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Dear 4-H Families and Friends,

We are getting ready to kick-off the 2022-2023 4-H year. It is hard to believe our 4-H Fair and the Illinois State Fair have concluded. Our 4-H members have worked so hard this summer. Throughout the pages of this newsletter we celebrate all of their accomplishments at the State Fair.

We are getting a new enrollment system this year to replace 4-H Online! Look for an email from Shelby with directions for enrolling when the system is open. Returning 4-H members will have to enroll by December 1 to be eligible to show at the 4-H Fair. As always, we are available to assist you with completing your registration. Let's work together to inspire others in "Making the Best Better"!

As you prepare for the new, successful 4-H year, it is important to remember a few things. To show at the fair, you must have attended at least 4 meetings and give a talk or demonstration. Be sure to talk to your leader; some clubs have additional rules. Don't forget to request your project manuals! Also note that all deadlines will be enforced. See your new year folder and the newsletter for reminders of deadlines. We do our best to remind our members via social media as well!

Yours in 4-H,

Shelby R. Carlson

Thank You, West Central FS

Join us in saying a HUGE Thank You to West Central FS! They have so kindly donated \$20 per member to each of our 4-H Clubs. Please make sure to write a thank-you card to West Central FS during your first 4-H Club Meeting; we want them to know how much we appreciate them.

I PLEDGE...MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING

National 4-H Week is October 2-8!

Mark your calendars for the 2022 National 4-H Week!

What has your club done in the past to celebrate, that you think other clubs should know about? Share your ideas for a chance to be featured on a statewide idea sheet (with credit to your club!).

Share your ideas here: <https://form.jotform.com/221983990346063>



4-H Spirit Week

Join the fun with National 4-H Spirit Week! Encourage your friends and family to participate.

- 10/2 — **Service Sunday**
- 10/3 — **Member Monday**
- 10/4 — **Time Machine Tuesday**
- 10/5 — **Why 4-H Wednesday**
- 10/6 — **Thankful Thursday**
- 10/7 — **Favorite Project Friday**
- 10/8 — **Spirit Saturday**

Calling All Alumni

We want you to help us celebrate National 4-H Week! Sign up for an Alumni Pin to wear during National 4-H Week or to be featured as an Alumni Spotlight using the link go.illinois.edu/4HWeek



We Have A LOT To Celebrate!

The Throwdown Results Are In!

Our Unit - Henderson, Knox, McDonough and Warren counties - showed up and showed out at this year's Throwdown! Congratulations to our 4-H Representatives:

Henderson: Ruby Gittings, Dayne Gittings, Jolie Johnson, Rachel Leary

Knox: Hayden Beard, Addysen Link, Lola Link, Megan Peterson, Madilyn Pruett

McDonough: Carter Hoge, Gracyn Welsh, McLain Engnell, Owen Torrance, Kalissa Watkins

Warren: Macie Brooks, Sydney Emerick, Colton Russell, Logan Corzatt, Addyson Ryan, Kelton Ryan, Carley Perry, McKay Grohmann



Beef

Reserve Heifer ~ Maci Brooks, Warren

Bronze Heifer ~ Carter Hoge, McDonough

Goat

Bronze Wether ~ Madilyn Pruett, Knox

Sheep

Champion Wether ~ Carter Hoge, McDonough

Bronze Wether ~ Logan Corzatt, Warren

Swine

Champion Gilt ~ Lola Link, Knox

Champion Barrow ~ Addyson Ryan, Warren

Reserve Barrow ~ Lola Link, Knox

Bronze Barrow ~ Carter Hoge, McDonough

Showmanship

Beef ~ Carter Hoge, McDonough County ~ Reserve Champion Beef Showmanship

Goat ~ Madilyn Pruett, Knox ~ Finalist

Sheep ~ Owen Torrance, McDonough ~

Champion Sheep Showmanship

Sheep ~ Carter Hoge, McDonough ~ Finalist

Swine ~ Lola Link, Knox ~ Finalist

Swine ~ Addyson Ryan, Warren ~ Finalist

We Are Hiring!

Know someone who should be our next Program Coordinator? The job description and application can be found at go.illinois.edu/hkmwemployment. The position closes September 29th.

Questions can be directed to Lisa Torrance at lfulkers@illinois.edu or Shelby Carlson at srcarls2@illinois.edu.

We Are
Hiring!
**4-H Youth
Development
Program Coordinator**
Knox County | Position Based in Galesburg

To view position and apply:
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State Fair General Project Results



Champion

Esther	Gibb	Beekeeping 2
Mackenzie	Goff	Photography 3
Addison	Kramer	Scrapbooking-Advanced
Hannah	Maher	Leadership 3
Grace	Pickrel	Pebble Pups 1
Emma	Seiboldt	Civic Engagement 3
Sidney	Stiers	Food Ready4Life Challenge

Reserve Champion

Jane	McCormick	STEAM Clothing 1-Sewn NonCloth
Ashlyn	Murdock	Beekeeping 2
Ella	Soper	Design Decisions-Intermediate

Inspire Award

Grady	Anderson	Tractor A
Chris	Burgin-Lytle	Shooting Sports Shotgun
Addalyn	Cain	Scrapbooking-Beginning
Katelyn	Engel	VA Quilting - Quilting Best/Be
Payton	Hart	Shooting Sports Hunting&Outdoors
Ashlyn	Murdock	Beekeeping 2
Kaitlyn	ODaniel	4-H Cooking 101 Coffeecake
Amelia	Webel	STEAM Clothing 2-Sewn Clothing

Participants

Kellyn	Buchanan	Noah	Seiboldt
Alexandria	Cain	Kalen	Setterdahl
Abigail	Cain	Adalynn	Snyder
Lyla	Carr	Noah	Soper
Ella	Deppermann	Waylon	Soper
Kelsie	Downin	Gavin	Strom
Clay	Gohlinghorst	Dax	Ulm
Rylan	Holman	Phoebe	Ulm
Gage	Jurgensen	Erin	Welch
Lily	McCormick	Eli	West
Julia	Robinson	Logan	Yeutson

Results Unit-Wide Policies

It is important for you to review the **Unit-Wide policies** and to become familiar with them. If a **deadline** lands on a weekend, the paperwork needs to be turned in to the drop box by Monday before 7:59 a.m.

- **December 1st** - Re-enrollment deadline & College Contract deadline. The step-by-step guide will be emailed to you once ZSuite opens.
- **If you were a member last year, and you missed the December 1, 2021 re-enrollment deadline, you will not be eligible to participate in the 2023 4-H shows at the fair.**
- The \$20 program fee is required. We will invoice your 4-H club; pay your 4-H Club or work with them on your 4-H Club's payment arrangement.
- Members will need to **attend at least four meetings** a year to be eligible to participate in your county's 4-H fair. You must be physically present at the 4-H meeting or logged in and attending via a Zoom option. Excused absences do not count as attending.
- At minimum members must complete a **talk or demonstration**. However, clubs may require both.
- **Secretaries** are required to **send attendance sheets monthly** after their meeting to the Extension Office. This can be shared by Google Docs, email, scanned, mailed, or dropped off. We ask that you use the online Secretary book; you can either save it electronically or print it from your computer. We ask 4-H Leaders to review your secretary attendance sheet monthly before the office receiving them.
- **Treasurers** need to make sure they are **balancing accounts monthly** and providing reports during each meeting. Also, make sure you are using the required online form. For the new 2022-2023 4-H year, Treasurers need to start with the ending balance of the prior 4-H year fiscal report. (Please ask questions if needed)
- **January 1** – All Livestock Project enrollment deadline (Cat, Cattle, Chicken, Dog, Goat, Horse, Poultry, Rabbit, and Sheep). This is the last date you may add **ANY livestock** project and still be eligible to show that project at the county 4-H fair. Again, you may add this online.
- **March 1** – General Project enrollment deadline. This is the last date you may add a general project and still be eligible to show that project at the county 4-H fair. Remember that you already turned in your project enrollment when you enrolled in ZSuite. However, if you need to add a general show project, you may do so before this deadline. This is where you tell us what projects you want to learn more about!
- **May 1**—Horse project member's ownership/lease paperwork and pictures due to the office.
- **May 1 – Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)** yearly certification is required of all livestock project members (aside from cats, dogs, and horses). If you plan to show livestock at the county and/or state fair, this is now a state requirement. Ask your local extension office about ways to complete this training online or in person. For non-food-producing animals (cats, dogs, and horses), **QAEC** will still be required by **May 1 for those who have not completed it**.
- **June 1**- Dog project member's ownership/lease paperwork and pictures due to the office.
- **4 Weeks Before Fair** -Entries are **due online** by 11:59 p.m in FairEntry. Please keep in mind that staff cannot help you after hours that day. It is suggested that you have the entries completed online before office closing at 4:00 p.m. that day. *Just because you enroll in a project doesn't mean you are automatically entered in the fair. Late entries will not be accepted. **Please make sure you complete your online entries. This is where you tell us what projects you plan to bring.** Watch the newsletter and the 4-H Facebook page for dates where you can stop in and get help with entries.* <https://fairentury.com/>

If at any time you have questions, please contact your local extension office and the 4-H staff will be happy to visit with you. Deadline reminders will be made via the Hilite and Social Media pages. The 4-H staff is excited for the new 4-H year and supports your adventures in the 4-H program.

Club Reports

Delong Livestock: Reporter, Dylan Nimrick

The September Meeting of the Delong Livestock 4-H Club was held at 6pm on Sunday, September 11th at the Orange Township Building in Delong. We began the meeting with introductions, as we had 3 new families joining our club. In old business members shared how they did at the fairs over the summer and some even brought projects to show the group. Dylan Nimrick gave an overview of how the 4-H Fair went and Jack Link told about the Abingdon Community Festival. Joy shared that we made approximately \$90 in profit from the Popcorn stand during the Abingdon Festival. In new business we voted to take part in the cookie jar and window display competitions. We also elected our 2022-2023 officers. After the meeting was adjourned we enjoyed popcorn balls. The next meeting will be October 9th at 5pm at the Abingdon Festival grounds. It will be a joint weenie roast with the Willing Workers 4-H club from Warren County.

Please send any club reports to Shelby at srcarls2@illinois.edu.

What Does It Mean?

Have you ever heard a term in 4-H and thought what does that mean? We are here to help! 4-H is an amazing youth program that has been active for over 100 years. In some families, 4-H is a tradition they pass on to the next generation with excitement. Some families are starting their 4-H journey for the first time this year. To help better understand our “4-H lingo” we have provided a terms list in each green folder for our new 4-H families. You will receive them during your first 4-H meeting. We are also going to highlight a few each newsletter, as different terms will be used more frequently at different times of the year.

SPIN Club: Special Interest Club. In these clubs, members meet to learn about one specific topic, such as robotics or shooting sports.

Multi Project Club: In the past this has been referred to as a “Community Club” or a “Traditional Club.” This is the club that meets monthly with members who have many different interests and are enrolled in livestock projects and/or general projects.

New 4-H Enrollment & Registration System Coming this Fall!

Illinois 4-H is switching our enrollment and registration system from 4-H Online to ZSuite this fall. We believe this new system will offer a more user-friendly experience and features that will help you stay connected to the 4-H program and find new exciting experiences and opportunities for your kids! Registration will open in this new system in mid-October. Look for emails from your local 4-H staff at that time with directions on how to get your family set up in the new system.

New Enrollment
System



4-H Hall of Fame—Mike and Kendra Betz

Illinois 4-H volunteers empower and prepare youth for success as the program relies on its more than 15,000 volunteers to fill key leadership and mentoring roles. Longtime volunteers and former staff members were recently honored by the Illinois 4-H Foundation for their selfless dedication to the University of Illinois Extension 4-H youth development program. Knox County’s 2022 Inductees to the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame are Mike and Kendra Betz. The Betz’s are long time robotics volunteers and coaches. Their dedication to 4-H is to be admired. Congrats, Mike and Kendra!

Check out State Fair Results Here

You can find all the competition results from the Illinois State Fair on line at

<https://www2.illinois.gov/statefair/competitions/Pages/CompetitionResults.aspx>

Congratulations to 4-H Alumni

Congratulations to all of our Knox County 4-H Alumni who participated in the shows at the Illinois State Fair!

SPIN (There's That Term Again) Club Corner

4-H State Shoot News:

New for 2022....4-H State Shoots will be lowering the eligibility age of participants to age 12 by Sept. 1, 2022. This expands the opportunities to 4-H youth a year earlier than in years prior (the old rule was age 13 by Sept. 1st).

Registration will begin for all shoots on July 6, 2022. Registration links are below and will stay active until 2 weeks prior to each shoot or until capacities are reached. Fee includes T-shirt.

Details on rules of each shoot can be found at:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/state-events/state-shoots>

4-H State Archery Shoot- Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022 at Pekin Archers, Pekin, IL

\$20 4-H Fee Register at: go.illinois.edu/20224HArcheryShoot

4-H State Shotgun Shoot- Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022 at Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill, IL

\$40 4-H Fee Register at: go.illinois.edu/20224HShotgunShoot

4-H State Rifle Shoot- Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022 at Central Illinois Precision Shooters (CIPS), Bloomington, IL

\$20 4-H Fee Register at: go.illinois.edu/20224HRifleShoot

4-H State Pistol Shoot- Sunday, Oct. 9, 2022 at CIPS, Bloomington, IL

\$20 4-H Fee Register at: go.illinois.edu/20224HPistolShoot



Federation Meeting

Any 4-H member in 9th grade or older interested in becoming a part of Federation is welcome! Please contact Shelby for more information; 309/342-5108 or email srcarls2@illinois.edu.

September 2022

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September 17

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September 24

October 8

October 9

October 15-16

November 25-29

December 1

2023

January 1

January 13-15

March 1

April 1

April 8

April 22

4-H State Archery Shoot, Pekin Archers Pekin

State 4-H Poultry Judging Contest

4-H State Shotgun Shoot, Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill

4-H State Rifle Shoot, Central Illinois Precision Shooters, Bloomington

4-H State Pistol Shoot CIPS, Bloomington, Illinois

Junior Leadership Conference

National 4-H Congress

Re-Enrollment Deadline

Livestock Project Deadline

Youth Livestock Conference

General Project Deadline

State Awards Banquet

State Robotics Competition

State Public Speaking Competition