Saline County 4-H Connection

Monthly News for Saline County 4-H Members





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The New 4-H Year is Here - September 1st!

Here's to a GREAT 2023-2024 4-H Year!

Leaders/Parents - 4-H Records and/or Experience Award Application packets are due September 8, 2023.

County Medal Applications, Achievement Trophy Applications, and club paperwork such as the Membership Checklist, Club Secretary and Treasurer Books, Financial Activity Statements, will also be due on September 8th.

We hope ZSuite will open for enrollment soon. Please do not go into ZSuite before you receive an email with instructions.



Saline County 4-H'ers at the Illinois State Fair -Junior Livestock & Dog Shows

Laney Adams - Meat Goat - Reserve Champion Yearling Doe, Reserve Champion Jr. Showmanship - Breeding Division

Emma Carlile - Dairy Cattle - 2nd, two 3rds, 4th, & 5th in her classes

Zane Carlile - Dairy Cattle - 2nd, 3rd, 4th, & 6th in his classes

Noah Curry - Swine - Cross Gilt - 5th in class

AJ Lenkaitis - Dairy Cattle - Winner - Superior Young Dairy Producer Scholarship, 2nd in class, Milking Shorthorn and pulled out for Champion

Caden Lenkaitis - Dairy Cattle - Holstein - 4th in class

Denver Lenkaitis - Dairy Cattle

Jocelyn Oxford - DuQuoin - Swine - Reserve Champion Spot Gilt - Champion Bred & Owned Spot Gilt

Avery Rash - Swine - Berk Gilt - 3rd in class

Makayla Miller - Dog - Obedience and Rally

Hannah Wenzel - Dog - 6th in Obedience, 6th in Rally, and 7th in Showmanship

Hallee Whitlock - Meat Goat - Reserve Champion Jr. Showmanship - Market Division































General Show Entries

Illinois State Fair Results

Congratulations to our **Illinois State Fair General Show Exhibitors!**



Cheri White was inducted into the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame. Congratulations!















Hallee Whitlock - Animal Science - Participation Award

Sierra Wilson - Woodworking 4- Participation Award

Garrett Arnold - Woodworking 1 - Participation Award

Wyatt Arnold - Visual Arts, Metal - Participation Award

Ellie DeNeal - Family Heritage - Participation Award

Lillian Siler - Photography 2 - Participation Award

Brilynn Evans - Visual Arts, Fiber - Participation Award

Andrew Grizzell - 4-H Cooking 301 - Participation Award

Rachel Lands - Civic Engagement 3 - Champion Medallion

Caleb Wenzel - Sportsfishing 1 - Reserve Champion Medallion

Courtney Boulds - Design Decisions Advanced - Champion Medallion

Madalynn Burris - Vegetable Gardening Display - Inspire Award





















Federation News & Meeting Notice

The Saline County 4-H Federation met on August 7th at the Harrisburg Park Kiwanis Shelter. Those present enjoyed the meeting and DQ ice cream treats.

Officer Petitions for the 2023-2024 4-H year were distributed.

Federation officers and delegates reviewed our finances and discussed purchasing a 4-H tent to use at outdoor events. We also discussed making other donations this fall.

Federation Meeting

The next meeting of the Saline County 4-H Federation is scheduled for Monday, September 18th at 5:30 pm at the Extension office.

We will be electing Federation officers for the 2023-2024 4-H Year. Those seeking an office MUST bring their completed petition to the meeting.

Petitions are available at the Extension office for any 4-H youth, 8th grade and up, with at least 2 years of 4-H membership.

We will also be planning National 4-H Week activities and discussing Achievement Night.

Management Meeting



The 4-H Management Committee will meet on Monday, September 18th at 7:00 pm at the Extension office.

We will be reviewing the 2023 4-H shows, discussing Achievement Night, choosing award winners (Alumni and Friend of 4-H), and discussing fall events, such as the Fall Party.

This is an important meeting and all committee members are encouraged to attend.

Federation officers are the youth representation on the Management Committee.



HEAVEN'S KITCHEN

To put our "Hands to Larger Service..." during National 4-H Week, we have planned a volunteer night at Heaven's Kitchen on Tuesday, October 3rd.

Heaven's Kitchen is located at 22 W. Locust Street in Harrisburg. We will

serve meals and wait tables from 5:00-6:00 p.m. Please plan to arrive by 4:00 p.m. if possible. Before table service begins, we can help pack the carry-out meals.



If you would like to bring a dessert, I know it would be appreciated.

All Saline County 4-H youth, volunteers and family members are invited to join us.

Please contact Nancy at 252-8391 or at nlambert@illinois.edu by September 28th if you can volunteer.

We will have a short Federation Meeting during this event.



National 4-H Week

October 1-7, 2023

"Making History with 4-H!"

Since 1902, when the first 4-H groups were formed, 4-H youth have made history by becoming role models, responsible citizens, and hard-working, contributing members of their families, their workplaces, their communities and their world!

How can you make history? How can 4-H help you get there?

This 4-H year, enroll in a project that relates to a future goal. This 4-H year, share how 4-H is helping you to make history. And this 4-H year, encourage a friend to enroll.

4-H'ers are Making History!



Let's all help promote Saline County 4-H! We need YOU at these events!

4-H Leaders - Please help me get a group of kids to attend these proclamation signings!

Harrisburg Mayor Proclamation - Thursday, September 7. All Harrisburg area 4-H members and adult volunteers should meet at the Harris-Pruett Building at 5:30 pm to witness as Mayor John McPeek signs a National 4-H Week proclamation. Wear a 4-H shirt!

Eldorado Mayor Proclamation - Tuesday, September 12. All Eldorado area 4-H members and adult volunteers should meet at the Eldorado City Hall at 4:30 pm to witness as Mayor Rocky James signs a National 4-H Week proclamation. Wear a 4-H shirt!

Galatia Mayor Proclamation - Thursday, September 21. All Galatia area 4-H members and adult volunteers should meet at the Galatia Village Hall at 3:00 pm (or as soon as school ends) to witness as Mayor Steve Sloan signs a National 4-H Week proclamation. Wear a 4-H shirt!

Carrier Mills Mayor Proclamation - I was not able to reach the Carrier Mills Mayor. If I receive a reply later, I will send out an email with details.

PSA's at WEBQ - Wednesday, September 27. We will record Public Service Announcements at WEBQ Radio Station from 3:00 - 4:00 pm. The PSA's will run during National 4-H Week.
If you would like to write your own 30-second spot using our theme - "Making History with 4-H!", please include the dates of National 4-H Week - October 1-7, 2023 - and Extension Office/Saline County 4-H contact information - 618-252-8391.

I will have some pre-written PSA's for you to read if you prefer that. Call the Extension office if you can record a message.



Window Display Contest

You, your 4-H club, and/or your family are invited to participate in the **4-H Window Display Contest.** Please have your display completed for judging by **Sunday, October 1st**, and call Nancy with the location so it can be judged!

We are asking that you leave the displays in place until October 7th, the end of 4-H Week.

Poster Contest

Individual 4-H members who would like to design a 4-H poster for National 4-H Week are asked to have the posters in place by **Sunday, October 1st**. Call Nancy with the poster location. Please place your poster somewhere that is visible from outside.

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Display and Poster Contest Guidelines

- 1. Display/Poster promotes 4-H and what members gain from joining. (20 points)
- 2. Display/Poster follows the theme. (20 points)
- 3. Display/Poster has an "attention getter" that attracts viewers. (20 points)
- 4. Display/Poster is neatly and logically arranged and clearly expresses message. (20 points)
- Display/Poster gives name of 4-H club and contact information, such as phone number, e-mail address, and where assistance is available. (20 points)



Winners will be announced at Achievement Night!



Plans are underway for our 2023 Saline County 4-H Achievement Night event, scheduled for Monday, October 23rd, beginning at 7 pm, at the Fairgrounds Livestock Building.
 We will be finalizing awards and plans for decorations and set-up for Achievement Night at our September 18th Federation and Management Committee meetings.

More details will be available in the October newsletter.

4-H Parents, Grandparents, Great-Grandparents, Club Leaders... Do you have any historic 4-H memorabilia that you would be willing to let us borrow to decorate at Achievement Night.

If so, please call the Extension office to let Nancy know. Thanks!











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Honor

Flight

Amy McCarty is the White County 4-H Program Coordinator.

If you would like to write a thank you card or an encouraging note for any veteran, please get them to Nancy at the Extension office by September 11 and I will pass them on.

4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training

We are hoping to bring Shooting Sports back to Saline County 4-H.



There is an Illinois 4-H Level 1 County Instructor Certification Training scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2023 in Wayne County. Disciplines included in the training are Archery, Shotgun, Rifle, Pistol, and Hunting/Outdoor Skills, along with a Coordinator Certification.

It is an easy drive to Fairfield, IL, and this is one of the closest trainings to Saline County that the state has scheduled.

If you are interested in becoming a Shooting Sports Instructor please contact the Extension Office and we will get you registered.





Saline County Illinois 4-H Facebook Page

If you are on Facebook, look for our Saline County Illinois 4-H page and request to join the closed group. In addition to emailing out meeting



notices, and general information, I post these on the Facebook page. I will keep the page updated with photos, meetings, events, and information to help you during the 4-H year.

4-H Calendar

September 2023



- 1 New 4-H Year Begins!
- 4 Extension Office closed for Labor Day
- 7 Harrisburg National 4-H Week Mayor Proclamation Signing, 5:30 pm, Harris-Pruett Building.
- 8 4-H Record forms, County Medal Applications, Secretary Books, Treasurer's Books and Financial Activity Statements, Club Scrapbooks, and all other end of year paperwork must be turned in to the Extension Office.
- 12 Eldorado National 4-H Week Mayor Proclamation Signing, 4:30 pm, Eldorado City Hall.
- **18 -** 4-H Federation Meeting, 5:30 pm, Extension Office. We will be electing officers for 2023-2024.
- 18 Management Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Extension Office.
- 21- Galatia National 4-H Week Mayor Proclamation Signing, 3:00 pm, Galatia Village Hall.
- 27 Record PSA's at WEBQ Radio Station, 3-4 pm.

<u>October 2023</u>

- **1-7 It's National 4-H Week!** Invite a friend to your 4-H club meeting. Wear your 4-H shirt to school. **"Making History with 4-H!"**
- **3** 4-H Serves @ Heaven's Kitchen 4 6 pm, We will hold a short Federation meeting during this time.
- 23 4-H Achievement Night, Fairgrounds, 7 pm
- 28 Shooting Sports Instructor Training, Fairfield, IL
- 31 Happy Halloween!





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