

Saline County 4-H Connection



Monthly News for Saline County 4-H Members

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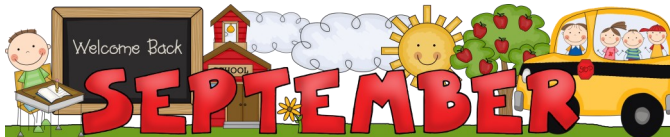


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The New
4-H Year is
Here!!!!

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any of these programs, please contact University of Illinois Extension at 618-252-8391. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet your needs.





The New 4-H Year begins September 1st!



Leaders/Parents - 4-H Records and/or Experience Award Application packets are due September 6, 2024.

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 6th.

Families will be receiving an email from Lois giving instructions to enroll in ZSuite for the new 2024-25 4-H year. Please do not try to enroll until you receive this email.

Volunteers will be receiving an email soon with information about the new Volunteer Gateway Management System.

Saline County Livestock Exhibitors

Laney Adams - Meat Goat - Champion Senior Full Blood Doe, Champion Senior Commercial Doe, Reserve Champion Intermediate Showmanship

Emma Carlile - Dairy Cattle - 3rd Place in Jr Show, 5th Place in Open Show

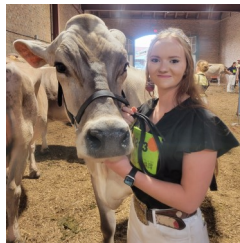
Denver Lenkaitis - Dairy Cattle - Reserve Champion Jr. AOB, Champion Intermediate Showman

Jocelyn Oxford - Swine - 3rd in Showmanship, 4th Land of Lincoln and 5th in Class with Spot Gilt

Avery Rash - Swine - York Class Winner, 2nd place Illinois Bred York

Hallee Whitlock - Meat Goat - Reserve Champion % Jr. Doe, Champion Jr. Showmanship & Reserve Champion Commercial Buck - ILWS, 2nd Place Wether - Open Show

Jayne Whitlock - Meat Goat - 5th Place Does ILWS and Junior Shows



Congratulations to Mary Wilson - 2024 Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame





Illinois State Fair Results

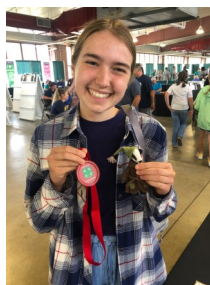
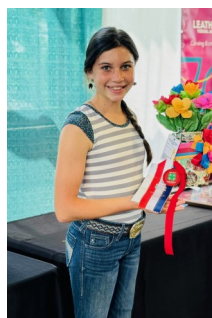
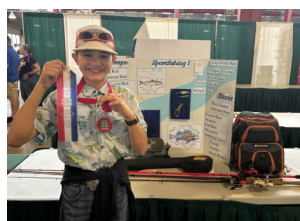


Congratulations to our Illinois State Fair General Show Exhibitors!

General Show Entries



- Garrett Arnold - Woodworking 2 - Inspire Award
- Wyatt Arnold - Electricity 2 - Inspire Award
- Marissa Cullers - Vegetable Display - Participation Award
- Ellie DeNeal - Rock Hounds 1 - Champion Medallion
- Abigail Draper - Photography 1 - Participation Award
- Abbey Elders - Scrapbooking, Beginning - Participation Award
- Brilynn Evans - Visual Arts, Plastic - Participation Award
- Davis Evans - Crops, Soybeans - Participation Award
- Andrew Grizzell - Floriculture A - Inspire Award
- Karson Little - Sportsfishing 1 - Reserve Champion Medallion
- Addison Percy - Visual Arts 3D/Mixed Media - Participation Award
- Brady Percy - Visual Arts Metal - Participation Award
- Darby Percy - Visual Arts Clay - Participation Award
- Lillian Siler - Floriculture A - Participation Award
- Avery Stevens - Visual Arts Paper 3D - Reserve Champion Medallion
- Caleb Wenzel - Sportsfishing 2 - Reserve Champion Medallion
- Hannah Wenzel - Visual Arts Heritage Arts - Reserve Champion Medallion
- Hallee Whitlock - Photography 1 - Participation Award
- Jayne Whitlock - Visual Arts Nature- Inspire Award



Federation News & Meeting Notice

The Saline County 4-H Federation met on August 5th at the Harrisburg Dairy Queen. Those present enjoyed ice cream treats and had a great meeting.

Officer Petitions for the 2024-2025 4-H year were distributed. We chose the theme for National 4-H Week and discussed 4-H promotional ideas.

The next meeting of the Saline County 4-H Federation is scheduled for Monday, September 9th at 6:00 pm at the Extension office.

We will be electing Federation officers for the 2024-2025 4-H Year. Those seeking an office MUST bring their completed petition to the meeting.

Officer 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 Community Service opportunities, Achievement Night and the Fall Party.



Management Meeting

The 4-H Management Committee will meet on Monday, September 9th at 7:00 pm at the Extension office.

We will be reviewing the 2024 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 8th.

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.

This year Heaven's Kitchen has requested that we keep our number of volunteers to 12 who actually serve the meals. These volunteers must be 8th grade and above or adults.

However, if younger members want to come and provide entertainment in the form of singing, playing an instrument, doing a dance, etc. that would be great!

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



Please contact Nancy at 252-8391 or at nlambert@illinois.edu by October 1st if you can volunteer.



We will have a short Federation Meeting at 4:30 prior to this event.



National 4-H Week

October 6-12, 2024

“Ready, Set, Grow with 4-H!”



How has 4-H helped you to get ready for your future?

This 4-H year, enroll in a project that will help you grow in knowledge, skill, and confidence, learning while doing and having fun!

And this 4-H year, encourage a friend to enroll.

Do you know of a business in the county that would let us put “It’s National 4-H Week!” with our theme and contact information on their sign for the Week of October 6-12?

We would like to have our name on several businesses in each of our towns.

Please contact the business and make the arrangements and then call the office with the business name(s) by September 15th.

4-H Federation and Management Committee members, please bring ideas to our Sept. 9 meetings.

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

4-H Leaders - Please assist in getting your kids to attend these proclamation signings!

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

Eldorado Mayor Proclamation - Tuesday, September 10. 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 - Wednesday, September 18. 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 - If anyone has a way to reach the Carrier Mills Mayor and get this scheduled, I would appreciate it.

PSA’s at WEBQ - Tuesday, October 1. 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 - **“Ready, Set, Grow with 4-H!”**, please include the dates of National 4-H Week - October 6-12, 2024 - 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 6th**, and call Nancy with the location so it can be judged!

We are asking that you leave the displays in place until October 12th, 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 6th**. Call Nancy with the poster location. Please place your poster somewhere that is visible from outside.

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)
5. 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!

Saline County 4-H Achievement Night

Save the Date!

Plans are underway for our **2024 Saline County 4-H Achievement Night** event, scheduled for **Monday, October 21st**, 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 9th Federation and Management Committee meetings.

More details will be available in the October newsletter.





Celebrate Food & Ag Day

Saturday, October 12, 2024

College of ACES Tailgate Celebration prior to the Illinois vs. Purdue Football game

Time: 2.5 hours prior to kickoff. (Game time will most likely be set the week of the game.)

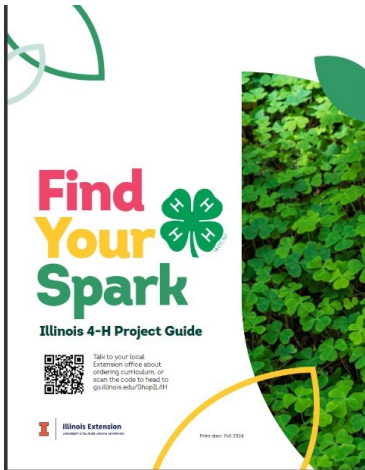
Location: Memorial Stadium's Lot 31 (200 E Kirby Ave, Champaign, IL 61820)

Price: \$30 per person (ages 12 and under are free)

There will be fun for the whole family, including food, games, photo opportunities, and appearances from some very special guests. Enjoy a tailgate buffet and drinks.

Visit the Food & Agriculture exhibits and the Petting Zoo in Grange Grove.

Visit: [Join us for Celebrate Food & Ag Day 2024 \(illinois.edu\)](https://illinois.edu) to learn more about it.



2024-25 Project Selection Guide

This guide gives a description of all the 4-H projects, along with other information new or existing 4-H members, Cloverbuds, or Alumni might need to know.

We should be receiving printed copies of the 2024-25 Illinois 4-H Project Selection Guide sometime in September.

You may also go to the following link to view a digital copy.

<https://go.illinois.edu/ProjectSelectionGuide>

Visit the Illinois 4-H Website by clicking this link:

[| Illinois 4-H | UIUC](https://illinois4h.org)

Get Club, Member, Fiscal, and Volunteer Resources and More!



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 2024

- 1 - New 4-H Year Begins!
- 2 - Extension Office closed for Labor Day
- 5 - **Harrisburg** National 4-H Week Mayor Proclamation Signing, 5:30 pm, Harrisburg City Hall
- 6 - 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.
- 9 - 4-H Federation Meeting, 6 pm, Extension Office. We will be electing officers for 2024-2025.
- 9 - Management Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Extension Office.
- 10 - **Eldorado** National 4-H Week Mayor Proclamation Signing, 4:30 pm, Eldorado City Hall.
- 18- **Galatia** National 4-H Week Mayor Proclamation Signing, 3:00 pm, Galatia Village Hall.



October 2024

- 1 - Record PSA's at WEBQ Radio Station, 3-4 pm
- 6-12 - **It's National 4-H Week!** Invite a friend to your 4-H club meeting.
Wear your 4-H shirt to school. **"Ready, Set, Grow with 4-H!"**
- 8 - 4-H Serves @ Heaven's Kitchen - 4:30 - 6 pm, Short Federation meeting.
- 21 - 4-H Achievement Night, Fairgrounds, 7 pm
- 31 - Happy Halloween!



November 2024

- 2 - 4-H Fall Party, 6 pm, Fairgrounds (Federation Meeting at 5 pm)



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