

White County
4-H News

January 2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR

It is already 2024, time sure flies now a days. I hope this newsletter will find everyone filling themselves to the brim with holiday goodies and many memories to share for years to come.

January is filling up fast with meetings and workshops. If you have a new member in your club and don't have their enrollment forms in or enrolled in https://4h.zsuite.org/, please do so ASAP.

I will need their birthday dates for the calendar. If you see that your birthday is wrong on the calendar, let me know.

Please take time to read the newsletter; there is a lot of important information!

Amy McCarty Extension Program Coordinator/4-H

### Mark your calendars

January 2024

February 2024

4 Federation - 5:30

12 January Publication Orders are Due

15 Cabin Fever Day - Hamilton County Ext. Office 9:00-1:00

Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Office Closed

18 Cloverbud Recruitment Night 3:30-6:00 @ Extension Office

29 Guidebook Cover Contest Due

30 Support Committee - 5:00 Livestock Committee - 6:00 Leadership Committee - 7:00 February 1 First Cloverbud Mtg. 3:30-4:30

**Federation Meeting - 5:30** 

February 3 Beef Weigh-In @ 8AM @

Fairgrounds

February 15 Cloverbuds Meeting 3:30-4:30

February Cosmic Bowling 6:00

**Muddy Illinois** 

**Tentative Workshop Scheduled** 



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



# January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Federation 5:30	5	6
			Kory Sutton			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Kassie Nausley	Promiss Roser	Kim Fuqua	Kelsey Aldrich			
14 Niah Haley	15 Cabin Fever Day - Hamilton Co. Ext.  Jalynn Phillips	16	17	18 Pre- Registration for Cloverbuds 3:30-6:00	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Alexus Gates Walker Hamburg	Holly Hays Lauren Hays	Gaige Clifford			Carrie Gates	
28	29 Guidebook Cover Deadline Willow Knight Brooke Rahmoeller	30 Support 5:00 Livestock 6 Leadership 7	31  Jackson Buttry Aaliyah Kueber	If you are needing any publications for your projects and are ready to order please let Amy know by January 12.		

#### **2024 Livestock Ownership Deadlines**

Birth, Ownership and Tattoo Dates for Illinois State Fair Junior Show and White County. If you are interested in State Fair, please ask for more specific guidelines.

#### **STEERS & MARKET HEIFERS:**

- Calved on or after January 1, 2023
- Owned & personally cared for by exhibitor since February 1, 2024
- Tattooed & Tagged -
- o On or between the last Saturday in January (January 27, 2024) and February 29, 2024.

#### Beef weigh-in is February 3. (All Male & Females will be weighed and/or tagged)

o In addition to tattooing, steers that will be going to state fair are to be tagged with the electronic ID tags.

#### **BARROWS:**

- Regular Barrows
- o Farrowed on or after December 15, 2023 (White County Livestock Show Only) and must be the property of the exhibitor by June 1, 2024.

### Swine weigh-in is March 23 @ 8am @ the Fairgrounds (All Male & Females will be weighed and/or tagged)

- Premiere Barrows
- o Farrowed on or after February 10, 2024 and must have been the property of the exhibitor by June 1, 2024
- o Weighed and Tattooed February 10 to April 15, 2024
- o Tattooed within 35 days of birth and not weigh more than 1.0lbs/day of age
- o Junior exhibitors can purchase nominated barrows

#### **SHEEP WETHERS:**

- Both Premiere & Live Show Wethers
- o Lambed on or after January 1, 2024
- o Ownership Date May 15, 2024
- o Weighed, Tattooed & Tagged between March 15 and May 15, 2024.

#### Sheep & Goat weigh-in is May 4 @ 8:00am @ Fairgrounds.

(All Male & Females will be weighed and/or tagged)

- Weigh/Tattoo procedures for Open & Jr. Premiere & Live Show Wethers:

All lambs and meat goats to be exhibited at the State Fair MUST be taken to one of the statewide locations for weighing and tattooing. Each lamb will be tagged with an electronic ID tag, tattooed, weighed, and recorded on Lamb Nomination Forms from Dan Jennings.

Specific information regarding each of the weigh-in locations & procedures will be forthcoming.

#### **MEAT GOATS**

- Wethers Born on or after October 1, 2023
- Tattooed in name of exhibitor only by May 15, 2024
- Ownership dates for Kids & Yearlings not in milk May 15, 2024



#### **January Federation Meeting**

January 4, 2024 5:30pm White County Extension Office Everyone welcome!



Be thinking of a community service project that can be done using a Farm Credit Grant























#### **Guidebook Cover Contest**

2024 White County 4-H Guidebooks will be available in February or March! But, first we need a neat looking cover!

Use your creative ideas and put them to paper. Deadline is January 29. Judging will be at the committee meetings on the 30th.





Guidebook & Showbook























#### Leaders and Volunteers Listen Up!

On December 12, Amy emailed current volunteers paperwork that needed to be updated. Please check your emails and get them back ASAP!

The first week of January Lindsay will be sending out emails to those who need to complete our newer Sterling Volunteers Website. Be looking for an email from lindsaym@illinois.edu and TheAdvocates@sterlingvolunteers.com.

On January 30 we will be available during the Support, Livestock, and Leadership Committee meetings for anyone that needs to complete any of the above.

EVERYONE WILL NEED TO COMPLETE THE NEW ANCRA TRAINING **ONCE AVAILABLE** 

# CABIN FEVER DAY

READY TO GET OUT OF THE HOUSE AND DO SOMETHING FUN?
JOIN US FOR A DAY OF LEARNING AND CRAFTING!

Jr High and older will be partnering with HCE to make lap throws for the Veterans Honor Flight

Elementary ages will be making Valentines for Veterans



When: January 15 9:00-1:00

Where: Hamilton Co.

Extension office

(Courthouse basement)





# • Join © Cloverbuds!

Learn about 4-H, do fun projects and so much more!



Cloverbud club is open to youth who were 5 by September 1, 2023 up to 7 years old.

#### Where?

University of IL Extension office: 1715 College Ave Carmi, IL 62821

#### What?

At Cloverbbud meetings you'll learn how to run a real meeting, participate in community service projects, be creative and have fun learning about 4-H

#### When?

Every other Thursday from 3:30 – 4:30 starting February 1.

February 1 March 21 May 2 February 15 April 4 May 16

March 7 April 18

Pre-registration @ University of IL Extension office:

January 18, 2024 from 3:30 - 6:00

For More information, contact Amy McCarty: Email: amccarty@illinois.edu Phone: 618–382-2662



\$10.00 covers ALL cost for 8 meetings







#### **COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL, CONSUMER & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES**

University of Illinois | U.S. Department of Agriculture | Local Extension Councils Cooperating University of Illinois Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact University of Illinois Extension. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet your access needs.

# Christmas Tree Contest

#### **Most Original Tree**



**River Morrison** 



Jalynn Phillips



Nyah, Gannon, & Slyviah Boren



**Prettiest Tree** 

Levi McKinney



Kerrigan & Kenley Black



Kenley Davis



Katelyn Allen



Katelyn Garner



**Brooklyn Thompson** 



Grace McCarty



Wren Morrison









Katelyn Allen



Johanna Zieren



**Best Tiny Tree** 

Nyah, Gannon, & Slyviah Boren



Ethan Thompson



Katelyn Davis



#### Get cash to help improve your community

Looking for funding support to conduct community service outreach in your community? Farm Credit Illinois is ready to help Illinois 4-H clubs and FFA chapters bring positive and visible change to Illinois communities! Fifty \$500 Community Improvement Grants are available. Clubs must be located in one of the 60 central and southern Illinois counties served by Farm Credit Illinois. Check if your club is eligible and apply today at <a href="maintenanticolor: farmcreditIL.com">farmcreditIL.com</a>. Be sure to contact your LOCAL EXTENSION OFFICE BEFORE applying for this grant to ensure you follow all fiscal requirements!























#### 4-H Project Grants Available

The White County Farm Bureau is pleased to sponsor the 2024 4-H Project Grant Program for White County 4-Hers.

The program is designed to encourage young 4-Hers to begin new projects by eliminating potential cost burdens they may have; as well as encourage new individuals to become active in the White County 4-H program.

4-Hers ages 8-14 are eligible to apply. Applications must be completed by the 4-Her and signed off by a parent/guardian and the 4-H Club Leader.

Applications are due March 1, 2024.

Applications are available from the White Co. Extension office and the White Co. Farm Bureau. Applications can also be downloaded at www.whitecfb.com/4hgrant

If you have questions regarding requirements of the 4-H Project Grant Program, please call the Farm Bureau office (618) 382-8512.























## Online ethics certification required for everyone taking 4-H animal projects.

All 4-H members enrolled in an animal project area are required to complete the online **Quality Assurance and Ethics course** one time in order to stay enrolled in an animal project area. The certification must be done if you are enrolled in one of the following projects: cats, dogs, horses, poultry, and rabbits. Members who do not complete the certification before the show will be removed from the project and not be allowed to show. Anyone who has already taken the certification does not need to retake the test. The local office has a list of those already certified.

The website is located online at: <a href="http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/">http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/</a>.

This rule applies to 4-H members who exhibit live animals AND poster exhibits. White County deadline will be June 1! Get it done now, it's not hard!

DIMENSION	COLUMN A # of club / individual experiences	COLUMN B # of county experiences	COLUMN C # of unit-wide/ regional experiences	COLUMN D # of state/ national experiences
PARTICIPATION	Norris City Mayor Signing Grayville Mayor Signing	Sept 1 - National 4-H Week Theme Contest Sept 7 - Federation Sept. 7 - 4-H Rally Oct Carmi Mayor Signing Oct 5 - Federation Nov. 2 - Federation Dec. 7 - Federation/Lights Judging	Hamilton County Haunted Trail Unit 24 4-H Fall Party	National 4-H Spirit Week Activities
COMMUNITY SERVICE		Sept 23 - Mule Days Parade October 7 - Enfield Parade Oct 12 - Cake Walk October 14 - Corn Day Parade Dessert Baking Contest (Donation to Grayville Senior Center)	Thank you cards for Southern Illinois Veterans Honor Flight October Food Challenge Socks for 4C's Homeless Shelter T-Shirt Bag Workshop Centerville Ripsnorter's Veteran's Day Drive	National 4-H Day of Service - Honor Flight Blankets
LEADERSHIP	Club Officers	PSA's Leadership Role at: Federation Meeting Cloverbud Meetings GIFT Garden Classes Expansion & Review Comm.		National 4-H Conf. Legislative Conn. Speaking for Ill. 4-H Jr. Leadership Conf. Nov 4-5
PROJECT LEARNING		Leather SPIN Club Grayville Pie Baking Contest Pumpkin Decorating Contest Gingerbread House Workshop		State Shotgun Shoot  QAEC/YQCA  Morning Ag Clips Photo Contest  Taste of Language  Native American Heritage Month  Ukrainian Cuisine  Calling All Artists, Creators, & Performers



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