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# Richland County 4-H NEWSLETTER



## Calendar of Events

### September

- 2 Office Closed - Labor Day
- 9 Award Applications are due

### October

- 7-11 National 4-H Week
- 8 Office Closed - Regional Staff Meeting
- 24 Office Closed - Staff Meeting

### November

- 9 Awards Program

## Introduction to Illinois 4-H State Awards Webinar

Hey there, fellow 4-H enthusiasts! Whether you're a seasoned 4-H veteran or just dipping your toes into the clover-shaped pool, we've got some stellar news for you!

Did you know YOU are eligible to apply for state 4-H awards? We want to celebrate your 4-H accomplishments, but to recognize you, you must apply! Join our virtual webinar where we will introduce you to all our Illinois 4-H awards: Club Award, My 4-H Experience Award, Illinois 4-H Scholarship, Holstein-Friesian Association Award, Illinois 4-H Electricity Award and Illinois 4-H Sustaining the Future Award. In this workshop you will learn about who is eligible and get an introduction into how to fill out each application. This webinar is open to 4-H youth and leaders. The webinar is on Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Registration required by August 20 to receive the link to the webinar. Register in Zsuite under events.

Save the date for other events in this series (or register now in Zsuite)!

- September 18 at 6pm: My 4-H Experience Award – Going for the Gold, Diamond, and Emerald!
- October 7 at 6pm: Illinois 4-H Scholarship Webinar

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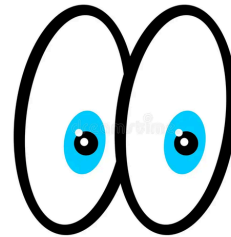
**YAY!**



Levi Clodfelter and Seth Clodfelter competed in the 2024 Illinois State Crop Judging Competition on July 31 in Champaign at University of Illinois. Even as one of the smallest teams there, they ended up in 3rd place. Way to go Levi and Seth!!



**4-H Week will  
be October 7-11**



Keep an eye out for a letter coming soon, regarding General Project changes for 2025 Richland County 4-H Fair

**Members who are 8th grade and older**

COME TOGETHER WITH OTHER 4-H MEMBERS YOUR AGE AND MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT RICHLAND COUNTY 4-H ACTIVITIES. MEETINGS ARE ONCE A MONTH AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE; THE NEXT MEETING AND FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW 4-H YEAR IS SEPTEMBER 19, 2024 AT 6:00PM AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE. COME CHECK IT OUT AND SEE IF IT IS FOR YOU.



**ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT NOW CALLED  
AWARDS PROGRAM**



The 2024 Awards Program will be held on Saturday, November 9 at 1:00 P.M. at the Emmanuel United Methodist Church. Please plan to attend.

Cookies, Cupcakes and drinks will be provided.

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2024 STATE FAIR DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES



## State Fair Delegates

Karoline Anderson  
LeeAnn Anderson  
Meadow Anderson  
Katelyn Bookhout  
Brayden Cazel  
Kyleigh Cazel  
Levi Clodfelter  
Seth Clodfelter  
Charlotte Dehlinger  
Brycen Fehrenbacher  
Oliver Fehrenbacher  
Rebekah Fleming  
Claire Ginder  
Bailey Graves  
Belle Graves  
Sophia Grove

Kyndall Hadley  
Emma Hefferman  
Rue Hixon  
Avalyn Inskeep  
Elliana Inskeep  
Joselyn Kocher  
Kaitlin Kocher  
Kylie Kocher  
Grant McClain  
Ashtin McCormick  
Addison McLaughlin  
Remington Meadows  
Brady Ochs  
Mitchell Ochs  
Karlee Piercefield  
Shailey Roush

Daniel Scherer  
Scarlett Scherer  
Grayson Sterchi  
Ella Tait  
Elise Urfer  
Nora Urfer  
Dylan VanBlaricum  
Evelyn Volk  
Gabriel Volk  
Isabella Volk  
Aubree Walden  
Clara Weidner  
Gavin Williams  
Isaac Zwilling  
Natalie Zwilling  
Nathaniel Zwilling

## State Fair Alternates

Aleine Berger  
Norah Brown  
Della Buttrum  
Kyleigh Cazel  
Charlotte Dehlinger  
Ryan Dehlinger  
Hazel Fehrenbacher

Ellison Ginder  
Belle Graves  
Blair Grove  
Kyndall Hadley  
Mallory Kocher  
Zoie McCormick  
Olivia McLaughlin

August Michels  
Shailey Roush  
Elise Urfer  
Gabriel Volk  
Aubree Walden  
Gracie Wright



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Ready**

# 4-H WEEK

## OCTOBER 7-12

### MONDAY



Film night at the Extension Office from 6:00-8:00PM for all 4-H members including Cloverbuds. Guests are welcome. Pizza, popcorn and drinks will be provided. Please register, space is limited.



### TUESDAY



Fall craft night for members and Cloverbuds ages 5-10 at the Extension Office from 6:00-8:00PM. Snacks and drinks will be provided. This is limited to the first 20 who register.



### WEDNESDAY



4-H Green Shirt Day. Wear your club shirt or other green clothing to school or work. Be ready to tell everyone who asks what 4-H is.

### THURSDAY



Pumpkin Carving/Painting at the Extension Office from 6:00-8:00PM for all 4-H members including Cloverbuds. Please register, it is limited to the first 20 registered.



### FRIDAY



Dodgeball Tournament at the Elm Street Christian Church for 4-H members age 8 and older from 6:00-8:00PM. Drinks will be provided.  
**Must bring at least 2 canned goods to participate.**



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