

March 2024

Even though we are a couple of days short in February, it flew by. This newsletter is FULL of upcoming events, DEADLINES, and scholarships. Read it carefully!!!

The Cloverbud program kicked off on February 1 with 22 members!

The leather workshop series began February 26. If you are interested in joining this SPIN club, please let Charlie Nolan or Amy know.



We are also coming to a few weeks left for pre-sales of pork loins on March 15. With the pick up on March 30.

This year the Support Committee is going to have their boneless pork loin sale once again, since it was a success last year! This year we are adding a rack of ribs for \$30.00.

More information is in the newsletter! Get the word out and let's make this a successful fundraiser once again!

Mark your calendars March 25 La Leather 3:30-5:30

March 2024

March 4	Leather 3:30-5:30	March 30	Support Committee Pork Loin/Rib Sale Pick up 2:30-5:30 @ Extension Office
March 5, 7, &	2 9 Hunter Safety Course	April 2024	
March 7	Cloverbuds - 3:30-4:30	April 4	Cloverbuds 3:30-4:30 @ Ext. Office
March 10	Experience Award Winner Banquet		Federation 5:15
	Invites Only	April 6	YQCA in-person in Saline County—TBA
March 11	Leather 3:30-5:30	April 18	Cloverbuds - 3:30-4:30 @ GIFT Garden
March 12	Unit 24 Electrical Workshop - 6:00 – 8:00		Clean up at the GIFT Garden @ 5:00
	@ Ext. Office	April 20	War Horse Swine Spring Preview Show
March 15	Pork Loin Pre-Order Sale Deadline	April 23	Support Committee - 5:00 Livestock Committee - 6:00
March 18	Trivia Night—Hamilton County @ 6:00 Leather 3:30-5:30	April 25	Rain Date - GIFT Garden Clean-up 5:00-8:00
March 21	Cloverbuds - 3:30 - 4:30 Unit 24 Public Presentations - 6:00 @ Extension Office	April 27	Enfield Blue Ribbon Sponsoring a Rabbit & Livestock Workshop In-Person YQCA

March 23 Swine Weigh-in @ Fairgrounds @ 8 AM

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.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
March	Publicatio	March 15	1Sophie Lucas	2		
3	4 Keirann	5 Hunter Safety	6	7 Cloverbuds Hunter Safety	8 Jolene	9 Hunter Safety
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10 4-H Awards Banquet	11	12 Electrical Workshop Halle Dobbs Addy Sutton Bethany Sutton	13	14	15 Loin Pre-Sale Deadline Katelyn Allen	16 Maren Haley
17	18 Trivia Night 6:00	19 Brynlee Sauls Olivia Howard	20	21 Cloverbuds 3:30-4:30 Unit 24 Public Presentations River Morrison	22	23 Swine Weigh-in 8:00
24	25 Aidan Jordan	26	27	28 Jaclyn Garner Drew Williams	29	30 Pork Loin & Rib Sale Bri Bridgewater
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2024 Livestock Ownership Deadlines

Birth, Ownership and Tattoo Dates for Illinois State Fair Junior Show and White County.

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

Re-certification required for youth exhibiting livestock

4-H members exhibiting animals entering the food production system will be required to complete the **Youth for the Quality Care of Animal** certification (YQCA). This program is the industry-standard certification. Check with local offices about completing the training.

The training must be completed each year. <u>https://yqcaprogram.org</u>

Horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, and cats will still be required to take the **Quality Assurance and Ethics** (QAEC) training. This training is only required once in the member's career.

<u>A new Zsuite link will be coming soon!!</u>

Face to face trainings are being planned for the Spring which will be \$3.00 online training will be \$12.00. After proof of completion the Livestock Committee will reimburse you for your training.



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 4-H club leaders, the White County Extension office, and the White County Farm Bureau.

Applications can also be downloaded at www.whitecfb.com.

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



Area Hunters Can Earn Certification

Area residents will have an opportunity to learn basic principles of safe hunting at the Illinois Department of Natural Resources hunter safety certification course. Participants must attend <u>all 10</u> <u>hours</u> of instruction and pass the test to receive their certification.

The workshop times are Tuesday, March 5 & Thursday, March 7 from 6-8pm and Saturday, March 9, 9am-3pm at the U of I Ext. Office.

The course is geared toward youth, but older hunters are also encouraged to attend the classes since many states now require out-of-state hunters to show proof of certification. A 1996 Illinois law requires that all hunters born after Jan. 1, 1980 must successfully complete the hunter education course before they can receive their first hunting license. Participants completing the course receive a hunter education certification card which verifies they have passed the course.

The ten-hour course includes instruction in wildlife management, firearms safety, hunter ethics, game identification, first aid, survival techniques and regulations. The lead instructor will be Bobby Lamp.

Pre-registration is not required, but would be helpful. To register, one may call the Extension office at 382-2662 by March 4. Space is limited to 50 participants.



Test Your Knowledge at Trivia Night

The Barbwire Gang 4-H Club will host a Unit 24 4-H Trivia Night on Monday, March 18 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the courthouse basement. All clubs are invited and can enter as many teams as you like.

There is no fee to participate and prizes will be awarded.

All ages are encouraged to play along. There will be many different topics and categories and you may be surprised by the amount of useless knowledge you have stored in your brain. Please contact the office by March 15 with your entries.

A taco bar meal will be provided at 5:30.

Youth are asked to bring a non-perishable food item for the Barbwire Gang Gives Back Box that is at the GIFT Garden. This will provide you with a multi-county event and service project for your records.



Unit 24 Public Presentations Contest & Demonstrations

Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Pope, Saline and White Counties





Deadline to enroll: March 18, 2024

Contact your local Extension Office to enroll and for any questions.

March 21, 2024 6:00 PM

White Co U of I Extension Office:

1715 College Ave Carmi, IL 62821



Community Service Project

Donations of non-perishable food items will be accepted for the White County Blessing Boxes

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HALF BONELESS PORK LOIN - \$25.00 RACK OF RIBS - \$30.00

Money raised by the Support Committee:

- Helps fund trips
- Pays part of youth 4-H enrollment
- Provides a discount on 4-H project manuals
- Helps purchase awards

This is the main fundraiser of the year, your support is greatly appreciated!

PRE-ORDERS DUE BY MARCH 15, 2024 MONEY DUE AT THE TIME OF PICK UP OR PAY ONLINE

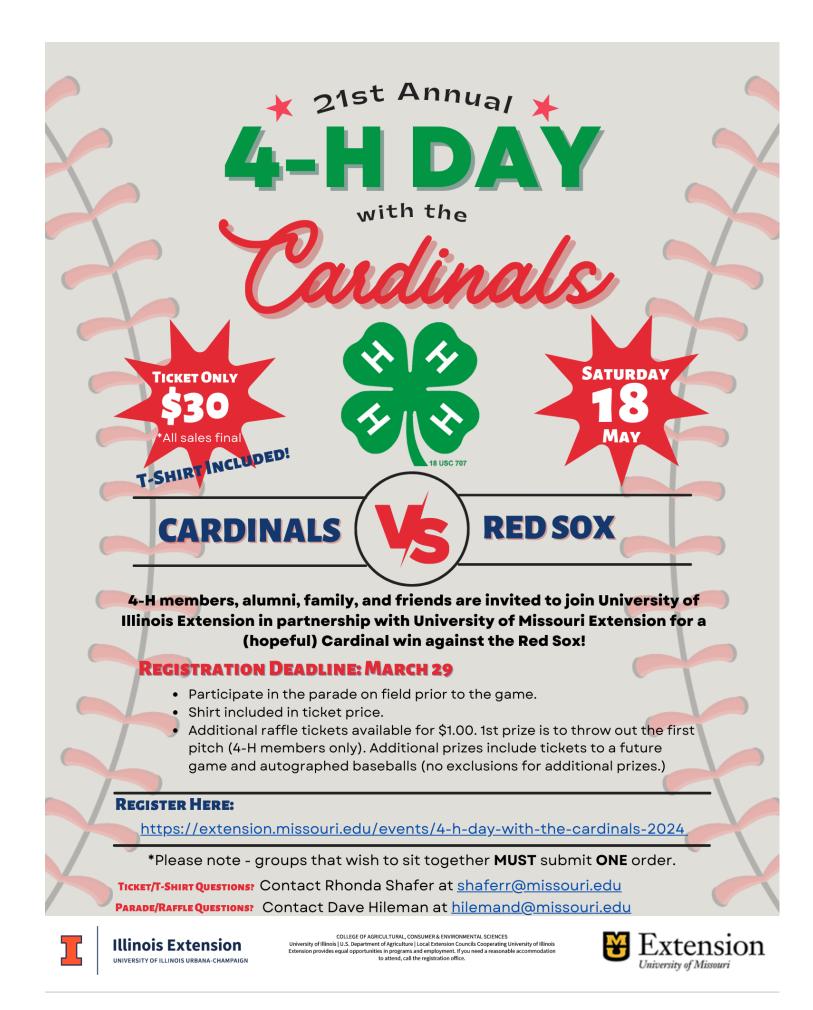
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PICK UP - MARCH 30 2:30-5:30

<u>3 easy ways to Pre-Order:</u>

Google Docs: https://go.illinois.edu/PorkLoinAndRibSale Call: 618-382-2662 Email: amccarty@illinois.edu

(Name, phone number, and amount required on all orders.)



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 Enfield 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 2 - Grayville Days Parade Hygiene Products for CCC Sept. 11 - Serving at Retired Teacher's Dinner 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) Support Comm. Pork Loin Sale	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 Cosmic Bowling - School Supplies	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		Shooting Sports SPIN Club GIFT Garden SPIN Club Leather SPIN Club Grayville Pie Baking Contest Pumpkin Decorating Contest Gingerbread House Workshop Christmas Tree Decorating Contest Hunter Safety Course	String Art Workshop Virtual Ornament Making Workshop Eclipse Glasses Design Contest Hamilton Co. Cabin Fever Day Maple Syrup Workshop Electrical Workshop Public Presentations - March 21	 State Shotgun Shoot QAEC/YQCA Morning Ag Clips Photo Contest Taste of Language Native American Heritage Month Ukrainian Cuisine Calling All Artists, Creators, & Performers Virtual Graphic Design SPIN Club Georgia Boot Contest Illini Summer Academies



Warhorse 4-H Club Swine Spring Preview Show

Saturday April 20th, 2024 White County Fairgrounds 201 Fairground Rd Carmi, IL 62821

Registration Link below:

https://showman.app/shows#/war-horse-4-h-spring-preview

Showmanship 8:00 am Breeding Gilt Show \$30/entry 30 minutes after showmanship

Market Barrow Show \$30/entry 30 minutes after breeding gilts

Contact

Justin Williams Cell- 618-383-2645 Email-Justinwilliams4320@gmail.com

Arrival

Pens will be available Friday evening after 5:00 pm. We will check people in and weigh barrows until 8 pm. Then resume check in and weighing at 6 am the morning of the show.

Check-In

Friday April 19, from 5:00 - 8:00 pm; Saturday April 20 6:00- 9:00 am

Health Checks

Health papers required.

Other Information

Shavings will be available for bedding and pens must be cleaned before leaving.

Refund Policy

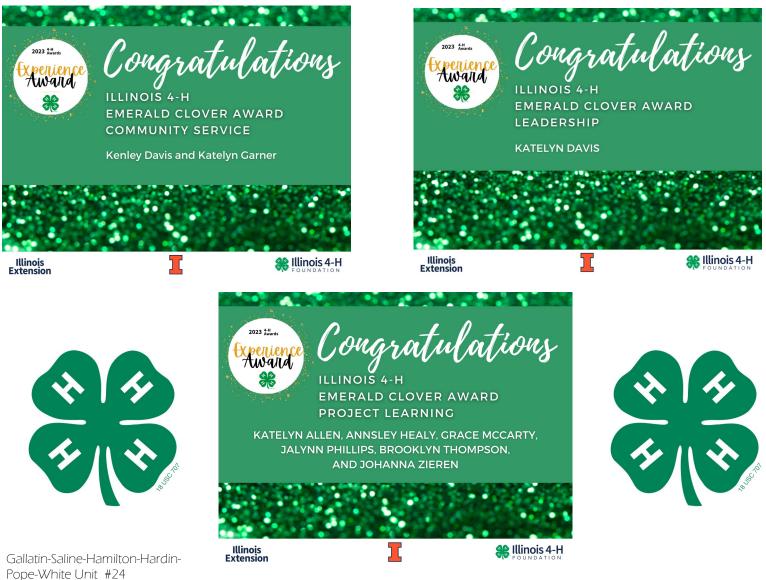
Entry fees are non-refundable.



April 27, 2024 Time: TBA White County Fairgrounds 4-H Livestock Barn

A fitting workshop where you will learn how to present your animal at your local 4-H fair/show. Davonne Long will talk cattle. Illinois 4-H Livestock Ambassador, Remmington Curry will talk sheep, goats, and pigs. In-person YQCA will take place during the workshop.

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any of these programs, please contact the Holly Healy (618)713-5990 or Karen McKinney (618)384-8293.



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