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# Boone County 4-H Times

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If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any program offered in this newsletter, please contact the Boone County Office at (815) 544-3710.

## Who can join 4-H?

Any person, regardless of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, ancestry, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation or disability, may enroll as a 4-H member.

- Youth who are 8 years of age and have not reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before September 1, 2019 may enroll in 4-H clubs and groups.
- Youth who are 5 through 7 years of age on or before September 1, 2019, may enroll in a 4-H Cloverbud groups.

Remember, it's not too late to invite your friends to join 4-H. We challenge each of you to share all the great benefits 4-H has to offer to your fellow peers.

Youth may enroll any time during the year. However, we do have a fair exhibit eligibility deadline for youth to be eligible TO EXHIBIT AT THE FAIR of enrolled by April 1st.

## 4-H Officer Training

Date: **Tuesday, December 10**

Place: Boone County Extension Office, 205 Cadillac Ct. Ste. 5, Belvidere

This training is open to 4-H'ers, parents, and leaders. Come for the evening and learn about all the officer positions, or come for just one session. Please RSVP by calling the office or emailing [mmirwin@illinois.edu](mailto:mmirwin@illinois.edu) by December 4.

6-6:30 – President & Vice President

7-7:30 – Treasurer

6:30-7 – Secretary

7:30-8 – Reporter & Historian

## Super Saturday

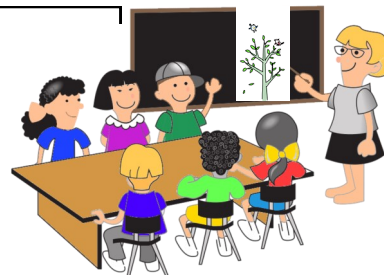
*Save the date!*

**February 8, 2020**

Salvation Army

9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

*Registration Info. in the Next Newsletter!*



**Teach a 4-H Super Saturday Workshop** — We are currently looking for 4-H'ers, leaders, parents or friends of 4-H to present workshops at this year's Super Saturday. Please submit your class title, description, class size limits, number of times you are willing to teach, and cost per person to Melissa ([mmirwin@illinois.edu](mailto:mmirwin@illinois.edu)) by December 10. If you would like to teach a class, but need an idea contact Melissa ASAP at 815-544-3710 or by email. *This is a great way to expand your leadership!*

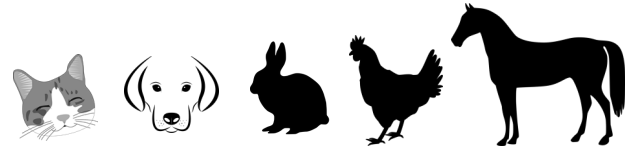
## YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA)



The following species: dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats. All 4-H exhibitors (market and breeding) of these animals will be required to certify in the YQCA program **yearly** starting for the 2020 show season. Youth must either attend a face-to-face class or certify on-line via the website <http://yqca.org> The YQCA program is for youth ages 8-21. The online version is broken into age divisions as follows: juniors 8-11, intermediate 12-14, senior 15-18, and young adults 19-21. This certification is annual with test out options of 1-3 years. The estimated cost for the face-to-face training will be \$3 and \$12 for the online version.

\*\*For 2020, Boone County will offer a few face-to-face trainings. Please watch for more information via email and/or the January-February 4-H Newsletter.

## QUALITY ASSURANCE & ETHICS (QAEC):



The Quality Assurance and Ethics training is required for all youth that enroll in **horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, and cats**. Members must take the training whether they own a live animal or not. It is advised that they complete this one time as soon as they are enrolled in the project area. Counties will monitor completion of this. Failure to complete QAEC will result in the member's animal science project enrollment being cancelled and they will be ineligible to exhibit at county fairs. The website is open year round @ <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

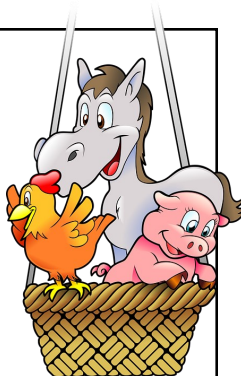
*NOTE: Youth must be logged on to a computer for this program, either a desktop or laptop; not an iPad or iPhone. The program cannot capture the information for county staff to see when it is completed using iPads or iPhones.*



# Project & Possession Dates

4-H members must be enrolled by project deadline and abide by the livestock possession dates as follows in order to be eligible to exhibit.

<b>Project Enrollment Deadline</b>	
<b><u>January 1</u></b>	
Beef	
Dairy Steers	
<b><u>April 1</u></b>	
Dairy	Rabbits
Goats	Sheep
Horse	Swine
Poultry	
Dogs	
Cats	
All General (non-animal) Projects	

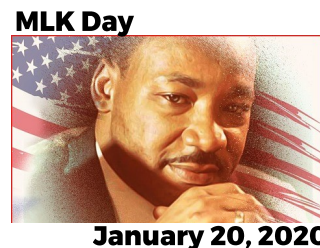


### Possession of Animals

Beef Cows.....	January 1
Beef Steers .....	February 1
Beef Calves & Heifers .....	May 1
Dairy Cows.....	January 1
Dairy Steers .....	February 1
Dairy Heifers.....	May 1
Dairy Calves .....	June 1
Dairy Steer Calves .....	June 1
Goat Milking Does.....	January 1
Goat Kids & Yearlings .....	May 1
Sheep Lambs & Yearlings .....	May 1
Swine Barrows.....	May 1
Poultry.....	May 1
Rabbits .....	May 1
Dogs — Must be owned or leased by	May 1
Horses – Must be owned or leased by	May 1

**Reminder:** There will be no replacement of any animal that dies after the possession date. However, it is permissible to have more than one animal.

# Upcoming Office Closures

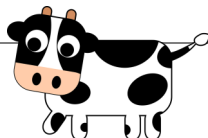


## 4-H Leaders Meeting

Thursday, January 30

Time: 6:30 p.m. Place: Extension Office Meeting Room, Suite #5  
This meeting is open to all leaders, both project and organizational leaders.

## Dairy Bowl



Dairy Bowl Practices will begin on **Sunday, January 5** and will be held every Sunday afternoon from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. through February. The contest will be held during the Illinois Holstein Junior Spring Thing—date and location to be announced.

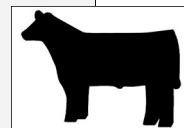
## Beef Committee Meeting

Date: **Thursday, February 6, 2020**

Time: **7:00 p.m.**

Place: Extension Office

*Reminder — No Meetings in Nov., Dec. or Jan.*



## Belvidere's Hometown Christmas Event

This is an exciting time of the year, and thanks to many of you that are participating in Hometown Christmas tree decorating others in our community will be touched with the holiday spirit.

**Wednesday, December 4 from 1:30 p.m. until 7:30**

Tree decorating at the Community Building

**Friday, December 6 from 5:00-9:00 p.m.**

**\*\*Parade – 5:30 p.m.\*\***

Activities throughout downtown from the Community Building to the Apollo.

**Sunday, December 8, starting at 9:00 a.m.**

4-H Federation will be delivering the trees to the families. Please contact the office by Dec. 1 if you would like to help deliver the trees. All 4-H clubs and families are invited to help with the delivery. It is a terrific experience.





Date: **Monday, November 25**

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Boone County Extension, Suite 5

No December Meeting

Next Meeting — January 27th

**“Inspired to Lead—Called to Serve”** was the theme that was used October 6-12 to promote 4-H this year during National 4-H week. Clubs promoting during National 4-H Week were:

Beaver Valley Clippers	Midlands State Bank- Main
County Clovers	Boone County Journal
Federation	O'Brien & Dobbins
Flora Producers	Malcolm Pediatric Dentistry
Grasshoppers-Sweet Clover	Seth Whitman Elementary
Kishwaukee Grow & Show	Alpine Bank-Kirkland
LeRoy Commandoes	Belvidere Central Middle School
The Wranglers	B Unique Vintage Store
Udder	Ida Public Library
Youth Movement	Belvidere Central Middle School

Also, I hope everyone saw the great stories and pictures the Belvidere Daily Republican printed for National 4-H Week. Thank you to everyone who submitted their stories for publication in the paper.

In addition, you may have noticed 4-H yard signs around the county. ***If you have a sign in your yard, please clean it and return it to your 4-H leader or the Extension Office.***

Thank you to everyone who helped promote 4-H during National 4-H Week!

## Way to Go! 4-H Recognition Program

Congratulations to all of our Boone County 4-H'ers who received awards at the Recognition Program on October 27. The award applications that were turned in were terrific, you all did a fabulous job! The list of awards winners can be found on the Boone County 4-H website <https://extension.illinois.edu/bdo/4-h-boone-county> under the “County Awards” tab.

Special thanks to Zach Morrow for serving as the official photographer. Thanks also to the Beaver Valley Clippers for setting up, Udder for serving refreshments, and County Clovers for cleaning up. This event could not happen without all of you! Thank you also to the Winnebago-Boone Farm Bureau for donating the t-shirts to promote and reward all 4-H'ers who completed Award Applications.



### Award Recipients - Express Your Gratitude

Many 4-H'ers received awards at the 4-H Recognition Program. Don't forget to send a thank you to the sponsor of your award. You were provided with the name and address. ***It is important to thank those who support the 4-H program.*** It is never too late to thank those who support 4-H, whether it is a Recognition Program sponsor, Auction buyer or plaque sponsor.

# CLUB NEWS

## County Clovers — Faith Beasley, Reporter

The meeting was called to order and we jumped right in. We started with Pledge of Allegiance and the 4H Pledge. Then we had the treasurers report. Leaders gave a demo on how to properly give a presentation on our project and then we split into groups and practiced and then performed in front of the club with our group. We then voted and it passed to pay for half of each members yearly member fee. We also voted and it passed to pay for the Rabbit Award and Trophy for Recognition Night this year. Holly passed out all the paperwork needed to reenroll. We signed up to do Fall Diddly food shift on Sunday the 13th from 7-11am. At the awards ceremony they're collecting yarn for Sergeant P Lapghans so anyone wanting to participate needs to bring their yarn to our next club meeting. We formed a National 4H Week Committee Emma is our chair and Cole is our co chair. Fall Food shower is November 9th and you can turn your food in at the next meeting as well. We then signed up for treats for the year and then we went onto elections for the new year. They are as follows:

- President-Case C.
  - VP- Emma C.
  - Secretary- Madelynn K.
  - Treasurer- Nathan K.
  - Historian- Cole C.
  - Reporter- Faith B.
  - Recreation- Mario B. & Abigail K.
  - Federation Delegates- Emma C. & Roshun B.
- The Meeting was then adjourned.

# 4-H Conference Opportunities

## Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference

February 22 & 23 | Effingham, IL

Take the next step in your leadership journey. You'll laugh. You'll make new friends. You'll even learn cool ideas to take back to your own 4-H Club at this year's Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference. The conference is open to 4-H members in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration will open in November at [go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc). This year's conference will be held at the Holiday Inn in Effingham!



## Save the date for 2020 Illini Summer Academies

The college exploration event of the year is set for 2020. Illinois 4-H Illini Summer Academies will be held June 21 – 27 on the University of Illinois campus. Registration opens March 16 and runs through April 17 for participants. Youth requesting financial assistance should apply January 31 thru March 1. Look for new information soon.

## Public Presentations Contest

Date: **Saturday, February 1**

Time: 9:00 a.m.

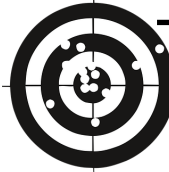
Place: Extension Office, Suite 5

Are you enrolled in Public Presentations? Or, would you like to educate others through a presentation? If you answered YES, then come join us at the Public Presentations Contest. The county will host our contest earlier this year to avoid conflicts with other events. Should you be selected at the county level the State Contest will be held at a later date and time to be announced.

More information regarding the categories will be emailed to those enrolled in the project. However, start working on those speeches now as February 1 is right around the corner.

**Register for the contest by calling the Extension Office (815) 544-3710 by January 24th.**

*Please sure to read "Understanding Copyrights and Trademark Laws on page 6 of this newsletter.*



## Shooting Sports

The Winter Session of **Air Rifle** will begin November 16th. At this time, we are offering a **few spots** up by a lottery drawing. If you are interested in participating, please call the office by **NOVEMBER 13**.

Those drawn will be notified prior to Nov. 16th.

The winter session will meet at the Flora Township Building from 6-8 p.m. on the following dates: Nov 16 & 23, Dec 7 & 14, Jan 11, 18, & 25, Feb 1, 8, & 15. There will be a \$20 fee due at the first class to cover expenses of consumable materials and equipment repair.

Stay tuned for more Shooting Sports offerings in the Spring. Call the office if you would like to be put on our list of potential shooting sports members.



## Horse Committee Meeting

Date: Monday, January 27

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: **Pizza Hut** – Belvidere

*No November or December meetings will be held.*

Everyone is welcome to attend. Email ideas or any questions you might have to Kris Hall at [KLharle@yahoo.com](mailto:KLharle@yahoo.com)

## Horse Bowl Practices

Horse Bowl and Hippology practice will continue begin November 8th! This is an opportunity to learn more about horses and compete against other teams. This is open to both 4-H'er with horses and those who have a horseless horse project. Please contact Toni Ellingson (815) 621-9531 or Danielle Mirabal (815) 258-1238 for more information. Practices will be Friday evenings at **6:30 p.m.** at Extension Office Meeting room. (No practices on Nov. 29, Dec. 6, Dec. 20 or Dec. 27) Please contact Toni or Danielle for the practice schedule.

# Scholarships, Adventures, Explore



## Four Years. Free Tuition

**I** Beginning with first-time freshmen and new transfer students, all tuition and campus fees will be fully covered for four years if an in-state student's family income is \$61,000 (the median for the state) or less at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign campus. Check out all the details online @ [go.illinois.edu/college4me](http://go.illinois.edu/college4me).

## Scholarships Honors Will County 4-H Club Leader

Two scholarships honor the late Joyce Betz. Joyce was a 4-H club leader in Will County and her children are current 4-H club members.

- **A \$500 TEACH OUTDOORS Scholarship** will be awarded to a student who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school during the 2020-2021 school year. Applicants must be a current high school or home school student. Applications are due January 1 and can be downloaded @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>.
- **The \$1,000 Joyce Betz Memorial Scholarship** will be awarded to a 4-H member who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school during the 2020-2021 school year. Applicants must be a current high school or home school student. Applications are due January 1 and can be downloaded @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>.

## Create a Winning Video

The World of 7 Billion video contest challenges you to think critically about some of the planets most pressing issues and to come up with solutions. Share what you've learned in a 60-second video. The contest is currently open for the 2019-2020 school year! The contest is open to all middle and high school students worldwide, and the deadline for submissions is February 27, 2020. Up to \$1,000 in cash prizes will be awarded to 80 student winners.



## *Understanding copyright and trademark laws*


When an author, musician, designer, or artist creates something, it is immediately protected by copyright or trademark laws and other people can't use it or create something similar. Original works such as stories, music, pictures, plays, dances, sculpture, movies, and architecture are protected. 4-H members should use caution when working on a speech, display, or exhibit so you don't use something that doesn't belong to you.

4-H members can't draw or copy someone else's design, logo, words, or music without the permission of the original owner. That means, you can't draw a logo (such as Ford or John Deere) and use it on your exhibit. You can't create Mickey Mouse ears on your cake. You can't draw a Disney princess. You can't put SpongeBob image on your natural resource project exhibit board.

Think of it like this. You wouldn't take your neighbor's bike and ride it around to make your life easier without getting permission first. That would be stealing. When you take words, art, graphics, or photographs that aren't yours but use them like they are, that's stealing, too. Copying them from the internet is the same as stealing them unless you are using a site specifically created for free use of images.


For more information on what's allowed, contact Melissa ([mmirwin@illinois.edu](mailto:mmirwin@illinois.edu)) or call the office 815-544-3710 and we will make contact with the State 4-H Office.

# November 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 Horse Bowl	9 Fall Food Shower 9-11 & Military Mail
10	11	12	13	14	15 Horse Bowl	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 Horse Bowl	23
24	25 Federation Meeting @ 6:30	26	27	28 	29-30 Office Closed	

# December 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Hometown Christmas Tree Decorating	5	6	7
8 Hometown Christmas Tree Delivery	9	10 4-H Officer Training	11	12	13 Horse Bowl	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 	25	26	27	28
29-31 Winter Break - Office Closed						
29	30	31	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR	Best Wishes for a Holiday filled with Joy! From the Boone County Extension Staff		



Read the newsletter for complete details on events and locations!