day learning range management and leave ready to safely lead 4-H Shooting Sports activities in your county!

Contact your local U of I Extension office 4-H professional and they will process your registration. Certifications in Archery, Shotgun, Rifle, Pistol, Coordinator, and Hunting/Outdoor Skills (May 7 only) offered. One discipline per day/per person. All programs run 9am-6pm and are active range time instruction.

Sat., May 7, 2022 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL
(central Illinois)

Sat., July 16, 2022 Bi-State Sportsman's Club, Colona, IL
(N.W. Illinois)

Questions? Contact Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu.

Natural Resources



State 4-H Fishing Tournaments Ready to Go!

Easy to enter, easy to win! April 1-30 is crappie time. Learn rules and how to enter here:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-hooks-us-together-fishing-tournament>

Open to all current year 4-H members, but new rod & reel prizes **only** for 4-H members registered in the 4-H Sport fishing project for the 2021-2022 year. Entries just require a phone, tape measure and then upload information to: <https://go.illinois.edu/fish4H>

April – Crappie State 4-H Tournament

May – Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

June – Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament



Illinois RiverWatch has 15 training sessions set up for March and April each in a different county in Illinois. To learn more, visit their official website at: <http://www.ngrec.org/Riverwatch/>
This is a tremendous opportunity become an aquatic citizen scientist! Ask for the 4-H discount off their regular fee. A great, long lasting club activity!



Edwards County 4-H will be planting trees at the K-12 school in Albion. The date will be decided soon. Be watching for an update by email and on Edwards Co. 4-H Facebook. We hope many of you can come help with this project!

The Oak Trees Are Scheduled to Arrive by April 1st!

Hands-on community service, conservation, and environmental education are key components the 4-H Green Communities Tree Program happening this spring in 31 counties throughout Illinois.

Illinois 4-H is partnering with the Illinois Soil and Water Conservation Districts Forestry Committee to address the decline of native oak savannas by providing 25 oak seedlings (in containers) to these counties.

If you see your county shaded in green below and are interested in helping plant these trees, let your local Extension office know! They will be coordinating a workday by mid-April to plant these trees together on a public space of approximately ½ acre in your county.

All Fair Entries will be done On-Line Again This Year

4-H Fair entries will be done online by the 4-H Families.

Starting May 1st you can go online to:

<http://edwards4-hfair.fairentry.com>

All entries must be complete by June 1st. All 4-H members will receive a cheat sheet in the mail soon!



State Events

April

April	Crappie State 4-H Tournament
April 6 and 7	Legislative Connection
April 9	Awards Ceremony
April 16	Robotics Competition
April 23 & 24	State Horse Bowl, Hippology & Horse Speaking Contests
April 23	True Leaders day of service day
April 30	State Public Speaking

May

May	Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament
May 7	Adult Shooting sports leader certification 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL

June

June	Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament
June 5-9	Memorial Camp
June 12-16	Memorial Camp
June 20	State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest: U of I Stock Pavilion

July

July 5-9	Memorial Camp
July 16	Shooting Sports Adult Certification Bi-State Sportsman's Club, Colona,
July 17-21	Memorial Camp
July 24 - 30	Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show

August

August 10	SYPA General Livestock
August 12-14	State Fair Junior Livestock Shows
August 13 - 15	Illinois State Fair
August 20	State Superior Young Producer Contest Dairy
August 20	State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest
August 27	State 4-H Dog Show: Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center

Off-Premise Forms

If you are housing livestock off of your own premises, remember you must fill out an off-premise form and turn it in to the Extension office by June 1. You can find this form on our website or by emailing djc@illinois.edu. This rule applies to animals that are even on grandparents property! If it is not legally your property, you need to have an off premise form.

Local County Fair Dates

Richland -July 24-30th

Wayne - July 7-15th

Edwards - July 20-30th

Wabash - July 15-22nd

Lawrence - July 30-August 5th

Local and State Equine Show

ALL youth that are mounted on a horse must be wearing a helmet. This is for your safety and we are required to go by this State rule.

Goal Sheets and Livestock Records

If members and families have questions about goal sheets or livestock records, be sure to call the office or ask your leader for help. Goal sheets will need to be completed and brought to the shows with your project. Livestock records will need to be completed and turned in at Fair Clean-up.

State Fair

- **YQCA** is mandatory for livestock projects.
- **Jr. Show entries** will need to be signed by County Extension Staff before the exhibitor mails entry forms to State Fair Entry Office. Deadline is July 1 to the state.
- **Horses-Ownership, Lease papers, & pictures** are due to the State by June 1, 2022. **The County office needs this information by May 24th!!**

More State Fair...Important!

Registration papers (pedigrees) will be required in all purebred classes. Registration papers must show ownership of the animals in the name of the exhibitor or ownership by immediate family members including the exhibitor. Certificates from breed association representatives will not be accepted in lieu of registration papers. The entry form itself still has to be in the individual exhibitors name.

Spring Cloverbud Workshop Series

Food Journal- 5 pm on April 6, registration open March 21-30, and pick up supplies on April 1 <https://go.illinois.edu/cloverbudfoodjournal>

Windowsill Greenhouse Garden- 5 pm on April 13, registration March 28-April 6, pick up supplies April 8 <https://go.illinois.edu/cloverbudwindowsillgreenhousegarden>

Make your own butter- 5 pm on April 20, registration April 4-13, pick up supplies April 15 <https://go.illinois.edu/cloverbudmakeyourownbutter>

Sourdough Starter- 5 pm on April 27, registration April 11-20, pick up supplies April 22 <https://go.illinois.edu/cloverbudsourdoughstarter>



Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification (QAEC)

All 4-H members enrolled in horses, poultry, rabbits, dogs, cats & all other small animals. **MUST** complete online QAEC to show at Fair. **This rule applies to 4-H Members who exhibit live animals AND poster exhibits.** This is a one time certification and is valid your entire 4-H career. You only need to take QAEC in one livestock area regardless of the number of livestock projects you are enrolled in. **All members needing to take QAEC have been sent a notice by email and your leader has been notified.**

This is your responsibility to complete.

The deadline to complete QAEC is JUNE 1.

You can find the online training at:

<http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec>

Please remember to print a copy of your certificate for your records.

If you have trouble or questions, please call the Extension Office.

Animal Livestock Dates

Ownership dates for animals is as follows:

All market barrows, goats, wethers and ewe lambs must be in member's possession at least 60 days prior to show. Market goats will need to be between 4-8 months old at the time of the show. Gilts and all swine breeding stock and beef or dairy yearling heifers must be in the member's possession by April 1. Bucket Calves must be born between February 1 and April 1. They must be in member's possession within 2 weeks of birth and must be at least 90 days old when shown. Steers must be in members possession by January 1.

These rules are on page 3 rule # 6 of Project & Activity Book.

If you haven't received book from leader go the Extension Website:

<http://extension.illinois.edu/elrww>

Lamb & Goat-Illinois State Fair

Tattoo & Weigh-In Locations-

Anyone needing information contact the office ASAP for details!



JOIN US ON FACEBOOK!!

Search "Edwards County 4-H" and be sure to LIKE the page!

Animal Leases

Don't forget!! If you are leasing an animal you need to fill out a lease form and have it turned in to the Extension office by June 1st.

Upcoming Fair Shows and Events

Soon it will be time for fair shows and events. Everyone is welcome to attend the shows and watch all that is happening in the Edwards Co. 4-H program. Help spread the word and bring your family and friends out to the fair this year!

Very Important!

Around the first of May you will receive an envelope in the mail about how to register your 4-H projects online for the upcoming fair events. Be sure you get this done by June 1st to be eligible to show! This is an absolute deadline, no excuses. Also, make sure you have completed the QAEC, YQCA and attended 2/3rds of your club meetings. (If you are a college student you are required to attend 3 meetings). If these requirements are not met we will not be able to let you show and participate at the fair. We don't want anyone to miss out, so get your registrations in ASAP!

Coggins Testing/Health Papers

It is standard procedure you must have coggins testing done on your horse prior to the Equine Show on July 22, 2022. Bring your papers with you that day, we will be checking them when you register.

Health Papers for animals-talk with your leader. Many clubs do the testing as a group to cut down on costs. Some prefer to do it on an individual basis. It does not matter how you do it, just make sure you have it done if it is required for your animals. Health Papers will be checked after weigh in.

Health Papers are required for Sheep, Goats, Swine, and all female cattle over 6 months. Coggins are required for horses prior to the horse show and will be checked. No health papers are required for 4-H 1-day poultry shows where the entries are taken to the show and returned home the same day. Rabbits do not require health papers for our fair.

Congratulations

The Blue Ribbon 4-H Club received a \$500 Farm Credit IL grant for their "Edwards Co. Fair Landscaping Project" Great job!





BARROW BOOSTERS
showpig clinic

Saturday, April 23rd
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Edwards County
fairgrounds

Open to all 4-H members

Showmanship
Stephanie Schippert



Daily Care + Nutrition
Jordan Schippert

4-H members don't forget to sign up for the Barrow Boosters clinic. You don't have to carry a swine project to attend, you will learn valuable information that will carry over to your other livestock projects. Register at:

<https://go.illinois.edu/BarrowBoostersShowpig>



There will be an information dog meeting, on Monday evening, April 18, 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office. Do not bring your dogs to this meeting!



YQCA has changed sites. The new site address is yqcaprogram.org. If you have already completed your training for the 2022 fair year, you need to set up your new account then, you can download your current certificate at help@yqcaprogram.org. If you have not taken your certification this year and you are doing an online training you can set up your account and purchase the training with a credit card. If you need an instructor led course, contact Debra at the Extension office at 618-445-2934.