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Calendar of events

(Dates are tentative and subject to change)

February

- 1 Foundation Meeting; 6 p.m. at the extension office
- 5 YQCA training; 9 a.m.
- 7 Country Kids club meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- 9 Enterprisers club meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- 9 Wayne City 4-H Club meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- 10 YQCA training; 5:30 p.m.
- 10 County Board Meeting; 7 p.m.
- 14 4-H in a Bag live event
- 19 4-H Country Club meeting
- 21 YQCA training; 10:30 a.m.
- 21 Livestock Committee meeting; 6 p.m.
- 22 Federation meeting; 7 p.m.
- 26 Beef weigh-in; 8 - 9 a.m.

March

- 1 Last day to add projects on 4-H Online
- 1 Last day to order project manuals
- 13 Daylight Saving Time begins
- 25 4-H Foundation fish fry
- 26 Mt. Erie PTO Auction; 5 p.m. at Willow Creek



WAYNE COUNTY SCHEDULED DATES:

- Saturday, February 5 from 9 to 10 a.m.
- Thursday, February 10 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Monday, February 21 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. (School is closed for President's Day)

If these remaining dates do not work for you, please call the extension office to schedule your in person training. You are also welcome to be able to attend an in person training in another county.

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March 1

- ➔ Last day to add projects on 4-H Online (Cannot add or make changes on March 2)
- ➔ Last day to order project manuals. If we do not have your order, you will be responsible to order your own publications at shop4-h.org



June 1

- ➔ YQCA must be completed
- ➔ QAEC must be completed



Beef Weigh-in - Saturday, February 26, 8-9 a.m.

- ★ Weigh-in for all steers will be held from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Saturday, February 26 at the fairgrounds.
- ★ All steers to be shown in the 2022 Wayne County 4-H Fair must be weighed and tagged. All steers going to 2022 Illinois State Fair will be electronically tagged and tattooed during weigh-in.
- ★ **All animals are to be haltered at the time of weigh-in.**
- ★ Ownership deadline for steers is February 26, 2022.
- ★ For questions about weigh-in, call the extension office 618-842-3702.

Taking an animal project? READ THIS



For members enrolled in dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats:

All 4-H exhibitors of these animals will be required to certify in the YQCA program each year starting for the 2022 show season. Attend either a face to face class or certify on-line via the website <http://yqca.org> The YQCA program is for youth ages 8-21. The online version is broken into age divisions as follows: juniors 8-11, intermediate 12-14, senior 15-18, and young adults 19-21. This certification is needed each year with test out options of 1-3 years. The cost for the face-to-face training will be \$3 and \$12 for the online version.

For members enrolled in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, and cats:

The Quality Assurance and Ethics training is required for youth in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs and cats. You only need to take it once in your lifetime. Those who don't complete the training will be removed from the animal science project and will not be eligible to exhibit at county fairs. The website is open year round @ <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>. NOTE: Youth must be logged on to a computer for this program, either a desktop or laptop; not an iPad or iPhone.



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FEBRUARY'S 4-H IN A BAG SERIES IS CRYSTAL SNOWFLAKES
Register to get your supplies; Pick up your 4-H in a Bag in the
Wayne County office; then

Watch the Unit Facebook live for instructions



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I February 4-H in a Bag

CRYSTAL SNOWFLAKES



Everyone has made a paper snowflake, but did you know you can grow your own? Join us and learn how you can grow your own, CRYSTAL SNOWFLAKE.

Register Today using this link:

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

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We will be going live on our unit Facebook page (Illinois Extension-Edwards, Lawrence, Richland, Wabash & Wayne Counties)

Monday, February 14, 2022, at 2 p.m.



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Kids - Mark Calendar;
Parents - Request Vacation;
And everyone - start making plans,



WAYNE COUNTY FAIR
will be held July 10-16, 2022



Farm Credit Illinois Scholarships

High school seniors planning careers in agriculture may apply for a \$2,000 scholarship. Farm Credit Illinois will provide 30 scholarships to youth who live or farm in one or the 60 counties in their service area. The first \$1,000 will be distributed for the Fall 2022 semester, and the second \$1,000 will be applied during the Fall 2024 semester.

Are going to University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences? The college is **MATCHING** this scholarship, dollar for dollar! Double your money while getting a great ag education!

Apply online at www.farmcreditIL.com

Deadline is: Monday, February 28, 2022.



Rural King Supply in Mt. Vernon

They are searching for a rabbit vendor. They need to be 8 to 14 weeks old. Please contact us today at 217-508-3758 if you are interested.

(information is from their Facebook page)

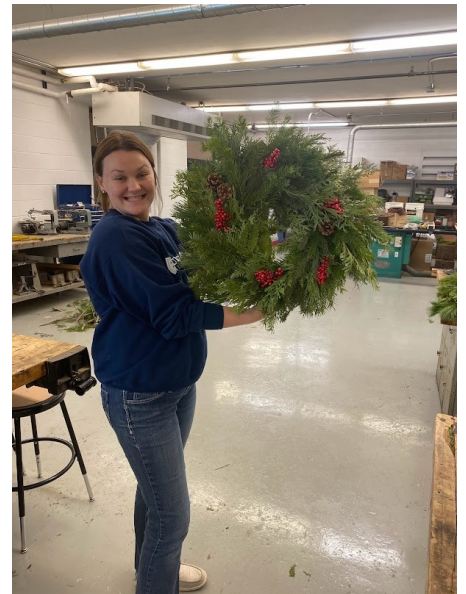
Wayne City 4-H Club Meeting

Club member, Jacey Smith, did a Dog Obedience demonstration, at their January meeting, with her dog Lassie.



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Holiday Greenery Workshop



A huge THANK YOU goes out to Mrs. Samantha Smith, from the Fairfield High School Horticulture Department, for teaching our 4-Hers how to create a beautiful fresh greenery wreath.

Participate from Left to Right are: Hannah Fickas, Lincoln Murphy, and Meghan Anderson

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New Hope Lucky Clovers - Cloverbuds

This fine group of Cloverbuds hosted a drive thru caroling party. As the guests drove through the two caroling stops, they were greeted with 4 Christmas songs and a nice warm cup of hot chocolate and cookies. What a great community service idea for these Cloverbuds.



Kiwanis Lights Parade

Thank you to everyone who walked in the parades this year. I really appreciate your help.



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The 2022 IAA Foundation Scholarship Application Period is **NOW OPEN!** The lineup includes 84 scholarships totaling \$164,500 in tuition support.

Students can apply between now and February 15, 2022. Many of our scholarships prefer or require the student to be a former or active 4-H member.

Apply Online

Application link and all supporting materials including eligibility details can be found at www.iaafoundation.org. Please read all instructions carefully and refer to the FAQ document on the website to help answer any questions.

Scholarships Uniquely for current or former 4-H members

The IAA Foundation is pleased to offer scholarships that prefer 4-H experience.

Supporting the Future of Agriculture

As the charitable arm of the Illinois Farm Bureau, our Mission is to fund education, research, and charitable activities that benefit Illinois farm families and agriculture. We are proudly offer scholarship opportunities for students pursuing degrees related to agriculture, and those with family farming backgrounds.



Every February, people in the United States celebrate the history and the achievements of African Americans as a part of Black History Month. Here are some ideas of how you and your club can help celebrate this month:

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

Applications are now OPEN for the 2023 #4HYouthinAction Awards!

Now is the chance for 4-H'ers ages 15-19 to tell their 4-H story of impact, leadership, and purpose.



Four selected recipients will:

- earn a \$5K scholarship
- serve as a national youth spokesperson

...and much more!

Learn more about the awards, application process, and apply! <https://bit.ly/3FgUIb0>

2022 Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award

Application opens on January 18
Deadline to apply: March 18



National 4-H Council is pleased to announce that the 2022 Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award application will open on January 18th. The National 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award recognizes 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism as both an opportunity and a privilege. The Salute to Excellence application will go live on Council's Web Grants platform on January 18th. The Deadline to apply is March 18. <http://grants.4-h.org/index.do>



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4-H Memorial Camp- Summer Youth Camp



Are you ready to get back to camping at 4-H Memorial Camp? We are! We are planning on having four (4) Summer Youth Camps in the summer of 2022. New this year, we will have an early registration period for 4-H Members only.

Watch for additional information to be shared on the 4-H Memorial Camp [website](#) and on our Facebook [page](#).

Registration Dates:

Jan. 24-Feb. 6, 2022 4-H Members Only
Feb. 7, 2022- until full 4-H Members and non-members

Camp Dates:

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

Shooting Sports

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS ADULT VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION TRAININGS

Contact your local Wayne County 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.

Saturday, March 26, 2022

Tombstone Range, Marion, IL (southern Illinois)

Saturday, May 7, 2022

4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL (central Illinois)

Saturday, July 16, 2022

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



GET YOUR TACKLE READY - 2022 4-H Sport Fishing Virtual Monthly Challenges Coming Soon!

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. [Link to tournament details published in March!](#)

April – Crappie State 4-H Tournament

May – Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

June – Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament

Hint: *Sign up for 4-H Sport fishing project now*, and begin preparing for crappie contest in April by going here to begin learning about crappie: <https://www.ifishillinois.org/species/CRP.php>