



Shelby County



October News



String Art Workshop Fun!



New Cloverbud member Crosby learning about rabbits at the Cloverbud "Welcome to 4-H" Workshop.



New Cloverbud member Noah tried "milking a cow" at the Cloverbud "Welcome to 4-H" Workshop.

Calendar of events

October

- 1-31 ... STEM Challenge Month
- 4-10.... National 4-H Week
- 7-18.... Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign
- 19.... Shelby County 4-H Federation meeting 6:30, 4-H Center

November

- 7.... Achievement Night Recognition
- 20.... Bank Steer Program sign-up deadline
- 26-27.... Thanksgiving holiday, Extension office closed

December

- 5.... Winter Craft Day

Back in the office update

At this time, the county director's plan is to open the office on November 2. If you need to drop off/pick up items, please let Yolanda know and she can plan to meet with you outside of the office. We are sorry for the any inconvenience this is causing 4-H families. This is subject to change at any time.

Tractor Supply Company Animal Feed Discount

Shelby County 4-H is excited to announce that Tractor Supply Company in Shelbyville will continue to give 10% animal feed discounts to all Shelby County 4-H members. 2019-2020 members can continue to use the card that was issued to their family last year. If you need a new card, let Yolanda know. As new members enroll, cards will be printed and mailed to members.

Workshop ideas

Shelby County 4-H would like to start planning workshops for 4-H members. We held a String Art workshop in September and plan to hold another string art class in the future. Some ideas are canvas painting, handmade cards and a jewelry workshop. Please send ideas to Yolanda. We want to help members learn more about 4-H projects!

4H Online Enrollment Update

The company that oversees the 4H Online Enrollment program created an updated version called 4H Online 2.0 which families will use for their 2020-2021 enrollment. The data was copied over on September 7 and 8 with the hope families would be able to enroll by the middle of September. As of today, they have experienced several issues and the system is not available at this time for families to enroll. Once the system is open for enrollment, an email will be sent to families as well as being posted on the Shelby County IL 4-H Facebook page.

We will be offering an early enrollment incentive award to club members that complete their enrollment online. More details will be announced in upcoming newsletters.

Shelby County 4-H Federation

Monday, October 19, 6:30 p.m.

It's not too late to join Shelby County 4-H Federation. Federation is open to youth in 8th grade and up. Junior federation members are those youth who are in 6th and 7th grades. Federation will have its next meeting on Monday, October 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Shelby County 4-H Center.

Federation is the youth leadership team in the county. They plan county activities and are very involved with community service projects.

If your interested in attending, let Yolanda know and she will have paperwork ready for you at the October meeting.

2019 Premium checks

Shelby County 4-H will be printing the 2019 premium checks in the next few weeks. Checks will be mailed to families so be on the lookout for your check. Please cash your check ASAP. Each year we void 10-15 checks that 4-H members never cash. You earned the premium money, so cash your check.

State 4-H General Projects Show Results

Congratulations to the following 4-H members whose projects competed in the Illinois State 4-H Judging Contest. Note: All participants received an Award of Excellence. Champions are awarded for the best project in that project area and level during their week of judging. Reserve Champions are the runners up for the best project in that project area and level during their week of judging. Inspire awards are given at the judges' discretion for projects they wish to highlight or acknowledge as inspirational during their week of judging. Shelby County was in week 2 of State Fair Virtual Judging.

- Animal Science - Delaney Nation (*Inspire award*)
- Clothing - Adalyn Blodgett (*Champion*)
- Communications - Resmiranda Small (*Inspire award*)
- Computer Science - Summer Carruthers (*Champion*), Aidan Jackson (*Champion*), Taryn Hrabak
- Crops-soybeans - Hunter Mott
- Electricity - Logan Garcia, Ben Beyers (*Champion*)
- Filmmaking - Joseph Rund (*Reserve Champion*)
- Floriculture - Joli Morrison (*Inspire award*)
- Foods - Alexis Agney (Cooking 101), Shae Conder (Cooking 101), Emma Hickman (Cooking 101), Shae Jackson (Sports Nutrition) (*Inspire Award*)
- Forestry - Ty Burgener (*Champion*)
- Geology - Tyler Vonderheide
- Intercultural - Henry Vonderheide
- Interior Design - Saebra Curl (*Champion*)
- Natural Resources - Blair Elliott (*Reserve Champion*)
- Sportfishing - Carder Burris
- Photography - John Berns (photo editing), Audrey Durbin (photography 1)
- Visual Arts: Chalk, Carbon, Pigment - Mollie Slifer (*Inspire Award*), Zoey Conder
- VA Clay - Amelia Bonny (*Inspire Award*)
- VA Fiber - Claire Schafer
- VA Food decorating - Bryleigh Elliott
- VA Metal - Toby Barringer
- VA Paper - Lilah Bonny
- Welding - Aaron Kirby (*Champion*), Gage Richards (*Reserve Champion*)
- Woodworking - Rowan Jackson (*Reserve Champion*), Heath Westendorf (*Reserve Champion*)
- Public Speaking - Zach Shelton, Summer Carruthers, Tyler Vonderheide
- Dog Obedience - Matthew Horsman

4-H Archery SPIN Club

Tuesday, October 6, 6 p.m.

Shelby Shooters Archery SPIN Club will start shooting on Tuesday, October 6 at 6 p.m. at Rack Attack Archery in Pana. Classes will run every Tuesday thru November 10. There is a \$10 program fee to join Shelby County 4-H. There is a \$10 Shelby County Junior Rifle Club membership fee and a \$20 fee for archery. Youth must be 8 years of age by 9/1/20 and must be a member of Shelby County 4-H to participate. Interested youth must pre-register with Kelly Barringer by Friday, October 2. Please contact Kelly at 217-369-6860 or email at mkw112805@gmail.com.

4-H Shotgun SPIN Club

Monday, October 5, 6 p.m.

Shelby Shooters Shotgun SPIN Club will start shooting on Monday, October 5 at 5 p.m. at the Windsor Gun Club. Classes will run every Monday thru November 9, weather permitting. There is a \$10 program fee to join Shelby County 4-H. There is a \$10 Shelby County Junior Rifle Club membership fee and a \$48 range fee. Members provide their own shells. Scholarships are available. Youth must be 12 years of age by 9/1/20 and must be a member of Shelby County 4-H to participate. Interested youth must pre-register with Kelly Barringer by Friday, October 2. Please contact Kelly at 217-369-6860 or email at mkw112805@gmail.com.

Maggie Kelly selected for Illinois State 4-H Livestock Ambassador Team

Shelby County 4-H member Maggie Kelly has been selected to serve a two-year term on the Illinois State 4-H Livestock Ambassador Team. Maggie is a ten-year member of the Strasburg Tailtwisters 4-H Club. Her parents are Duane and Angela Kelly. Maggie has grown up raising Angus cattle on her family farm. Maggie was interested in joining the team because of her passion for the livestock industry and to further her leadership skills. Maggie is one of seven new members to join the 22-member Livestock Ambassador Team. The ambassador team is compiled of youth throughout the state, who are ages 16-21. The duties of the team include planning, teaching and assisting with statewide events such as the Legislative Connection, IFB Youth Education Committee, State Fair Advisory Board, State Judging contests, Farm Focus, State Fair Auction. etc. The ambassadors also plan to host educational livestock leadership events, as well as State Fair and other fun activities.



Air Rifle SPIN Club

Shelby County Shooting Sports will be offering air rifle classes in November. BB classes will be offered through the Shelby County Junior Rifle Club. If you have questions, please contact Kelly Barringer at 217-369-6860. More information will be sent out in upcoming newsletters, emailed to families and shared on the 4-H Facebook page.

Community Service for 4-H members

Shelby County 4-H Federation is sponsoring the Community Service medal for Shelby County 4-H members this 4-H year. 4-H members who complete either 2 hands on service activities and donated 1 item or complete 3 community service activities will be eligible to receive the community service medal. 4-H members will need to complete the Community Service form and turn into their club leader by the designated due date which will be in September 2021. Put your “hands to larger service” and earn a medal. Club leaders will have the forms to pass out at upcoming meetings.

Stay up to date with Shelby County 4-H

Keep up to date on upcoming Shelby County 4-H events by checking your email and following the Shelby County IL 4-H Facebook page. If you have another email you would like information to be sent to, let Yolanda know.

Bank Steer Program

Deadline Friday, November 20

Are you interested in raising, showing and selling a steer as a 4-H project? The Shelby County State Bank is offering interest-free loans to Shelby County 4-H members to assist them in purchasing a steer to exhibit at the fair.



In order to be eligible to participate in this program, the 4-H member must have been enrolled in 4-H at least one previous year. Members must complete enrollment via 4H Online or a completed enrollment form submitted to the Extension office. *The Assumption of Risk from Liability* form and the \$10 program fee must also be submitted to the Extension office by November 20.

Note - new families will have an on-farm visit from the Bank Steer Committee prior to steer weigh-in, all participants will have an on-farm visit in the Spring by the Bank Steer Committee. Shelby County State Bank reserves the right to deny any individual participation in the Bank Steer Program.

The deadline to sign up for a bank steer is November 20. Pick-up for steers will be in February at steer weigh-in.

Recruiting a new 4-H member

Recruiting new members is always a goal for the 4-H Program. We want to recognize members promoting and recruiting for Shelby County 4-H. Prizes will be given to those members who recruit a new 4-H member to the Shelby County 4-H program.

Leaders have recruitment forms or let Yolanda know and she can send the form via email. After the new recruit has completed their enrollment and paid their program fee, prizes will be awarded.

Spread the word about 4-H, recruit a new member and receive a prize!

Shelby Extension Foundation

What the Shelby Extension Foundation does currently. . .

- Owns and maintains the building where the University of Illinois Shelby County Office and the Secretary of State is currently housed.
- Provides scholarships for 4-H'ers to attend 4-H Camp.
- Provides and administers 4-H College Scholarships.

Future goals . . .

- Assist 4-H members with annual program fees and/or provide scholarships to those in need of full payment.
- Provide grants to Shelby County 4-H Club for special projects.
- Provide grants to Shelby County 4-H Federation for special projects/activities.
- Provide scholarships to 4-H'ers wanting to attend state/national events and conferences.
- Sponsor 4-H trophies/awards.

Membership levels

Individual . . . \$15, Couple/family . . . \$25

Lifetime individual/couple . . . \$300

Business/Organization . . . \$50

Additional donation options

General donation \$ _____

Building fund \$ _____

4-H College Scholarship \$ _____

Shelby Extension Foundation is a 501 c(3). Private foundation and all donations are tax deductible. For more information, contact Terri Horsman, Foundation President, at 217-246-7937. Contact Yolanda via email at nation2@illinois.edu for an application.

A big THANK YOU to Shelby Extension Foundation for covering \$10 of the \$20 program fee for the 2020-2021 4-H year. Your support to the Shelby County 4-H program is greatly appreciated!

Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign

October 7 - 18

Dates for the Fall Paper Clover Campaign, held in conjunction with Tractor Supply Stores and National 4-H Council will run October 7-18. During that time, patrons may make contributions to their local 4-H programs at any Illinois TSC store. The campaign runs twice a year. Money raised locally stays in Shelby County.

Please support TSC and the 4-H program by participating in the Paper Clover Campaign.

Achievement Night

November 7

Shelby County 4-H is planning Achievement Night for November 7. Unfortunately due to COVID restrictions, Achievement Night will be different this year, but Yolanda is working on ways to recognize the hard work of Shelby County 4-H members.

More details will be coming in the October newsletter.

Winter Craft Day

December 5

Save the date! We are planning on having Winter Craft Day on December 5. We will have to limit the numbers of participants and are planning on having multiple sessions throughout the day. The cost will be \$5 for 4-H members and \$8 for non 4-H members.

More details will be coming in the October newsletter.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK—OCTOBER 4-10, 2020

Theme: Opportunity4ALL

National 4-H Week is our time to tell the world about 4-H. This year's theme, **Opportunity4ALL**. We are lifting up youth voices and helping kids get equal access to the resources they need to thrive. You are encouraged to find ways to celebrate October 4 – 10. Clubs are encouraged to show their 4-H pride and wear a clover! Use the hashtag #Opportunity4All or #National4HWeek as you share your 4-H activities on social media.

4-H Spirit Week

- **Sunday: Service Project Sunday** - Do something nice for a neighbor or a family member.
- **Monday: Member Monday** - Showcase that you are a member of 4-H
- **Tuesday: Tell Your Story Tuesday** - Share your 4-H Story
- **Wednesday: 4-H Spirit Day Wednesday** - Show your 4-H Spirit
- **Thursday: Throwback Thursday** - Share how you have grown in 4-H
- **Friday: Favorite Project Friday** - Share your favorite 4-H project
- **Saturday: Shout out Saturday** - Thank someone who supported you in 4-H

For those who would like to participate, you can send items to Yolanda to post on the Shelby County IL 4-H Facebook page. Tag #IL4H and #nationl4hweek if you participate.

Members who participate in activities will be able to list these activities on the Illinois Experience Award as a State/National event.

How can you participate?

- There are National 4-H Week bookmarks that can be printed and shared with your friends.
- Printable signs are available that you can decorate and hang in your windows.
- Facebook Photo Frame - The National 4-H Council will have a frame that you can put on your Facebook profile picture. To update your profile picture, click Update Profile Photo, click on Add Frame, search National 4-H Week 2020 and select the duration for the frame.
- There are Facebook and Instagram banners available.

If your interested in receiving the bookmark template, printable signs or banners, email Yolanda at nation2@illinois.edu.

Here are a few ideas for 4-H members and clubs to promote 4-H during National 4-H Week.

- Have a day to wear a 4-H shirt to work or school. – 4-H Spirt Day will be held on Wednesday!
- Join the National 4-H Week Spirit week on Illinois 4-H Facebook page.
- Use the Facebook Photo Frame to show you are a proud member of 4-H.
- Thank your club leader for all they do.

Scholarship Opportunities

The **Illinois 4-H Scholarship** is a merit-based scholarship to award outstanding work in project areas. Five \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded in each of the following categories: Animal Science, Civic Engagement/Global Living, Creative Performing Arts & Communication, Food Systems, Healthy Living/Nutrition, Leadership, Natural Resources & Environmental Science, Personal Growth and STEM/Robotics. The deadline to apply is November 1. Apply online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships.



JOIN COLLEGIATE 4-H AT U OF I

A great way to meet people at U of I is by joining C4-H, the registered student organization for 4-H alums attending University of Illinois. For more information, contact Brittney Muschetto at uiuccollegiate4h@gmail.com.



COLLEGIATE 4-H

Community Service Opportunity

Here's a great volunteer service project opportunity that can truly help preserve the natural resources at a State Park near you! The Morton Arboretum is working in partnership with Play, Clean, Go to construct boot brush stations in state parks around Illinois. Boot Brush Stations are placed at trailheads and allow hikers to remove plant materials from their boots before traveling throughout natural areas. The hope of these stations is that they will reduce the spread of invasive species, which are highly damaging to forest health everywhere.

We're looking for volunteers to help us construct these stations at pre-selected sites; you can view the list of parks that still need volunteers below. The construction is relatively simple, and will eventually contain an educational sign to inform the public about the dangers of invasive species (see the attached image for reference). If you or your troop are interested in volunteering, please contact Hayley Anderson at handerson@mortonarb.org.

Park List:

- Eagle Creek
- Eldon Hazlet
- Hidden Springs
- Kankakee River
- Kickapoo
- Lincoln Trail
- Morrison Rockwood
- Randolph County
- Rock Cut
- Silver Springs
- Volo Blog SNA
- Washington County
- Wayne Fitzgerald
- Wildcat Hollow
- Wolf Creek



Shelby County Cloverbuds 4-H Club

Shelby County 4-H would like to welcome Jessica Ahrens as the new Shelby County Cloverbuds 4-H Club leader! Jessica has a daughter that will be a second year Cloverbud member. Welcome Jessica!

The Shelby County Cloverbuds will hold their first meeting of the 4-H year on Saturday, October 17 at 9:30 a.m. at the Shelby County Senior Center.

If you are interested in joining the Shelby County Cloverbud Club, contact Yolanda via email at nation2@illinois.edu.

Cloverbud members are ages 5-7 years of age as of 9/1/20.

4-H VOLUNTEER CAFÉ CONVERSATIONS!

Register to participate in the *4-H Volunteer Café Conversations*. We are so excited to be launching this new Illinois 4-H opportunity creating a platform for 4-H Volunteers from across Illinois to meet virtually and discuss topics of interest, share both ideas and challenges. Volunteers will gain access to tools & techniques to support their volunteer efforts, strengthening 4-H club and member learning experiences. We will address two topics during each Café Conversation so come with your ideas, questions, and since this is a Café Conversation, feel free to bring a snack as well!

Session #2 - Thursday, November 19, 2020

Session #3 - Thursday, February 18, 2021

Session #4 - Thursday, May 20, 2021

SAVE THE DATE! Registration link will be provided soon.

4-H VOLUNTEER VIRTUAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Code of Conduct – Thursday, October 15, 2020

Effective & Engaging Meetings – Thursday, November 7, 2020

Parliamentary Procedure – Date Pending



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4-H SHOOTING SPORTS FALL UPDATE

After a survey of shooting sports discipline instructors; key volunteers; and state shooting sports venues - the decision has been made to move all in-person state shoots to a virtual tournament format for health and safety reasons. This will allow for smaller, local competitions to be conducted and supervised by certified Level I 4-H discipline instructors, who will then report the youth scores centrally through an on-line system. Only Level I certified instructors may enter scores from 4-H members. Also, we are happy to announce that our 2020 Illinois 4-H Shooting Sports team members who were scheduled to attend the National 4-H Shoot last June (cancelled due to COVID-19) will be invited to shoot at the same national event in 2021 if they are still age eligible. Our 2020 virtual shoot results and the data from 2019 State Shoots will then be used to fill any gaps in the 2021 Illinois team. The virtual shoot will run for the months of September – December, 2020. Registration will be free and have both a Junior (11-13 years) and Senior (14-18 years) division! Disciplines offered will be compound archery; recurve archery; shotgun (trap); and air rifle. The rules, registration link, and score submittal link are posted on the Illinois 4-H website at: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/illinois-4-h-virtual-shoot-fall-2020>

Virtual Shoot registration opens Sept. 1st Contact Kelly at 217-369-6860 for more information.

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If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate, please contact the Shelby County Extension Office.

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