

September 2025

4-H News

A New Year is Upon Us!

Don't worry; I haven't lost my mind, well I don't think I have, I do wonder some days! I know it is only September, but it's the new year in 4-H!

September is the month we START ALL OVER AGAIN! Hopefully you are as excited about the new year as I am.

Keep your eye on the new year and new events that will be happening in White County 4-H. I know I am excited, can't you tell?

Amy McCarty—Extension Program Coordinator

Mark your calendars

September

1 National 4-H Week Theme Contest Deadline

Labor Day - Office Closed

3 Federation Meeting
5:00pm @ GIFT Garden
(Community Service - Hygiene Products for Carmi Compassion Center)

4-H Rally at the Garden - 6:00

12 **RECORDS DUE TO OFFICE—NO LATER THAN 4:30pm OR WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!**

14 Corn Day Interviews/Pictures—1:30
(If you are unable to attend, we will make other arrangements.)

18 Record Grading - 5:00
Bring your own snacks and drinks

27 Dairy Days Parade—Line up 3:00
State Shotgun Shoot

Shooting Sports Shoots Tentative

PSA Opportunity - Sept. 10, Sept. 12, and Sept. 18
3:00-4:00pm each day

October

1 Federation - 5:00

4 Mule Days Parade 1:30

5-11 National 4-H Week

- Window Displays (Judged Oct. 6)

Enfield Mayor Signing - TBA
Grayville Mayor Signing - TBA
Carmi Mayor Signing - TBA
Norris City Mayor Signing - TBA

9 White County Farm to Table Dinner
(4-H will be helping)

10-11 Corn Day Events

13 Columbus Day

28 Support Committee Meeting - 5:00
Livestock Committee Meeting - 6:00

(Lots more exciting events will be happening in October, especially during National 4-H Week)

November

1 Evening of Excellence—TBA

4-H MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNT CARD

Enjoy special discounts for 4-H members and their families at your favorite local businesses in White County



Coming Soon!

4-H Year 2024-2025

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any of these program, please contact the University of Illinois Extension Office at 618-382-2662.



September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
National 4-H Week Theme Contest Deadline	<i>1</i> <i>Labor Day - Office Closed</i>	<i>2</i> <i>Mossyn Blazier</i>	<i>3</i> <i>Federation 5:00 4-H Rally 6:00</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i> <i>Briley Rahmoeller</i>	<i>6</i> <i>Zeppelin Jones</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> <i>Hunter Robinson</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> <i>Records Due to Office Bentley Allen</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>14</i> <i>Corn Day Interviews/ Pictures 1:30 Kinsey Allen</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i> <i>Record Grading 5:00</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>21</i> <i>Aaliya Robinson Sydney Stallings Claire Legg</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i> <i>Taylor Wilson</i>	<i>27</i> <i>State Shotgun Shoot Dairy Days Parade</i>
<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>National 4-H Week PSA Recording Opportunities: Tues Sept. 16, 3p - 4:00p Thurs Sept 18, 3p - 4:00p Mon Sept 22, 3p - 4:00p Contact me for a script!</i>			



September Federation Meeting



Wednesday, September 3, 2025
5:00

White County 4-H GIFT Garden
Everyone is invited!!

September Community Service Project
Bring hygiene products for the Carmi Compassion Center

NOTE THE DAY CHANGE FOR FEDERATION MEETINGS!

Project Display Opportunity

During National 4-H Week we have the opportunity to show your projects off to the public at the White County Historical Society Windows.

Would love to have projects and ribbons from years past as well as present time. Please drop off any projects you may have at the Extension Office by September 30.

Volunteers are needed to carry the flag respect signs through the parades. It requires no special talent—just walking! We need at least six kids for each parade, and a volunteer/parent to organize the children that day.

Norris City Parade on September 27

Enfield Parade on October 4

Corn Day Parade on October 11

This is such an important community service project. The community really appreciates when we remind people to respect the flags. This is a GREAT activity for new members and Cloverbuds too!

***We need you to stand
up for America!***



4-H RALLY



Community Service
Project:
bring hygiene products
to donate to the Carmi
Compassion Center

SEPTEMBER 3
6:00 - 7:00 PM

White County 4-H GIFT Garden
603 E Main St.
Carmi, IL

For More Information call 618-382-2662



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9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 13

Goats: Managing, Breeding, and Showing with Success

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Wayne County 4-H and the Illinois Meat Goat Producers have partnered to provide a goat workshop to serve youth goat showmen of all levels. The morning session will begin at 9 a.m. at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, located at 1700 Outer W. Delaware St., Fairfield, IL 62837.

Guest speakers will discuss the following topics:

- Breed characteristics and how to select goats
- Lowe's Pellet and Grain: Goat nutrition
- Interglobe: Buck selection and semen collection
- Hoosier Embryo: Flushing and embryo transfers

The afternoon session will begin at 1 p.m. at the Wayne County Fairground 4-H barn, located at 1295 W. Main St., Fairfield, IL 62837.

Catherine Riley, American Boer Goat Association board member, will provide the following:

- ABGA updates
- Fitting demonstration
- What to have in your show box

Attendees are encouraged to attend both sessions, but are welcome to choose the one that suits their interests best. Youth are encouraged to attend, regardless of their experience raising and showing goats. Youth participants do not have to be members of 4-H and do not need to bring a goat to the workshop. Families are welcome to accompany the participants.

A cash-only, concession-style lunch will be available from 12-1 p.m. at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, provided by the Wayne County Livestock Judging Team and Emerging Leaders. Transportation will not be available from the morning session to the afternoon session; participants are asked to plan accordingly.

To register, visit go.illinois.edu/GoatWorkshop. For questions, contact the Wayne County Extension office at 618-842-3702.

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate, please contact Ryan Littlejohn, Wayne County 4-H program coordinator, at relittle@illinois.edu. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet access needs.

PHOTO GRAPHY

DEC 1, 2024 - SEP 30, 2025

Contest



Did you participate in a photography workshop? Are you eager to put your new skills to the test?
Submit your photos for the 2026 Calendar Contest from December 1, 2024, to September 30, 2025!

RULES

- If photos are cropped, they must be the original aspect ratio.
- No use of copyrighted characters.
- Human Subject will need a photography release.

TO SUBMIT PHOTOS



<https://go.illinois.edu/2026CalendarPhotoContest>

**OPEN TO ALL GALLATIN , HAMILTON, HARDIN, POPE, SALINE AND
WHITE COUNTY 4-HERS AGES 5-19**

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Want to hit the trails this fall and explore nature?

Check out this 4-H opportunity!

Sign up at go.illinois.edu/4-HFallHike and join us for a fun hike at Heron Pond!



Fall 4-H Hike
October 13th at Heron Pond!

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National 4-H Week

Need your input on what you want us to do this year!



- Something each day during National 4-H Week

(Wear green Monday, throw back Thursday, show your 4-H spirit Friday)

- Scavenger Hunt
- Meet a 4-H Alumni
- Contests
- Floats in Corn Day Parade
- Project showcase



I'm up to any ideas you may have!
I want to hear from new and former 4-H members!

Window Display Score Sheet

Keep this score sheet in mind as you plan your 4-H Club Window Display.

1. Effective message of theme (caption/sign)15 points
2. Draws attention with unusual motion, lights, design, color15 points
3. Holds attention.....15 points
4. Sells 4-H20 points
5. Creative use of materials10 points
6. Uses explanatory material effectively10 points
7. Tells where assistance and more information are available (should include address & phone number of county Extension office and name & phone number of local club leader)10 points
8. Name of club on exhibit5 points

Windows should be up by Sunday, Oct. 5 and remain up through Sunday, Oct. 12.
Judging will be done on Monday. Official theme will be announced later in September!

DIMENSION	COLUMN A <i># of club / individual experiences</i>	COLUMN B <i># of county experiences</i>	COLUMN C <i># of unit-wide/ regional experiences</i>	COLUMN D <i># of state/ national experiences</i>
PARTICIPATION	Norris City Mayor Signing Grayville Mayor Signing Enfield Mayor Signing	Sept 1 - National 4-H Week Theme Contest Sept 3 - Federation Sept. 3 - 4-H Rally Oct Carmi Mayor Signing		
COMMUNITY SERVICE		August 30 - Grayville Parade Hygiene Products for CCC Sept 27 - Norris City Parade October 4 - Enfield Parade October 11 - Corn Day Parade		National 4-H Day of Service
LEADERSHIP	Club Officers	PSA's Leadership Role at: Federation Meeting Cloverbud Meetings GIFT Garden Classes Expansion & Review Comm. Teen Teachers SPIN Club		National 4-H Conf. Legislative Conn. Speaking for Ill. 4-H
PROJECT LEARNING		Shooting Sports SPIN Club GIFT Garden SPIN Club Leather SPIN Club Welding SPIN Club	Calendar Photography Contest	State Shotgun Shoot Hispanic Heritage Month

Award deadlines moved up to November 1

IMPORTANT: Don't miss your chance to apply. The deadline for **state scholarship** has been changed to November 1. Apply online @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/participate/awards-scholarships> for these scholarship opportunities:

Illinois 4-H Scholarship Program- online application for youth

- 5 - \$1,000 Scholarships Animal Science
- 5 - \$1,000 Scholarships Leadership
- 5 - \$1,000 Scholarships Healthy Living/Nutrition
- 5 - \$1,000 Scholarships Environmental/Natural Resources
- 5 - \$1,000 Scholarships STEM
- 5 - \$1,000 Scholarships Personal Growth
- 5 - \$1,000 Scholarships Food Systems & Production
- 5 - \$1,000 Scholarships Global Living/Civic Engagement
- 5 - \$1,000 Scholarships Creative Performing Arts & Communication

Illinois 4-H Sustaining the Future Award (*Former LCP Application*) Due November 1, 2025

Recipients of this award are invited to participate in the Premier 20 Conference with the top 10 4-H and 10 FFA members from across the state.

National 4-H Week is October 6 - 12. More information in the October Newsletter!!!

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